

FEBRUARY



Club News

Message form your President

Your Board of Directors appreciate your support and confidence in our management - we are approaching the New Year with optimism.

Some projects include:

1. An Ad Hoc Education Committee (not a standing committee) chaired by Jerry Mamer - to evaluate and advise on enhancing our existing teaching program- with a short and long term plan to retain students and increase membership.
2. A Committee Coordinator (Cathy Walsh) to assist in providing additional volunteer help for work-intensive committees - for example: maintenance (Peter Galesloot committee chair) - there are many duties that could be broken down and designated to other volunteers
3. Evaluating priorities with regard to duplimating; which is a privilege for our members - and time consuming for our volunteers
4. Considering a VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION event - no date at this time - to acknowledge those who spend time and effort for the betterment of our club

The minutes for each meeting are posted, after review and approval - if there are questions please ask one of the Executive or Email one of us - any positive input is always appreciated and new ideas welcome.

The next board meeting is in March.

Cydney Hayes

News for Our Members

The 2016 Saskatoon Bridge Club Membership has been on sale for over a month, have you bought yours? The Club needs your support. Directors will be happy to sell you a membership or charge you an additional dollar to your playing fees.

For those under 500 masterpoints, and not a Life Master, the Unit is holding a Sectional Tournament just for you. If you haven't experienced a tournament before give it a try, great fellowship, meet new friends, good hospitality, and most of all terrific Bridge. February 12, 13, and 14th, mark it on your calendar.

It is with sadness that we announce passing of Anita Grosse January 27; she had been a member of the Saskatoon Bridge Club for over 10 years and served on the executive of the Club. Our sympathies go out to her family and friends.

Ever wonder why we hold different games such as Club Championship, Membership, and STaC games? Each of those special games awards more masterpoints and different colour than our regular game. Here is an explanation of the three mentioned.

Club Championship games are scheduled every quarter for each session that the Club has been sanctioned for by the ACBL. MP awards are 63.6% of sectional rated black.

Membership games one per year for each session that the Club has been sanctioned for by the ACBL. MPs awards are 81.8% of sectional rated black. Only Life Members and ACBL members are eligible to win masterpoints.

STaC games are held throughout the year from CBF Canada Wide to Western Conference and District 18 STaCs. All MP awards are Silver and sectional rated.

February Game Schedule

Wednesday, Feb. 3 & 10 – Afternoon – 2 session Club Championship Swiss Teams
Feb. 12, 13, & 14 – Non Life Master less than 500 MPS – Sectional Tournament. See schedule posted in the Club

Feb. 16, 17, 19 – Afternoon – Canadian Bridge Federation Canada Wide STaC (Sectional Tournament at Club) – Silver points awarded. Please note that due to recent increases passed down by the ACBL and the state of the Canadian Dollar, playing fees for STaCs will be \$9.00.

Feb. 24 – Evening Master/Non Master pairs Club Championship – upgraded master point awards.

Winners

Jan. 8 & 15 – 2 session Women's Swiss teams - Verla Zerebesky - Marcia McLeod - Gladys Campbell - Linda Nelson wining all 8 games.

Jan. 8 – Unit Championship Open Pairs

Flight A - Doug Schmeiser - Billy Zerebesky
Flight B – Margaret Hubbard - Craig Hubbard
Flight C – Pat Buglass - Russ Buglass
Jan. 15 – Unit Championship Open Pairs
Flight A - John Pulles - Dennis Nelson
Flight B & C – Grant Cheston - Francis Zichy
Jan. 12 – Grand National Teams Championship qualifier, 1st place:
Jane Smith - Susan Katzman - Peter Konchak - Penny Joynt
A complete list of qualifiers will be posted at the Club.
Jan. 28 – Master/NonMaster pairs Club Championship.
Denise Grimard - Celena Ulledal

Milestones

The ACBL recently added two additional levels of achievement, Ruby (1500MPS) and Sapphire (3500 MPS), these levels will be included in our Milestone listing.

