# Lawson Bridge Studio News June 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

Jun 5	Open Pairs NAP Qualifying—\$13	Jul 3	Open Pairs Club Championship—\$12
Jun 7	O/I Pairs NAP Qualifying—\$13	Jul 5	O/I Pairs Club Championship—\$12
Jun 12	Open Pairs Grass Roots Fund—\$13	Jul 10	North American Pairs Qualifying—\$13
Jun 14	O/I Pairs Grassroots Fund Game—\$13	Jul 12	O/I Pairs NAP Qualifying—\$13
Jun 19	Open Pairs NAP Qualifying—\$13	Jul 17	Open Pairs Unit Game L707123C—\$12
Jun 21	O/I Pairs NAP Qualifying—\$13	Jul 19	O/I Pairs Grassroots Fund Game—\$13
Jun 26	Swiss Teams Club Championship—\$12	Jul 24	North American Pairs Qualifying—\$13
Jun 28	O/I Pairs Club Championship—\$12	Jul 26	O/I Pairs NAP Qualifying—\$13
		Jul 31	Open Pairs Grass Roots Fund—\$13

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

Baseball season is here so traffic may be snarled on these June 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 7:05 pm game: June 5, June 19 Wednesday 7:05 pm game: June 7

## **Team Game Monday June 26**

Please form you teams, and let me know before 4 pm on June 26<sup>th</sup> 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 <a href="mailto:lawsonbridgestudio@gmail.com">lawsonbridgestudio@gmail.com</a>.

## **Temperature in Playing Area at Ann Sathers**

Some of you are complaining it's too cold, others are saying it's too warm. We cannot please all of you. Since the restaurant closes at 3 pm, we have no control of what the temperature will be when we come in at 5:45 pm. I am attempting to set the temperature for most players comfort. I cannot please everyone. There will be a period of heating or cooling until the set temperature is reached. Then you will experience heating and cooling differently in different spots in the room. When the fan runs, it is stabilizing the temperature; so some of you will feel colder than others at times. I cannot control that. The temperature control across the rooms is not adjustable. It behooves you to dress to accommodate and have appropriate clothing with you for your comfort during the game.

## North American Pairs 2017-2018 Club and District 13 Level

#### 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 June 6, 2017 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 Spring Nationals in Philadelphia, PA March 8-18, 2018.

## **♦** 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 (principal residence in District 13 as of June 1 2017), 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.

## **▲** Masterpoints:

- Club qualifying games Open pairs: 50/50 red and black; Invitational pairs: all black points.
- ♥ District 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 23, 2017 at the Wisconsin State Fair Park, West Allis, WI.