



Snowbirds

2022

FEBRUARY



REST of US!!

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hi All: I thought the message I had John send out recently was worth repeating.

Thursday Evening

The bridge club is starting a new open game starting at 7:00 on Thursday evenings. The existing under 300 game will continue to run at 7:15. The tables in the under 300 game will be credited to the open game as well so there will be increased master points available. We are doing this for several reasons. First there is no other open game for club players who do not go to face-to-face games, other than the open game Individual + Robot on Tuesdays at 12:45 pm. Secondly the size of the face-to-face games at the club has been dwindling. Last week for example we had 41.5 tables in total between online and club play. To reach a break even position we need approximate 55-60 tables per week. The Thursday evening open is therefore two-fold. Offer a play time to players with over 1000 Mps. Secondly to increase revenues. Several people have asked me what they can do to support the club. Here is the answer. If we could get about 14 tables in the open category this one night a week, we might be able to get back in the black. The simplest thing to do to support the club is to play in this one game a week. Even the snow-birds can support us by playing in this one game.

We really do need the support of our club members if we are to remain a viable organization. I understand that it is very hard to maintain club membership and attachment in these times of social distancing and COVID restrictions, but if we pull together, we can prevail and emerge from this time, with a strong club.

Times have changed and the executive have noticed that tables on Mondays have dropped to as few as 4. It is thought that including lunch is probably a deterrent whereas it used to be a feature. Therefore, as of Monday February 7th the Monday game will now start at 1 pm and run the same as all afternoon games.

Regina is now going to run on-line games on Sundays, we ask you to support those games as well as the net revenue is returned proportionally the same as we do.

Jerry Mamer

ACE OF CLUBS AND MINI MCKENNY CONTINUE WITH ON LINE PLAY

ACE OF CLUBS		MINI MCKENNEY	
2021 YEAR END WINNERS		2021 YEAR END WINNERS	
0-5	Brenda Martfeld	0-5	Brenda Martfeld
5-20	Kathryn Ford	5-20	Kathryn Ford
20-50	Bill Schaffel	20-50	Bill Schaffel
50-100	Becky Sherstobitoff	50-100	Brenda Jordan
100-200	Joe Sun	100-200	Joe Sun
200-300	Jane Smith	200-300	Jane Smith
300-500	John Dickey	300-500	John Dickey
500-1000	Susan Bessant	500-1000	Susan Bessant
1000-1500	Elaine Murray	1000-1500	Elaine Murray
1500-2500	Jackson Chan	1500-2500	Jackson Chan
2500-3500	Gary Karst	2500-3500	Gary Karst
3500-5000	Larry Custead	3500-5000	Larry Custead
5000-7500	Jerry Mamer	5000-7500	Jerry Mamer
7500-10000	Curley Anderson	7500-10000	Curley Anderson
10,000 Plus	Dennis Nelson	10,000 Plus	Dennis Nelson

PARTNERSHIPS:

If you are in need of a partner for any game at the club please consult the Saskatoon Bridge Club website --just click on the Partnership icon and type in your request.

Or find the Virtual game you want to play in and sign up on it's Partnership Desk. If you don't get a game the Director will ask you if you are willing to sub and if so will try and put you in if a sub is needed.

Mr. Pickles

ON-LINE PLAYERS PLEASE NOTE

FEB 12 THERE WILL BE DOUBLE PTS 50/50 RED/BLACK

NO EXTRA CHARGE

FEB 21-27 EDUCATION WEEK DOUBLE POINTS ALL BLACK

EXTRA \$1

FACE TO FACE GAMES AT THE CLUB

ALL THE GAMES AT THE CLUB FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

WILL BE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP RATED

EXTRA POINTS NO EXTRA CHARGE EXCEPT

STaC WEEK FEBRUARY 14—18 (SILVER POINTS AWARDED)

STaC WEEK GAME FEE IS \$9



SPECIAL NOTICE FOR ON-LINE PLAYERS

**REGINA BRIDGE CLUB IN CONJUNCTION WITH UNIT 573
WILL BE RUNNING WEEKLY THE FOLLOWING GAMES**

299 er 1:15 PM SUNDAYS ONLINE

OPEN 1:30 PM SUNDAYS ONLINE

Find the game at Virtual Clubs Vacb 125781

THIS GAME IS OPEN TO ALL

SASKATOON & PA PLAYERS AS WELL

GAME TIME CHANGE FOR MONDAYS

At the last executive meeting it was decided that as from Monday February 7th the Face to Face game at the Club time will now be 1:00 pm with no meal break.

The numbers for Monday games at 11:00 am had dropped to a low of 4 tables and it was felt that stopping for a lunch break was now a deterrent where as in the past it was a feature.

The executive realize that times have changed.



