

2015 – 2016 Cup Races thru May 1, 2016

MAY 2016

We have a few more weeks to go and it appears three of the races have clear leaders, but, with lots of extra-point games on the calendar, no one's lead is safe.

In the **Sol Lourie Open** category, Jay Shahani still has the lead over second place Pat Webb but only by 6¼ masterpoints. With May being Grass Roots Fund month, there are plenty of extra points to be earned. Look for Pat to make a strong charge during the closing weeks and challenge Jay for first place. Hap Neuffer and Al Kirkland are still in 3rd and 4th places respectively and Bob Webb and Alice Moore trailing in 5th and 6th. Ken Fasching, Mary Townhill, Jack Self, and Harold Moore round out the top ten.

In the **Henry Mills Under 2000** category, Jay Shahani has widened his hold on first place leading second place Al Kirkland by over 20 masterpoints. Mary Townhill, Jack Self, and Jack Wilkins are distant 3rd, 4th, and 5th places. Mohan Bali, Francis Robinson, Bill Charlwood, Dot Jones, and Jim Chianelli complete the top ten list.

In the **Coleman-Farrell** race for the non-life master Dot Jones has a fairly comfortable lead over second place Helen Young leading by 12 points. Sue Hopke trails Helen by only 2½ points with Kathy Kimmerling 8 points back in 4th place. The next six places are all bunched together with Janet Sheridan taking 5th place, followed by Sally McCardle, Karen Faulkenberry, Jerry Love, Kenyon Stevenson, and Brenda Isbell.

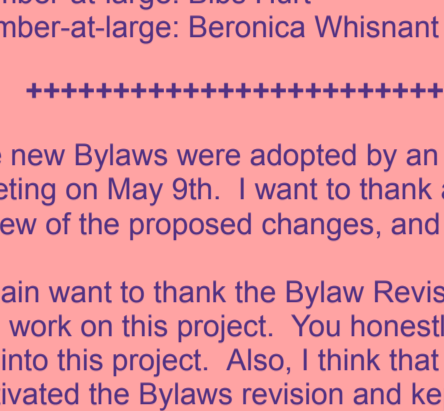
The **Centurion** race for those starting the fiscal year with fewer than 100 masterpoints is where the excitement is. Janet Sheridan leads the pack with almost 50 masterpoints, but only four points back are the trio of Kenyon Stevenson, Brenda Isbell, and Craig Lemrow. Mary Frame, Alice Smith, Beth Donelan, Judy Small, Bob McCardle, and Jerry Isbell round out the top ten.

As mentioned earlier, **May is Grass Roots Fund** month with lots of extra points available, so anything is possible and the order of the top ten can change dramatically in the last month. So grab a partner, come to the table, and let the cup leaders know that you are breathing down their necks.

Jack Self

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Sol Lourie Open	Henry Mills Under 2000	Coleman-Farrell Non-Life Master	Centurion Under 100	
Jay Shahani 213.96	Jay Shahani 213.96	Dot Jones 84.82	Janet Sheridan 49.75	
Pat Webb 207.17	Al Kirkland 192.29	Helen Young 72.71	Kenyon Stevenson 45.83	
Hap Neuffer 197.90	Mary Townhill 143.10	Sue Hopke 70.49	Brenda Isbell 45.78	
Al Kirkland 192.29	Jack Self 137.25	Kathy Kimmerling 62.57	Craig Lemrow 45.36	
Bob Webb 175.19	Jack Wilkinson 119.15	Janet Sheridan 49.75	Mary Frame 36.68	
Alice Moore 172.61	Mohan Bali 104.54	Sally McCardle 49.38	Olivia Smith 30.58	
Ken Fasching 144.85	Francis Robinson 100.56	Karen Faulkenberry 49.07	Beth Donelan 27.95	
Mary Townhill 143.10	Bill Charlwood 85.50	Jerry Love 48.66	Judy Small 27.01	
Jack Self 137.25	Dot Jones 84.82	Kenyon Stevenson 45.83	Robert McCardle 25.00	
Harold Moore 125.88	Jim Chianelli 84.73	Brenda Isbell 45.78	Jerry Isbell 22.45	

2016 - 2017 CBC Membership Dues



The CBC calendar year begins on June 1 and the directors are collecting membership dues now.

For \$20.00, CBC members receive a free play in the Birthday Game (for their birthday month), the Summer Party and the Winter Party. Also included in your membership is a copy of this awesome monthly newsletter.

