



Chicago Duplicate Bridge Newsletter
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29	Wed	12.15pm	Charity Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
30	Thu	12.15pm	299er and Open Charity Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		6.30pm	Club Championship Game	Director: Patt Quinn
1	Fri	10.00am	99er Session	Director: Barry Little
		5.30pm	No Game	Director: Various
2	Sat	10.45am	I/N Lesson	Director: Jim O'Neil
		11.15am	499er & Open Club Championship Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		3.30pm	No Game	Director: Michael Mehringer
3	Sun	1.00pm	Charity SWISS Teams Game	Director: Cory Perkers
4	Mon	12.15pm	299er and NAP Qualifying Game & 4th July PICNIC DAY	Director: Patt Quinn
5	Tue	12.15pm	NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		6.30pm	NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Bob Dolan
6	Wed	12.15pm	NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		7.00pm	Supervised Play	Director: Michael Mehringer
		7.00pm	Beginner Class?	Director: Michael Mehringer
7	Thu	12.15pm	299er and Open NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		6.30pm	Charity Swiss Teams Game	Director: Patt Quinn
8	Fri	10.00am	99er Session	Director: Barry Little
		5.30pm	No Game	Director: Various
9	Sat	10.45am	I/N Lesson	Director: Jim O'Neil
		11.15am	499er & Open NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		3.30pm	No Game	Director: Michael Mehringer
10	Sun	1.00pm	NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Cory Perkers
11	Mon	12.15pm	299er and Open Charity Game	Director: Patt Quinn
		11.30am	I/N Lesson	Director: Richard Gabriel
12	Tue	12.15pm	Charity Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		6.30pm	Regular Game	Director: Bob Dolan
13	Wed	12.15pm	Charity Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		7.00pm	Supervised Play	Director: Michael Mehringer
		7.00pm	Beginner Class?	Director: Michael Mehringer
14	Thu	12.15pm	299er and ACBL-wide International Fund Game	Director: Jim O'Neil

		6.30pm	Club Championship Game	Director: Patt Quinn
15	Fri	10.00am	99er Session	Director: Barry Little
		5.30pm	No Game	Director: Various
16	Sat	10.45am	I/N Lesson	Director: Jim O'Neil
		11.15am	499er & Open Charity Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		3.30pm	No Game	Director: Michael Mehringer
17	Sun	1.00pm	Chicago Open Pairs Championship Game (Club Championship)	Director: Cory Perkers
18	Mon	12.15pm	299er and Open Unit Game	Director: Patt Quinn
		11.30am	I/N Lesson	Director: Richard Gabriel
19	Tue	12.15pm	Unit Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		6.30pm	NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Bob Dolan
20	Wed	12.15pm	NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		7.00pm	Supervised Play	Director: Michael Mehringer
		7.00pm	Beginner Class?	Director: Michael Mehringer
21	Thu	12.15pm	299er and Open NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		6.30pm	NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Patt Quinn
22	Fri	10.00am	99er Session	Director: Barry Little
		5.30pm	No Game	Director: Various
23	Sat	10.45am	I/N Lesson	Director: Jim O'Neil
		11.15am	499er & Open NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		3.30pm	No Game	Director: Michael Mehringer
24	Sun	1.00pm	Regular Game	Director: Cory Perkers
25	Mon	12.15pm	299er and NAP Qualifying Game – Membership Appreciation Lunch	Director: Patt Quinn
		11.30am	I/N Lesson	Director: Richard Gabriel
26	Tue	12.15pm	NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		6.30pm	Charity Game	Director: Bob Dolan
27	Wed	12.15pm	Regular Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		7.00pm	Supervised Play	Director: Michael Mehringer
		7.00pm	Beginner Class?	Director: Michael Mehringer
28	Thu	12.15pm	299er and Open Charity Game	Director: Jim O'Neil
		6.30pm	NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Patt Quinn
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31	Sun	1.00pm	NAP Qualifying Game	Director: Cory Perkers

This Month's Games

Win extra points – play in this month's 16 NAP Qualifying Games, 3 Club Championship Games, 6 Charity Games, 2 Unit Games or the ACBL Wide International Fund Game.

Don't miss our famous 4th July traditional Picnic Lunch OR the Monday July 25th Membership Appreciation Lunch!!!

Chicago Duplicate Bridge

Open Pairs Club Championship Lunch & Game



Sunday Afternoon July 17th is the date of our first Chicago Duplicate Bridge Open Pairs Club Championship event. Everyone is invited to compete; it is not restricted to Club Members in this, the first year of Chicago Duplicate Bridge Club Championships. Please email Hazel Connor at hazelconnor2@gmail.com to register. **Pairs whose players are both Members of Chicago Duplicate Bridge Club**

are eligible to win the Club Championship. Other pairs can compete for master points.

Don't miss the SWISS Teams Game on Sunday July 3rd – sign up at the club or register with hazelconnor2@gmail.com.

Beginner, Intermediate/Novice News

Saturday's I/N Section will become a 499er Section beginning on Saturday July 2nd. This affects just a couple of pairs who we trust will enjoy their move to the Open Section – where they will actually be eligible for more points in this stratified section.

