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**88th Western Ontario
Sectional Bridge Tournament
January 25th & 26th, 2020
at LBC**



Click [here](#) for
complete
tournament details.

Saturday, January 25th @ 10:30

- ♠ Strati-flighted Pairs (Play-through)
- ♠ Novice Pairs: 0 - 300 (1 Session)

Saturday, January 25th @ 2:45

- ♠ Strati-flighted Pairs (2nd Session)
- ♠ Novice Pairs: 0 - 300 (1 Session)

Sunday, January 26, 10:30

- ♠ Teams (Play-through)

Teams bracketed by total team points

Light meal available between sessions

Reminders



The regular afternoon and evening games are cancelled on January 1st.

Wednesday, January 1st at 11:30 a.m.

Champagne & Orange Juice Catered Brunch

Cost: \$30.00

Tickets must be purchased by Monday, December 30th.

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN PLATE AND CUTLERY.



LBC Holiday Hours

- REGULAR SCHEDULE runs on Monday, December 30th.
- BRIDGE LAB, TUESDAY AFTERNOON, December 31st is still scheduled!
- TUESDAY EVENING December 31st is cancelled.
- BRUNCH AND BRIDGE is held on Wednesday, January 1st @ 11:30 a.m.
- AFTERNOON AND EVENING GAMES Wednesday, January 1st are cancelled.
- SATURDAY PRACTICE & PLAY resumes January 4th at 9:30.

REGULAR SCHEDULE RESUMES Thursday, January 2nd.

NOTE: Change in schedule for 0 – 20 game

Tuesday morning 0 – 20 game has been cancelled.

However, the 0 – 20 game returns to a **NEW** weekly time slot:

Beginning January 7th, it will be held Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the small room.

Upcoming Events

Tournaments

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| Toronto Regional (0 – 750 MP) Click here for further information. | January 3 rd – 5 th |
| Western Ontario (London) Sectional Click here for further information. | January 25 th – 26 th |
| St. Catharines Sectional Click here for further information. | February 7 th – 9 th |
| Royal City Spring Fling (Puslinch, Guelph) Sectional Click here for further information. | March 21 st – 22 nd |

Special Games



January 6th to 10th – Club Championship Week
All games extra points, no surcharge



Sunday, January 12th @ 1:00 p.m. – CNTC Qualifier Swiss Team game
Please sign up as a team of 4.
Red points, \$1 surcharge for non-members



Sunday, February 02 @ 1:00 p.m. Groundhog Day Pairs
2 Sections (Open, 0-300 MP)



February 10th to 16th – Canada-wide CBF STaC Week
Silver points, \$2 surcharge waived for LBC members

- **NOTE:** Sunday, February 16th STaC **Team** game @ 1:00 p.m.
Please sign up as a team of 4.
Sign-up sheet will be available closer to the date.

FYI

IMP League Results



For information and game results, click [here](#).

IMP League Schedule



For game schedule and teams, click [here](#).

Member Info ▲

Member Recognition Awards
 New Life Masters Plus
 New Rank Achievements
 70% Games
 Masterpoint Competitions

LBC Member Achievements

To view information about members' successes, please go to the [LBC home page](#), click on the arrow beside **Member Info** to view links that provide achievement information.


- ✚ [Member Recognition](#) includes ACBL members with under 50 Masterpoints who earn the most Masterpoints during the month. These winners receive a Free Play.
- ✚ [New Life Masters Plus](#) To view ACBL requirements, click [here](#) for those who joined prior to January 1st, 2010 and [here](#) to view requirements effective January 1st, 2010.
- ✚ [New Rank Achievements](#) are shown for all levels.
- ✚ [70% Games](#) are added throughout the year.
- ✚ [Master Points Competitions](#) include both the [Unit 249 Mini-McKenney Awards](#) for 2019 and the [Unit 249 Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs Awards](#).

Learning Opportunities at LBC

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

Special Events Reminder

Opportunities to Learn from Experienced Players

 **Thursday, January 16th at 9:30 a.m.**

Master Your Game

Sign-up sheet available. Registration closes on Monday, January 13th.

 **Monday, February 24th at 6:30 p.m.**

Rookie/Master

Sign-up sheet will be at the front desk closer to the event.

2020 Winter Courses

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

To view information about our dedicated teachers, click [here](#).

*** NOTE:** Please register at least 7 days before the course begins.

Bridge Basics 1

Instructor: Barb O'Brien

***Begins: Thursday, January 9th**

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:15

Duration: 8 sessions

Click [here](#) for details and registration.

Play of the Hand 1

Instructor: Marie Wiley

Begins: Wednesday, January 15th

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:15

Duration: 4 sessions

Click [here](#) for details and registration.

Bridge Basics 2

Instructor: Audrey Craig

Begins: Monday, February 24th

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:15

Duration: 4 sessions

Click [here](#) for details and registration.

Bridge Work

With thirteen or more points, I'm required to speak
And mention a suit that is never too weak.
With five cards or longer, no need to be cute,
Just merely open with one of that suit.

Now a four-card major, alas there's the rub,
I know I must open, so I'll just say "One club".
With sixteen to eighteen one no trump will do,
And with twenty-one or more, I'll open with two.

My opponents have opened and now I have trouble
With an opening bid, I've got to say "Double".
My opponents have opened, my back's to the wall,
I've length and good points so I must overcall.

My partner has opened and I'm in a fix,
Because I must pass with less than six.
Of course, with a count of six points to ten
I must respond once but need not again.

Ten to twelve points is often quite nice,
I'll plan to respond, not just once but twice.
With thirteen or more points, I would be to blame
If I let the bid end before game.

The bidding is over, the play is begun,
My nerves are a jangle, who calls this game fun?
My partner bid hearts, is that what I lead?
Our opponents take tricks with amazing speed.

Alas, the game has ended, my finesse didn't work,
My partner is certain he played with a jerk.
Perhaps tomorrow with luck, I'll be dummy,
Otherwise next week, it's back to gin rummy.

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