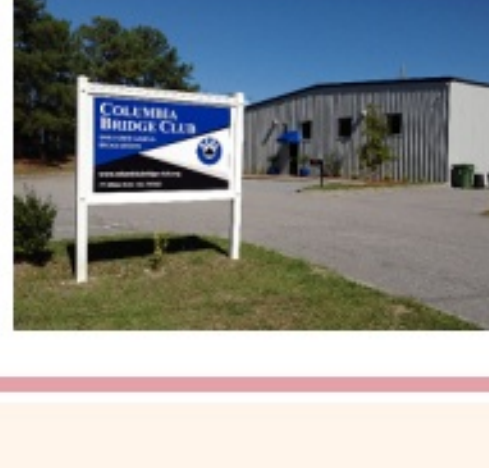
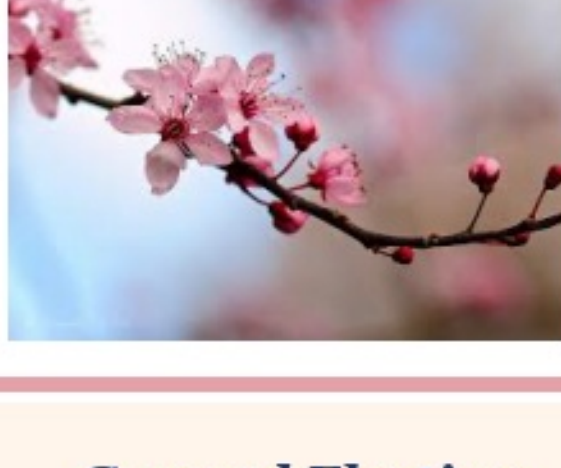
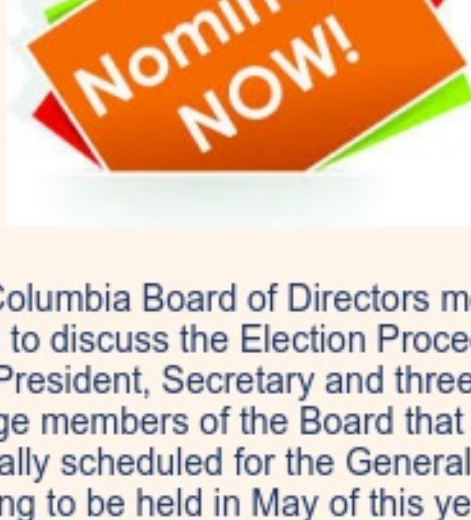


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General Election Going Forward



The Columbia Board of Directors met via Zoom to discuss the Election Procedure for Vice-President, Secretary and three at-large members of the Board that was originally scheduled for the General Meeting to be held in May of this year.

Since we closed the Club beginning on March 15, we were unable to complete the nomination process timeline as outlined in our Bylaws. On behalf of the Election Committee (Jack Self, chair, Mary Townhill, and Judy Rockwell) The following is being recommended:

The membership should be notified by email and posting on the website that the nominations will continue to be accepted for a period of three weeks beginning on the day of notification, May 15, and ending on Friday, June 5.

Members may email their nominations to (jackself@bellsouth.net) or mail them to (207 Horse Guard Lane, Columbia, SC 29229). At the end of the three week period, the Election Committee will formulate and transmit a ballot to the Board for its approval. At that time the Board will establish a day (or period of days) for the election to be held.

We feel that this procedure adheres to the bylaws as closely as is possible given our present circumstances. While we are not strictly following the timeline procedure specified by the Bylaws, we are in an extraordinary situation that no set of Bylaws could have envisioned.

The following nominations were already received before the Club was closed:

Vice President: none

Secretary: none

One 2-year term At Large Member: (unexpired term due to resignation)

Judy Rockwell and Jay Shahani

Two 3-year term At Large Members:

Carolyn Cromer, Sue Kline and Francis McMeekin

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Self, Elections Committee Chairman



Silver Linings Week: Behind Every Board are Silver Points!

Virtual Clubs on BBO will award
TRIPLE MASTERPOINTS in SILVER
during the week of **MAY 25 - 31 (Monday-Sunday)**.
No special registration is necessary.

Silver Linings Games at the CBC on BBO:

Monday:	12:55 PM 0-300	1:05 PM Open
Tuesday:		1:05 PM Open
Wednesday:		1:05 PM Open
Thursday:	12:55 PM 0-300	1:05 PM Open
Friday:		1:05 PM Open
Saturday:		1:05 PM Open
Sunday:		1:05 PM Open

All games will pay **TRIPLE** regular club masterpoints, and the points awarded will be **SILVER** instead of black. All games will be 18 boards and cost \$5.00.

This is not a **STaC** (Sectional Tournament at the Club). There will be no overalls or combining of scores. It's your regular club game with new, temporary conditions.

