



July, 2016

Hi Duplicate Lite Enthusiasts,

Hope you had a good time at our Anniversary and Volunteer Recognition party held on June 9. We had 30 tables at this celebration which marked the 5th

Anniversary of Duplicate Lite and highlighted the contributions made by so many volunteers to the success of our club! Perhaps you are ready to play or join us in our next special event - the Swiss Hat Meet – coming up on Wednesday, July 27!

In addition, we have an exciting lesson program scheduled for July through September which will have appeal for both new and established players. The lessons will take place before the renovations start at Elgin Hall in November or December. Details below.

Swiss Hat Meet Wednesday July 27, 2016 - 12:30- 5:00 pm



The goals of a Swiss Team event are to have fun, to meet new friends and to help educate our new players. And of course, to wear your favorite hat! (optional of course)

Pairs sign up either for the Newcomer section (less than 50 MP) or for the Experienced section. *A draw will then be held to make up the teams, comprising of one Newcomer Pair and one Experienced Pair.* Teams will be posted at the beginning

of the event, along with your home table for the first round. It is anticipated that the experienced pair will sit North South in section A and East West in section B for round one.

Please plan on starting at 12:30 pm. sharp & staying through to 5:00 pm. There will be three rounds with breaks between each round for refreshments and for an opportunity to review the boards with your team mates. Again, the focus for this format is on fun, learning, and encouraging our new players. Of course, there will be prizes, points and recognition for the best hats!!

Preregistration required - \$10 per person. Registration will only be accepted with payment. **For our new players, we will provide a handout on Swiss Team strategies.**

Lesson Line up at Elgin Hall

Hand Evaluation: Wednesday, July 13 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm. Single session

This session includes general evaluation of your hand after partner opens, after LHO opens, after RHO opens, etc. Rhoda Tafler, Gold Life Master and educator is the presenter. Cost: \$10

Competitive Bidding: Wednesdays, July 20, August 3, 10, & 17 (Note: no lesson on July 27)

Series of 4 lessons 4:00 – 5:45 pm. Cost: \$15.00 per session or \$40.00 for the series)

Acquire competitive bidding tools and guidelines as to when to compete or not compete in the bidding. Learn how to avoid those dreaded minus 200 scores and other pitfalls when competing in the auction. Each lesson will focus on a different aspect of competitive bidding.

July 20 - Overcalls
August 10 - Drury

August 3 - Takeout Doubles
August 17 - Transfers

Using 2 over 1 (2/1): Wednesdays, Sept 7, Sept 14, Sept 21 & Sept 21

Series of 4 lessons: 4:00 pm- 5:30 pm. Cost: \$15.00 per session or \$40.00 for the series

If you are not playing this system, you are at a disadvantage according to the experts. Players interested in learning 2/1 or those who feel they need a good review, will find these lessons very helpful.

Sept 7 - 1NT Forcing
Sept 21 - Game or Slam

Sept 14 - Game Auction
Sept 28 - Overview and Practice.

Beginning Bridge for the New Player: Wednesday, July 13 and Wednesday July 20

Two sessions: 6:00 pm-8:00 pm at Elgin Hall. This is a 2 week program for people with very little or no knowledge about bridge. Cost \$20. **Pre Registration mandatory.**

Please call Jane Youngberg 604 5414028 or email surreybridgelessons@gmail.com to register.

Supervised Play- every Wednesday 6-8 pm. at Elgin Hall. This program is for players new to duplicate bridge who have a basic knowledge of the game. There is usually a mini lesson followed by hands that reflect the lesson(s). Cost: \$10 per session

Extending Game Time on Thursdays – to 1:15 pm.

Next Thursday, July 14, there will be 26 boards rather than 24. Our club players are becoming more experienced and it is a good time to implement a full game on a trial basis. Please note that the game **will not finish until 1:15 pm.**

Your co-operation is needed: Players sometimes schedule appointments too close to the end of the game time and then must leave before the game has finished. This puts a lot of pressure on the directors to handle the situation at the last moment. Please plan to stay until the end of the game. Thanks for your support.

Summary

We encourage everyone to consider getting involved with the upcoming Swiss Hat Meet scheduled for Wednesday, July 27. It promises to be a lot of fun and a great learning experience, especially for our less experienced players. And it is hoped that the range of topics covered in our scheduled lessons will have something of interest and benefit for players of all levels. As well, encourage your non playing Bridge friends and neighbours to come out for the introductory Bridge starting this week. Enjoy the summer and your Bridge! See you at the tables!

John, Ed L, Jane, and Ed Y

