

ANNOUNCING THE 2026 MENTOR PROGRAM - UNIT 133

Goals:

- Improve the overall quality of play in Unit 133.
- Increase participation in all Unit 133 games.

Responsibilities of the Mentee:

- Provide a complete and up-to-date convention card to your mentor.
- Inform your mentor what specific things you want to work on.
- Show up on time ready to learn, do your best and have fun.

Responsibilities of the Mentor:

- Play the mentee's convention card.
- Be encouraging and positive even when things go wrong.
- Celebrate the small improvements and have fun.
- Initiate the first session.
- If requested, help the mentee find new partners.

Recommended minimum number of mentor/mentee games: 6

Time frame: 5/1/2026 - 11/1/2026

Preferred common location:

In an attempt to level the playing field for the mentor partnerships, we have designated the first Friday of each month as mentor day at LVAL. We again suggest that mentors make an attempt to play some of their games then. Note that all players are welcome at the first Friday games, not only the mentor pairs.

Dual Mentors:

As done previously, we are willing to accept requests from existing partnerships to have 2 mentors, creating a foursome that would play together at mentor, online and other events.

Contacts:

All interested mentees and mentors should register with Mike Kohler (michael.h.kohler@gmail.com) or Freda Witmer (fwitmer1@ptd.net)

*If we don't have enough mentors, preference will be given to beginners and those who have never had a mentor. We do have mentors that are happy to play online for those mentees so inclined.