The popular Friday 99er Supervised Duplicate Sessions continue through July.

Our new 99er Section introduced on Monday afternoon June 6th has had a slow start with just 2 tables most days. This is a shame as it's a great introduction to Duplicate Bridge for Beginners. The 2 table movement is quite fun, and there are several regular players playing each week. It's being expanded to a 299er Section as of July 4th to encourage a wider group of players to come along and enjoy Duplicate Bridge in a Stratified Beginner Section that allows for the different levels of Players a greater chance to win those MPs!

Starting July 11th Richard Gabriel will be giving free I/N Lessons @ 11.30 for the 299ers on doubles (and any other interested players). Game starts at 12.15, with 18 boards being played, allowing slower play and earlier finish. Cost is \$9.00, includes Lunch after the lesson, BridgeMate Scoring and Hand Records.

On some Thursdays, if there are a number of I/N Players present, we will have a 20 minute I/N Lesson presented by Guy Franklin, our genial humorist and Master Player starting at 11.45. On other Thursdays, if Jim

Diebel is playing, he will give a 20-30 minute lesson for all. Jim “Wimpy” Diebel is always excited to teach and invites everyone to visit his website for lessons he gives.

Starting on Wednesday Evening July 6th Michael Mehringer will be running a Supervised Play session for his recent “graduates” and anyone else who would like to come along. Michael is hoping to start a new, small Beginner Class on Wednesday Evening as soon as there are sufficient new people wanting to learn to play Bridge. Once this class “graduates” he’ll bring the Supervised Play group in to join them for a Level 2 series of lessons.

Spread the word! Contact Michael on [\(847\)-790-6261](tel:847-790-6261) or at learnbridgechicago@gmail.com

Go to <http://acbl-district13.org/newsletters/INnewsletter201602.pdf> to read The summer edition of the 2016 District 13 I/N Newsletter. It contains articles, news, and tournament schedules of interest to I/N players ... Other players may wish to read it too!!

Suggestion Box - Outcomes

Each month, at our Open Board Meeting, we open the Suggestion Box and discuss them, taking action that seems practicable and appropriate. The last opening of the box yielded the following suggestions.

- **Saturday I/N Section**

There have been requests over time to lower the points of players eligible to play in this Section. The Board has decided this will be a 499er Section from the first Saturday in July.

So, no player with 500 or more points will be able to play in the I/N Section, regardless of the points their partner may have. We will continue to monitor the Section and, if appropriate, will limit it further to 299MPs per player or raise it 750 per player in the future.

- **N/S Players**

There often needs a N/S Player to change to E/W to facilitate a balanced movement, only those with physical disabilities should be allowed to permanently play N/S. A rotation method should be implemented to ensure that none disabled N/S Pairs must at some point move when volunteers are called for.

This solution seems a very fair approach. The Board recognizes there are Pairs where one or more of the players are physically unable to move, or have considerable difficulty moving between rounds, while there are other Pairs who simply prefer to sit N/S but are quite able to move.

There are able-bodied pairs that should switch, ahead of players with limited mobility. Frequently a less than able-bodied pair will volunteer because no-one else has put their hands up.

- **Fans**

More fans are required. As it happens, the power issues of the past week have resulted in 2 of our 3 Fans being “fried”. As a result one more pedestal fan and 2 fans that can operate on our window ledges have been purchased. This will enable more cross circulation in future.

- **Player assistance with a cleaner environment.**

The Director should announce “all dishes rinsed and to the dishwasher” at every move. Club Members/Players during Sit-Outs should volunteer to clean up the kitchen area. **The Board REALLY LIKES this one!**

- **Disabled Parking**

There is insufficient Disabled Parking. The Board is working on various ways to improve this but there is no quick fix to the issue. You will all be kept up to date with the work being done to improve the parking for Disabled Players.

- **Acknowledging Players that are no longer with us**

It has been suggested that rather than hold formal recognition on Memorial Day that a more frequent “Moment of Silence” be held every 4-6 months. The Board hopes that there will be fewer losses this next year and will await more feedback/input from Members/Players on this issue.

Player Achievements

Congratulations to these players for success at the club

65.00 – 69.99% Games		
Jun 1	John Prater - Barry Little	65.38
Jun 2 Aft	Jane Kennedy - Carole Greene	66.73
Jun 9 Aft	Laurence Zung - Robert Zboralski	65.82
Jun 11 Open	Barry Holt - Laurence Zung	65.41
Jun 13	Bruce Ladin - Carole Greene	68.45
Jun 15	Frank Pancoe - Joseph Stokes	69.12
Jun 18 Open	Elaine Diamond - Seymour Diamond	69.44
Jun 18 I/N	Keith Goldstein - Andree Welsh	68.68
Jun 21	Sandi Schlueter - Maureen Drain	65.77
Jun 23	Nancy Rachman - Joan Pielet Barbara Saben - Susan Adams	66.29 65.56
Jun 25 Open	Cory Perkers - Kevin Choi	66.67

