5TaC Week

COLUMBIA BRIDGE CLUB
Columbia Bridge Club, Inc.
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"Kitchen Sheets Welcome!"

STRATS and Total Clubs will be Scored which Kitchen Sheets.

MONDAY	DECEMBER 23	10:00 AM 2:00 PM	1 Club Game
TUESDAY	DECEMBER 24	10:00 AM 2:00 PM	1 Club Game
WEDNESDAY	DECEMBER 25	10:00 AM 2:00 PM	1 Club Game
THURSDAY	DECEMBER 26	10:00 AM 2:00 PM	1 Club Game
FRIDAY	DECEMBER 27	10:00 AM 2:00 PM	1 Club Game
SATURDAY	DECEMBER 28	10:00 AM 2:00 PM	1 Club Game
SUNDAY	DECEMBER 29	1:30 PM	1 Club Game ****

Club Games: 5 Strat Total Points in Each Game (Total Points Scored Divided by Number of Tables Played). Strats Scored Against Other Players Playing the Same Strat. Total Points Scored Against Other Players Playing the Same Total of the Same Number. The Scores of the Same Strat are Added to Determine the Winner. Ties Will Be Broken Based on Total Points Scored Against Other Players Playing the Same Strat. Strat Winners Will Be Determined Based on Total Points Scored Against Other Players Playing the Same Strat. Total Winners Will Be Determined Based on Total Points Scored Against Other Players Playing the Same Total. Kitchen Sheets Will Be Used to Determine Ties. Kitchen Sheets Will Be Used to Determine Ties. Kitchen Sheets Will Be Used to Determine Ties.

**** Playing Hours of Club
Sunday Game Begins at 1:30 PM - Kitchen Sheets Used on Ties Only.

LUNCH AND LEARN

JANUARY 24 - 30:00 AM

WRAPPING IT UP! LEBENSOHL REVIEW AND PRACTICE HANDS

WITH JACK SAY

$7.00

Lunch and Learn

This is the fourth session in an ongoing series. Jack Say will be presenting and sponsoring all the members request to further develop their game.

Taught to Jack Sell these sessions are thought providing for all levels, but focusing on the intermediate and high level player.

If you have any suggestion for future topics, give your input to Jack Sell Bemetta Henry - Education Chair, or any committee member.

The session is $7.00 and includes the lunch and learn. Preregistration is required.

January 11
GNT Club Qualifier
Double Session

Get your team together for this Double Session GNT Club Qualifier Bridge event at the CBC.

Teams are stratified by the member with the highest masterpoint holding.

Hold the Date - Learn Bridge in a Day® is Returning to Columbia - February 22 and 23

The American Contract Bridge League (ACBL) Learn to Play Bridge in a Day® class recently approved a grant for a pilot program to teach bridge at U.S. Army bases.

Col. Lori Bumbrey approached Patty Kuzmiak to help her encourage and teach military personnel to play the game. The two approached ACBL#1 and were awarded a grant to teach bridge to members of military bases in the D.C. within close proximity to national bridge clubs.

To date, **Fort Jackson in Columbia, SC**, has been selected as one of the three army bases for the pilot program. The pilot program will begin with Learn to Play Bridge in a Day® followed by six 3-hour bridge classes taught by local teachers. These courses will be held on the Fort Jackson Army base and will be open to all that has both instruction and cards play.

The LBAD course will be taught at Fort Jackson on February 22 followed by sessions scheduled at the CBC on Sunday, February 23. Both session will be from 9am to 5pm.

More details will follow, but for now, if you know anyone who is interested in the class please pass the information on to them. The 12 session is only $10 for the entire class while the Fort 23 session is for the community.

The CBC has prepared its resources to make this event a great success. To do this we will be needing our most valuable resource - YOU! Please volunteer to help out at one of these two sessions.

