Hello to the players in ACBL Unit 491 (Seaside),

You are invited to play with us in the Vancouver Bridge Club virtual club games on BBO. A schedule of events is shown below and on our web site - https://acbld20.org/vbc/U452_home.html. You will need -

- A BBO name to get online at BridgeBase.com
- To associate your ACBL number (all numeric) with your BBO name for Vancouver games
- BBO Bridge Bucks (BB\$) we are charging \$5 for each player per game
- To register for the game beginning two hours prior to starting time

If you are new to or unfamiliar with BBO, please read the details below, especially the text in red.

FIND THE GAME

The club-sponsored games are found under Featured Areas/Virtual Clubs. Click on the ACBL Virtual Clubs tab. Find a tournament listed as **Vancouver WA** with a day and time. We have both Open games and limited games. Click on the selected game to open the Registration page.

REGISTRATION

Registration begins two hours prior to the start of the game. To register, both partners must be logged on to BBO. Either partner can invite the other, but both must be online with BBO at the same time. The cost is 5BB\$. Be sure to have dollars in your BBO account before registration to ensure being placed in the game.

Once BBO has confirmed your registration the tournament listing will turn yellow and you may log off BBO if you wish. Just make sure you are logged in to BBO at game time.

PARTNERSHIP DESK

If you don't have a partner but would like to play, go to the Registration page and click on the Partnership Desk. There you can place your BBO name for others and the Director to find or you may see another player listed that you want to invite.

PLAY THE GAME

To play, both partners must be logged on to BBO at game time. It's a good idea to log on about ten minutes prior – you don't want the game to start without you. The system will automatically take you to a seat across from your partner. We plan to play 18 boards to make the game ACBL-legal and award black points. It should take no longer than about two hours.

ACBL NUMBER

To add or update your ACBL number in BBO, go to the ACBL WORLD tab and click on the blue button at the bottom, Update Your ACBL Number. You must have entered an ACBL number at least 24 hours prior to playing if you want to earn masterpoints, but this is not required for Open games.

Important: you MUST have an ACBL number on file with BBO in order to play in a limited game. Vancouver currently offers limited games on Monday morning at 10:15 am, Thursday morning at 10:15 am, Thursday afternoon at 3 pm, and Saturday at 11:45 am.

EXPECTATIONS

We expect you to play ethically. Unethical behaviors are easily picked up by BBO algorithms (talking on the phone while playing, playing in the same room, playing as two different people as a partnership, unusual bidding, unusual results, etc.). But more importantly, it's just the right way to play our wonderful game.

TUTORIALS

If you are new to BBO or would like help on any topic, there is a set of video instructions that are very good. Click on <u>Tutorials</u>.

The above is all about the Vancouver Bridge Club. You are also invited to the games sponsored by the Longview Bridge Club.

Have fun – play bridge online and stay healthy!

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Here is the current schedule of weekly sessions:

WEEKLY GAME SCHEDULE ON BBO

DAY	TIME	TYPE	SPONSOR	
Monday	'10:15 am	299'er	Vancouver	(limited game)
Monday	'3 pm	Open	Vancouver	
Tuesday	'10:15 am	Open	Vancouver	
Tuesday	'1:15 pm	Open	Longview	
Wednesday	'3 pm	Open	Vancouver	
Thursday	'10:15 am	1499'er	Vancouver	(limited game)
Thursday	'3 pm	499'er	Vancouver	(limited game)
Thursday	'6:30 pm	Open	Longview	(Longview game)
Friday	'10:15 am	Open	Vancouver	
Saturday	'11:45 am	499'er	Vancouver	(limited game)
Saturday	'11:45 am	Open	Vancouver	