



## Club News

### Message form your President

Hi All,

Days are getting longer but not yet warmer as we head into February. For all those of you who are envious of the snow birds, we have for you a Century sectional tournament coming up. Those of you under 500 MP's are encouraged to show for the tournament 10th to 12th of February. The unit is hosting the tournament and will please you with their terrific hospitality and the master points that are there for the taking. Too many master points? We have for you a couple more months of nail biting brittle cold days ahead.

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### News for Our Members

The 2017 Saskatoon Bridge Club Membership has been on sale for over a month, have you bought yours? The Club needs your support. Membership to the Saskatoon Bridge Club does give you a discount for game fees, workshops, and lessons. Directors will be happy to sell you a membership for \$20.00.

## TOURNAMENT

For those under 500 masterpoints, and a NON Life Master, the Unit is holding a Sectional Tournament just for you at the Saskatoon Bridge Club. 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 10, 11, and 12<sup>th</sup>, mark it on your calendar. Program and schedule of games is located by the Tournament board at our Club.

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## LOCAL CHARITY

Each year the Saskatoon Bridge Club supports a local charity by having Local Charity games. At these games an extra dollars is added to your playing fee. As an ACBL franchise, the Saskatoon Bridge Club is allowed to hold one local charity game for each ACBL charity game and Canadian Bridge Federation charity game. This year the Prairie Hospice Society has been approved by the Club Executive as the local charity we will be supporting.

Prairie Hospice Society is a non-profit community organization committed to enhance the quality of life for those facing advanced illness, death, and bereavement. Our mission is to ensure access to quality end-of-life support in Saskatoon. "Hospice Without Walls" is our community outreach initiative to help individuals and caregivers as they face death and learn to cope with loss and change. We provide compassionate non-medical care to our clients in the comfort of their own home. Our volunteers are trained to offer practical, emotional, and spiritual care with individually matched clients. We currently have approximately 100 trained volunteers and the demand, as you can imagine, is never ending and ongoing. There is no Government funding. Fundraising, donations and a Golf Tournament helps pay for training sessions and 3 part-time employees. Prairie Hospice Society has a web site that provides further information.

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## ZERO TOLERANCE



Below are some examples of commendable behavior, which, while not required, will significantly contribute to the improved atmosphere:

- Being a good 'host' or 'guest' at the table.
- Greeting others in a friendly manner.
- Praising the bidding and/or play of the opponents
- Having two clearly completed convention cards readily available to the opponents (This one is a regulation, not just a nicety)

The following are some examples of behavior which will not be tolerated:

- Badgering, rudeness, insinuations, intimidation, profanity, threats, or violence.
- Negative comments concerning opponents' or partner's play or bidding.
- Constant and gratuitous lessons and analyses at the table.
- Loud and disruptive arguing with a director's ruling.
- Gloating

If a player at the table behaves in an unacceptable manner, the director should be called **immediately**. Annoying behavior, embarrassing remarks, or any other conduct which might interfere with the enjoyment of the game is not acceptable.

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## February Game Schedule

Wednesday, Feb. 1 & 8 – Afternoon – 2 session Club Championship Swiss Teams

Feb. 10, 11, & 12 – Non Life Master less than 500 MPS – Sectional Tournament. See schedule posted in the Club

Feb. 14, 15, 17 – Afternoon – Canadian Bridge Federation Canada Wide STaC (Sectional Tournament at Club) – Silver points awarded. Playing fees for STaCs with a SBC Membership will be \$9.00, Non-Members \$11.00.

Feb. 22 – Evening Master/Non Master pairs Club Championship – upgraded master point awards.

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## Winners

Jan. 13 & 20 – 2 session Women's Swiss teams - Verla Zerebesky - Marcia McLeod – Lynne Holderness - Linda Nelson – Cathy Walsh – Linda Connell

Jan. 13 – Unit Championship Open Pairs

Flight A - Doug Schmeiser – Len Racette

Flight B – Jackson Chan – Paul Clemens

Flight C – Bryan Wilson – Terry Wilson

Jan. 17 – Grand National Teams “C” Qualifier  
Flight C & D – Sharon McDonald – Phyllis Minielly – David Buxton – Tom Wilson  
Other qualifiers for the GNTs will be posted on the back bulletin board.  
Jan. 20 – Unit Championship Open Pairs  
Flight A & B – Margaret Hubbard – Craig Hubbard  
Flight C – Bob Lucas – Larry Hourie

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### Milestones

SAPPHIRE LIFE MASTERS – 3500 Master Points  
Lee Von Hagen

**Congratulations!**

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