From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: December 5, 2023 1:05 PM Subject: December Newsletter

REGINA BRIDGE CLUB December Newsletter

Although the weatherman doesn't seem to have noticed, Christmas is approaching and so is the club's Christmas gathering, on the evening of December 12, starting at 6:30. The bar will be open with beer and wine available by donation, and coffee and dainties will be provided. We are also asking each pair to bring appetizers to share. Claire will be directing the game, or hopefully games if we have at least three tables of 299ers, starting about 7 o'clock. Please come out to enjoy this evening and socialize with club members that you don't see often.

The special games with extra points this month are from December 11-16, and the Art Dahl Open Pairs Championship will be Monday, December 11.

Although some of us are fanatics and might like to play bridge 365 days a year, the club will not have games on December 25 or January 1, 2024. Happily, various people have stepped up to take on directing games while Joyce and Kevin are away, so those should be the only cancellations. Player of the month in November was Jason Larrivee with 10.03 points. Joyce Butler and Kevin Young were high percentage winners in an open game with 72.62%. Barb Miller and Larry McCormick were best in a restricted one with 73.25%.

All the best for the holidays.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: December 5, 2023 1:02 PM Subject: Game cancelled

There will be no evening game tonight, Tuesday 5th. Not enough people are available.

You won't want to miss next Tuesday evening's game however (Dec 12th) It's the Christmas Party. There's always a good turnout for this special evening. Social at 6:00, game at 7:00.

See you next week

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: November 5, 2023 3:31 PM Subject: cancelled game

Please note the following game has been cancelled: November 6th, afternoon

The funeral for Greg Hutchinson will be held at that time November 6th, 3:00 pm, at the Turvey Centre.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: November 5, 2023 11:51 AM Subject: November Newsletter

REGINA BRIDGE CLUB November Newsletter

Attendance at the club in October was a year-high 167 tables. This included five at our fall dessert event where players enjoyed a choice of strawberry, chocolate, or tiramisu goodies provided by Geri Skilnick. Our next social evening will be on December 12 when we will ask players to bring appetizers to share, so please mark the date on your calendar.

The special games with extra points this month are from November 13-18, and there are also two annual club championships; the Don Larmour Monday afternoon championship will be on November 20, and the Wednesday evening rookie-master winners will be declared on November 22. Joyce Butler will be offering a lesson on pre-emptive bidding at 10:00 on Saturday, November 18, at a cost of \$8 per person. There is no need to register for this.

Player of the month in October was Barb Miller with 11.34 points. There were two high percentage winners in an open game; Dow Cooney & Kevin Young and Rick Gaucher & Claire Jones each had 65.63%. Doug Charleson and Charmayne LeRuyet were best in a restricted one with 68.13%. Earlier this year, we put out a plea for more people to train as directors without any results, and our situation is now even more desperate. Two of our four regular directors are going on extended holidays this winter, so we will be asking former directors to come out of retirement or else we will have to cancel games. Obviously new trainees won't be ready to take over games in December, but we will need them in the future so PLEASE consider helping the club in this way. Ask any director or board member for more information.

Before the game on the afternoon of November 20, there will be a brief memorial for members who have passed away over the past year.

Stay warm now that winter has arrived and play lots of bridge for fun.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com>

Sent: October 24, 2023 4:15 PM Subject: cancelled game

There will be no evening game on Tuesday October 31st.

Happy Halloween

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: October 19, 2023 5:21 PM Subject: Dessert Party Reminder

Have you signed up yet for the Fall Dessert Party?

If not, remember to get your name on the sign-up sheet at the Club.

We need to know how many desserts we need.

Reminder about the details:

October 24th, Tuesday evening 6:30 before the open game. At no extra cost, there will be goodies provided by the Club. And the bar will be open, for donations. Game that follows is open to all!

Come on out and enjoy this special evening!

