

Hi Duplicate Lite Enthusiasts,

With the latest news about the province easing restrictions, we are preparing to open the club at Elgin Hall as soon as we are given the green light and we can provide a safe environment. The plans below are for our first week of face to face play. We will revise our procedures if necessary as we move forward.

Our plans are based on the guidelines set out by the ACBL and the Provincial Health Authority, the procedures at clubs that have successfully re-opened and the results from our survey in May.

The purpose of this newsletter is to help our players begin to think about starting to play at Elgin and planning for the opening. **We need your help to make this happen!**

Your help to open the club and start these programs is very important. We will need a team of volunteers to make the opening successful and secure our place at Elgin.

There will be programs for new players, social players wanting to try Duplicate bridge, youth and family, and lessons for advancing players. If we can fill the hall from Monday to Thursday, the amount of work to set up and take down will be reduced significantly.

- staging – helping with set up and take down for the games, welcoming etc.
- moving our equipment from the storage locker in Newton
- helping with programs – registration, teaching, supervising
- or any other general duties

Our success is due to our volunteers! Please reply to this email if you can give a few hours to help!! Please send your phone number and the area you can help.

The following is for our first week of operation only and subject to change going forward. The actual instructions to do the following will be in the next email.

1. In order to play at the club,
 - You must preregister (the preregistration information will be forthcoming).
 - We will require proof of double vaccination.
 - Each player will use only 1 bidding box, E/W taking it with them when they move :
 - You can purchase your own personal bidding box from the club at cost, \$15.
 - You can use one of the club bidding boxes and clean it (all bidding cards) after the game.

- You can use one of the club bidding boxes and have the club clean it for a \$5 charge
- You can borrow a bidding box with a \$10 deposit – take it home and return it to the club when you no longer need it (and your deposit will be returned to you)
- You must consent to having your temperature checked at the door.
- Masks are optional

2. Game days: Monday Wednesday Thursday

Games offered: 0-199 and open. Game Times: 10:15 am

3.Number of tables: Maximum 15 until further notice

4.Cost: to be determined when we know our operating costs. Our fees were \$10.

5.Refreshments: None will be served the first week but you can bring your own coffee (refreshment) and snack but please do not share.

6.Badges: Time to dig out your name badges. Please let Lauren know if you need a new one by emailing her at jlcockroft2@gmail.com

Short Term Part Time Assignment:

If you know of anyone who would like a short term job taking registrations, please let us know. This would involve working with email, entering data into a spreadsheet and phone calls. An honorarium would be given for these services.

Teaching Bridge

We will need more teachers to deliver our new programs. There is an honorarium provided for all teachers. Anyone interested, please reply to this email.

Looking forward to seeing you at the club,
John, Ed, Ben, Jane, and Bob