



CLUB NEWS

Message from the President

The regional is soon upon us folks. This is an opportunity to grab some gold points for those in pursuit of advancement towards Life Master ranking. Every day of the regional there are specific events for the folks under 100 points... This opportunity only comes to Saskatoon every 4 years... so, jump on it!

The regional also offers loads of hospitality...Meatball Monday, Tequila Tuesday, Wing it on Wednesday, I Scream for Thursday, Time to wine Friday, BBQ Saturday....

And not to forget there will also be a panel show moderated by Jerry Mamer to entertain you Saturday evening at 5:30. On stage will be some local folks, none of whom have Oscars to date but save an hour for that!

Enjoy the Tournament from September 11th to the 17th, for a complete schedule seen the flyer at the Club.

Andy Anderson

President

SEPTEMBER 9, 2017

2:00 – 4:00 P.M.



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Bring a friend, relative, or neighbour to the Bridge Club OPEN HOUSE and show them what they have been missing. Remember we offer an array of lessons and programs to help the beginner in learning the game.

DECLARER PLAY CLASSES

Lessons

There are still some spots open. The basics of the class are:

6 classes at a cost of \$60. Class starts on Monday September 18, at 7:00 p.m. We will have class on the Monday of the Thanksgiving weekend.

There will be homework assigned each week. If you do not have email or a printer please let Cathy Walsh know so that she can print off the information for you in advance of class.

This class will improve a person's declarer play.



INFORMATION for Novice Players

Starting September 18th, at 7:00 p.m. a 0-20 talking game is being offered. Mentors will sit at your table and give advise on bidding and play of the hand. This game is ideal for the person that has a limited amount of knowledge of Bridge or none.

Two sets of beginner classes are offered, the first one, starting September 19th at 9:00 a.m., is a 10-week course featuring "Bridge Basics 1 an Introduction". This course in meant for the person that has never played Bridge.

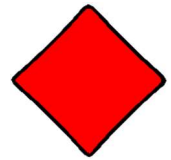
The other beginner class is starting October 1st at 9:00 a.m. This course is an 8-week course and is meant for the person that has some Bridge knowledge. This course also features "Bridge Basics 1 an Introduction" with some added features.

Every Saturday, starting September 23rd at 1:00 p.m., workshops will be offered on several topics. Watch for postings at the Club for more information.

The Club will continue to offer the Thursday night 0-20 coaching game at 7:00 p.m. along with a mentored 0-99 game.



MENTORSHIP PROGRAM REVIEW, RENEW, AND BUILD



It's that time of year when people are about to recommit themselves to bridge after all the summer distractions are behind. We have had considerable success with this program that is designed to help people with all aspects of their game through play, review, and discussion. Let's keep this going.

Please help us with our program by doing the following:

-If your current partnership is continuing, notify Pat Dickson(pjdickson@shaw.ca or 306-374-0318)

-If you need a MENTOR or are willing to be a MENTOR, pick up a form at the Club complete it and leave it in the designated file folder there. We will work on developing partnerships as soon as possible.

Most mentor/mentee pairs have been playing on Wednesday evening or Thursday afternoon, but there are other games that work as well.



LET'S PLAY AND LEARN!!



PLEASE NOTE

The September 11th Monday Morning Senior Game will go ahead as scheduled.

ACBL 2017 Executive Board Meeting

Toronto

- Decision has been made to eliminate the STOP card from use effective January 1st, 2018.
- New member retention rate remains around 60%
- 6,000 new members in the first half of this year
- 30% of renewing members chose 3 year option
- Average age of members = 72.1
- Club table count down about 3%

- Tournament table count down about 4%
 - On line table count was up about 6%
 - \$700,000 was raised for Alzheimer's Longest Day
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The last qualifying game was held at the Club August 30th. A complete list of qualifiers is posted on the bulletin board under TOURNAMENTS. Good luck to all those who qualified. The district final will be held at the Regional tournament in Saskatoon Saturday September 16th.



Recycling

The city of Saskatoon has advised us that Styrofoam coffee cups with the recycling code "6" are not accepted, as the City is not set up to accept Styrofoam cups in their recycling program. **Please refrain from putting those cups in the recycle bin.**

September Special Game Schedule

Friday Sept. 1st & 8th Afternoon – 2 Session Teams Club Championship
September 11th September 17th Saskatoon Regional Tournament
Monday Sept. 18th Morning – Pairs Club Championship
Tuesday Sept. 19th Afternoon – Pairs Club Championship
Tuesday Sept. 19th Evening – Pairs Club Championship
Wednesday Sept. 20th & 27th Afternoon – 2 Session CNTC Teams qualifier
Friday Sept. 22nd Afternoon – Canadian Open Pairs Championship qualifier

We have several 2 session events this month where players agree to play both sessions. If for some reason you are unable to play both sessions, **please notify the Director in charge of the game.** This makes the Director's life a lot easier.

WINNERS

August 22, Western Conference STaC's
Flight A: Dennis Nelson & Jay Anderson 66.20%
Flight B: Mary Belyea & Ann Shaw 51.39%

August 23. Western Conference STaC's
Flight A & B: Jay Anderson & Buzz Trevor 83.09%
Flight C: Lynn Goshawk & Sharon McDonald 56.94%

August 25. Western Conference STaC's
Flight A: Andy Anderson & Curley Anderson 61.09%
Flight B: Joy Treleaven & Pat Jackson 56.79%
Flight C & D: Gord Taylor & Dianne Taylor 62.98%
Flight E: John Dickey & Shirley Dickey 52.76%

Milestones

New Ruby Life Master – 1500 Master Points

Jackson Chan

Congratulations to the winners and milestone achievers