New 0-300 Virtual Game



Starting Monday, May 18, the CBC will be running a 0-300 game at 12:55 PM. Five tables to run this game (10 pairs), so get with your favorite partner to play online!

Registration opens 2 hours prior to game time.

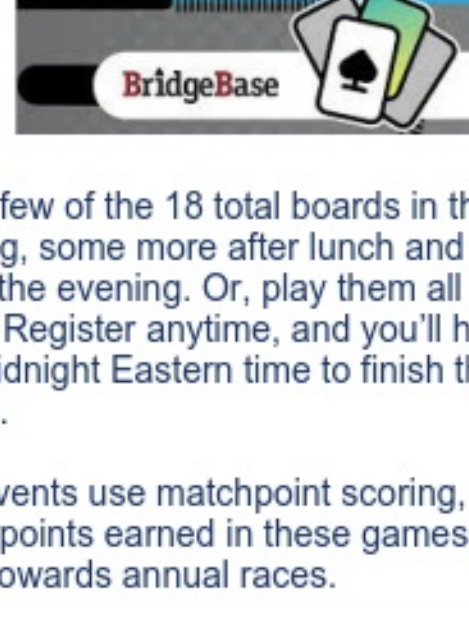
If there are not enough pairs to run the game, it will be cancelled at 12:55 PM and the players will have enough time to register for the OPEN 1:05 PM game.

Support the CBC - Play in Daily ACBL SYC Games

ACBL has partnered with [Bridge Base Online \(BBO\)](#) and The Common Game to give you chances each day to earn black masterpoints online. Additionally, the majority of the game fees you pay will be given to your local club to support them during this difficult time.

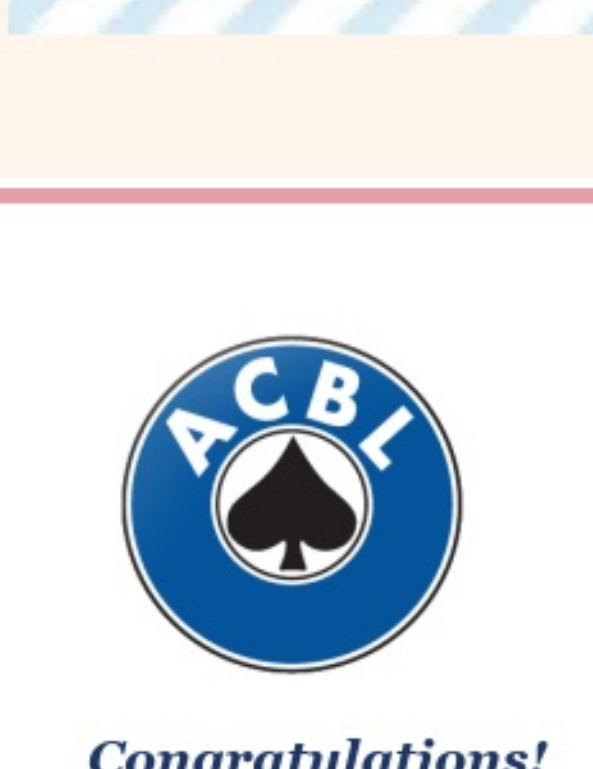
Support Your Club ACBL Black Point Games are pair events. Games are held on BBO three times a day: 10:00 am, 5:10 pm and 7:30 pm. Registration opens 2 hours before game time. You can play with any other ACBL member who has a BBO account.

NEW! Daylong Tournaments are solo events played with robots. In this game, you have up to 24 hours to complete your game, and it doesn't have to be played all at once. You can even pause in the middle of a hand.



Play a few of the 18 total boards in the morning, some more after lunch and the rest in the evening. Or, play them all in one sitting! Register anytime, and you'll have until midnight Eastern time to finish the boards.

Both events use matchpoint scoring, and masterpoints earned in these games will count towards annual races.



CBC Memberships 2020 - 2021

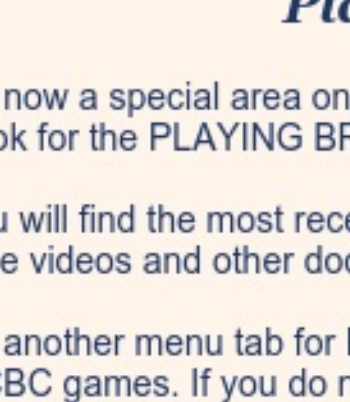
The CBC membership year begins in June.

To download a membership form - [CLICK HERE](#).

Forms are also available on the CBC webpage under the INFORMATION tab.

This year we are asking that you mail in your dues to the club:

77 Brighton Hill Rd, Columbia 29223



Congratulations!