*** excerpted from the ACBL Educational Foundation website - Click to read entire article*

Supervised Play - Moving to Thursday Morning

Starting January 31, 2020, the Supervised Play program of the Columbia Bridge Club will move to the Thursday morning game hours and that is more once we begin the program. Our years ago, the time for the game was Thursday morning from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Since then, the game has been moved to Friday afternoon. This is a very informal format that we always have. At least at the start of 2020, Supervised Play will run every two weeks beginning with the first weekend the morning of January 31, 2020.

For all those players who have come out or participated in our Supervised Play program over the years, we miss you. We miss the fun we had playing bridge and the time we had with the members. Just either with the players. There have been countless people who have come through our Supervised Play program and have gone one to become successful players in our game. We are very happy to continue provide our renewed instruction to many more players for years to come.

Mike Bilnik

CBC HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

December 24	Tuesday	Club Closed
December 25	Wednesday	Club Closed
December 31	NO Tuesday Evening Game	
January 1	Wednesday	Club Closed

Supervised Play is on Holiday Break:
Resumes January 9 – 9:30 AM

Winter Bridge Classes at the CBC

The Education Committee has scheduled three classes for the Winter Semester at the Columbia Tea Room Cafe and Deeply Delicious.

Mary Tunnell will teach the 3/1 and Defense, while Bridge Basics 2 will be taught by team of instructors Cordell Mary Tunnell or Bemetha Henry to register.

Mastepoint Milestones
Congratulations!

Sectional Master (50n)
Cathy Bishop

Club Master (20n)
Judith Hammond
Sandra Rolsaff

Junior Master (5n)
Kathryn Taylor
Tom Tessmann

Hop Heather and Alice Moore placed 2nd in the Open Pairs game at the Hilton Hallmark Game on October 31.

Columbia Bridge Club Recycles!

The Club is doing its part to recycle. Beginning in 2020 there will be a little more of all the same bridge.

Aluminum Soda Cans go to the Pulaski McDonald House in Columbia. Cans go there when they have been filled with Coke.

Although the whole aluminum can is recycled, the Pulaski McDonald House makes no claims to be a beneficiary of whole cans. The bits of a standard soda can are worth about a penny, so the amount, beginning with the first month, would be not much. But when you participate, you make a difference. Last year, the Pulaski McDonald House received 1 million pounds of aluminum cans.

Aluminum Can Recycling... At the Auditorium and the CBC, we collected and taken to the Columbia Recycling Center, the cans we use in the CBC coffee. But, we now know that there are a number of CBC members who drink soda and beer at home. We can recycle all the cans with the proceeds going to the cats.

Cans can go into a portable (so recycling decanter) and (and all other recyclables), so talk with Mary if you want to participate. Mary will be the Recycling Director, but must be separated from the aluminum cans.

People are Recycling Lights at the CBC! Starting this week (this January 11, 2020), we are collecting the lights that burn out on unwanted holiday lights and on unwanted cords. The Columbia Recycle station will accept the lights and cords. It will not be not necessary to remove the light bulbs! There will be a bin under the bridge table.

TerraCycle Tide Cup Brigade is benefit the South Carolina Bridge Foundation TerraCycle® and Tide Squared® have partnered to launch the Tide Cup Brigade®, a free recycling program for rigid, #5 plastic caps, and a fundraising opportunity for participants.

The CBC has had a great turnout at its Tide Cup Brigade® collection. Unfortunately, there were lots of trash. **To doing the need to pay for service and the cost of shipping, the CBC will ABSOLUTELY NOT accept any more.** Bowing cans, water bottles, screw sheets, etc. Please, please, please, don't bring any of the trash. Almost everything cans get in the recycle bin is of no avail, but if there is a cap on it, it is worth something. Dishwasher-safe cannot be recycled.

Another reminder - **Please do not put anything in the bin under the table** - most area bins by the curb are the ones that offer games. Empty your coffee cups, soda cans, water bottles, and other trash that is cans turn to trash after a few days - so please dump out the ice as well.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and participation in the CBC's recycling all along, you are the BEST!