See you there

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: October 7, 2023 5:22 PM Subject: October Newsletter

REGINA BRIDGE CLUB October Newsletter

The big bridge event this month will be the fall Regina Fall Sectional on October 13-15 at St. Mary's Church Hall on Winnipeg Street. Since this event includes both open and 299ers games on Friday afternoon, the regular game at the club that day will not be held.

On the evening of Tuesday, October 24, the club will be holding a fall dessert party starting at 6:30, before the open game. At no extra cost, there will be goodies provided by the club and the bar will be

open for donations. We will have a sign-up sheet for this so that we know how many desserts we need. Also, this month's week with ACBL-sponsored extra point games will be from October 16-21.

Joyce Butler's intermediate level workshops on selected Saturday mornings will continue on Saturday September 28 at 10:00 with a session on the use of doubles after an opponent's opening, and then another on pre-emptive bids on November 18. She is also doing four sessions on the Two over One bidding system on four consecutive Thursday evenings starting on October 26. Players can attend any of these workshops which cost \$8 per session. For more information, please contact Joyce at 306-789-1960 or joycebutler@accesscomm.ca.

Player of the month in September was Pam Keim with 6.74 points. High percentage winners were Dow Cooney and Kevin Young with 67.86% in an open game and Buddy and Rae Lindsay with 67.22% in a restricted one.

The club recently received very sad news about the death of Greg Hutchinson while on holiday in Portugal. Greg was a long-time club member, a member of the Board, and our resident computer guru, acting as our help desk expert even when he was out of town. We send condolences to his family and friends.

Happy Thanksgiving and Halloween.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: September 19, 2023 5:34 PM Subject: Workshops being offered by Joyce Butler

Joyce Butler is providing a few workshops on 'Competing in the Bidding', the first one Let's Talk About Overcalls will be held Saturday September 23 from 10 am to 12 noon. So the opponents have opened the bidding and you wanted to bid. Not sure what to do? Not sure how to respond when your partner overcalls? Not sure what your partner's response means? Is it forcing?

This workshop focuses on various ways to enter the auction/ compete in the bidding when the opponents have opened the bidding - how & when to overcall, how to respond, rebids and more.

There is no need to register, just be there for a 10 am start. Bring your questions? Cost = \$8.00, cash or e-transfer. The next session will be held October 21 and will focus on doubles.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: September 6, 2023 2:21 PM Subject: September Newsletter

REGINA BRIDGE CLUB September Newsletter Attendance at the club in August was up nearly twenty tables from July, and we were glad to see some members returning after their holidays. Hopefully this trend will continue into the fall.

This month's week with ACBL-sponsored extra point games will be from September 11 to 19. Also, the Tuesday evening open game will restart that week.

The club will be hosting an open house on Sunday, September 17, from 2-4 p.m. for anyone interested in either lessons or our games. Beginner bridge lessons will start on September 21 at 6:30 p.m. and run for eight weeks, at a cost of \$8 each. Anyone interested should contact Gaylene Spence at gspence@accesscomm.ca or 306-586-7044.

Joyce Butler, back from her cruising, will be offering intermediate level workshops on selected Saturday mornings starting September 23. Sessions will focus on ways you can compete in the bidding—various types of overcalls, how to double to compete, when to overcall/when to double, how to respond, how to balance and more. Watch for posters at the club. Also if you are interested in workshops focusing on the 2 Over 1 bidding system, please tell Joyce; she will consider finding dates and times that work for those who indicate interest.

Player of the month in August was Audrey Spencer with 8.6 points. High percentage winners were Jason Larrivee and Pam Keim with 73.96% in an open game and Doug Charleson and Marie Delparte with 70.83% in a restricted one.

Be sure to notice the brochures for the sectional tournament coming up October 12-14 to be found on the table near the score sheets at the club.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: August 10, 2023 12:34 PM Subject: August Newsletter

**REGINA BRIDGE CLUB** 

## August Newsletter

Life at the club was slow but steady in July with 134 tables, lower than in the winter but higher than July last year. However, our increased game fees will help cover expenses until attendance picks up.

