

Lawson Bridge Studio News October 2013

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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

Oct 2	Open ACBL Instant Match Point Game —\$13	Nov 4	Open Pairs Club ACBL Membership Game —\$10
Oct 7	Open Pairs Inter-Club Championship —\$11	Nov 6	I/N Pairs Grass Roots Fund —\$11
Oct 9	I/N Pairs Split Site Open Pairs —\$10	Nov 11	Open Pairs STaC District 13 —\$12
Oct 14	Open Pairs Club Appreciation Pairs —\$10	Nov 13	I/N Pairs STaC District 13 —\$12
Oct 16	I/N Pairs Club Appreciation Pairs —\$10	Nov 18	Open Pairs Grass Roots Fund —\$11
Oct 21	Open Pairs Grass Roots Fund —\$11	Nov 20	I/N Pairs Club Championship —\$10
Oct 23	I/N Pairs Grass Roots Fund —\$11	Nov 25	Open Pairs ACBL-Wide Charity Game —\$11
Oct 28	Swiss Teams Club Appreciation —\$10	Nov 27	I/N Pairs —\$10
Oct 30	I/N Pairs Club ACBL Membership Game —\$10		

♠ October 2nd Wednesday Instant Match Point Game

- Game type: Open, there is no player restrictions for pair formations
- Game fees: \$13/player (special ACBL fees for this game)
- Masterpoint awards: gold to the top section winners and all others receive 0.5 red/0.5 black points.
- Special booklet describing bidding and play of each hand will be available.
- All players are registered in the top strata as in all stratified games.
- Seeding required: We will be assigning tables and directions

For seeding and planning for the number of tables needed, we are asking you to sign up under the respective the column of the player of the pair with the most masterpoints. We will be verifying as of the September 6 holdings at the ACBL.

Sign-up sheets will be available at the Monday and Wednesday games as well as notifying me at lawsonbridgestudio.org.

♥ **October 14th Monday Club Appreciation Open Pairs:** this game has 100% sectionally rate black point. As special thanks to you for supporting the club on Monday evenings, we will be serving food however the menu is in the planning stages. Please let me know via email, telephone or signing up at the game by pairs, no later than Monday Oct 7th if you will be attending so that I know how much food to order. A sign up sheet is available at the game Monday Sept 30th. Probable event timing is serving by 5:45 pm with eating in the main dining area as the playing area will be set-up for us after an afternoon event ending at 5:00 pm. Please do not go into the playing area until instructed.

♦ **October 16th Wednesday Club Appreciation I/N Pairs:** this game has 80% sectionally rate black point because of it being a restricted game. As special thanks to you for supporting the club on Wednesday evenings we will be serving food however the menu is in the planning stages. at 6:00 pm with eating in the playing area and game to start by 6:30 pm with number of boards to be determined. Please inform me of your intention to play that evening by Monday Oct 8th so that I know how much food to order. A sign up sheet is available at the game Wednesday Oct 2nd.

♣ **October 28th Monday Club Appreciation Teams:** Team game with 5% gold points at a maximum of 0.25 to winner and the other awards as 100% sectionally rate black point. Again please form you teams, and let me know before 4 pm on October 29th for room set-up and an orderly start of the game. A sign up sheet will be available at the games as well as registering with me at lawsonbridgestudio@gmail.com.

Reflection on the year

♠ Jerry stepped down as the active director for both the Monday and Wednesday games in January. Patt Quinn took over directing the Monday game, and Phil Lapalio now directs the Wednesday game. Jerry remains active in the club management handling the club website, newsletter, and assisting the directors.

♠ Both the Monday and Wednesday games were at the same number of tables as last year. The restriction for the Wednesday invitational game is one player of a pair must be a non-life master. Thanks to all who have participated in having these levels of tables in the games.

♠ We added the Lawson Bridge Studio website this year offering you the players the opportunity to see how your contract and results compared to others playing the same boards. The results' pages for each game show the recap, and the full details for each board in addition to the contracts and results. This was the extension now available to us for you since we are using electronic scoring and pre-dealt hands. In addition the website offers us the opportunity to present other information of interest to you as bridge players.