2019 – 2020 Club Qualifier Sessions at the Columbia Bridge Club

71 Highrun Hill Road, Columbia, SC 29223 Phone (803) 404-7010

November 24 – 12:00 PM – Single Session – Open

January 11 – 10:00 AM – Double Session – Open (Bring a Sandwich!)

February 15 – 12:30 PM – Single Session – Flight C
Bring Your Lunch to Enjoy Between Games or Visit Nearby Restaurants

March 19 – 12:30 PM – Single Session – Open

April 30 – 12:30 PM – Single Session – Flight C

Looking for a Team or a Partner??
Contact: Scott Dean
Phone: (232) 250-8779 Email: scottrdean@gmail.com

Upcoming Special CBC Club Games and Area Tournaments

Special Games at the CBC

Dec 18 Total Values (check schedule for game types)
Dec 19 Hi-Low-Jacks (12:30 PM) Novice & Experienced Pairing Encouraged
Dec 20 Hi-Low-Jacks (12:30 PM) Novice & Experienced Pairing
Dec 21 STaC Game (Game 1) (12:30 PM) (5-1000 distribution)
Dec 22 STaC Game (Game 1) (6 PM) NO individual game today
Dec 23 STaC Week (Game 1) (10:00 AM)
Dec 24 CLUB CLOSED - OWNERSHIP DAY
Dec 25 CLUB CLOSED - CHRISTMAS DAY

Jan 1 CLUB CLOSED - NEW DAY
Jan 17 Hi-Low-Jacks (12:30 PM) Novice & Experienced Pairing (Martin Luther King Day and TBA)
Jan 19 Birthday Game - Open Pairs (12:30 PM)
Jan 20 Lunch and Learn (Jack Say Lebensohl Review)

Area Sectional and Regional Tournaments

Dec 30 - Jan 5 Myrtle Beach New Year's Regional
Feb 7 - Feb 9 Charleston Sectional (Charleston, SC)
Feb 14-16 Columbia Palmetto Life Master Sectional

Click on Tournament for Flyer

CBC Tournaments for 2020.... Lots of Exciting Things!
by Lee Webb

The next Sectional Tournament will be in Feb 2020. Our 2nd **Future Life Master Sectional** will be held at our own club on **Feb 14 - 16**. We also have a single session game on the Friday before the Sectional. Our Sectional will be the Hi-Low-Jacks game. The Hi-Low-Jacks game is a fun game, and novel points - a rainbow of colors available for the sweepers! Judy Hockwell and are chairing this event so please volunteer your time and help to make this the best Club yet!

We will hold a **Sectional on May 15 – 17, 2020** at the TriCity Leisure Center in Cayce (Exit 5 off I-26 and I-20). This is a great venue for us. We will have a pre-game set up and we get a discount for our Sectional at the Marriott. We would love to have all our very seen flight C teams go to the Nationals. First and Gold points will be awarded at this event. The sectional winners will be players at least one level down - gold and out points.

Columbia will host a **District 7 Regional in 2020: July 27- August 2** at the Doubletree Hotel. I need volunteers to help with this event. Specifically, I need:

1. A Information/Monitor Chair to arrange for speakers
2. Registration Chair
3. Registration Desk Chair

Please let me know if you are interested.

A GNT Qualifier will be held just prior to the regional at the Doubletree Hotel, we will hold the **Best Practice Hands** for interested teachers (formerly the TAP Hands). This is a great way for our teachers to practice teaching the Hands of the ACBL. I think we are lucky to be able to bring the Regional to **Sunday, July 28 from 8 am -6 pm and Monday, July 27 from 8 am - noon.** There will be optional Duplicate games on Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning and afternoon. Volunteering This goes any potential teacher the opportunity to be accredited by the ACBL. Even if you have no interest in teaching at this point, this is an excellent opportunity to take the Best Practice Hands and learn how to teach. Bemetta Henry is the Education Chair. Her focus at the club. Please feel free to contact Bemetta this information to anyone interested in taking this teachers course.

