

Lawson Bridge Studio News February 2017

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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

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| Feb 1 | O/I Pairs—\$12 | Mar 1 | O/I Pairs Unit 123 STaC—\$14 |
| Feb 6 | Open Pairs—\$12 | Mar 6 | Open Pairs—\$12 |
| Feb 8 | O/I Pairs Club Championship—\$12 | Mar 8 | O/I Pairs Unit Game L703123A—\$12 |
| Feb 13 | Swiss Teams Grass Roots Fund—\$13 | Mar 13 | Open Pairs Grass Roots Fund—\$13 |
| Feb 15 | O/I Pairs Grassroots Fund—\$13 | Mar 15 | O/I Pairs—\$12 |
| Feb 20 | Open Pairs—\$12 | Mar 20 | Open Pairs Club Championship—\$12 |
| Feb 22 | O/I Pairs—\$12 | Mar 22 | O/I Pairs Grassroots Fund—\$13 |
| Feb 27 | Open Pairs Unit 123 STaC—\$14 | Mar 27 | Open Pairs—\$12 |
| | | Mar 29 | O/I Pairs—\$12 |

♠ **Team Game Monday Feb 13th:** Due to Chicago Valentine Regional below and the STaC below the Team game is moved up two weeks. Please form your teams, and let me know before 4 pm on Feb 13th 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.

♠ **Unit 123 Valentine Regional Saturday Feb 18th through Friday Feb 24th:** Delta Hotel by Marriot (formerly Wyndham Glenview Suites) 1400 N. Milwaukee Ave., Glenview, IL. For more information go to www.bridgeinchicago.com/tournaments.

♠ **STaC games Feb 27th and Mar 1st:** This STaC will use the same pre-dealt hands at all participating clubs. The Overall Results will be determined by the percentage game for each pair from their game site.

♠ **District 13 Grand National Team Qualifying games Saturday Feb 25th and Sunday Feb 26th** at the Northbrook Hilton, 2855 North Milwaukee Avenue, Northbrook, IL. For more information go to www.bridgeinchicago.com. National Finals will be held at the NABC Summer games in Toronto, ON. Passports will be needed for entry into Canada.

♠ **Law 17 the Auction Period**

- ♥ The auction period begins when players withdraw their cards from the board.
- ♥ Dealer makes the first call and then proceeds around to the left.
 - ♦ A call is any one of the following: Pass, Double, or Redouble (Law 18.A).
 - ♦ A bid states the number of tricks from one to seven and the denomination, i.e. suit or no trump (Law 18.A).
- ♥ The auctions period ends when (Law 17.E and Law 22):
 - ♦ All four players pass. No redeal is permitted.
 - ♦ Three players pass consecutively after one or more players have bid. The last bid becomes the contract.
- ♥ Some Irregularities:
 - ♦ Exposed cards Law 24:
 - ♣ A card is exposed when the face may be seen by the partner.
 - ♣ Single low card not prematurely led, such as falls out of hand, there is no further rectification.
 - ♣ Offender's partner must pass when his next turn to call.
 - ♠ Single honor card exposed or prematurely led,
 - ♠ When two or more cards are exposed,
 - ♠ Any card is led prematurely.
 - ♥ If the pass damages the non-offending side, an adjusted score may be awarded.
 - ♦ Pass out of rotation if no player has bid:
 - ♣ LHO may accept the call; and there is no further rectification.
 - ♣ LHO does not accept the call, the call reverts to the proper player and the offender must pass at his next turn to call.
 - ♦ Pass out of rotation after a player has bid:
 - ♣ If offender's RHO's turn to call, offender must pass at his next turn to call.
 - ♣ If offender's LHO's turn to call, the call is treat as a change in call.
 - ♣ If partner's turn to call, offender must pass from this point; partner may make only any bid or pass.