



Greetings Bridge Buddies,

November 5, 2023

I'm super excited about what the Triad Bridge Club has to offer this month! The biggest news is about the new Friday Supervised Play. This is a **great way for developing players** to learn their new craft! Check out more details below.

November is CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP month at the Triad Bridge Club! I've got a bunch of unused Club Championship-rated games I need to use up by the end of the year... so that means EXTRA MASTERPOINTS for you! Come get 'em before it's too late 😊 All games this month are 2/3rd sectionally rated (or higher)!

Tomorrow, **Monday Nov 6th**, in the NLM section, I'll be hosting another Barometer Pairs game! Everyone will be playing the same boards at the same time, with a break for discussion on matchpoint scoring & bridge strategy after each round!

This coming **Friday, November 10th**, we will have our regularly scheduled morning Supervised Play and afternoon Pairs game @ the Guilford College United Methodist Church, **not** Fellowship Presbyterian Church. They're having an annual craft fair.

Our monthly FOUR-IS-ENOUGH Pairs games is on **Tuesday Nov 21st**! This is a **great mentoring** opportunity! The game starts @ 10am and allows "A" players to play with "C" players in the regularly scheduled bridgeLITE (0-1000mp) game. **Interested in playing with a mentor? Interested in helping a new player learn a few tips?** Let me know!

There is NO GAME on **Friday November 24th** (day after Thanksgiving).

Fan of team games? Great news! OPEN SWISS TEAMS this month on **Monday Nov 27th**! It's a Grand National Teams Qualifier... so not only can you win lots of RED and BLACK POINTS, but you can also qualify to possibly win a trip to the Summer North American Championships in Toronto! (There will still be an NLM Pairs game that day.)

Guess who's moving up in the world? A bunch of Triad Bridge Club players, that's who! A special shoutout and congratulations to the following players for achieving a new ACBL Player Rank! (Changes in Rank on the Unit 169 website is updated approximately the 7th of each month from an ACBL report, which may be a month behind your achievement in reporting.)

Lewis Ritchie - SECTIONAL MASTER (50 mps, incl. 5+ silver)

Mike Jacobs - CLUB MASTER (20 mps, incl. 5+ black)

Mary Morgan - CLUB MASTER

Beverly Brown - JUNIOR MASTER (5 mps)

Dian Carr - JUNIOR MASTER

Sandy LeCrone - JUNIOR MASTER

Bob Mers - JUNIOR MASTER

Karen Wall - JUNIOR MASTER

Keep it up friends and remember that growth and improvement come with practice! Hone your game by asking questions and playing more.

Speaking of which... here are bridge learning/development opportunities available through the TBC coming up or on the horizon. If you're interested in improving your game, let me know, and we can help you find the right class & game for you!

SUPERVISED PLAY SCHEDULE

Designed for newer players who have already taken a beginner bridge class, you will bid & play boards in a competitive environment without an experienced player as a table mentor there to guide and instruct. As a bonus... if you'd like, you can win some masterpoints as you learn!

(Fridays @ 9:30-noon, Fellowship Presbyterian Church - intro Q&A, play starts @ 9:45 sharp)

Instructors: Peter J B-B & Judy Hellen

Cost: \$10 per person per session

- Session 2 - Nov 10 - *Bidding the Majors -- Evaluating Distribution -- Ruffing Losers*
****This week only, Supervised Play will be at Guilford College UMC (1205 Fleming), not Fellowship Presb.****
- Session 3 - Nov 17 - *Bidding the Minors -- Establishing Side Suits -- Opener's Rebid*
- Session 4 - Dec 1 - *Competitive Bidding: Overcalling & Advancing -- Discarding Losers*
- Session 5 - Dec 8 - *Cue-bidding -- Takeout Doubles -- The Finesse*
- Session 6 - Dec 15 - *Non-duplicate bridge... learn how to play & score Rubber, Chicago, and Team-style bridge*

BASIC STAYMAN & JACOBY TRANSFERS

For newer players wanting a thorough introduction to the bids, or for anyone in need of a refresher on this important topic!

(Tuesdays Nov 28th & December 5th, 1:00pm - 3:00pm, Fellowship Presbyterian Church)

Instructor: Cecelia Ray

Cost: \$50 for both classes

coming in Jan 2024...

BRIDGE BASICS 1

Introductory course for those wanting to learn the game. Players returning after a long absence are welcome/encouraged to attend as a refresher. More details to follow

(Starting in January at the Triad Bridge Club's Fellowship Presbyterian Church location... two different classes... a daytime and an evening class. Stay posted for day & time).

Instructor (daytime): Judy Hellen

Instructor (evening): Rich Peffer

Have any questions? Need a partner? Want to volunteer some of your time to help with developing players? Let me know! Email, or text me @ 336.686.3680

Kind regards,

Peter J B-B, Director, Triad Bridge Club

Triad Bridge Club Regular Game Schedule

Mondays, 1pm - Open & 0-300 Pairs

(Guilford College United Methodist Church, 1205 Fleming Rd)

Tuesdays, 10am - bridgeLITE 0-1000 Pairs

(Fellowship Presbyterian Church, 2005 New Garden Rd)

****free mini lesson @ 9:30 every week****

Fridays, 1pm - Open Pairs (Fellowship Presbyterian Church, 2005 New Garden Rd)