

President's Corner

Hello Maine Bridge;

Just back from the Tom Tarbox Sectional. Kudos to Sharon Hanley and her crew for doing a great job. Nice to see some old friends.

We are slowly recovering from the Pandemic. Table counts are up at many of the Club games and the count in Rockland exceeded the March Portland Sectional. It's nice to be able to play with real live people live again.

Unfortunately, we continue to lose players much faster than we replace them. There does seem to be interest in the generation of empty nesters to learn the game. If you have any interest in teaching contact your local community recreation program. Many of them are looking for activities to promote.

We have Sectional events (silver points) coming up:

Central Maine Sectional, Hallowell	July 15 th , 16 th
Lobsterfest, Portland	August 12 th , 13 th
Indian Summer, Portland	September 9 th , 10 th
Eastern Maine Sectional, Bangor	October 7 th , 8th

Please come out and renew old acquaintances. We are continuing to investigate the possibility of a State Championship in November.

May all your contracts come home and remember what has been the hardest lesson for me to learn. Pass is an acceptable bid😊

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Maine Bridge Web Sites

<https://www.bridgewebs.com/unit189/>

Unit 189

<https://www.bridgewebs.com/dirigo/>

Bangor Games

<https://www.bridgewebs.com/rockland/>

Rockland Games

BBO – Maine Bridge Unit 189 Virtual Games

Monday 12:30 pm

Tuesday 7:00 pm

Wednesday 7:00 pm

For Information contact Steve Dyer 207-478-0621

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LONGEST DAY BRIDGE CELEBRATION!

Oxford, Friday June 23rd
Two Games with a Free Lunch Between Sessions

Recreation Center, 221 King Street, Oxford, Maine

The first game begins at 9:00 AM and the second at 1:30 PM.

Prizes for A, B AND C players.

\$25.00 fee for each game.

You may play for free if you bring in a contributions to the ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION.

For a \$100 donation, you may play both games at no charge.

For a \$50 contribution, you may play one game free.

All monies go directly to the Maine Alzheimer's Association, cash and checks accepted.

We will also have prizes for the overall winners, designed by our own Misha Tomic!

For questions contact Pat Quinn (207) 461-5788 bridgeiscool23@gmail.com



Mainely News

Ellsworth Duplicate Bridge Club

Monday 12:00 PM (Noon)

Ellsworth Senior Center (cafeteria), 115 State Street, Ellsworth, Maine

Wednesday 1:00 PM June through October

The Neighborhood House, 1 Kimball Road, Northeast Harbor, Maine

Director: Michael Povich (207-667-8934) (Cell: 207-461-8934)

E-mail mepda@myfairpoint.net

NEWS FROM THE MUDFLATS

As for most “seasonal” businesses in Maine, that gap in time, which commences shortly after the New Year, and travels through winter/mud season/ersatz spring until mid-May, consists mainly in having enough F2F tables present to hold a sanctioned game. So in the first five months of 2023, the club’s table count varied from 2 ½ to 5 tables with an average of four tables in attendance. Keeping the fee at \$5.00 with several comps for the 90+ members and those who set up the game, we are able to pay the facility fee of \$40.00 and have a few shekels left over for the Shaw’s cookie .cracker creamer shelves.

Every possible game which awarded enhanced masterpoints was played: junior fund (January); Education Foundation (February); Charity Club Championship (April); Grass Roots Fund (May); and a mixture in March.

The following players achieved 60+% games during this time period: Alice Higgins; Will Taylor; Paul and Susan Johnson; Dean Nasson; Michael Povich; Phil Heasley; Lucy Benjamin; Marcia Tompkins; Tom Lane; Van Raymond; Marty Williams; Coleman Driver; John Ellery; Diana Brochendorff; Betsy and Robert French; Anne Desmond; Warrene Carriere; Petko Petkov; Mimi Gerstell; and Nancy Greene.

The Northeast Harbor game will hold its first session on Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 1:00 PM....

...Take heart: summer is coming.

Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge Club

Friday 9:15 AM

Recreation Center, 221 King Street, Oxford, Maine

Directors: Mike Quinn (207) 461-2866 mikebquinn23@gmail.com
Pat Quinn (207) 461-5788 bridgeiscool23@gmail.com

We guarantee a partner if you are there before game time.

The Oxford game has been growing and we are welcoming summer visitors as the weather improves.

A big shout out to our regular players who keep the game interesting. Thanks to Dottie who comes regularly and answers questions and encourages all our players.

