

# Lawson Bridge Studio News January 2015

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## Club Games – Rates are for each player

Games: 6:20 pm at Ann Sather's Restaurant, 909 West Belmont Ave, Chicago, IL 773-348-2378

Jan 5	<b>Open Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month</b> —\$11	Feb 2	Open Pairs—\$10
Jan 7	<b>I/N Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month</b> —\$11	Feb 4	I/N Pairs—\$10
Jan 12	<b>Open Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month</b> —\$11	Feb 9	<b>Open Pairs Club Championship</b> —\$10
Jan 14	<b>I/N Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month</b> —\$11	Feb 11	<b>I/N Pairs Club Championship</b> —\$10
Jan 19	<b>Open Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month</b> —\$11	Feb 16	Open Pairs—\$10
Jan 21	<b>I/N Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month</b> —\$11	Feb 18	I/N Pairs—\$10
Jan 26	<b>Open Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month</b> —\$11	Feb 23	<b>Swiss Teams Grass Roots Fund</b> —\$11
Jan 28	<b>I/N Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month</b> —\$11	Feb 25	<b>I/N Pairs Grassroots Fund Game</b> —\$11

## 2015 Schedule Overview

In preparing our game schedule for the year, we look for how to award you the most masterpoints based on the award schedule for events and scheduling limits for each type of game. In looking at the awards we adjust the weekly fees accordingly.

- ♣ The ACBL has announced the following changes to certain charity games:
  - ♥ The Junior Fund Month has been moved from February to January. Funds derived from Junior Fund Games are used only to fund activities and programs limited to youth (younger than 21) and junior (ages 21-25) players. For our purposes we consider high school players as youth and offer them a free game the first time that they play and \$5 fee for all subsequent games; college players are considered juniors and pay for \$8/game. We ask that you supply appropriate identification to receive these fees.
  - ♥ The Grass Roots Fund month is now May. The funds that we raise are returned to our district in support of the Grass Roots events being defined as the Grand National Teams and the North American Pairs. We will continue to have one of these Grass Roots Fund games per months permitted to support our district.
- ♣ Summer NABC Nationals in Chicago Aug 6-16, 2015 at the Chicago Hilton 720 S. Michigan.
  - ♥ We will **NOT** be having club games during the NABC Nationals; i.e. August 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>
  - ♥ The summer District 13 Regional that has been held in July in the past will now consist of the following regionals by hosting Units:
    - ♦ Unit 123 is hosting a regional February 14-20, 2015 in Glenview, IL
    - ♦ Units 149 & 222 are hosting a split regional between Eau Claire, WI and Milwaukee, WI August 24-30, 2015.
- ♣ Sectionals at the Clubs (STaCs) with silver point awards
  - ♥ Unit 123 sponsored are the weeks of April 6<sup>th</sup>, July 6<sup>th</sup> and December 7<sup>th</sup>. These use pre-dealt hands for awarding overall awards.
  - ♥ District 13 sponsored are the weeks of May 4<sup>th</sup> and November 16<sup>th</sup>.
- ♣ Special ACBL sponsored games:
  - ♥ Inter-Club Championship, Monday March 16<sup>th</sup>
  - ♥ ACBL-Wide International Fund Game, Wednesday July 15<sup>th</sup>; this is an open pair game.
  - ♥ Canada Olympiad Fund Game Monday October 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - ♥ ACBL-Wide Charity Game, November 30<sup>th</sup>.
- ♣ District 13 sponsored Unit Games:
  - ♥ Mondays March 30<sup>th</sup>, July 27<sup>th</sup>, and September 28<sup>th</sup>.
  - ♥ Wednesday May 13<sup>th</sup>.
- ♣ North American Pairs Club Qualifying Games
  - ♥ Mondays – 0.5 red/0.5 black – June 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, July 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - ♥ Wednesdays – Invitational game black only – June 19<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, August 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>.
- ♣ Special club games
  - ♥ Swiss teams on the last Monday of even months; however due to District regionals the April team game is April 20<sup>th</sup> and the October Club Appreciation Team game is October 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - ♥ Club Championship once each quarter.
  - ♥ Club Appreciation pair games October 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>.
  - ♥ Club membership games Monday November 9<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday October 21<sup>st</sup>. Both members of a pair must be ACBL members to be eligible for awards.