CBC Annual Membership Meeting Held Monday, May 9

At the annual General Membership Meeting the proposed Bylaw Revisions were accepted. Additionally, please welcome our new officers and board members for 2016:

- Vice President: Ed Young
- Secretary: Mary Townhill
- Member-at-large: Bibs Hurt
- Member-at-large: Beronica Whisnant



The new Bylaws were adopted by an overwhelming majority at the General Membership Meeting on May 9th. I want to thank all of the Club members for their input, their careful review of the proposed changes, and their support.

I again want to thank the Bylaw Revisions Committee, Jack and Joyce, for their dedication and work on this project. You honestly would not believe the hours and hours they both put into this project. Also, I think that Joyce will agree with me that it was Jack who motivated the Bylaws revision and kept us on task.

Additionally, I need to thank the previous Bylaw Revision Committees, Frazer, Bernetha, Henry, Bel, Lewis, and Bibs (in no particular order). We based our recommendations heavily on the framework they already established for us.

Finally, I want to thank the Board for all their patience with our reports and the tons of feedback we got.

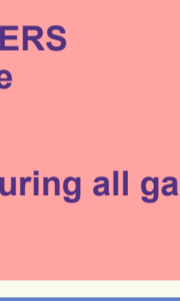
Respectfully, on behalf of the Bylaw Revision Committee,

Scott Dunn

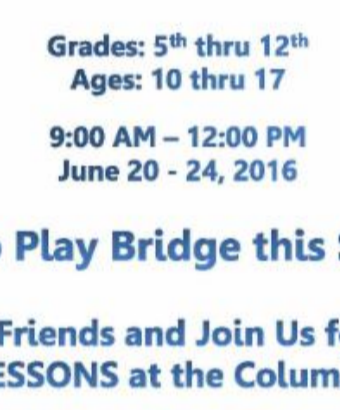
Masterpoint Milestones!

Grand Life Master (10,000+ MP)
Happoldt Neuffer

Junior Master (5+ MP)
Charles Williams



Celebrate National Sunglasses Day at the CBC Summer Beach Party



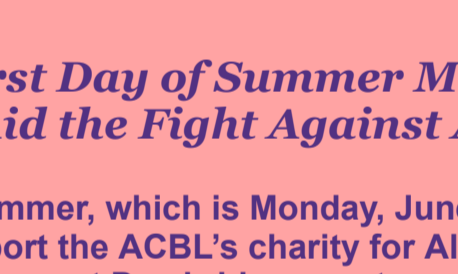
Come in your favorite beachwear and sunglasses to the CBC SUMMER BEACH PARTY on JUNE 27

- SOCIAL: 5:00 PM**
- DINNER: 5:30 PM**
- BRIDGE: 7:00 PM**

The party will be catered and drinks are provided
Members are invited to share a favorite dessert

BRIDGE is INCLUDE for MEMBERS
NAP 0 - 500 and OPEN game

Tickets are \$10.00 - available at the CBC during all games



2016 Youth Bridge Camp

77 Brighton Hill Road, Columbia, SC 29223

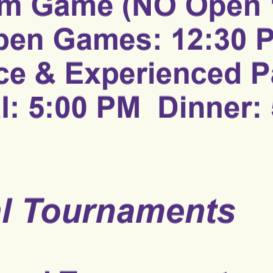
Grades: 5th thru 12th
Ages: 10 thru 17

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
June 20 - 24, 2016

Learn to Play Bridge this Summer!

Bring Your Friends and Join Us for a Week of FREE BRIDGE LESSONS at the Columbia Bridge Club!

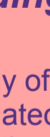
Space is Limited Registration Ends June 10



For More Information or to Register -

<http://www.columbia-bridge-club.org/> or

Scan our QR code with your smart phone!



www.acbl.org



www.acbl.org/juniors

The Longest Day - June 20, 2016



The CBC's First Day of Summer Marathon Bridge Event to Aid the Fight Against Alzheimer's.

On the first day of summer, which is Monday, June 20, the Columbia Bridge Club will support the ACBL's charity for Alzheimer's research by participating in the Longest Day bridge event.

On this day, the CBC will host not just one, but three games. The first game will be at 12:30 PM, followed by a second game at 3:45 PM, with the third game at 7:00 PM. Each game will consist of either 18 or 21 boards followed by a 30 – 40 minute break for rest and a "bring a sandwich" style lunch.