Big Winners:

February BJ and Steve Cavicchi

March Misha Tomic and Paul Kahl
Dottie Kelleher and Mike True
BJ and Steve Cavicchi

April Marta Clements and Hazel Glazier

Lewiston Bridge Club

Tuesday 9:00 AM

Seniors' Room Lewiston Armory, 65 Central Avenue, Lewiston, Maine

Directors: Mike Quinn (207) 461-2866 mikebquinn23@gmail.com
Pat Quinn (207) 461-5788 bridgeiscool23@gmail.com

Please contact Pat if you plan on playing

Our Lewiston Bridge Club has just reopened in April and we have a small group of players, but are always inviting more. David Offer has recently returned and we are glad to have him back.

The top winners in April were: Mike Quinn, Pat Quinn and Paul Clements. Also returning to the game were Ron Reynolds who has returned from Florida and Ellie Wigton, as well as our regulars, Teresa O'Clair, Rosemarie Goodwin Linda Smith and Roger Labbe.

Cape Carders Bridge Club

Monday 12:00 Noon

Woodford's Club, 179 Woodford Street, Portland, Maine

Director: Dorothy Kelleher Home: 207-854-2482 Cell: 207-329-3176

Email dotpeppie@aol.com

Please call if you need a partner.

So far we have had a successful 2023 bridge season. Whenever anyone wants to have a mini lesson, Dottie is ready for questions and answers.

Results of Special Club Championships

- 1/16 Dick Budd and Dottie Kelleher
- 1/30 Dick Budd and Jerrie Will
- 2/20 Norma and Tony Greene
- 3/20 Audrey Thirkell and Dave Lindley
- 4/10 Elsie Nogle and Dottie Kelleher
- 5/15 Dave Waterman and Steve Kolkhorst

Upcoming Special Events:

- 6/12 NAOP
- 7/31 Club Championship
- 8/14 NAOP
- 8/21 Membership
- 9/18 Club Championship
- 10/16 Club Appreciation

I appreciate all the players who support the club. A special thanks to Audrey Thirkell, Karen Mooney, Charlie Kahill and Russ Glidden for their extra help.

Midcoast Duplicate Bridge Club

Thursday 10:00 AM

Masonic Hall, 65 Baribeau Drive, Brunswick, Maine

Director: Dottie Kelleher Home: 207-854-2482 Cell: 207-329-3176

E-mail dotpeppie@aol.com

Please call ahead if you need a partner.

The club opened up May 4th and will continue through October 26th. Even though the games are small, our players are very faithful.

We have held 2 Club Championships with Rupert White and Richard Amsden winning the first and Dottie Kelleher and Dan Morgenstern winning the second.

Upcoming Special Events:

Club Championships

June 15, 29; July 6; August 3, 24
September 21, 28; October 5, 26

NAOP July 27

Membership Game September 7

I continue to appreciate all the players who support the club and special thanks again to Dan Morgenstern who helps with everything.

Have you ever had a 30+ point hand????

Hand from Monday Unit 189 BBO Game

Spades	A, Q
Hearts	A, K
Diamonds	A, K, J, 6
Clubs	A, K, Q, J, 4

Brunswick Bridge Club

Tuesday 12:30 PM

American Legion Post 20, 1 Columbus Drive, Brunswick, Maine
Director: Horace Gower (207-865-4850) hgower@comcast.net
We guarantee a partner if you are there before game time.

We normally have a Howell movement with about 4 tables. We have a special game on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Greater Portland Bridge Club

Wednesday 12:00 Noon

Woodford's Club, 179 Woodford Street, Portland, Maine
Director: Horace Gower (207-865-4850) hgower@comcast.net
We guarantee a partner if you are there before game time.

We have a special games (extra masterpoints) on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. We usually play Mitchel movement with 7 to 9 tables.

Bridge Murder Case

Guess they never heard of Zero Tolerance at the Bridge Table

Click on link to read the story

https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bridge_Murder_case

Missing in Action

The following clubs did not make a report for this issue, but are included for your convenience.

