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In Response to Your Suggestions

The LBC survey responses indicate that about half our responders would enjoy opportunities to experience alternative formats for playing bridge and occasions where they have social interaction with others at LBC. With that in mind, we are planning two special bridge games for you.



Individual Play

Sunday, June 2nd @ 1:00 p.m. we will hold our **LBC Birthday Party**. It will include a game which will use an individual movement so that you will meet a new partner at each table.



Stratified Partner Draw

Monday, May 27th @ 6:30 we will have a special game to provide an opportunity for you to meet and play bridge with a new partner at the same level of play. We encourage you to bring your friends but please do not arrange any partnerships. You will need to sign up in advance - no later than Thursday, May 23rd. To accommodate players at different levels, a random draw will be used to form stratified partnerships for the evening.

Everyone is welcome to enjoy both events.

Upcoming Events

Regional Tournaments



April 16th to April 21st

Toronto Regional

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



April 22nd to April 28th

Gatlinburg Regional

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

Sunday Games



April 28th @ 1:00 p.m. 8 Is Enough Upgraded Club Championship

Each team consists of four players whose total point value does not exceed 8. For details and instructions related to this game, click [here](#). Please sign up by Thursday, April 25th.



May 5th @ 1:00 p.m. Volunteer Appreciation Day (free game)

District 2 STaC (Sectional Tournament at Clubs) Week

May 6th - May 12th

Silver points, \$2 surcharge

Monday

Morn/Aft

Tuesday

Eve

Wednesday

Eve

Thursday

Aft (0 – 1500)

Friday

Morn/Aft



Learning Opportunities at LBC

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

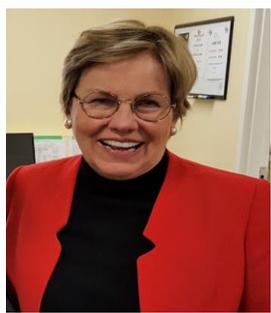


**Sign up your
table of 4.**

**Master Your Game
Monday, May 13th @ 6:30 p.m.**

Please join us for an evening of fun and learning. A table of four plays bridge with the guidance of an experienced player.

A sign-up sheet will be available at the front desk closer to the date.



**Audrey is back by
popular demand!**

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.

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Bridge Courses: Click [here](#) for all course info.
Click [here](#) to read about our dedicated teachers

For newer players:

- ❖ Get started with **Bridge Basics** classes
- ❖ Attend **Practice and Play** on Saturdays
- ❖ Join **0 – 20** group on Tuesday morn
- ❖ Attend **Bridge Lab** on Tuesday aft
- ❖ Take part in **Master Your Game**, May 13
- ❖ Visit the **LBC library** [resources](#)
- ❖ If you have questions, click [here](#)
- ❖ Check out [ACBL link to helpful videos](#)
- ❖ Check out the [Bridge Links](#) from the [LBC home page](#)



LBC library

NEW

Bridge Basics Courses

Course: Bridge Basics 1

Instructor: [Barbara O'Brien](#)

Start Date: Tuesday, April 30

Time: 9:30 – 11:45

Sessions: 8

For details and registration, click [here](#).

Course: Bridge Basics 2

Instructor: [Hazel Hewitt](#)

Start Date: Saturday, May 4

NOTE: There is no class on May 11.
This course runs until June 8th.

Time: 9:30 – 11:30

Sessions: 5

For details and registration, click [here](#).

Just
added

Courses for Improving Your Game

Course: Defense 1

Instructor: [Marie Wiley](#)

Don't miss
the deadline.

Start Date: Wednesday, April 24

Time: 1:00 – 3:30

Sessions: 4

For details and registration, click [here](#).

To see Marie's flyer *Killing Defense*, click [here](#).

Course: Play of the Hand 2

Instructor: [Audrey Craig](#)

Don't miss
the deadline.

Start Date: Monday, April 29

Time: 1:00 – 3:15

Sessions: 4

For details and registration, click [here](#).

Explore strategies and techniques for improved trick-taking ability.

Course: Advancing Your Game Part 1

Instructor: [Mary Howe](#)

Start Date: Thursday, June 6

Time: 10:00 – 12:15

Sessions: 4 *

For details and registration, click [here](#).

***NOTE:** This is an **8-week course** that will be taught over two terms of four weeks each. **Part 1 is a prerequisite for Part 2.** Part 2 will be offered in September 2019.

The course is designed for players who have completed several bridge courses and who have played duplicate bridge on a regular basis.

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

Wanted

New Club Game Directors!

Strong game directors are key to the success of not-for-profit bridge clubs. LBC needs to increase the number of directors on our roster.

Are you interested in becoming a club director or in brushing up on your skills?

LBC plans to host an ACBL Club Director training course on a weekend this summer (date to be determined). The course and the pre-course reading material prepare you to write an exam, which will qualify you to direct club-level games. This course will be sponsored by ACBL Unit 249 and registration will be open to members of other clubs. We anticipate that part of this course will also be designed as a refresher for qualified directors.

Effective club directors must be more than friendly and courteous. They also must be knowledgeable and able to resolve situations that arise during games. There are many resources available that will help you make the right calls during the game. Some technology skills are required as well. These will be covered in LBC's own training program. Our experienced directors will be available to mentor you after the initial training.

If you are undecided about directing, consider taking the course to help you decide. It will deepen your understanding of the game and the Laws of Duplicate Bridge, which can also improve your play!

If you would like to discuss the possibility of becoming a director, or taking the course, please contact [Bruce Moor](#) or [Al Edwards](#) for further information.

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

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