All games will be open games with the usual stratification. A portion of each \$7.00 entry fee will be donated to the ACBL's Alzheimer's research charity. In addition, the game directors will be donating their services for the event.

So on June 20, everyone can play up to three times in shortened games while contributing to a worthwhile charity. And, of course, since this is a charity event, there will be extra masterpoints awarded to the top placers in each stratification.

Grab your partners and make plans to be there to play lots of bridge and help support the fight against Alzheimer's disease.

Upcoming Special Games and Area Tournaments

Special Games at the CBC

- June 4 World Wide Bridge Contest
- June 5 Sunday Individual Game (1:30 PM) (Play the Yellow Card - No partner needed)
- June 7 Open NAP Game 12:30 PM (NO 0-1500 game)
- June 9 Mentor - Mentee Game (NO Open 12:30 PM game)
- June 11 June Birthday Party - June babies play free!
- June 16 Individual Game (1:30 PM) (Play the Yellow Card - No partner needed)
- June 19 Eight is Enough Team Game (NO Open 1:30 PM game)
- June 20 The Longest Day Open Games: 12:30 PM 3:45: PM and 7:00 PM
- June 23 Hi-Low Game - Novice & Experienced Pairing Encouraged
- June 27 Summer Party Social: 5:00 PM Dinner: 5:30 PM Bridge: 7:00 PM

Area Sectional and Regional Tournaments

- May 24 - 30 **Raleigh Regional Tournament**
- June 3 - 5 **Augusta Sectional Tournament**
- June 10 - 12 **Charlotte NLM Sectional Tournament**

Click on Tournament to download Flyer

Lending Library at the CBC

The family of Faye and Arnold Levinson have donated many of their parents' bridge books to the Columbia Bridge Club to share in their lending library.

We are most appreciative of their generosity and thoughtfulness.



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Play Along with Jack

by Jack Self

In the 8 Is Enough team game a couple of weeks ago, I saw Kenyon Stevenson make an incorrect play in the trump suit. It is a card combination that many people would play incorrectly.

Suppose you are playing a 4 Spade contract and this is your trump suit.

- Dummy: ♠ Q 9 6 3 4
- You: ♠ A 10 7 5 2

How do you play the spade suit if you can afford to lose only one trick in the suit? Give it some thought and then continue reading.

Did you play the Ace intending to lead toward the Queen? If so, you will lose two tricks whenever your right hand opponent had all three missing spades (K J 8) and they are sitting on top of the Queen.

Did you lead the Queen intending to take finesse? If so, you will lose two tricks whenever your left hand opponent has all three of the missing spades.

The correct play is to lead a low spade from the dummy and, cover whatever your right hand opponent plays. If she plays a singleton King you play the Ace (of course) and you will pick up the last trump with the Queen. If she plays the singleton Jack, you win with the Ace and lead toward the Queen, losing only one trick to the King.

If your right hand opponent shows out, you play the Ace and now lead toward dummy's Queen, losing only one trick to the King.

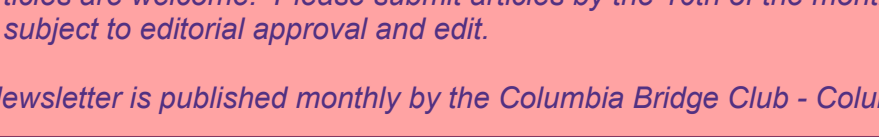
If your right hand opponent plays the ♠ 8, insert the ♠ 10. This will probably lose to the ♠ J or the ♠ K but now your ace will pick up the one remaining trump.

This kind of play is called a safety play. You give up the opportunity to make an extra trick but you insure that you won't lose more tricks than necessary. If your left-hand opponent has the singleton King, you give up a trick that you could have won by playing the Ace. But, by making the safety play, you guarantee that you will not lose two tricks no matter who has the missing cards.

Congratulations to Kenyon for making the right play.

See you at the bridge table.

Jack



2016-2017 DO YOU NEED RED POINTS?

Now's your chance to earn half red / half black points. During the months of June, July and August, each club is allowed to hold two NAP games per sanctioned session per month.

This prestigious event is staged in qualifying rounds at club, unit and district levels. It culminates in a final held in conjunction with the 2017 Kansas City Spring NABC.

- Flight Requirements:
- A (Open)
- B (less than 2,500)
- C (NLM with less than 500)

Check your masterpoint total in your June Bridge Bulletin to see which flight you are eligible for. Points earned after the June 2016 masterpoint cycle, do not affect flight eligibility.

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