Dirigo Bridge Club

Tuesday 12:30 PM and Thursday 12:30 PM

Elk Lodge, 106 Odlin Road, Bangor, Maine

Director: Steve Dyer (207-478-0621) notrumpking@yahoo.com

Website: <http://bridgewebs.com/dirigo>

Capital City Duplicate Bridge Club

Wednesday, 12:00 PM

Thursday 6:00 PM

East Winthrop Baptist Church, 55 Old Village Road, East Winthrop, Maine

Director: Paul Mitnik 1-207-313-2648 pjmejm@gmail.com

Rockland Duplicate Bridge Club

Monday and Wednesday, 9:30 AM

American Legion Post #1, 335 Limerock Street, Rockland, Maine

Director: Lance Bukoff, Phone: 207-542-4852 lbtcg987@gmail.com

Website: www.bridgewebs.com/rockland

Blue Hill Bridge

Thursday 12:30 PM

First Congregational Church, 22 Tenney Hill, Blue Hill, Maine

Club Manager: Will Taylor 207-374-5101 WCT1313@gmail.com

Harbor Duplicate Bridge Club

Wednesday, 12:30 PM

Rotary Club Hall, 66 Montgomery Road, Boothbay Harbor, Maine

Director: Susan Blagden, 207-882-5203 susan@wiscasset.net

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Tuesday 11:00 AM

Union Congregational Church, 18 Church Street, York Beach, Maine

Director: Charlie Felton 207-439-3435 threefeathers@comcast.net

Kittery Bridge Club

Wednesday 11:00AM

Eliot United Methodist Church, 238 Harold L Dow Hwy, Eliot, Maine

Director: Charlie Felton 207-439-3435 threefeathers@comcast.net

Non-Sanctioned

Firehouse Gang Duplicate Bridge Club – Non Sanctioned

Wednesday 12:00 Noon

First Congregational Church, 301 Cottage Road, South Portland, Maine
For more information call Pam Herrmann at 207-799-8926.

Seasonal

Salt Bay Duplicate Bridge Club

Friday, 9:30 AM (June – October)

Alna Anchour Lodge, 529 Main Street, Damariscotta, Maine

Director: Susan Blagden, 207-882-5203 susan@wiscasset.net

Deer Isle Bridge

Thursday 12:30 PM Semi-Monthly June through November

Second and Fourth Thursdays of the Month

Island Men's Christian Fellowship Building

652 North Deer Isle Road, Deer Isle, Maine

Club Manager: Paula Colwell (207-348-6061) tompaula28@gmail.com

Opening Day for Deer Isle Thursday June 8th

Currently Closed

Yarmouth Neighborhood Bridge Club

Wednesdays 6:30 PM Invitational

Woodford's Club, 179 Woodford Street, Portland Maine

Director: Sally Magee 207-712-2334 sallydmagee@gmail.com
Dave Magee 207-712-2441 dmagee1@maine.rr.com

Spring Tonic Results

March 25-26, 2023
Open Pairs - 11.0 Tables

MPs	A	B	C	Names	Score
8.66		1		Amnon Gabay, Newton MA; Charles Polay, Chelmsford MA	63.53%
6.50		2		Dorothy Kelleher, Westbrook ME; Richard Budd, Portland ME	62.14%
4.87		3		Tony Greene - Norma Greene, Portland ME	54.64%
3.65		4		Constance Graham, Cape Elizabeth ME; Helen Kobernusz, Madison CT	54.37%
2.89		5		Henry Deutsch, Dobbs Ferry NY; Charles Stringham, Ocean Park ME	54.09%
2.47		6		Michael Quinn - Patricia Quinn, Otisfield ME	52.11%
4.50	1	1		Melissa Cott, Cumberland F ME; Paul Clement, Sabattus ME	51.35%
3.38	2	2		Anna Noyes Benoit, Portland ME; Russell Glidden, Westbrook ME	50.91%
2.53	3	3		David Martz, Owls Head ME; Kathleen Martino, Rockland ME	50.59%
1.90	4	4		Jay Ungar, Cape Elizabeth ME; Rose Hadidian, Windham ME	50.51%
1.50		5		Charles Soule, Falmouth ME; Henry Soule, South Portland ME	50.06%

Spring Tonic Results

Swiss Teams - 11 Tables

MPs	A	B	C	Names	Score
6.93		1		Norma Greene - Tony Greene - Aida Wojcik, Portland ME; Audrey Thirkell, Biddeford ME	75.00
5.20	2	1		Paul Mitnik, Vassalboro ME; Debra Gardner, Belgrade Lakes ME; David Martz, Owls Head ME; Thomas Simmons, Brooks ME	72.00
3.90		3		Constance Graham, Cape Elizabeth ME; Helen Kobernusz, Madison CT; Thomas Lane, Hermon ME; N. Van Raymond, Glenburn ME	70.00
2.92	4	2	1	Susan Poulin - James Poulin, Casco ME; Karen Mooney, Portland ME; Charles Soule, Falmouth ME	67.00
1.90		3		Alice Higgins - Philip Heasley, Ellsworth ME; Dean Nasson - William Taylor, Blue Hill ME	64.00