The online bridge games run first by the Saskatoon club and more recently expanded to collaboration with Manitoba have been suspended indefinitely. This happened because the number of players had been continually dropping. This means a slight loss of revenue for the club since we received the fees paid by our members.

This month's week with ACBL-sponsored extra point games will be from August 14 to 19. Also, the Tuesday evening open game remains suspended but will restart September 11, so mark that date on your calendar. A second reminder is about the sectional tournament on October 13-15. Player of the month in June was Sandy Bingaman with 8.12 points. High percentage winners were Alice Huber and Joan Quinlan with 65% in an open game and Audrey Bruch and Lyle Spencer with 71.53% in a restricted one.

Although the weather outside remains very hot, it's cool at the club due to our landlord who improved the air conditioning, so why not play an extra game or to two enjoy this?

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: July 8, 2023 5:15 PM Subject: July Newsletter

REGINA BRIDGE CLUB July Newsletter

The club held its annual general meeting on June 27, with Leslie Mortin presiding and about 30 members in attendance. Probably the most important motion passed was to raise the fees from \$7 to \$8 per game, meaning that the ten-game passes will now cost \$80 although people can continue to use their old cards until they run out. This measure was needed because, although the club had more than 500 more tables this past year than in 2021-22, it still had a deficit of over \$8,000. Leslie also made two major announcements, formally unveiling the plaque for the June and Arnie Lind Learning Centre and again thanking the Lind family for their generous donation to the club. Secondly, she thanked retiring board members Donna Barber and Paul Omilon for their service to the club and welcomed newcomers Ron Miller, Geri Skilnick, and Frank Fries.

This month's week with ACBL-sponsored extra point games will be from July 24-29. Also, the Tuesday evening open game remains suspended until September. Unit 573 has announced that there we a sectional tournament on October 13-15, so mark those dates on your calendar. Player of the month in June was Kevin Young with 8.17 points. High percentage winners were Claire Jones and Pat Beharry with 72.56% in an open game and Eli Fluter and Peter Lysak with 68.75 in a restricted one.

Congratulations to several of our members who have recently reached a new life master status. Colleen Campbell and Shirley Strohan are new life masters, Byron Seymour got both his life masters and bronze status, Larry Lazurko also received bronze, and Kathy Bryden is now a silver life master. The club has sadly lost three members. Kay Delparte was a life master who played at the club for decades. Pat Carlson was a regular player before our Covid-19 shutdown. Ward Moberg had been playing more recently both on Monday nights and in tournaments. Condolences to their families and friends.

Hopefully everyone is enjoying our wonderful warm weather but also finding time to fit in a few bridge games as well. Happy summer.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: June 25, 2023 6:12 PM Subject: Cancelled game

PLEASE NOTE: THE EVENING GAME ON MONDAY JULY 3 HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: June 20, 2023 1:09 PM Subject: AGM and minutes of 2022

Hi everyone,

We're fast approaching our AGM, next Tuesday 27th at 6:00 pm.

Attached are the minutes of our last AGM held in June of 2022 (also available on our website if you have difficulty opening the attachment). Please take a few minutes to read them over for any errors or omissions that you may wish to bring up at the meeting.

See you next Tuesday for the meeting and the free game that follows.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: June 15, 2023 7:46 PM Subject: Notice of Motions for AGM

To our Club Members,

Our AGM is coming up fast. Hope you plan to attend on Tuesday June 27th at 6:00 pm. Remember, there is a free game after the meeting as well.

This email serves as Notice of Motion for three motions that the Board is putting forth. Below are the three motions, together with rationale for each one. These motions will be discussed and voted upon at the AGM.

#1 Motion by Sandy Bingaman, seconded by Ilsa Krukoff, that the Board of Directors be allowed to set the Club annual membership fees for 2023/2024 at a rate between \$25 to \$50 in May of 2024, based on the Club's financial position at that time.

Rationale: Our members have enjoyed a very modest membership fee with no increase for many years. At present, due largely to Covid and post-Covid financial losses, we are still functioning at a deficit. We will be better positioned prior to our next membership renewal time in May of 2024 to assess whether an increased membership fee would be helpful in this regard.