>70% Games		
June 2 Eve	Matthew Dyer- Barry Holt - Mark Pinkowski - Guy Franklin	70.00
June 12 Teams	George Clark - Matthew Dyer - Katherine Rehak - Kevin Choi We were whapped!!!	73.00
Jun 25 I/N	Robert Gunther - Wayne Hall	70.34

Congratulations to these players for success beyond the club

Illini Regional, Champaign, IL, May 24-30, 2016		
Friday Choice Pairs	5A/2B 3B,1C	Anthony Curtis – Todd Fisher Fred Johnson – Philip McPeck
Saturday Evening Swiss Teams	4/5C	Rosanne Schabinger - Robert Lass - Tom Fogarty
Saturday Strati-Flighted Pairs	3A,2B,1C	Eileen Klees - Charles Klees
Consolation Pairs	2A 3B 4B	Robert Lass - Tom Fogarty Eileen Klees - Charles Klees Ruth Ng-Matthew Dyer
A/X Fast Swiss	4A	Rosanne Schabinger - Robert Lass - Tom Fogarty
Monday Flight B Swiss Team	4/5B,1C,1D	Ruth Ng - Julian Manasse-Boetani

Masterpoint Winners		
73/74	16.93	Eileen Klees / Charles Klees
95/96	13.63	Tom Fogarty / Robert Lass
103	12.27	James O'Neil
149	7.28	Julian Manasse-Boetani
165	6.23	Ruth Ng
171	5.92	Todd Fisher

Rank Advancements

Congratulations - players who have advanced their Master Ranking since April.

We'll celebrate these Rank Advancers at a party – currently planned for Sunday Sep 18th

New Masters	
Junior Master	Cynthia Polayes
Club Master	Michael Mehringer
Sectional Master	Dorothea Avant, Julie Lilie ,Chia-Lun Lu, Missy Ravid
Regional Master	Yi-Tsung Lu
NABC Master	A. Bascon, Relli Miller, Julie Burke, Judith Kamins, Robin Roy, Marsha Weis
Advanced NABC Master	
Life Master	John Miller, Pamela Simons
Bronze Life Master	
Silver Life Master	Betty Tilton

Unit 123 Rankings

Congratulations to players in the top 10 of Unit 123 rankings at the end of May!

Mini McKinney		Ace of Clubs	
0-5	David Cheng # 7	0-5	David Cheng # 3 Luke Mehringer # 6 Cynthia Polayes # 10
5-20	Gardner Stern # 4	5-20	Gardner Stern # 4
20-50	Kenneth East # 7	20-50	Kenneth East # 4 Marcy Gookin # 6 Kara Bershad # 8 Janet Hickerson # 10
50-100	Julian Manasse-Boetani # 4 Kelly Mao # 4 Judi Katz # 7 Christine Lyon # 8	50-100	Judi Katz # 1 Christine Lyon # 2 Marjorie Zolla # 6
100-200	Wayne Hall # 5	100-200	Wayne Hall # 3
200-300	William Berkman # 9	200-300	William Berkman # 2 Marie Stevenson # 6 Harry Rosenberg # 7
300-500	Pamela Simons # 4 Andrea Bascon # 6 Samuel Sirko # 7	300-500	Samuel Sirco # 5 Andrea Bascon # 8 Pamela Simons # 9 Beverly Yusim # 10
500-1000	John Miller # 1 Caryl Brown # 3 Mark Pinkowski # 4 Steve Brown # 7 Susan Eggebrecht # 10	500-1000	John Miller # 1 Caryl Brown # 2 Steve Beicos # 3 Susan Eggebrecht # 5 Janet Nachman # 6 Steve Brown # 7 Sylvia Dunne # 10
1000-1500	Ryszard Matuszczyk # 2 Leonard Dubin # 6 Barry Little # 8	1000-2500	Barry Little # 3
1500-2500	Oren Kriegl # 1 Mark Friedlander # 6 Loring knoblauch # 7 Bruce Ladin # 8 Barry Holt # 10		Bruce Ladin # 2 Guy Franklin # 3 George Clark # 4 Barry Holt # 5
2500-3500	Thomas Dressing # 6 Todd Fisher # 7 Frank Pancoe # 9	2500-5000	Michael Howards # 1 Elaine Diamond # 2 Seymour Diamond # 2 Jane Kennedy # 6 Matthew Dyer # 7 Todd Fisher # 8
3500-5000	Drew Becker # 8		Stephen Cheston (RIP) # 5 James Diebel # 8
5000-7500	Muhammad Hakim #3 Rosanne Schabinger # 4	5000-7500	Muhammad Hakim # 3 Ellen Gabriel # 4 Alfred Simmons # 7 Rosanne Schabinger # 9
7500-10000	Richard Gabriel # 3 Lynne Rosenbaum # 5 Barbara Saben # 7	7500-10000	Richard Gabriel # 2 Barbara Saben # 4 Gerald Gitles # 5 Lynne Rosenbaum # 6
10000+	Claude Vogel # 7 L James Phillips # 8 Cheri Bjerkan # 10	10000+	L James Phillips # 1 Cheri Bjerkan # 2 Claude Vogel # 3