You may register at any time at: www.acbl.org/teacher

Leads Out of Curation

There is no more common thing that Directors have to make decision on opponent mass an opening lead out of tradition. Or more commonly put, they make an opening lead out of tradition. Or more commonly put, they make an opening lead out of tradition. It's also one of the more annoying areas of the time Director spends and is not through all five of the lengthy options, sometimes multiple times. Let's look at what statistics the problem, and look more into the options for the Director.

The logical cause for an opening lead out of tradition is simply lack of focus by the opponents. Sometimes, it is because they are tired, sometimes because they are hungry and poorer... sometimes for arguments. There are rules there when the player makes the claim that the opponent is tired, hungry and poorer. Sometimes, the Director is the cause of the opponents. There are rules there when the player makes the claim that the Director is tired, hungry and poorer. Sometimes, the Director is the cause of the opponents. There are rules there when the player makes the claim that the Director is tired, hungry and poorer. Sometimes, the Director is the cause of the opponents. There are rules there when the player makes the claim that the Director is tired, hungry and poorer.

So let's now cover what happens when the lead really was incorrectly made out of tradition. Director, as described from the section of the Laws, has five (5) options available to him/her and must choose from one of them. Director's always should advise the table of the ruling. Director's should also make sure that the table knows the ruling if the Director feels that the opponent's actions. These actions are:

1. Accept the lead and declare plays from hand on the table. Declarer technically becomes the dummy, and vice-versa. This option must only be chosen without penalty if the opponent's actions are not a result of the lead out of tradition. Director provided any discretion and any or another, then this option is not allowed and a procedural penalty can be applied to the declaring side. As the original dummy is now the declarer, the original declarer is now the dummy and vice versa.
2. Accept the lead and declarer gets to see dummy before selecting the play of other hand.
3. Take back the lead and the incorrectly led card becomes a major penalty card. Declarer now may organize the other hand, select of that major penalty card and place it in the other hand and play continues from there.
4. Take back the lead and the incorrectly led card becomes a major penalty card. Declarer now may transfer one of that major penalty card and let go into play as LHO is on lead. LHO may only lead that suit once he/she has led the lead of the major penalty card. Declarer may place the major penalty card that the doctor led in hand and play continues from there.
5. Allow LHO to lead anything they choose (RHO's major penalty card remains on the table). Declarer may choose to let the lead go opportunity, but must choose to let dummy open the lead in dummy's hand.

As you can see from above, options galore. Options for one side typically translates into a bad score for the other side. And almost invariably it was at due to a momentary lack of focus by the opponents. Or, it was due to the Director's actions. Hopefully, your opening lead out of tradition will be confirmation by the opponents that it was in your lead. This method allows you to safely retract your card if it wasn't your lead, and remediates any penalty if you were informed incorrectly.

Be good and play well

Michael Bilnik
Head Director - CBC

Columbia Future Life Master Winter Sectional and FLGNT C GNT Club Qualifier Game
Four Days of Red, Black and Silver Points

February 13 - 16, 2020

Columbia Bridge Club
71 Highrun Hill Road
Columbia, SC
(803) 404-7010

Partner Guidelines Required!
- *Two-Session Pairing with existing partner*
- *Two-Session Pairing with non-mast at Sectional*
- *No-player-non-MP - Black-Ole Minion*
- *Guest partners: Name and Contact*

Thursday, February 13, 2020
Flight C GNT qualifier (single session) 12:30 pm

Friday February 14, 2020
Open Pairs 10:00 am & 2:00 pm
NLM Mini 199 / 199 Pairs 10:00 am & 2:00 pm

Saturday, February 15, 2020
Open Pairs 10:00 am & 2:00 pm
NLM Mini 199 / 199 Pairs 10:00 am & 2:00 pm

Sunday, February 16, 2020
Open Pairs 10:00 am & 2:00 pm
NLM Mini 199 / 199 Pairs 10:00 am & TBA

*** Directors required - silver points to benefit the ACBL Educational Foundation*

No player-non-MP - Black-Ole Minion
Detailed Sectional guidelines, design based on a computer program

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