Tom Tarbox Memorial Sectional

Rockland, Maine

May 20-21, 2023

Open Pairs - 12.5 Tables

MPs	A	B	C	Names	Score
9.68		1		Dorothy Kelleher, Westbrook ME; Richard Budd, Portland ME	58.89%
7.26		2		Dan Morgenstern, Brunswick ME; Roland Miller, Bowdoin ME	58.64%
5.45		3		John Ellery, Hampten ME; N. Van Raymond, Glenburn ME	58.30%
4.95	4	1	1	David Martz, Owls Head ME; Thomas Simmons, Brooks ME	56.88%
3.71	5	2		Patricia Damon, Winslow ME; Kenneth Harvey, Hallowell ME	54.38%
3.70	6	3		David Offer, Hallowell ME; Jane Elliott, Manchester ME	54.26%
2.09		4		William Halteman, Orono ME; Betty Ann Ellery, Hampden ME	53.19%
1.65		5		Geoff Lewis, Cushing ME; Mary Kaufman, Rockland ME	52.29%
2.93		6	2	Kathleen Kearney, Round Pond ME; Marjorie Acheson, Damariscotta ME	52.25%
2.19			3	Paul Kahl, Westbrook ME; Mark Leinonen, Scarborough ME	50.06%
1.65			4	Dennis Faherty, Damariscotta ME; Leslie Malkiewich, Worcester MA	48.45%
1.30			5	Anna Noyes Benoit, Portland ME; Russell Glidden, Westbrook ME	47.97%

Great Hospitality



Sunday Swiss Teams - 12 Tables

MPs	A	B	C	Names	Score
7.26	1			David Magee - Sally Magee, Cumberland ME; Stephen Kolkhorst, Portland ME; David Waterman, Scarborough ME	101.00
5.45	2			Dan Morgenstern - Jack Mahoney, Brunswick ME; Roland Miller, Bowdoin ME; Dorothy Kelleher, Westbrook ME	85.00
4.08	3	1	1	David Lindley - Malcolm Burson, Portland ME; Thomas Simmons, Brooks ME; Debra Gardner, Belgrade Lakes ME	76.00
3.06	4	2		David Offer, Hallowell ME; Benjamin Lund, Monmouth ME; Jane Elliott, Manchester ME; Marilyn Bird, Waterville ME	67.00
2.23	3			Dean Nasson, Blue Hill ME; Alice Higgins - Philip Heasley, Ellsworth ME; Richard Mittenthal, Belfast ME	66.00
2.21	4	2		Rod Artz, Camden ME; Sally Morrison, Waldoboro ME; Russ Leavitt, Rockport ME; Charles Skolds, Thomaston ME	58.00
1.66	3			Donni Witham - Bert Witham, Spruce Head ME; Kathleen Martino, Rockland ME; Betsy Hill, Rockport ME	53.00



Great Playing Site

**Central Maine Sectional
Hallowell, Maine
July 15th & 16th
Camden National Bank Ice Vault
203 Whitten Road Hallowell, Maine**

Saturday events

Two-session stratified open pairs

- Strats – A: 1500+, B: 750-1500, C: 0-750
- Single session entries accepted

Two single-session 299'er pairs games

Sunday event

Swiss teams, stratified by team MP average

A: 1500+ B: 500-1500 C: 0-500

10:30 AM start each day, 2nd Sat. session starts 2:30 PM

***\$12 per player per session on Saturday, \$4 additional if not
ACBL member. \$24 per player on Sunday.***

Lunches will be available for purchase on both days.

Food donations are greatly appreciated.

For help forming a team or finding a partner, contact:

Russ Glidden ,207.839.6096 , freestyle04098@msn.com

For more tournament information, contact:

Pat Damon 207.557.9232, pmdteach@gmail.com

**Lobsterfest Sectional
Portland, Maine
August 12th & 13th
The Woodfords Club
179 Woodfords Street, Portland, Maine**

Saturday events

Two-session stratified open pairs

- Strats – A: 1500+, B: 750-1500, C: 0-750
- Single session entries accepted

Two single-session 299'er pairs games

Sunday event

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ACBL member. \$24 per player on Sunday.***

Lunches will be available for purchase on both days.

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Russ Glidden 207.839.6096 freestyle04098@msn.com

For more tournament information, contact:

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Indian Summer Sectional
Portland, Maine
September 9 & 10, 2023
Woodfords Club, 179 Woodford St.
Portland, Maine

Saturday events

Two-session stratified open pairs

- Strats – A: 1500+, B: 750-1500, C: 0-750
- Single session entries accepted

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Eastern Maine Sectional
Bangor, Maine
October 7th & 8th
Anah Shriners 1404 Broadway
Bangor, Maine

Saturday events

Two-session stratified open pairs

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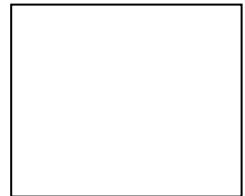
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