



As we gear up for the festive season, get ready to jingle and mingle at our Xmas parties, and don't forget to bring your generous spirit for our annual Food Bank drive.

In the New Year, we're diving into lessons and kicking off Monday mornings with a bangin' BBO bridge game. Keep those eyes peeled for all the details ☐ it's going to be a ho-ho-whole lot of fun! ?

Mark your calendars, Duplicate Lite enthusiasts! We've got a festive lineup for December 20 and 21 that'll warm your heart and fill your belly:

? Wednesday, December 20, 10:15 am: Christmas-themed snacks galore! Bring along your favourite homemade Christmas treats to spread joy and deliciousness to your fellow members.

? Thursday, December 21, 10:15 am: It's potluck time! Share the love with an appy, salad, main dish, or dessert. The more, the merrier !

? Food Bank Drive: As we embrace the season of giving, playing fees from the two games will be donated to the Surrey Food Bank. Join us in supporting this noble cause! You can contribute easily through our online link: [Duplicate Lite and Surrey Bridge Virtual Food Drive | Food Banks BC](#). If you use the link, you will get an emailed tax receipt immediately afterwards. We will be accepting cash donations at the club on December 20-21. Tax receipts will be available a few weeks later for donations of \$20+. Please help us continue our tradition of generous support to our less fortunate neighbours.

Here are the totals from our years of Christmas donations to Surrey Food Bank from Duplicate Lite and Surrey Bridge Clubs. These donations were made to SFB thru our direct donations to Bob at the club and thru our dedicated Canada Helps donation page

2016	\$2363	2017	\$3078
2018	\$5123	2019	\$4988
2020	\$0 covid closed the club		
2021	\$3963	2022	\$2821
Total	\$22336		
2023	\$3000 is our goal this year		

Bridge Lessons - Learn to Play Bridge - Jan/Feb 2024

Please help us spread the word for our lessons starting next month. The information can be found at the club and our website

Come learn this fascinating and interesting card game. Keep your mind sharp. Meet new people. Make new friends. After these lessons, you will be well on your way to being able to play in a duplicate bridge game at a club.

Online BBO Club game starting Monday January 8, 2024

Monday morning, still in PJs, contemplating the week. Grab your coffee, keep the PJs on, and kick off the day with an online bridge game. No need to get dressed right away—mental warm-up before the chaos! Join us for a brain boost and a week well-planned. Let the virtual bridge battle begin!

Before COVID-19 and during the pandemic, we had bridge games on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. When we came out of the pandemic, the Monday game did not have enough attendance to cover the rent at Elgin Hall. We kept the Monday game on BBO for a while, but attendance there slowly fizzled out. We would like to try to revive the Monday game on BBO once again starting on January 8.

To find the game on January 8, sign in to BBO, click on Virtual Clubs, then on ACBL □ North America. This will show a list of games. Click on the one with our club number, 265157, as the host. It will also have □Duplicate Lite□ in the game Title. The cost to play will be BB\$4.50. This will be another opportunity for you to play. Hope to see many of you there. Game time will be 10:15.