

# CARDS FOR A CAUSE

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The La Costa 35 Athletic Club (LC35AC) recently hosted its 6<sup>th</sup> Annual No-Limit Texas Hold 'Em Charity Poker Tournament at the Rancho Santa Fe Motor Club to benefit the Boys & Girls Clubs of Carlsbad (BGCC). The event featured large TVs broadcasting the blinds as well as football games, catering by Bushfire Kitchen, an auction, and professional poker player and TV personality Maria Ho in attendance. "There were 26 poker tables, nearly 250 players, and net proceeds of over \$55,000 for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Carlsbad – an all-time record!" said Tournament Director Rob Holzman. Ernie Oar was awarded the coveted winner's bracelet.

The LC35AC is a nonprofit organization formed in 1984 to promote friendly competition, good sportsmanship, and a social outlet for its members – Carlsbad residents age 35 and older. The first charity poker tournament was held in 2011 as a way for the LC35 Athletic Club to give back to community organizations such as BGCC. Learn more at [www.bgccarlsbad.org](http://www.bgccarlsbad.org) or [www.lc35ac.org](http://www.lc35ac.org). ■

