

Columbia Bridge Club Newsletter

December 2021



Dear Members,

Moving into fall and now winter, CBC continues to thrive with some changes in the air, in terms of scheduling and f2f games, so keep a look out after the first of the year.

As a reminder, we know you have multiple choices for online play. Please consider CBC games as this is our stream of income. If you plan to play in our virtual games, it is very important you register NLT 12:30 so others can see the game is making. You know you can switch at the last minute but please don't make assumptions, sign on and then play elsewhere if you need too. We do receive some compensation from the KNOX games, and we also receive revenue from the Support your Club games which are three times daily. We pay our directors even if the game does not make so help us help CBC by signing on early. Thank you.

Speaking of helping CBC, Francis McMeekin hosted a beautiful party at her home on Halloween. Many of you donated items to auction and we sincerely thank you for your support. Judy Rockwell worked tirelessly to accumulate the items and present them for auction. Thanks to Lee and Chris for all their time and energy to make this a success. I know those attending enjoyed reuniting with our members. I acted as live auctioneer and sold one of our homemade cakes which we did not use at the party. Through some donations we raised \$1195 dollars and are so thankful for all who contributed.

Lee Webb has arranged for a two-day session with Jim Ricker and Kevin Wilson on Dec.3 and 4th. Please see our flyer as to how to register. It is a real benefit to have them here in Columbia and offer lessons on Losing Trick Count and Defense. Play is Saturday afternoon. Come join in. There is limited seating.

In the spirit of the season, a special thanks to all our directors and to Kathy Kimmerling, Club Manager who keep the nuts and bolts well-greased.

John F. Kennedy:

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."

Shelby King, President CBC



STAC WEEK

Our f2f games from Dec 6 - 10 will pay SILVER POINTS!

Schedule

Monday 10:30am 0-300 Pairs

Friday 12:30pm Open and 0-300 Pairs

Be sure to register in advance for the games.



Grassroots Games

Grassroot Fund Games are f2f games December 13th and 17th.

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Friday 12:30pm Open and 0-300 Pairs

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Myrtle Beach Regional

Dec 27, 2021 - Jan 2, 2022

The Myrtle Beach New Year's Regional is back in person! There will be pairs games, team games, open games, and limited games along with a lecture series and daily post-mortems. Masks will be optional, but proof of vaccine will be required (no exceptions!). For more information, [click here](#).





Support CBC

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 two 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 toward District and Unit races.

99'er Virtual Game - Every Night 7:00 PM

Play with your friends from the CBC, or make some new ones in Districts 9 & 7 & 24 !!

Play 12 relaxed boards at approximately 7½ minutes a board.

This game pays back to the players' home clubs; the CBC will receive \$3.00 every time you play in this game. Lesson before the game and Hand Analysis after. Great way to improve your game and support your club!

Southeastern Bridge Club Consortium

The CBC has joined with the Southeast Bridge Club Consortium (based in Knoxville, TN) along with more than 30 regional bridge clubs! The SEBCC Mission is to keep bridge players of all levels engaged and excited about bridge.

SEBCC offers games four times each day: 9:30 AM, 1:00 PM, 4:00 PM, and 7:00 PM. Every session has both Limited and Open games available (Open games are awarded extra Masterpoints when there are also Limited games at the same time).



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