SAPPHIRE LIFE MASTERS – 3500 Master Points

Rick Bolt	Gladys Campbell	Mary Clarke
Larry Custead	Marjorie Ford	Cydney Hayes
Ron Hemeon	Sandi Kerger	John Pulles
Len Racette	Doug Schmeiser	Billy Zerebesky

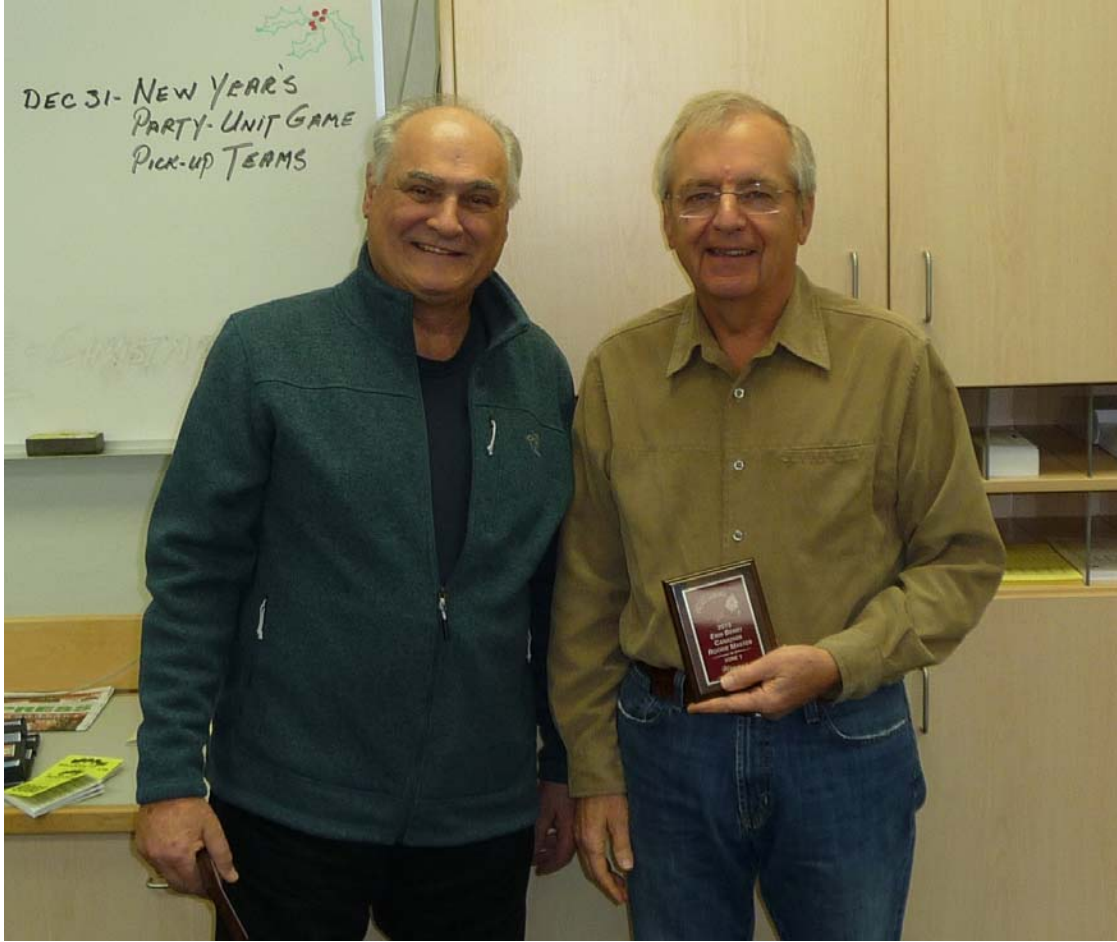
GOLD LIFE MASTERS – 2500 Master Points

Geraldine Zerr

RUBY LIFE MASTERS – 1500 Mater Points

Ken Connell	Lynne Holderness	Harold Kroeger
Muriel Marlatte	Marion Mendelsohn	Michael Moulding
Vasu Nair	Del Olson	Chris Ptasinski
Jean Ripley	Cathy Walsh	Tom Walsh
Geraldine Zerr	John Zerr	

CONGRATULATION TO THE WINNERS AND LIFE MASTERS



Zone 5 Erin Berry Rookie Master Winners
Bob Lucas and Chris Sarich