



REGINA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB NEWS

Fall 2007

It's September and here we go—back to the bridge table after the activities of summer. Lessons have started, the Regional is upon us and the perennial issue of the Saturday game looms. Maintaining a successful Bridge Club is challenging—it begins with hoping that members, old and new, will all get into the habit of setting time aside for duplicate bridge.

Next, as I am fairly certain that most members want to improve their game; we have, again, asked Dick Anderson to co-ordinate the lessons offered. If you have a request for a certain type of lesson (or would like to present a lesson or lessons), please speak with Dick.

Thirdly, I encourage members to answer the call to face a wider variety of opponents by playing at a time other than your “regular” game and/or by venturing out to the Regional. While it is a bit scary at first to play stronger players, you do eventually get used to the faster pace and most of the experienced players are willing to answer your questions (there really is so much to remember) and, once in a while, you have the satisfaction of actually doing well on a hand or two!!

So, to all levels of players: seasoned, simmering, or just starting to taste duplicate bridge; I encourage you to become more involved in the Club. Consider bringing a newcomer out on Wednesday night. Get a team together for a Saturday—maybe do lunch. For our Monday night players—try out a Friday night. For our experienced players, how about taking a rookie under your wing to mentor on Wednesday nights?

Welcome to September—I hope you have fun at the table.

- Pat Harlton

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Regina Red Coat Regional – September 24th – 30th

The doors of the Club will be closed during the Regional; hope to see everyone at the Regional being held at the Regina Inn. Program information is available on our website, as well as at the Club.

Let's show everyone Regina's hospitality! We are all responsible to ensure all visitors to our city have an excellent time – be sure to be friendly and courteous; it is a rule of bridge at the table. Be friendly and courteous beyond the table, our guests will be certain to return to our next Regional!



While you were out!



Once the Club's doors open after the Regina Redcoat Regional the carpet will have been replaced!

Celebrating Our 50th Anniversary

A weekend affair!

May 9th – Dinner & Entertainment



May 10th – Brunch and Bridge



Plan to attend!

Plan to volunteer!

Plan to participate in fundraising activities!



Regina Fall Sectional

Thursday, October 25th – Sunday, October 28th

Special Game

October 30th – Erin Berry Canadian Rookie-Master Game
(at least one player must have less than 50 master points)

Colleen Campbell has resigned her seat from the Executive Board effective the end of August. She has already sold her house, retired, and is getting ready to move! She promises to keep in touch, and even visit the club when she returns to Regina.

On behalf of everyone at the Club, we would like to wish her all the best.

And, of course, a **Big Thank You** for all her hard work and participation on the Executive Board!

CONGRATULATIONS!

NEW JUNIOR MASTERS

Audrey Bruch, April 07
Edith Laidlaw, April 07
Joan Quinlan, April 07
Dick Rennie, April 07
Bruce Bryson, July 07

NEW CLUB MASTERS

Fraser Brooks, April 07
Jason Larrivee, April 07
Sharon Rooney, June 07
Regina Tsakas, June 07
Dick Rennie, July 07
Audrey Bruch, August 07

NEW SECTIONAL MASTERS

Lorraine Garratt, April 07
Doreen Smith, April 07
Donna Barber, May 07
Jason Larrivee, May 07
Fiona Bishop, June 07
Gail Charles, June 07

NEW REGIONAL MASTERS

Muriel Drew, April 07
Hugh Barclay, May 07

NEW NABC MASTERS

Maureen Wagner, August 07

NEW LIFE MASTERS

Scott Rosom, April 07
Norma Barber, July 07
Rosemary Makelki, July 07
Sandra Southam, August 07

NEW BRONZE LIFE MASTERS

Fin Wahl, May 07
Duddow Cooney, August 07

NEW DIAMOND LIFE MASTERS

Art D'Entremont, June 07

Attract, Develop & Retention Strategy

- Jan Gray and Lyle Spencer

Jan Gray presented a short report on the outcome of the Retention Committee's first meeting at the August 2007 Board Meeting. Among other things, the Committee will be undertaking the task of surveying the Club's past and present members.

The Committee would like to have the survey completed by the end of this year. If you would like to join the committee or assist in the surveying, please contact Jan Gray or Lyle Spencer.



Cards:

Please notify Tonia Hauck if you know of any current or past club member (or their family) whom should receive the Club's support!

Tonia Hauck at 761-1661

or

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Wednesday Night Rookie/Master Game:

As many of you may know, the Wednesday night game was once one of the well attended nights of the week down at the Club.

It has not seen the participation numbers as it has in previous years. This is a “mentor” game. As such, after each round discussion of the bidding, playing of the hand, etc. are sometimes discussed at length – and sometimes it's late getting home.

Therefore, the Executive has requested the Director to ensure that the game ends no later than 10:20 so everyone is out the door by 10:30.

If you would like to join in the fun and need a partner – Irene Huber and Dick Anderson know of lots of people who would love to play with you!

50/50 Volunteers Needed for the Regional September 24th – 30th

The Club will be selling 50/50 tickets during the tournaments. Winners will be announced immediately at the beginning of each afternoon and evening game.

There is a sign-up poster at the club, at least two people will be needed each time.

This is your opportunity to help – please don't be shy!