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New Games at LBC



Friendly Reminder

In response to our survey, the Board is **testing two new games on Sunday afternoons**, each held about once a month. The games need to be coordinated with other LBC events and local tournaments that are already scheduled on a Sunday. As a result, the schedule will be irregular at times. Dates will be announced in the newsletter, on the LBC [website](#) and added to the [LBC master calendar](#).

Upcoming New Sunday Games

- ❖ 0-300 pairs game on **March 31st at 1:00**
- ❖ **Open pairs game on April 14th at 1:00.**

To ensure we have enough tables, advance sign-up is required. If there are not enough players signed up by **Thursday at 5:00 p.m.**, that game will be cancelled and a notice put on our website. **Please sign up as soon as possible!**



Our first Sunday game for 0 - 300, on March 10th was a great success!



Thanks to Bruce Moor for directing and getting us off to a good start.



Tuesday Afternoon 0 – 20 Game

Beginning **Tuesday, March 19th at 1:00 p.m.**, London Bridge Centre will try a weekly duplicate game for players with fewer than 20 ACBL masterpoints. You do not need to be an ACBL member to participate. The game will be held in the Teaching Room while Bridge Lab runs concurrently in the main room at LBC. **Come alone or with a partner.** If you don't have a partner, please arrive by 12:40 so we can arrange partnerships.

Audrey Craig will direct the 0 - 20 game, while **Peter Tuttle** will continue to lead Bridge Lab. You will learn to use the BridgeMates for scoring. Following the game, the hand records and game records will be posted on the [LBC website](#) through [Pianola](#). The first few weeks will be a learning experience without masterpoints as players get comfortable with duplicate movements and scoring. If enough players participate to warrant continuing the game, we will purchase an ACBL sanction so that masterpoints could be awarded in future games. Game fee is \$7 for members, \$9 for others.



**Huntsville
2019**

Ontario 55+
Winter Games
Jeux d'hiver de
l'Ontario 55+

Congratulations

to LBC members, **Roger Wang** and **Hui Zhu**, who won the **bronze** medal in the Novice category of Duplicate Bridge in the Ontario 55+ winter games.



Columbia Sportswear Invitation March 15th – April 7th

You must bring

- ✓ proof of LBC membership, e.g. LBC name tag
- ✓ photo ID
- ✓ a copy of the invitation, either print or digital

To download a copy of the invitation, click [here](#).

Upcoming Events

Tournaments



Sat. & Sun.,
March 23rd & 24th

Royal City (Guelph) Sectional Spring Fling

For tournament details, click [here](#).



April 16th to
April 21st

Toronto Regional

For tournament details, click [here](#).



April 22nd to
April 28th

Gatlinburg Regional

For tournament details, click [here](#).

Charity Games

Tuesday, April 2nd @ 1:00

Tuesday, April 2nd @ 6:30

Wednesday, April 3rd @ 6:30

Friday, April 5th @ 9:15

Friday, April 5th @ 1:00

Proceeds

Collection for United Way

\$2 surcharge for Canadian Bridge
Federation Charitable Fund

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8 Is Enough Team Upgraded Championship

Sunday, April 28th @ 1:00

Learning Opportunities at LBC

To view all, click [here](#).

Bridge Courses: Click [here](#) for all course info.

Click [here](#) to read about our dedicated teachers

Coming
Soon!



Audrey Grant
is coming
back!

**SAVE
THE
DATE!**

A Bridge Festival with Audrey Grant

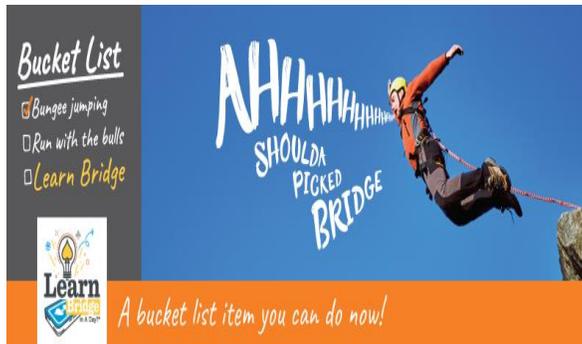
Saturday, May 11, 2019
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**The Impact of the Opening Lead
Against No Trump**

Cost is \$65 and includes lesson
material, refreshments and lunch.

Online registration is required. Click [here](#).

For further information, contact Diane Bryant.
(519) 601-2582 or email
dbryant@hurontel.on.ca



Spring Courses

[ACBL link to helpful videos](#)

Want to get started?

Course: Bridge Basics 1

Instructor: [Barbara O'Brien](#)

Start Date: Tuesday, April 30

Time: 9:30 – 11:45

Sessions: 8

For more information and to register, click [here](#).

Course Topics:

Hand evaluation, the bidding ladder, no-trump opening bids and basic responses, minor suit opening bids and basic responses, major suit openings and basic responses, and dummy points

Hand play and defense will be included in each class.

Want to **improve** your game? There are 4 more courses offered this spring.

Course: Jacoby 2 No Trump

Instructor: [Audrey Craig](#)

Start Date: Monday, April 8

Time: 1:00 – 3:15

Sessions: 2

For more information and to register, click [here](#).

Jacoby 2 No Trump is a convention in which a bid of 2NT over partner's opening bid of 1 Heart or 1 Spade shows an opening hand and at least four card support for partner's major suit. It enables the opening bidder to provide further information about the shape and strength of the opening bid. This bid sometimes provides the opportunity to get to a slam contract.

Spring Courses cont'd

Course: Defence 1

Instructor: [Marie Wiley](#)

Start Date: Wednesday, April 24

Time: 1:00 – 3:30

Sessions: 4

For more information and to register, click [here](#).

Course Topics:

Opening leads against notrump, opening leads against a suit contract, defensive signals emphasizing attitude signals, as well as, examples of count signals and suit preference signals.

Course: Play of the Hand 2

Instructor: [Audrey Craig](#)

Start Date: Monday, April 29

Time: 1:00 – 3:15

Sessions: 4

For more information and to register, click [here](#).

Course Topics:

Watching for and creating entries, ducking, finessing, discarding and ruffing losers, the hold-up play, who is the dangerous opponent, promotion through suit length and finesses, establishing a side suit, when to draw trump, and counting tricks

Spring Courses cont'd

Course: Advancing Your Game Part 1

Instructor: [Mary Howe](#)

Start Date: Thursday, June 6

Time: 10:00 – 12:15

Sessions: 4 *

For more information and to register, click [here](#).

***NOTE:**

This is an **8-week course** that will be taught over **two terms** of four weeks each, Part 1 during the spring and Part 2 will be completed in four weeks during September 2019. Although the two sessions will require two separate online registrations, please note that **Part I is a prerequisite for Part 2.**

Advancing Your Game is designed for players who have completed several bridge courses and who have played duplicate bridge on a regular basis. Bidding and play topics will be reviewed, consolidated and extended. A variety of standard conventions will be re-introduced and fine-tuned to develop effective, competitive bridge strategies for duplicate bridge play. The use of good judgement will be emphasized.

A complete course outline can be found at [Advancing Your Game](#).

If you have questions or comments regarding the newsletter, contact [Adele Woolfe](#), editor.

Keep up to date on everything that's happening
at the London Bridge Centre.

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