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District 21 Newsletter October 2026



Hello, District 21!

Happy Halloween! This newsletter is going out a little later in the month than normal as we wanted to give our correspondents a chance to attend and, possibly discuss, the Sparks/Reno Regional. Remember that our next Regional is the Monterey Clambake Regional in January 4-10.



Below we have reports from:

- D21 President's Report--Jim Coke
- Tournament Report--Tournament Co-Chairs, Anne Wilson & Brenda Hatton
- Board Report--D21 Secretary, Raymond Yuenger
- D21 Elections Report--D21 Secretary, Raymond Yuenger
- North American Pairs (NAP) Report--NAP Coordinator, Jim Coke
- Grand National Teams (GNT) Report--GNT Coordinator, Grant Vance
- Royal Sectional Tournament at Clubs (STaC)--STaC Coordinator, Don Garka
- District Dispatches--one story from our membership
- As always, Heart of the District (Unit Reports), Rank Advancements, and links to D21 tournament flyers are at the bottom.



President's Report

Jim Coke, D21 President, has survival on his mind--namely, how the District and its clubs can survive. The answer involves teaching new players.

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Tournament Report

Anne Wilson and Brenda Hatton, Co-Chairs, Tournament Planning Committee, present the roster of regionals for 2027. Links to all relevant information are provided (schedule flyer, hotel reservations, partnership, and volunteering).

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Board Report

Raymond Yuenger, District 21 Secretary, presents the minutes of the September 22, 2026, regular meeting of the Board of Directors.

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D21 Elections Report

Raymond Yuenger, District 21 Secretary, reports on the Area Director elections in the East and Northwest Areas, and on how a vacancy in the West Area was filled after a Board member resigned.

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North American Pairs (NAP) Report

Jim Coke, D21 NAP Coordinator, clears up some confusion about the schedule for District NAP Finals. Dates and times are now available.

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Grand National Teams (GNT) Report

Grant Vance, D21 GNT Coordinator, reports on the schedule for the 2027 GNTs.

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Royal Sectional Tournament at Clubs (STaC)

Don Garka, STaC Coordinator, reminds everyone that we have a Royal STaC coming up in November 16-22. Links are included to register a club, find a registered club, and (new this issue) find STaC results.

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District Dispatches

One member, **Brad Carson**, shares his journey to Life Master. You may well find his story relatable to how you took up the game.

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