#2 Motion by Ilsa Krukoff, seconded by Lorna Bingaman, that we increase our game fees for Club members to \$8.00 per game, or \$75.00 for a 10 game punch pass . Non-Club members would be required to pay \$9.00 per game.

Rationale: Our financial summary shows that we are still operating at a deficit. In addition, our funds were heavily depleted during the Covid and post-Covid period. In order to maintain sufficient assets for any unforeseen future needs, and in order to avoid further depleting these assets at this time, we feel that a modest game fee increase at this time would help to put us in a more comfortable position. This increase would take place effect July 1, 2023, although those who still have unused games on their present punch pass would see no increase until the purchase of their next punch pass.

#3 Motion by Lorna Bingaman seconded by Ilsa Krukoff that the following change be made to our current bylaws regarding signing authority.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS - Paragraph 5 (Note: the underlined wording would be the only change) The Treasurer or designate shall collect and receive all monies due or owing the RDBC and shall pay all proper accounts therof. S/he may endorse for deposit all cheques payable to the RDBC and shall deposit all ordinary funds of the RDBC in an account with a chartered bank or trust company provided by the Board in the name of the RDBC and all cheques on the same shall be drawn and signed by any two (2) individuals holding one of the following offices: Treasurer, President, Secretary, Vice-President, or designate.

Rationale: It is not always easy to connect with two executive members at the Club at the same time to get important signatures when bills need to be paid. Also, we wish to avoid having two members of the same family signing any particular cheque. In addition, our treasurer, Lorna Bingaman, who has volunteered her considerable expertise to keep our financial records, does not do any cheque signing or bill payments, nor would she be in attendance at the Club if her responsibility were to get cheques signed by executive members. In order to facilitate having two people available to sign, it is proposed that we add "or designate" to the existing wording in our Bylaw, that designate being a trusted person recognized and appointed by the Board to give the second signature when needed. This designate would also have to sign for and be recognized by the bank to have such signing authority. In order to help with this problem in the past, the Club manager became authorized at the bank in order to be able to sign cheques to pay bills, always with the requirement of a second signature by an executive Board member. This motion will officially authorize an appointment by the Board of a designate, such as the Club manager, to fulfill this role in accordance with Club bylaws.

See you at the meeting!

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: June 6, 2023 6:28 PM Subject: AGM and Board

A reminder about our AGM. When: Tuesday June 27th, 6:00 pm Followed by a free game at 7:00 pm (we'll have a separate 299er section if numbers warrant) So line up your partner now, and mark your calendar.

Important: Board membership We are hoping to add new members to the Board. Whether you are a rookie or a more experienced player, we would love to have you join us. Are you interested in being on the Board, or in nominating someone else to be on the Board? Muriel Drew is looking after nominations. Contact her at drewm@sasktel.net or 306-586-1741

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: June 5, 2023 5:14 PM Subject: June Newsletter

REGINA BRIDGE CLUB June Newsletter

May was a busy month for many of our players, particularly those who participated in the Regina Redcoat Regional held at the Italian Club. Since there were no games at the club that week, our attendance was down slightly but still reached almost 140 tables, including 9 and a half on one Tuesday afternoon which continues to be our most successful game.

Tuesday night players should note that there will be no regular games at that time until September. Director Claire Jones did a lot of work to make sure there were enough players for the recently completed two session Swiss teams events, but feels that attendance over the summer will be too unpredictable to support this game.

For 299ers, the unit is holding a two-day tournament at the club on June 10-11. Good attendance in this event will encourage organizers to hold more of these in the future.

There will be special games with extra points the entire week of June 12-17, sponsored by the ACBL. For those of you who find bridge thirsty work, the Coke machine at the club has recently been refilled. Instead of cans, there are larger bottles with screw tops which cost \$3.00 each.

Top players in May were Jason Larrivee with 5.96 points, Joyce Butler and Greg Hutchinson with 75% in an open game, and Larry McCormick and new member Avinash Bhende also with 75% in a restricted game.

