



BRIDGE ON THE EDGE, INC.
*A NOT FOR PROFIT BRIDGE CLUB OWNED BY ITS MEMBERS
 SERVING THE ST. JOHN'S DUPLICATE BRIDGE COMMUNITY*

OCTOBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

MILESTONES

Common Game Achievements

Joan FitzGerald and Vehbi Kantarcioglu on Tuesday achieved 78.68% placing second in a field of 2,168 in the Common Game of Tuesday October 11, 2016. This game will be reported in a future edition of the ACBL Bulletin. This is the second month of the club's operation and in both months we had players ranked in the top 10 of the Common Game.

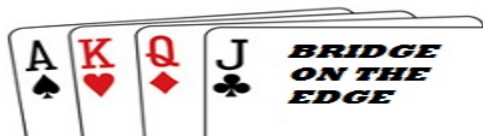
Ottawa Sectional Tournament

The Ottawa Sectional took place from October 4th to 10th at the Ottawa Marriott Hotel. Bridge on the Edge was well represented at this Sectional and several of our members placed well in the various sessions. **Sandra Tobin** and **Bev Moore**, for instance, came 1st at the Monday Morning Side Game, earning 3.6 points and picking up another 6.74 MPs at the Afternoon Side Game Series. **Brian Collins** and **Raye Lundrigan** earned 4.57 MPs for their showing at the Thursday Afternoon A/X Pairs. **Janet Parsons**, **Maureen Howard** and **Anne Hughes** received 2.52 MPs for their participation in the Thursday-Friday Swiss event, **Anne Hughes** and **Pramila Paddock** picked up 2.71 MPs at the Saturday A/X Pairs and **Brian**, **Raye**, **Marilyn Bennett** and **Brenda Woodman** received 2.56 MPs for the Monday Open Swiss session. For more details and pictures, see our website at bridgeontheedge.ca.



Club Statistics

Table Count		October	Year to Date
Competitive		91	172.5
Newcomers		34.75	67
Highest table count		September 1, 2016	16.5
Web Page Visitors			28,925
Membership count			144



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NEWCOMERS

There will be a meeting of the newcomers on Tuesday November 8 at 11:00 AM

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I can recall approaching the Director at the Halifax Sectional with an inquiry, which seemed important at the time, and being kurtly turned away. It is only now, several months later, and having some limited exposure to the role of a director, that I understand that his priorities were different than mine.

The convention cards, pencils and other bridge paraphernalia has been set up in the lobby of our new premises while the Club's computer and the director's table are located in the centre of the main room. Players should address their questions to the session manager and not distract the director. The session manager can approach the Director at an appropriate moment to address any queries that they may feel uncomfortable in answering. To facilitate this we will use a whiteboard in the lobby indicating who is director, mentor, dealer and session manager for that session.

NEWSLETTER

The newsletter is designed to be forward looking, and should be published during the last week of a given month. During the last week of October the club had not finalized the move to Riverdale. The newsletter was delayed till the lease and insurance requirements were put in place. Had we circulated this newsletter then the September financial statement included with this newsletter would have provided more current information. November's newsletter will present October's financial statement.

BOARD MEETING

Your board has been wrestling with the concerns in respect to our playing environment, the need to set up and dismantle our equipment at the beginning and end of each day. Access to the playing area is restricted to when a session takes place, and we must seek permission for any visitation outside of those times. At no time have we been refused access and these requirements are reasonable considering that our sessions are carried out in a private club.

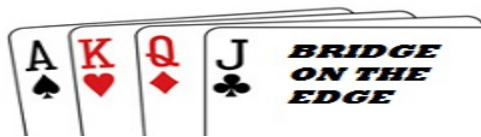
Bridge on the Edge has prepared an extensive list of alternate sites and from that list has negotiated the use of the Riverdale Tennis Club from November 2016 to June 2017. Riverdale is centrally located, and provides sufficient parking. Although they may rent to others on certain occasions, we will only be faced with dismantling or set up when the premises are leased to others.



RIVERDALE

We had our first games at the new facility on Thursday, November 3 at the usual time. Our website has been updated to show detailed directions and location information. Some points to remember:

- Parking
 - To ensure that the parking lot is used to maximize the car count, the first players to arrive should park as deep into the lot as possible and each car should be aligned perpendicular to the river.
- Coffee service (or lack thereof)
 - The club has a kettle and will provide instant coffee, tea bags and condiments, however to avoid clean up, please bring your own mugs, and take them away after the game
- Bathrooms
 - There are two bathrooms which have not been labeled. Members will be asked to volunteer to ensure cleanliness, therefore all players are asked to exercise a high degree of care so that the volunteer's duties are not onerous.
- Original set up
 - Joan FitzGerald and Fran Cook using shovels, rakes and Joan's gardening wheelbarrow prepared the parking lot by moving crushed rock so that a number of potholes disappeared. They also cleaned the bathrooms, kitchen and games room. Finally they did the set up for our first game and organized the storage of our supplies. Jonathan Cook supervised.
- Suggestion Box
 - The suggestion box has returned to the Welcome Table located in the lobby, please make use of it, as often verbal suggestion do not get the attention they deserve, mainly due to other distractions that may be happening at the time.



