

Lawson Bridge Studio News May 2022

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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

May 2	2022 Open Pairs Club Championship —\$12	Jun 1	O/I Pairs Club Game—\$12
May 4	2022 O/I Pairs Club Championship —\$12	Jun 6	North American Pairs Qualifying —\$13
May 9	2022 Open Pairs Club Championship —\$12	Jun 8	North American Pairs Qualifying —\$13
May 11	2022 O/I Pairs Club Championship —\$12	Jun 13	Open Pairs Grass Roots Fund —\$13
May 16	Open Pairs Grass Roots Fund Month —\$13	Jun 15	O/I Pairs Grass Roots Fund —\$13
May 18	O/I Pairs Grass Roots Fund Month —\$13	Jun 20	North American Pairs Qualifying —\$13
May 23	Open Pairs District 13 STaC —\$14	Jun 22	North American Pairs Qualifying —\$13
May 25	O/I Pairs District 13 STaC —\$14	Jun 27	QTR Swiss Teams Club Championship —\$12
May 30	No Game Memorial Day	Jun 29	QTR O/I Pairs Club Championship —\$12

COVID-19 Update

All indications are that we have passed through the worst of the pandemic and now are entering the endemic phase. There still is uncertainty about the variant of omicron known as B.2. From other countries it is not causing a wave as the previous variants; however, we are seeing in the U.S. and here in Chicago an uptick in cases without seriousness illness requiring hospitalization if you are vaccinated and boosted. Masks are no longer being mandated, but optional as to whether to wear or not depending on your comfort level in your activities and travel on public transportation.

Cub Games in April

Baseball season is here so traffic may be snarled on these April Cub home dates as per the published Cub's schedule. If there are changes due to weather etc., I will not be aware of these:

Monday 6:40 pm game: **May 16**

Wednesday 6:40 pm game: **May 4, May 18**

Where are the results posted of the games?

The results of the club games are posted on three websites. The details about the games are the same on all three websites. The masterpoints earned is shown for those having highest ranking of results for all deals. What is different is the individual deal (hand, board) details.

1. Chicago Contract Bridge Association website: <http://www.bridgeinchicago.com/>. This is the oldest site that we post the results. The home page list the clubs posting results by time of day on the left with links to the club results and hand records page. This is limited to the current day and the day before. The individual deals show players, score of the deal, and matchpoints earned on each deal. If you want older results, go to "At the Club" on the information bar and select the club to get the results of current and past games.
2. Lawson Bridge Studio Club website: <https://www.lawsonbridgestudio.org/>. Our website has been revamped. The home page has an information bar when topic is clicked on it opens the page to the stated information. From this page you then can select the specific game and open that page. Each deal shows the hands with makable contracts. In addition, the contract, declarer, and result are shown along with the score and matchpoint.
3. ACBL Live Results: <https://live.acbl.org/>. This is a required posting per our sanction. Starting with the ACBL home page click on "Live Results", then click on "Club Results", then in the search box start typing "Lawson" and the full club name comes up in a box, click on the box and the results of any game may be selected. In addition, the game summary also gives the assigned strata for each player in the game. Each deal shows the contract, declarer, and result are shown along with the score and matchpoint. There is a relay box; however, I haven't got that to function, it may be only for online games.

The results of the STaC games are posted on ACBL website. Click on Tournaments. Then scroll to find the date and district of interest and click on Results.

1. If the tournament has days of play yet to happen, then on each day it will show the three sessions per day and whether results for those sessions have been posted by being shown in blue indicating a link to the page of Results.
2. If the tournament has completed its days of play, clicking on Results brings up a page listing all the awards and you need to scroll through the listing for the date and session of interest. This same format is used for all other types of tournaments as well.

May 23-29 District 13 STaC

Your assigned Strata will be the average masterpoints of the pair. This is new. As best as I can determine from my files for the previous STaC's before the pandemic, the strata assigned was based on the player with the higher masterpoint holding.