

# Virtual News



October 10, 2021

## THANKSGIVING

### ANNUAL MEETING



London Bridge Centre will be holding its 6th Annual General Meeting on

**Wednesday, October 20 at 4 pm.**

Once again, this will be a virtual meeting, held on Zoom. Registration will be required **before October 18**. Details are on the LBC home page [here](#). A notice of meeting has been circulated to all newsletter recipients with the details.

Everyone is welcome although only LBC members can vote. We will tell you about how our club is doing and we will present the financial statements. You will have an opportunity to ask questions after the presentation.

### IMP League

We have people looking for partners and/or pairs. If you are looking for a partner or pair, please contact [Judy Stirling](#). Signing up in good time gives the co-ordinators time to make up teams. Deadline is October 13. If you plan on playing, please register soon. Register [here](#).



### A BIDDING REMINDER

A 1NT opening bid can have a singleton ONLY if that singleton is an A, K or Q. A 1NT bid with a singleton 3, for example, is an illegal bid.

WHERE'S THE HAND



### SURVEY ABOUT RE-OPENING

A survey was sent out on Thursday concerning members' attitudes to returning to Face-to-Face bridge. Your feedback is crucial as we begin to work our way out of the pandemic restrictions. Almost 200 players have replied, but we would like to hear from everyone. Click [here](#) to complete the survey.

### Success With Partner Finder Program

*Over the past few weeks, we have set up a number of partnerships for our virtual games. If you have between 0-200 masterpoints and want to be on the list as a potential partner or you need a partner for an upcoming game:*

*Contact Kim Hauley at [kahaul@hotmail.com](mailto:kahaul@hotmail.com) or call her at 519-520-4737.*

*And remember, you don't have to be a current member of LBC. As long as you are playing or have played in our online games, you can participate in this program.*



Join us online for Club Appreciation Week, October 11-17 (Mon.-Sun.)! This special event lets you win upgraded masterpoint awards AND show love for your club.

Simply play in your usual Virtual Club game during the week of October 11-17, and your masterpoint awards will be rated double regular black!

## Bridge Course: Advancing Your Game

Instructor: Mary Howe

This online 8 week bridge course is designed for players who have completed several bridge courses and who play duplicate bridge on a regular basis. Bidding and play topics will be reviewed and extended. A variety of standard conventions will be re-introduced and fine-tuned to develop effective, competitive bridge strategies for duplicate bridge play. Each class will include strategies for handling the opponents' interference. The use of good judgement will be emphasized.

The 8 week course will be taught online using the Zoom platform over two separate terms of four weeks each. The instructor will email to each participant the Zoom link for the lesson each week.

- Part 1 will be taught during November 2021 (Nov. 9, 16, 23 and 30) on Tuesday afternoons from 2:00 – 4:15
- Part 2 will be completed in four weeks during February-March 2022 (time & dates to be announced later). **Please note that Part 1 is a prerequisite for Part 2.**



The cost for the 4 week course is \$50 plus \$9 for the Student Handbook. Register for Part 1 online at the London Bridge Center website.

For those players who are interested, private Practice & Play sessions will be offered during December and January after the completion of Advancing Your Game Part 1 for players who have taken the course. Four hands-on play sessions using pre-set hands will specifically target topics covered in each of the lessons. Registration for these play sessions will be done during the November course.

Following the completion of this course, players should be more comfortable and successful competing against London's better bridge players in the open games.

For a detailed course description of the lesson topics and registration info please check the LBC website [here](#).