# **Lawson Bridge Studio News June 2014**

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## Club Games - Rates are for each player

Games: 6:20 pm at Ann Sather's Restaurant, 909 West Belmont Rie, Chicago, 92 773-348-2378

Jun 2	Open Pairs—\$10	Jul 2	I/N Pairs—\$10
Jun 4	North American Pairs Qualifying—\$11	Jul 7	Open Pairs Club Championship—\$10
Jun 9	North American Pairs Qualifying—\$11	Jul 9	I/N Pairs Club Championship—\$10
Jun 11	I/N Pairs Club Championship—\$10	Jul 14	North American Pairs Qualifying—\$11
Jun 16	Open Pairs Grass Roots Fund—\$11	Jul 16	North American Pairs Qualifying—\$11
Jun 18	North American Pairs Qualifying—\$11	Jul 21	Open Pairs Grass Roots Fund—\$11
Jun 23	North American Pairs Qualifying—\$11	Jul 23	I/N Pairs Grassroots Fund Game—\$11
Jun 25	I/N Pairs Unit Game L406123C—\$10	Jul 28	North American Pairs Qualifying—\$11
Jun 30	Swiss Teams Club Championship—\$10	Jul 30	North American Pairs Qualifying—\$11

#### **Cub Games in June**

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

Monday 7:05 pm game: June 23 Wednesday 7:05 pm game: June 4, June 25

# **Team Game Monday June 30**

Patt and I will be registering your team as well as having the registration sheet at the games. You may contact Jerry at lawsonbridgestudio@gmail.com or 773-209-7089 for registration as well as assistance in completing a team if you cannot form a team. We look to you to form your teams, and let us know of your teammates so that we may do the check-in efficiently as in the past and start the game on time.

### **North American Pairs 2014-2015**

#### **♦** Description:

This is a highly prestigious "grass roots" event which starts at the club level in June, July and August with players' ACBL masterpoints recorded as of the May 6, 2014 as well as including masterpoints awarded by other organizations, such as ABA. Masterpoints earned or change in rank after this date do not affect one's eligibility at the club level, District 13 final, or national finals at the NABC Summer Nationals in New Orleans March 12-22, 2015.

## **♦** Qualifications:

- Club level is open to both members and non-members and may be earned at any club in any unit in any district. A player may qualify as often as desired and with as many different partners as desired. Players qualify individually.
- ▼ For pairs of mixed Flights qualifying, the higher Flight player determines the qualifying Flight with the lower Flight player being eligible for both Flights at the next level when a choice must be made; e.g. a Flight A and Flight C pair qualify, at the next stage Flight A is limited to Flight A, but a Flight C may play in Flight A, B or C.
- District level: must have qualified at the club level, be a member of the district, be eligible for the player's chosen flight, and be a paid member of the ACBL in good standing. The top three pairs in each flight are offered the opportunity to represent the district at the national finals.
- National level: must have qualified at the district level, be a member of the district, and be a paid member of the ACBL in good standing. Only the pairs as district qualified may participate, i.e. no change in a pair is permitted.

### **♠** Masterpoints:

- ♥ Club qualifying games 50/50 red and black at sectional rating.
- District finals award gold for section firsts and overalls. Flight C is 25% gold for overalls. Other masterpoints in all flights are red.
- ▶ National finals award gold for section firsts and overalls. Flight C is 25% gold for overalls. Other masterpoints in all flights are red.

#### **♦** Strata:

▶ Flight A is unlimited; Flight B is limited to 0 – 2500 masterpoints; Flight C is limited non-life masters with less than 500 masterpoints.

#### **♠** Games:

- Each club session may hold two games per month during June, July and August for qualifying players.
- District 13 final is a two session event on September 13, 2014 at the Wisconsin State Fair Park, West Allis, WI.
- ▶ National Finals are a four session event at the NABC Summer Nationals in New Orleans: Flight A on Mar 11 & 12; Flights B and C on Mar 15 & 16.