

Lawson Bridge Studio News October 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

Oct 3	2022 Upgraded OP Club Championship —\$12	Nov 2	2022 Open Pairs Club Championship —\$12
Oct 5	2022 Upgraded O/I P Club Championship —\$12	Nov 7	No Game Central States Regional
Oct 10	Open Pairs Club Appreciation Pairs —\$12	Nov 9	No Game Central States Regional
Oct 12	O/I Pairs Club Appreciation Pairs —\$12	Nov 14	BtC Upgraded O/I Club Championship —\$12
Oct 17	Open Pairs Royal STaC —\$14	Nov 16	BtC Upgraded O/I Club Championship —\$12
Oct 19	O/I Pairs Royal STaC —\$14	Nov 21	2022 Open Pairs Club Championship —\$12
Oct 24	Swiss Teams Club Appreciation —\$12	Nov 23	2022 Open Pairs Club Championship —\$12
Oct 26	Swiss Teams Club Appreciation —\$12	Nov 28	O/I Pairs ACBL Membership Game —\$12
Oct 31	2022 Open Pairs Club Championship —\$12	Nov 30	O/I Pairs ACBL Membership Game —\$12

Royal STaC returns Week of 10/17

We are registered for the Royal STaC which is with the same group of districts as the April Royal STaC.

October is Club Appreciation Month.

Team game offers 5% gold up to 0.25 gold masterpoints, everybody gets a bit (0.01+) of gold if you win or tie in a match. If there is enough interest expressed to me for this event, I will keep the scheduled dates. We haven't held team games on Wednesday previously. We could do this year as the players are nearly equal in skill. The minimum of tables is 3, just as we regularly require for a game.

All special Club Appreciation games offer the maximum masterpoints for any games during the year at 81.8% of sectionally rated games.

COVID-19 Update

For the zip codes that I track the end of September data shows an expected oscillation within the zipcodes as the pandemic moves into the endemic like influenza. We may see an uptake again as we move into the winter months just with colds and influenza. Masks are optional as to whether to wear or not wear depends on your comfort level in your activities.

11/8/2020 ACBL Alert Procedure Definitions (continued):

Natural Bids

Alert the Natural bids listed below.

Direct Overcalls

1. After a Natural or Quasi-Natural 1-level suit bid, a Natural 1NT Direct Overcall that does not show at least 14 HCP.
2. After a Natural 1-level suit bid, a Natural 2-level Cuebid.
3. After a Natural 1-level suit bid, a Natural jump overcall that shows at least Average strength.
4. After a Natural 1-level suit bid, a Natural 2NT that shows a Strong hand.

Responses to Opening Bids

1. By an unpassed hand, and after an Opening suit bid and an opponent's pass or overcall, a Non-Forcing new suit bid at the cheapest level (unless that bid is at the level of game or higher).
2. By an unpassed hand, and after an Opening Bid and an opponent's double, a Non-Forcing new suit bid at the one level.
3. After a Natural 1-level Opening Bid, a single raise that is Forcing.
4. After a Natural 1-level Opening suit bid and an opponent's pass, a double raise that does not show Invitational values.
5. After a Preempt, a Natural response in a new suit that is below game and not Forcing or a 2NT response that is not Forcing.
6. After a Preempt, a below-game raise that is Invitational or Forcing.

Always

1. A Natural bid which also shows Length or values in another suit.