On the evening of June 27, the club will be holding its annual general meeting followed by a free game for those in attendance. There will be reports on club activities and finances, motions on membership and game fees, and election of board members for the next fiscal year. This is a chance for members to raise questions and concerns as well as thank the volunteers who run the club. Also the winners of the various club tournaments and the top players of the year will be announced.

Happy Fathers Day.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: June 1, 2023 5:44 PM Subject: Tuesday Evening Games

The Tuesday evening game is canceled for the summer. It will restart in September.

Looking forward to seeing you then.

Don't forget the Tuesday evening game on Tuesday June 27, however. That's the night of the AGM. The AGM is at 6:00 pm, with a free game to follow at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: May 11, 2023 5:19 PM Subject: Covid policy

Notice to all members regarding our Covid policy We feel that we are ready for a change, in keeping with other businesses and organizations.

Beginning May 15 we will be following ACBL Covid protocol which is as follows: \*We will no longer be requiring proof of vaccination. \*Masks will not be required, but continue to be optional.

Hand sanitizer will still be available at tables, and we will continue to sanitize tables on a regular basis.

We ask that our members and guests self-monitor.

- If you are feeling ill or have cold-like symptoms, please stay home. We'd love to see you when you are feeling better.

- If you have been in contact with someone displaying symptoms, or are yourself recently recovered, consider taking extra precautions, such as wearing a mask.

Let's all stay healthy as we enjoy this great game in a pleasant and safe social setting.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: May 9, 2023 11:23 PM Subject: Important note regarding membership fee

IMPORTANT NOTE TO OUR MEMBERS:

Some of you earlier this week bought your RDBC membership for \$30.

We are going to ask you to visit with Angela once again, prior to any game this week (and next week if needed)

She is prepared to refund your \$30, and will then ask you to repurchase your membership for \$25. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Here is the reason.

In a recent email, we advised you that we were implementing a modest membership fee increase for the coming fiscal year 2023-2024, increasing from \$25 annual membership fee to \$30.

We have noted since, in reviewing our Club Bylaws, that it stipulates that any increase in Membership Fees must be voted on at an AGM. Therefore, any decision regarding a fee increase will have to wait until our AGM in June. Hence, we are offering the refund for those of you who paid \$30, as per above.

Angela will continue to sell memberships prior to game times for the remainder of this week, but at the rate of \$25, after which memberships can be purchased through the game director.

Thank you all for your support.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: May 6, 2023 6:23 PM Subject: April Newsletter

REGINA BRIDGE CLUB April Newsletter

Hopefully everyone is currently enjoying the competition at the Regional tournament and winning lots of valuable gold points. Many thanks to Jan Carter, tournament chairperson , and all the volunteers for their efforts to stage a successful event.

Attendance at club games in March was the highest post pandemic, with 185 tables. Twenty-eight people came out on the evening of Tuesday, April 18, to enjoy our spring social and eat the delicious cheesecake Donna Barber provided.

Following the lead of the provincial government and the ACBL, the club will remove all Covid-19 restrictions starting on May 15. We will no longer be checking vaccination status or sanitizing tables. However, we encourage people to wear masks if you wish and stay home if you are not feeling well so that you don't risk infecting others.

The only special games in May are the two-session Swiss teams club championship on May23 and 30. There is also a community bridge session scheduled for May 27.

The top player in March was Barb Miller with 9.97 points. High game percentages were 67.36 in an open game by Dow Cooney and Kevin Young and 70.00 by Lynn Tomkins and Thelfa Yee-Toi.

During the week starting on May 8th, Angela Duczek will be selling memberships for the 2023-24 season. We have raised the cost from \$25 to \$30 to help the club cover its expenses. We are only accepting debit or credit card payments or cheques. After that week, directors will accept these payments, and come June 1, those who have not renewed their memberships will be charged \$8 per game.

The club has again lost a former member. Betty Vorrieter, a regular afternoon competitor at the Albert Street location, died recently.