Masterpoint Milestones

NABC Master (200+)

Myra Jaynes

Regional Master (100+)

Kathy Belknap

Nancy Morris

Dick Swanson

Sectional Master (50+)

Terry Broom

Ellis Tesh

Junior Master (5+)

Joe Culler

Playing Bridge Online

There is now a special area on the CBC website to help CBC members get online and play. Look for the PLAYING BRIDGE ONLINE tab in the menu listing.

Here you will find the most recent information on game times and types. There are links to YouTube videos and other documents to help you with your game.

There is another menu tab for BBO user names for CBC members and those rostered to play in CBC games. If you do not have your user name on the list, please use the form to be added. This is necessary to participate in CBC Virtual Club games.



Please be our Friend! Add: **VACB107318** to your follow/friends list on BBO.

Adding VACB107318 to your friends list will make it easier to find our virtual game in the chat list. You will also find information on how to contact the director of the day to either chat with them, or call them directly.

There are three types of BBO games that will send funds back to the CBC:

ACBL SYC Daylong Individual - take all day to play 18 boards

ACBL SYC Pairs Games - 10:00 AM, 5:10 PM and 7:30 PM

CBC Virtual Club Games - stratified pairs - schedule and masterpoint restrictions vary

The games listed above pay ACBL BLACK points that count towards ACBL Ranks and Races. All other games (ACBL and BBO) pay COLORLESS points which only count towards ACBL Rank requirements.

The CBC will be adding more virtual club games as directors come onboard and demand supports. Look for updates on the CBC website.

Upcoming Special CBC Virtual Club Games and Area Tournaments

Special Games and Events at the Virtual CBC

May 15-June 5 Call for Nominations
May 25 -31 Silver Linings - Silver Point Event

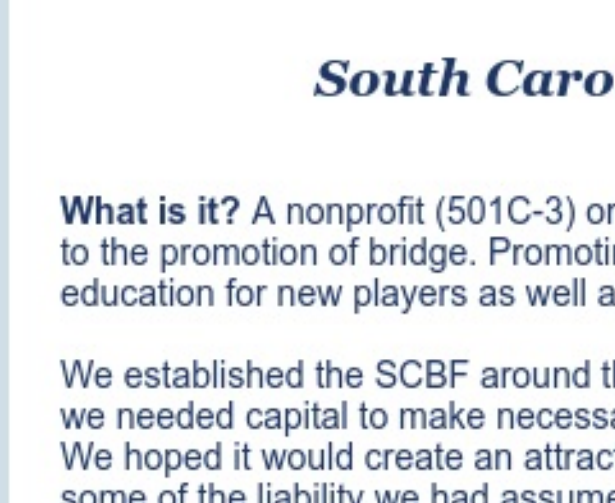
June 15 CBC Board Meeting
June 20-21 The Longest Day

Area Sectional and Regional Tournaments

July 27 - Aug 2 [Columbia Regional](#) - TBA - watch for further updates!

[Click on Tournament for Flyer](#)

Don't Be a Casual Casualty



BBO has recently divided into two playing sites/servers:

Competitive and Casual

The initial BBO log-in takes players to the Competitive site, but if they go to a casual, relaxed, solitaire, etc game, they are moved off the Competitive server and onto the Casual server.

Do not miss your CBC Virtual game!

A good practice is to log-off BBO (this is the only way to get off the Casual server) about 10 minutes before a competitive game is scheduled to start. Log back in, stay and wait (you will now be back on the Competitive server). It's always a good practice to allow at least 10 minutes to get logged into the BBO site as afternoons are extremely busy and the first couple of attempts at logging-in may time out.

South Carolina Bridge Foundation

What is it? A nonprofit (501C-3) organization initiated in 2010 by our own club, dedicated to the promotion of bridge. Promoting how? By "providing playing facilities, equipment, and education for new players as well as those player who would like to improve their skills."

We established the SCBF around the time we purchased our current property, a time when we needed capital to make necessary improvements to the existing building and grounds. We hoped it would create an attractive repository for member donations, thereby offsetting some of the liability we had assumed.

The SCBF currently has full 501(c)3 certification. This status allows members to make tax-free donations to our club, via the Foundation.

Foundation funds can be used not only for capital improvements, but also for bridge instruction salaries and supplies, for equipment such as bridge tables and chairs, for marketing of tournaments and special games, just to name a few.

When you make a charitable contribution in memory of a bridge player, consider the SCBF. This is a thoughtful way to help fund improvements and club activities (e.g., seminars, special games) from which other CBC bridge players will benefit.

In the next newsletter we'll talk about some of the improvements already funded or partially funded by the Foundation.

Checks made out to: THE SOUTH CAROLINA BRIDGE FOUNDATION can be mailed to Chris Webb 1102 Gist Street, Columbia, S.C. 29201. You will receive a tax receipt for your donation.