AT THE CLUB SCHEDULE

STaC WEEK FEBRUARY 14-18

ALL GAMES DURING FEBRUARY F2F ARE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS EXCEPT DURING STaC

FACE TO FACE SCHEDULE AT THE CLUB

WEEKLY!!

PLEASE NOTE: MONDAYS NOW AT 1:00 PM

OPEN GAMES:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 1:00 pm

U750 GAMES:

Wednesday at 1:00 pm

U200 GAME (MENTOR NIGHT):

MUST PRE-REGISTER ON-LINE

Wednesday 7:00 pm

U20 TALKING GAME:

Thursday 7:00 pm

U500 GAME:

Friday at 1:00 pm

ALWAYS CHECK MONTHLY PUBLISHED CALENDAR FOR SPECIAL EVENTS!!

ALSO CHECK WEEKLY UPDATES FOR CHANGES

**NOTE: FEB 12-13 DBLE 50/50 RED /BLACK
FEB 21-27 DBLE BLACK EDUCATION WEEK**

ONLINE SCHEDULE SASKATOON

WEEKLY!!

Open:

Thursday 7:00 pm

INDIVIDUAL + ROBOT GAMES OPEN:

Tuesday 12:45 pm

299er:

Tuesday 299er at 7:15 pm

Thursday 299er at 7:15 pm

499er:

Thursday 499er 12:45 pm

U750

Friday at 7:15 pm

U1500 Saturday at 7:00 pm

NEW WEEKLY

ON-LINE SCHEDULE FOR REGINA VACB 125781 SUNDAYS

1:15 PM 299er

1:00 OPEN

"SASKATOON MEMBERS" REGINA IS REVENUE SHARING WITH US AS WE DO THEM



American Contract
Bridge League

JANUARY ACHIEVEMENTS

NEW BRONZE LIFE MASTER 500 MARLENE CHATTERSON



Heard a whisper that Blanche Saelhof got her Life Masters

See next month

TOP 5 POINTS SCORERS FOR 2021

Dennis Nelson	188.36	Larry Custead	154.59
Jay Anderson	125.76	Zhuo (Joe) Sun	122.38
Jerry Mamer	116.41		

MEMBERSHIPS

**SNOWBIRDS NO NEED TO WAIT UNTIL YOU
COME BACK**

**2021 MEMBERSHIPS CAN NOW BE
PURCHASED (STILL \$20)
E-TRANSFERS ACCEPTED.**

Send to SBCmanager@sasktel.net

CHEQUES ACCEPTED

WE WILL ALSO COLLECT at the Club

NEW BOOKS ARE READY!

BIGNO CROSS THAT OUT

A HUGE THANK YOU

TO THOSE THAT HAVE SENT IN DONATIONS TO
THE CLUB DURING THIS TRYING TIME
(YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE & WE DO
APPRECIATE IT)

WITH THIS SUPPORT I BELIEVE WE WILL
EVENTUALLY MAKE IT.

GIVE YOURSELVES A HUG

(NO ONE ELSE IS ALLOWED TO!!)

In a recent mail out from our President, Jerry talked about the need to get to about 55-60 tables a week to break even. To put that into perspective, we were averaging 96 tables a week prior to the Pandemic.

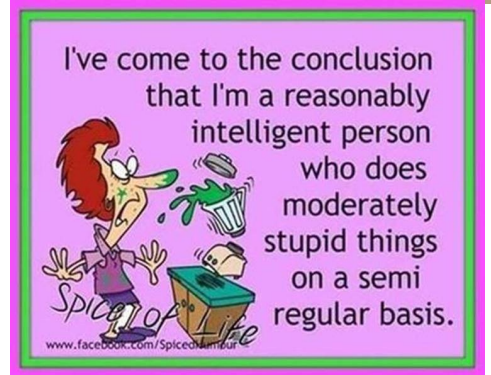
For the first 6 months of this year while we were closed we averaged around 45 tables a week on-line. During this time we broke even.

Since we have been open the combined online and F2F the second half of the year we have gone down 39 tables and run a deficit. So I agree with Jerry that we need to get to the 55-60 tables a week combined to be successful again. We can do it. The month of September we averaged 60 tables a week. (Silver week 62.5 tables) John



The most terrifying moment in life is when the toilet refuses to flush at someone else's house

Just because something is on Facebook doesn't necessarily mean it's true.
- William Shakespeare



A foreman sent out two groups of men to put up telephone poles along a new highway and asked them to report at the end of the day. The crews were gone all day and returned just as the sun was setting. The foreman asked the leader of the first group how many poles they had installed. The reply was eleven. The foreman patted the guy on the back and said "Not bad." Then he went to the leader of the next group and asked him the same question. Two was the reply. "Two! All you installed were two?! The other group installed eleven!" The foreman exclaimed angrily. "Yeah," the leader answered. "But you should have seen how much they left sticking out!"

Mr. Pickles