



ROCHESTER DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB 2018

March is going out with mixed weather! I'm happy that spring is on its way, and I'm happy to let you know Rochester DBC is going strong. Come and play through the April showers.

During the month of April, we play ACBL Club Charity games which are an opportunity for enhanced master points. There is no extra charge to players; the club subsidizes the extra fees which go to the ACBL Charity Foundation. Funds are returned to district charities on a rotating basis. We must have these games to hold our local charity games in December. This year's designated local charities are Bear Creek Services and ARC, helping those with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Our local tournament will be April 6-8 at the Rochester International Event Center. Please plan on supporting your local tournament by playing at least once (and hopefully more!) and during the weekend.

Thanks to Tom and French (partnerships) for all their lead up work prior to tournament weekend. They have done a great job – check with



see if they need any assistance. (There will be no local game April 6 or Thursday evening, April 5; there will be a Thursday afternoon game April 5 {good practice for the tournament!!!}) – see you all at the event center!



Our own 0-499 NLM tournament at the club will be April 28 with playing sessions at 9:30 am and 2 pm. Start arranging your partners for this fun event! Talk to Ann Van

Ryn or John Ryder if you have questions.

And then, you have the opportunity to play with our own “experts” on April 30!!! Another Pro-Am game is scheduled for that Monday, regular game time. Everyone comes without a partner; in order to make sure pairings are done in a timely fashion, please arrive no later than 12:15. After that, you may not be guaranteed a partner for the game.

Welcome to new ACBL members, Jane Augenbaugh and Nancy Mazzitelli—if you sign up on line with ACBL, don’t forget to give Joyce or Sue your ACBL number as ACBL does not notify us. I have “instant” memberships available – just have new member prospects ask me!



Our next mini-lesson will be April 18, 11:30 am. Bill Heyer will be the presenter, explaining “Losing Trick Count”. These mini-lessons, offered periodically, are great for intermediate and beginning players to brush up or add to their basic skills. Chat Bridge is also another spot to pick up tips from more experienced players. If you have ideas for mini-lessons or would be willing to offer a mini-lesson, please speak to Ann Van Ryn.



Happy Spring!!
Sue Greenberg, Club Manager



Quote for the Month: “Voids are magic on offense. With a void and a fit, be very aggressive and eager to keep bidding.” – Marty Bergen, author and “Bridge Bulletin” contributor

Tip for the Month – Remember to ask you partner, when they do not follow suit, if they are out by saying, “No clubs, partner”. This helps avoid a revoke which might cost your side a penalty.

April Calendar – Chat Bridge each Monday at 10 am

Apr. 5 (Thurs. evening) and Apr. 6, Fri. – no local games

Apr 6-8 – Rochester sectional tournament at the International Event Center

Apr. 9, Mon. afternoon Educational Fund game

Apr. 11 – 11 am Board meeting

Apr. 11, Wed. afternoon – ACBL Club Charity game

Apr. 12, Thurs. afternoon and evening – ACBL Club Charity game

Apr. 13, Fri. afternoon – ACBL Club Charity game

Apr. 14, Sat. afternoon – Unit 103 Awards and game, St. Paul

Bridge Center – Lunch at 12 noon (reservation needed by **April 4**), awards and Unit Championship game (both open and 299ers, I think) after lunch. Call 651-490-5430 for reservations

Apr. 16, Mon. afternoon – Unit game

Apr. 18, 11:30 am – Mini-lesson – “Losing Trick Count” – presenter, Bill Heyer

Apr. 18, Wed. afternoon – ACBL Club Charity game

Apr. 20, Fri. afternoon – ACBL Club Charity game

Apr. 23, Mon. afternoon – ACBL Club Charity game

Apr. 25, Wed. afternoon – ACBL Club Charity game

Apr. 26, Thurs. afternoon and evening – ACBL Club Charity game

Apr. 28 – 0-499 NLM tournament at the club house, 9:30 & 2

Apr. 30 – Pro-Am open game; come without a partner; please arrive by 12:15 to be guaranteed a partner; this is also an ACBL Club Charity game

April Tournaments

Apr. 6-8 – Rochester sectional

Apr. 2-8 – Lake Geneva regional

Apr. 28 – Rochester NLM 0-499 tournament at the club house

Remember that some individuals prefer not to hear the BridgePad results “announced” at the table. One solution to this is to pass the BridgePad around at the end of the round. Those that wish to look may, or people can ask to see the results. Be sensitive to your opponents’ preferences (in both directions) in this regard.