



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

## SEPTEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

### MILESTONES

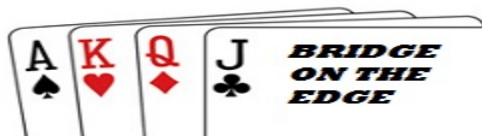
#### Common Game Achievements

Mary Lou Martin and Janet Hannaford placed first overall in the Common Game of September 1. They achieved 73.74% placing first in a field of 1904 tables! - Congratulations to Mary Lou and Janet - What a way to mark our Inaugural Game.

#### Club Statistics

September Table Count Competitive Newcomers			108.5 37
Highest table count		September 1, 2016	16.5
Web Page Visitors			16,310
Membership count			132





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### BOARD MEETING

#### Reorganization of Roles

It was decided to redefine the roles - the principle change was to eliminate the Assistant Director's role and create the two new positions.

- Dealers
- Session Managers

#### Dealers

The club approached the training on the dealing machine as a group activity - hoping to expose as many as possible to the board preparation. Unfortunately, this approach failed, as the operation requires a steady hand, concentration and individual training. Joan FitzGerald has agreed to take on the training of Dealers during the month of October. This will be a one on one activity, as it is important that the difficulties encountered during the September games will not reoccur. The Game's director will randomly check the hand distribution, and only the director will distribute the boards to the tables.

#### Session managers

The session manager takes on all the duties previously assigned to the Assistant Director excluding those in respect to the Dealing Machine and computer setup.

The Board also addressed the cancellation of a Tuesday night session due to poor registration. It was later determined that players were unaware that web registration was used by the club in the setup process, and in fact had all players registered then the game would have gone ahead. This was a lose lose situation and the board decided to seek a volunteer to monitor the web based partnership registration.

#### October games and points

The October game schedule was reviewed and it is attached to this newsletter.

#### Partnership Desk

The partnership desk is web based, however, certain members may not be comfortable with the technology or not have access to the computer resources required to register for a game. The Board intends to seek a volunteer to assist those members and to help any member looking for a partner who has registered for a game find a partner. The board envisions that the partnership desk will make the calls, not take calls - members must register first to avail of this service.

#### Mentors

The need to separate the mentoring function from the director's duties was discussed and it was suggested that the board should seek input from the newcomers in respect to this service.

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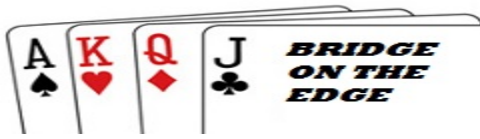
## DISTRICT NEWS

The ACBL District to which Bridge on the Edge, Inc belongs is Unit 194, which represents Atlantic Canada. Our web Page has a link to theirs and members can obtain their latest newsletter on that site. The upcoming events in the District are set out below

14 - 16 Oct.	Spud Island Sectional	Charlottetown, PEI
5 Nov.	NAP Flight "A" District Finals	Halifax
29 Oct.	NAP Flight "B" District Finals	Moncton, NB
5 Nov.	NAP Flight "C" District Finals	Halifax
11-13 Nov.	Halifax Fall Sectional	Halifax

## OTTAWA SECTIONAL

The Ottawa Sectional takes place from October 4th to 10th at the Ottawa Marriott. Bridge on the Edge will be well represented at this Sectional. We will be following the results as they become available. Good Luck to all.



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### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Fran and I played at two clubs in Victoria. Placing second at one - put there by our opponents errors, and last at the other due to my poor play and worse bidding.

Playing at other clubs was a different experience, particularly having assisted with the organization of our own, I was far more aware of the nuances of each club, and there were a number of takeaways.

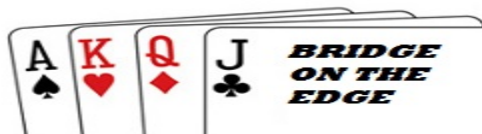
- A notice board announcing the number of rounds, boards per round and if applicable the timing of skips and sit outs.
- The clock and results were presented on a large screen TV (a process our Webmaster has already begun work on)
- A weekly night session for Swiss Teams, and if there's sufficient interest - perhaps we can introduce that here - if not weekly consider the first Thursday Evening of every month.

### ACBL-WIDE INSTANT MATCHPOINT GAME - FRIDAY OCTOBER 14

#### Masterpoints:

- One gold point to section tops in each direction in each club, remaining points red/black at 81.8% sectional rating.
- Overall Awards: 1st, 20; depth of awards, 10 places
- District Winners: 1st, 10; depth of awards, 5 places
- Winners recognized on ACBL website and in the Bridge Bulletin
- Hand records and analyses provided
  - Features for players include a booklet with complete analyses of the deals by national champion Larry Cohen. Instant Matchpoint Game Conditions of Contest.

IT IS NOT OFTEN THAT GOLD MASTER POINTS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CLUB  
THEREFORE MEMBERS SHOULD TAKE SPECIAL NOTE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY



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### OCTOBER 2016 GAME SCHEDULE

	<b>Tuesday</b>			<b>Thursday</b>		<b>Friday</b>
	<b>Afternoon</b>		<b>Evening</b>	<b>Afternoon</b>		<b>Afternoon</b>
	<b>October 4, 2016</b>			<b>October 6, 2016</b>		
Director in training	Jonathan Cook		Dan Regan	Peter Stacey		
Dealer	Wanda Lundrigan		N/A	Carol Burden		
Session Manager	Barb Slattery		Rosemary Burke	June Hynes		
Mentor	Mary Lou Martin		N/A	Fran Cook		
	<b>October 11, 2016</b>			<b>October 13, 2016</b>		<b>October 14, 2016 Gold</b>
Director in training	Richard Lash		Dan Regan	Peter Stacey		Jonathan Cook
Dealer	Barb Slattery		N/A	Judy Crewe		Tim Summers
Session Manager	Wanda Lundrigan		Jonathan Cook	Judith McIntyre		Fran Cook
Mentor	Deirdre Davis		N/A	Open		N/A
Club Appreciation Pairs Week Silver Points	<b>October 18, 2016</b>			<b>October 20, 2016</b>		
Director in training	Brian Collins		Richard Lash	Peggy Pope		
Dealer	Pramilla Paddock		N/A	Heidi Janes		
Session Manager	Jonathan Cook		Wanda Lundrigan	Tim Summers		
Mentor	Anne Hughes		N/A	Judith McIntyre		
Club Appreciation Teams Week Silver Points with 5% gold - max 1/4	<b>October 25, 2016</b>			<b>October 27, 2016</b>		
Director in training	Bev Moore		Jonathan Cook	Brian Collins		
Dealer	Jonathan Cook		N/A	Susan Follett		
Session Manager	Sandra Tobin		Fran Cook	June Hynes		
Mentor	Open		N/A	Open		