There are two June dates you should mark on your calendar. First is a 299ers tournament on June 10 and 11. Also the evening of June 27 will be the club's annual meeting followed by a free game. Come out to hear the reports of this year's operations and plans for the future of the club.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: April 25, 2023 8:38 AM Subject: cancelled game

From director Claire Jones: Please note that tonight's game (Tuesday 25th) is cancelled.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: April 17, 2023 12:16 PM Subject: membership fee

At our recent Board meeting, we discussed Club finances. Our finances and plans will be discussed at the AGM at the end of June. However, due to timing, we would like to instigate one small change now prior to that time. Our Club membership fee has remained unchanged for many years, but Club financial needs have grown. The Board decided that we should instigate a modest membership fee increase for the coming fiscal year 2023-24, increasing from \$25 annual membership fee to \$30.

We are letting you know at this time, as we know you will want to renew your membership prior to the AGM. Angela Duczek will be available to sell memberships prior to game times during the second week of May. Please arrive a little early, and remember that we are not accepting cash payments, so debit, credit card, or cheque please.

Your Board of Directors

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: April 3, 2023 10:43 AM Subject: April Newsletter

REGINA BRIDGE CLUB April Newsletter

In spite of cold weather and icy streets and sidewalks, there were more than 170 tables this past month. Also, the Unit game on March 25 attracted ten tables, including five of 499ers. Hopefully, lots of people will come out to play in April as well.

You may have noticed the sign that designates part of the club as the June and Arnie Lind Teaching Centre. The Linds' son and daughter-in law, Howard and Alicia Lind, have made a very substantial donation to the club in memory of June and Arnie's "dedication to the advancement of Duplicate Bridge."

Since our December dessert party and Tuesday evening game was so successful, we have decided to hold a similar spring event on April 18th. Starting at 6:30 desserts will be served and the cash bar will be open with drinks costing \$3.00. There will be a sign-up sheet at the directors' desk so we know how much food to buy and we will run a 229ers game if there are enough players.

As usual there will be special games this month with extra points available. All the games in the week of April 17 to 21 are in this category. In addition the Tuesday afternoon annual championship will be held on April 11 and the Pat Fyfe Friday afternoon club championship on April 21. There will also be three "8 is Enough" team games, on the 1st, the 15th, and the 29th.

Back after two months as cruise bridge co-ordinator, Joyce Butler is again player of the month with 11.81 master points. Pam Keim and Jason Larrivee had the best percentage in an open game with 70.14, and Ken Baker and Rose Dunitz topped the restricted category with 69.21%. Sadly, one of the club's most well known members, Dick Anderson, passed away recently in Toronto. For about 50 years, he directed, taught, and played at the club obtaining over 10,000 master points. He was also active in leadership roles at the provincial, national, and international levels, serving terms as both president and chairman of the board of directors of the ACBL. We send condolences to his wife Janice, a former club manager, and his family.

Looking ahead, the Regina Regional tournament will run from May 1-7. The schedule of events is available at the club, as are volunteer sign-up sheets. A big event like this is a lot of work, so please consider helping. There will be no regular games at the club during the tournament.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: March 16, 2023 9:42 AM Subject: LIND celebration of life and reception

A Celebration of Life and Reception to honour JUNE LIND is booked at the club for 11:00 - 1:30 this Saturday, March 18. June and her husband Arnie were long time, well respected club members, Life

Masters and excellent bridge teachers and players. The family cordially invites and encourages club members to attend and visit with family and friends. Hope to see you there.

IN ORDER TO ACCOMMODATE THIS EVENT, THE SATURDAY "8 IS ENOUGH" GAME IS RESCHEDULED FOR 2 O'CLOCK.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: March 8, 2023 12:57 PM Subject: March Newsletter

REGINA BRIDGE CLUB March Newsletter

Attendance was steady in February with the biggest turnout being 11 tables for the team game on February 28th. We are expecting numbers to go up this month as the snowbirds start to return.

