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# Newsletter

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## Support the Alzheimer Society London and Middlesex Wednesday, June 20th

**Wednesday, June 20th** wear purple and play bridge in support of the Alzheimer Society. The links between bridge and a healthy brain are well documented. Refer to the **ACBL Bridge Bulletin**, June 2018, page 26 to read **The Longest Day Hits Home** or reread Tom Jolliffe's own testimonial in our [June 3<sup>rd</sup> newsletter](#). We can help.

### PLEASE DONATE

Link from the [LBC website](#), or click [here](#), to make a direct donation to Alzheimer Society London and Middlesex, giving credit to LBC for those funds. Other ways to donate:

-  bid on items in the Silent Auction which opens Monday morning and closes Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
-  bid on a game with a master, played Wednesday night
-  make a direct donation into the jar placed on the front counter at LBC

**Remember that Tom Jolliffe is matching donations up to \$1000.**

This year the Alzheimer Society London and Middlesex will use the funds we raise to support [social and recreational programs](#) for those in the early and middle stages of this disease. Thanks for your support and generosity.

### Game Schedule: Wednesday, June 20th

8:30 – 12:00 Social Bridge	1:00 – 4:00 Open Game
4:30 – 6:00 Bridge Express	6:30 – 9:30 0 – 150 and Open Game

## Learning Opportunities at LBC

To explore all possibilities, please click [here](#)

- ♠ **Fall courses** are currently being updated on our web site. To see what will be offered, click [here](#). Further information will be provided at a later date.
- ♠ **Lost and Found** takes place at LBC each Monday after the morning game. Ask questions and explore solutions related to challenging hands played that morning.
- ♠ The last session of Saturday **Practice and Play**, before summer break, will be **June 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Thanks to Marie Wiley, Judi Carter, Audrey Craig and Reg Young for supporting newer players. We look forward to seeing you again in September.
- ♠ To see past articles from **Ask Dwight**, click [here](#).



### Rookie-Master Night



Thanks to all who participated in the Rookie-Master game on June 11<sup>th</sup>. Special thanks to the organizers and experienced bridge players who took the time to encourage newer players. Hats off to Mike Potter for assuring that all rookies had a supporting partner. Well done!

## Learning Opportunities, cont'd



**It's back!**  
**Master Your Game**  
**Monday, July 16<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30**

Arrange a table of four to play with guidance from an experienced bridge player. A sign-up sheet will be available in July.

## Upcoming Events



**Novice – Intermediate (0 – 300) Team Game**  
**Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00 p.m.**  
Please sign up at the club.

**South Western Ontario Regional in Kitchener**  
**July 3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>**



**Chance to earn gold and/or red points**  
For details click [here](#).



**North American Pairs Qualifier at LBC**  
**Wednesday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00**  
**\$2.00 surcharge, red/black points**



## Exploring the LBC Web Site

We've been making a few changes.

We are working to update our web site to accommodate the growth of our club and the scope of our effort. Therefore, you may notice some recent changes. Thanks to Tom Jolliffe and Sue Edwards for many hours spent in adding information and organizing the format in an effort to help us be well informed and navigate the site more easily. Here is one example.

<p><b>Member Info</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is Pianola?</li> <li>Partner Finder</li> <li>Member Meeting Reports and Financials</li> <li>Member Recognition Awards</li> <li><b>New Life Masters</b></li> <li>New Rank Achievements</li> <li>70% Games</li> <li>Masterpoint Competitions</li> <li>Rent the London Bridge Centre</li> </ul>	<p>Notice the range of information provided under <b>Member Info</b>.</p> <p>You might want to read about our <b>New Life Masters</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Brian Rice – silver life master</li> <li>★ Bruce Moor – bronze life master</li> <li>★ Maggie Carruthers – bronze life master</li> <li>★ John Stoffman – life master</li> <li>★ Tom Jolliffe – life master</li> </ul> <p>Click <a href="#">here</a> for more details on the <b>New Life Masters</b> page.</p>
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### An Historical Perspective: London Regional Tournament – July 9 – 14, 1985

A few months ago, **Brad Boyle** brought in a set of the daily bulletins from this tournament, July 9 – 14, 1985. They provide an interesting look back to this event, more than 30 years ago – with several LBC member names sprinkled in!

Event central was the Commonwealth Ballroom in the Holiday Inn, with some events at the Briarwood Inn across King Street. Tuesday started with Mixed Pairs, Novice Pairs and an Individual event – with sessions at 1:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Wednesday saw Knockout Teams (28 teams at 9:00 a.m.) followed by Men's Pairs (51 tables) and Women's Pairs (83 tables) at 1:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Thursday was all team events, the morning KO continued, while the 1:30 & 8:00 sessions saw Men's Swiss (40 teams), Women's Swiss (90 teams!), Novice Swiss (6 teams), and a seeded Knockout event of six top teams. This was followed by Midnight Swiss with 8 teams venturing out of the nightly Hospitality room.... and a team of caddies winning the event.

Saturday was a big day, with 155 tables in the Open Pairs and a featured "BASH" of music, dancing, drinking and partying following the evening game.

The tournament also had a Courtesy Committee which reminded players that, "While we play to win, we also play for pleasure." If players encountered bad manners, rudeness or any discourteous behaviour, they were urged to register a complaint with a member of the Courtesy Committee.

As always, Vince Oddy was at the tournament with Bridge books and supplies to sell. Brad was the bulletin editor and did a remarkable job, using the tools of 1985, of preparing the daily bulletins including several commentaries on interesting hands. Those articles have aged quite well, certainly better than some of the jokes....

## The New York Times

Also, in the summer of 1985, **Brad played in the ACBL Summer Nationals in Las Vegas**, earning a return trip to Tokyo as a member of the North American Student Team – and a mention in **Alan Truscott's Bridge Column in the New York Times!** Click [here](#) to read about it in the New York Times archives.

The Bulletins are in a neon green folder on the small table in the lobby.

Members are welcome to borrow them for a few days to browse and reminisce.



Thanks, Brad, for sharing this glimpse back to the days of non-smoking sections!

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