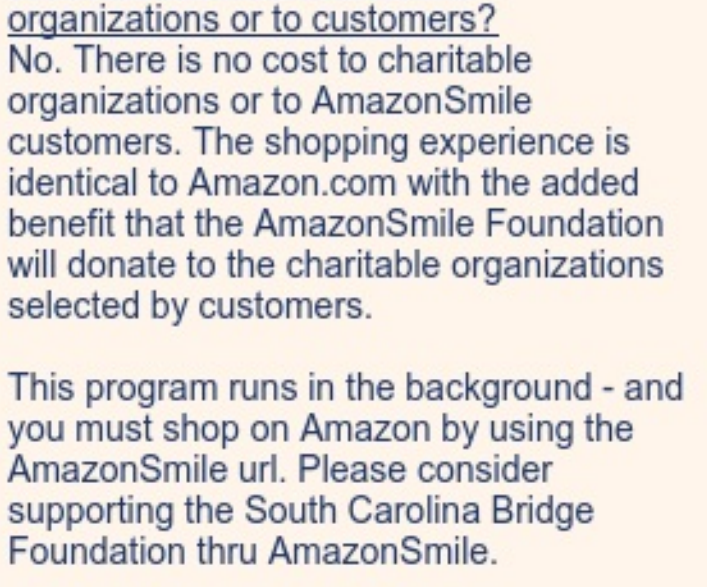
Support the South Carolina Bridge Foundation thru AmazonSmile

What is AmazonSmile?

AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. AmazonSmile is available at [smile.amazon.com](#) on your web browser and can be activated in the Amazon Shopping app for iOS and Android phones. When you shop AmazonSmile, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added benefit that AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. You can choose from over one million organizations to support.

How does AmazonSmile work?

When first visiting [smile.amazon.com](#), customers are prompted to select a charitable organization from over one million eligible organizations. In order to browse or shop at AmazonSmile, customers must first select a charitable organization. For eligible purchases



through AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to the customer's selected charitable organization.

Is there any cost to charitable organizations or to customers?

No. There is no cost to charitable organizations or to AmazonSmile customers. The shopping experience is identical to Amazon.com with the added benefit that the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate to the charitable organizations selected by customers.

This program runs in the background - and you must shop on Amazon by using the AmazonSmile url. Please consider supporting the South Carolina Bridge Foundation thru AmazonSmile.

Future Life Master Tournament 2020 Wrap-Up

Our club sure has a lot to be proud of in hosting our recent tournament! We came together as a club to hold a very successful Future Life Master Tournament. We had a total of 82 tables. We want to give a big shout out to our local players who supported our tournament!

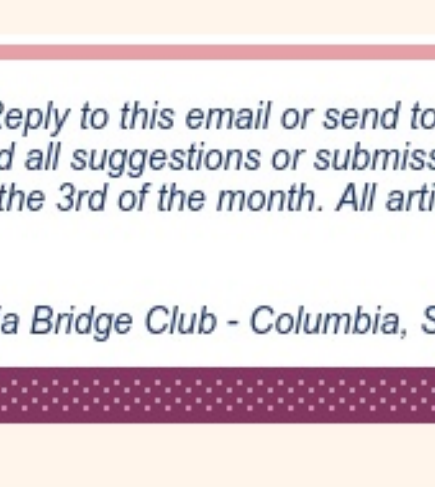
SO many people made this a success: Judy Rockwell and I worked hand in hand to organize and are so grateful for the outpouring of help, generosity with time, and food. We had the Friday lunch catered but otherwise, Francis McMeekin and Francis Robinson arranged the Saturday and Sunday lunches, which were magnificent. They had MANY helpers who gave their time and cooking skills to make the Saturday and Sunday lunches just spectacular. Many people brought desserts that were devoured. The flowers were a special touch! We want to give a big thanks to Francis McMeekin who has a unique talent providing these! Thanks to Shelby King who arranged breakfast all three days and spent much time at the club helping and the generous people who brought breakfast casseroles.

Darleen Bates served as our "off site" tournament director running the ACBL side for us. Pat Webb did an outstanding job as our treasurer reporting to the ACBL and handling our financial responsibilities. The directors who gave their time and expertise: Jack Self, Mary Townhill, and Chris Webb we give you a big thanks. The snacks, desserts, breakfast food brought were all testimony to our special club members who are the best! I am sure there are many people we did not personally thank but know your contributions are so appreciated. Our profit was \$1602.01 Great job! The sectional tournament was a resounding success!

Lee Webb & Judy Rockwell Co-Chairs

The Longest Day June 20-21, 2020

The ACBL is busy working to make The Longest Day extra special this year. Watch your email and the CBC and ACBL webpages for more details!



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