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CANADIAN BRIDGE FEDERATION

Audrey Grant Seminars

An October email invited us to a series of Audrey Grant Seminars to be held during November in Halifax, Moncton and Charlottetown. St. John's was dropped for the lack of interest. Audrey reached out to Joan for clarification, and quickly understood that travel costs, to these presentations, not lack of interest. was the determining factor.

Audrey Grant, having established interest, undertook to offer these in St. John's in the spring. This is an important opportunity for our club to grow, and to provide the base to offer additional services to the St. John's Duplicate Bridge Community.

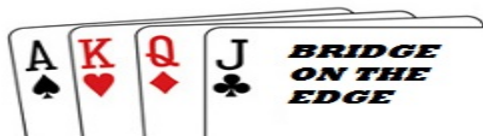
Please note this, so that when the dates are confirmed we are assured of a good turn out.

Audrey is noted for delivering interesting and informative yet humorous presentations. She will be offering a number of workshops. For more information on these seminars please follow this link:

<http://cbf.ca/better-bridge-tour-featuring-audrey-grant/>

Charity Games

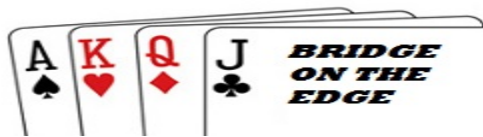
Certain games are labeled Charity Games, and the table fees due to ACBL are paid in Canadian, rather than US Dollars. A portion of these table fees are remitted to the Canadian Bridge Federation Charitable Fund, and the club is allowed to support a local charity with the balance. The ACBL Fees for October amounted to \$225.55 of which we were able to redirect \$36.00 to the Iris Kirby House.



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BRIDGE ON THE EDGE, INC FINANCIAL STATEMENT

BALANCE SHEET - AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2016				
	Current Month		YTD	
ASSETS				
Current				
Bank		\$5,612		\$5,612
Refundable HST		114		114
Materials on Hand		750		750
Total Current Assets		6,476		6,476
Capital Assets				
Equipment		6,200		6,200
Accumulated Amortization		(52)		(52)
		6,148		6,148
Total Assets		12,624		12,624
Liabilities				
Current				
Advances due to Funding Members		10,000		10,000
Members equity				
Excess of Revenue Over Expenditure		2,624		2,624
Total Liabilities and Equity		12,624		12,624
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE				
FOR THE MONTH ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016				
REVENUE				
	Tables		Tables	
Competitive	109	4,340	109	4,340
Newcomers	37	1,184	37	1,184
		5,524		5,524
Less Birthdays and Other Complementary Table Fees		344		344
Total Table Fees		5,180		5,180
EXPENDITURES				
Materials		963		963
Room Rental		967		967
ACBL Fees		574		574
Amortization of Equipment		52		52
Total Expenditures		2,556		2,556
Excess of Revenue Over Expenditure		2,624		2,624



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NOVEMBER 2016 GAME SCHEDULE				
		Tuesday		Thursday
		Afternoon	Evening	Afternoon
		November 1, 2016		November 3, 2016
				John McAdam Charity Game
Director				
Director in Training	Peter Stacey		Dan Regan	Jonathan Cook
Mentor	Deirdre Davis		N/A	Fran Cook
Dealer	Fran Cook		N/A	Susan Follett
Session Manager	Regina Clarke		N/A	Rosemary Burke
		November 8, 2016		November 10, 2016
Director				
Director in Training	Richard Lash		Jonathan Cook	Brian Collins
Mentor	Pramila Paddock		N/A	Wanda Lundrigan
Dealer	Wanda Lundrigan		N/A	Judith McIntyre
Session Manager	Brian Collins		N/A	Wanda Lundrigan
		November 15, 2016		November 17, 2016
Director				
Director in Training	Jonathan Cook		Jonathan Cook	Richard Lash
Mentor	Gwenda Jablonski		N/A	Bruce Watson
Dealer	Tim Summers		N/A	June Hynes
Session Manager	Raye Lundrigan		N/A	Jonathan Cook
		November 22, 2016		November 24, 2016
Director				
Director in Training	Brian Collins		Jonathan Cook	Jonathan Cook
Mentor	Mary Lou Martin		N/A	Joy Hoskins
Dealer	Judith McIntyre		N/A	Barbara Slattery
Session Manager	Marlene Greey		N/A	Tim Summers
		November 29, 2016		
Director				
Director in Training	Peter Stacey		Dan Regan	
Mentor	Gloria Stone		N/A	
Dealer	Heidi Janes		N/A	
Session Manager	Susan Follett		N/A	