On March 18th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., the club will be the site of a memorial service and luncheon hosted by the family of long-time member June Lind who passed away recently. To accommodate this gathering, the "8 is Enough" team game scheduled for that day will start at TWO o'clock instead of the usual one o'clock time.

Gaylene Spence will be starting a session of Basic Bridge Level 1 at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 9. For more information please contact her at (306) 586-7044 or e-mail at gspence@accesscom.ca.

As usual there will be special games with extra points available. All the games in the week of March 13 to March 18 are in this category. In addition the Arnie Lind Under 150 club championship will be held on the evening of March 20th, and the Sherry Brooks Board-a-Match on March 24.

On March 25, Unit 573 will hold their annual general meeting at 12:30 followed by a bridge game free to the meeting attendees.

February's best results came from Jim Bingaman who won 7.62 points, Rick Gaucher and Claire Jones who had 68.76% in an open game, and Ron and Barb M iller who had 65.48% in a restricted game.

May the luck of the Irish be with you at the tables this month.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: February 6, 2023 12:47 PM Subject: February Newsletter

**REGINA BRIDGE CLUB** 

February Newsletter

January went well at the club with 175 tables overall. This was a pleasant surprise because several of our frequent players were away on holidays somewhere warm. Our regular games will continue in February, with the week of the 13th to the 18th offering extra points sponsored by the ACBL.

Gaylene Spence has 17 students taking her advanced beginner lessons. She is also considering offering the beginner series starting in March if enough people are interested. For more information please contact her at (306) 586-7044 or e-mail at gspence@accesscom.ca.

Donna and Stan Barber hosted a successful community bridge game with four tables on January 28th and have another scheduled for February 25. These games help the club in two ways, by showing off our facility to new people and contributing their profit to the club.

December's best results came from Cal McLeod who won 6.12 points, Cal and Doug Rankin who had 71.76% in an open game, and Leslie Mortin and Joan Quinlan who had 66.96% in a restricted game.

Happy Valentine day.

From: Regina Bridge Club <reginaduplicate.bridgeclub@gmail.com> Sent: January 27, 2023 4:50 PM Subject: missing keys

Hi everyone,

Our bathroom keys have disappeared. Please check your pockets, etc, to see if you have inadvertently taken a key home. If you find you have one, please return it to the Club.

Sent: January 5, 2023 2:10 PM Subject: January Newsletter

January Newsletter

The club celebrated the festive season with two successful events. The first was the Christmas party, which attracted nine tables, with a good mix of veteran and newer players, on the evening of December 13. Players enjoyed the competition and especially the decadent desserts which coordinator Donna Barber found for us. The second celebration occurred on New Year's Eve, with eight teams out for "8 is Enough." Director Kevin Young ended this event by serving champagne to anyone who wanted to toast 2023.

Our regular game schedule will continue in January with a few changes. The biggest is a higher limit on Tuesday afternoon, up to 1200 points from 1000, which will allow Jim Bingaman to continue as a playing director. The Tuesday evening game will revert to its regular open format with no lessons or reduced fees for now. The Wednesday morning game remains suspended until at least eight players notify Kevin that they want this game to resume.

The week of January 16th will have all games with extra points, an initiative sponsored by the ACBL.

Gaylene Spence is again offering eight lessons starting at 6:30 on Thursday, January 12. These are Part 2 of the beginners' bridge presented last semester. The cost is \$7 per lesson and no advanced registration is required. For more information please contact her at (306) 586-7044 or e-mail at gspence@accesscom.ca.

December's best results came from Barb Miller who won 10.2 points, Joyce Butler and Greg Hutchinson who had 75% in an open game, and Linda Holowaty and Hugh Brown who had 71.26% in a restricted game.

We have once again lost two former members. Darryll Barrett was a keen regular player for a few years at the Albert Street Club, and Doreen Smith, a long-time member, has been playing in team games with her daughter Linda Wallace; with a huge smile on her face Doreen told me that a recent win had been a "miracle," one she clearly enjoyed.

Happy new year!