

Mark your calendars, bridge fans! **MAY** is about to deal you a winning hand. Whether you're a seasoned strategist or a curious rookie, there's a bridge event waiting to shuffle some excitement into your month.

The Longest Day is just a month away, and we're thrilled to announce that we've already raised \$4,550 of this year's \$19,000 goal. If you're feeling inspired (just like we are!), please consider donating. We have until June 16 to meet our goal, and we're counting on you to help make it happen!

Nineteen bridge experts will be available to play with the highest bidders in our annual ProAm auction. This is a fantastic opportunity to team up with nationally recognized bridge professionals who have generously volunteered their time to support our cause. Visit the [auction page](#) to place a bid or get more information. See the ad on page xx. For further details, please visit our [website](#), or to donate, head to Alzheimer's Association's The Longest Day [fundraising page](#).

Our Longest Day bridge game will take place on Sunday, June 16, at 1:00 at the Soledad Club. Extra masterpoints will be awarded, and the Unit will match one dollar from each player's card fees to contribute to the cause.

In other news, mark your calendars for two upcoming Unit games: Sunday, May 19, and Sunday, June 2. On May 19, we'll present the 2023 Mini McKenney and Ace of Clubs Awards at the annual Membership meeting.

We've always dedicated a Unit game to honor the winners of these two annual races. Winners in both contests will be celebrated with a certificate (Ace of Clubs) or a medallion (Mini McKenney), accompanied by a celebratory cake during halftime and a big round of applause.

The Mini-McKenney contest recognizes members who earned the most masterpoints during a calendar year. The top 10 finishers in each category are posted [here](#). Points won in the "colorless" online bridge games don't count. You'll also find the Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs winners [here](#). This award is similar to the Mini-McKenney, but the totals are based solely on points earned at face-to-face clubs. Last year, ACBL introduced a new category, highlighting the [winners](#) of the Ace of Virtual Clubs (ACBL Virtual Clubs only). Our very own Larry Sherman, along with Marjorie and Charlie O'Malley, secured the second position in their category nationally. Larry achieved an impressive 906.73 Masterpoints, while Charlie O'Malley earned 655.53, and Marjorie received 632.52 Masterpoints.

Stay tuned for more information regarding the upcoming Summer Sectional on August 2-3, which we'll be hosting in partnership with the La Jolla Unit at the Soledad Club. Planning is in progress, and we aim to create a more positive experience than the Sectional we hosted in March.

Have a great month. **MAY** the best hand win!

San Diego Club News:

At Redwood Bridge Club, multiple games are held every day except Sunday, along with lessons for players at all levels. Check the [website](#) for upcoming classes, game descriptions, and daily results.

[San Diego Bridge Club](#) offers sanctioned games at 10:30 a.m. every Tuesday and Friday at the Masonic Center at 3366 Adams Avenue. For more information, call Sebastian at (619) 299-0026. Make sure to check the websites of all these clubs for updates to their game schedules.