

Lawson Bridge Studio News May 2025

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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 5	Club Game Stardust—\$13	Jun 2	North American Pairs Club Qualifying—\$14
May 7	Club Game Stardust—\$13	Jun 4	North American Pairs Club Qualifying—\$14
May 12	District 13 STaC —\$15	Jun 9	Grass Roots FUND —\$14
May 14	District 13 STaC —\$15	Jun 11	Grass Roots FUND —\$14
May 19	Club Game Silver Quest—\$13	Jun 16	North American Pairs Club Qualifying—\$14
May 21	Club Game Silver Quest—\$13	Jun 18	North American Pairs Club Qualifying—\$14
May 26	No Game Memorial Day	Jun 23	2nd Quarter Club Championship 1 —\$13
May 28	Grass Roots FUND —\$14	Jun 23	2nd Quarter Club Championship 1 —\$13
		June 30	Club Game—\$13

Cub Games in May:

Baseball season is here so traffic may be snarled on these May 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 1:20 pm game: May 26	Wednesday 1:20 pm game: May 7
Monday 6:40 pm game: May 5, May 12	Wednesday 6:40 pm game: May 14
Monday 7:05 pm game:	Wednesday 7:05 pm game: May 28

STaC May 12-18 Silver Points at the Club Level

This STaC is sponsored by our District 13. The Fee will be \$15.00/player. We were the only evening games on Wednesday April 9th; however the Monday April 7th evening game had results from us and the Superiorland DBC, Marquette, MI. There has been an increase in awards as finally posted from that earned at the club regardless of tables based on last year's history. Typically, we need to have 5 tables for the players to participate in the overall awards.

Law 68 - Claim or Concession of Tricks from 2020 Duplicate Decisions for Directors

For a statement or action to constitute a claim or concession of tricks, it must refer to tricks other than the one currently in progress. If a statement refers only to the winning or losing of the current trick, play proceeds regularly. Statements like "I'm ruffing this trick" or "I have the Ace" do not suggest that play be curtailed, only that players need not think too deeply about the current trick. In such cases, cards exposed by defenders do not become penalty cards, but Laws 16 and 57A may apply.

[68A. Claim Defined: Any statement by declarer or a defender to the effect that a side will win a specific number of tricks is a claim of those tricks. A player also claims when he suggests that play be curtailed, or when he shows his cards (unless he demonstrably did not intend to claim - for example, if declarer faces his cards after an opening lead out of turn Law 54, not this Law, will apply).]

Claim examples:

- A player exposes their cards with a statement specifying what line of play they will follow from then on. This is the preferred method for claiming. (See 68C below)

[68B. Concession Defined:

1. *Any statement by declarer or a defender to the effect that a side will lose a specific number of tricks is a concession of those tricks; a claim of some number of tricks is a concession of the remainder, if any. A player concedes all the remaining tricks when he abandons his hand.]*
2. *[Regardless of B1, if a defender attempts to concede one or more tricks and his partner immediately objects; neither a concession nor a claim has occurred. Unauthorized information may exist, so the Director should be summoned immediately. Play continues. Any card that has been exposed by a defender in these circumstances is not a penalty card but Law 16C applies to information arising from its exposure and the information may not be used by the partner of the defender who has exposed it.]*

[68C. Clarification Required: A claim should be accompanied at once by a clear statement of the line of play or defense through which the claimer proposes to win the tricks claimed, including the order in which the cards will be played. The player making the claim or concession faces his hand.]