

FORT LAUDERDALE BRIDGE CLUB

"The Friendly Club For All Levels of Play"

March 2010
Newsletter

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Weekly Schedule

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
12noon Brunch	11:30am Lunch	11:30am Lunch	11:30am Lunch	11:30am Lunch	11:30am Lunch	11:30am Lunch
1:00pm Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints	12:15pm Free 299ers Lecture with Carl Cronrath	11:45am Free Lecture with Carl Cronrath	12:30pm Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints	12:15pm Free 299ers Lecture with Carl Cronrath	12:30pm Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints	12:30pm Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints
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	0-300 Stratified Triple Masterpoints	0-750 Stratified Triple Masterpoints		0-300 Stratified Triple Masterpoints		
6:30pm No Zeros Jackpot Game with Triple Masterpoints		5:30pm Dinner		6:15pm Scrabble		6:00pm Dinner
		6:30pm Quick Tricks Gay Friendly Bridge Game 0-1000 Stratified Triple Masterpoints		7:00pm Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints		7:00pm Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints
		7:00pm Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints		3rd Thursday: 8 is Enough Swiss Teams		

Presorted boards and hand analysis available every session!!!

Card Fee - \$5/members, \$7/non-members.

Memberships are available for 2010! \$30/new members, \$20/renewal

Scrabble: RSVP - Call Claire Ullman by Noon at 954-537-2755

Quick Tricks: Info - Call Jack De Crescente at 954-636-2050

Open: C (0-1000) B (1001-2000) A (2001+)

0-750: C (0-300) B (301-500) A (501-750)

0-300: C (0-100) B (101-200) A (201-300)

Lessons and Lectures

Come play BRIDGE with me!

Series on Beginner Bridge

Every Saturday Morning
10:00am to 11:30am

\$8.00 per lesson

You will play bridge in every lesson!

For more information, contact:
Carl Cronrath, Certified Bridge Teacher

954-533-0619 or visit www.ftlbc.com

Duplicate Strategy Lessons

with Ernie Moore

Monday or Tuesday Mornings this month!
See Ernie Moore for more details.

Bernace DeYoung

Improve Your Bridge Thinking

Advanced Bridge Lessons
Sunday Mornings, 11:00am - 12:30pm

Do you want to learn some new conventions?

This is not the class for that.

How about counting high card points?

No, not that either.

This is a class designed to bump your
thinking up to a new level.

Learn to think like an expert.

What are the issues in the hand?

What is the highest percentage play of the hand?

How to resolve problems that arise during the course of a hand.

There will be no pre-set hands to discuss,
Although Bernace will be happy to discuss
any problem hands you might have come across.

Just bring your brains!
\$20 per lesson

February Top 25 Masterpoints

1	74.59	Bernace DeYoung
2	60.51	Patrice Roy
3	50.72	Helene Beaulieu
4	48.98	Lee Atkinson
5	44.92	Elizabeth Kros
6	39.18	Bella Ionis-Sorren
7	33.13	Irma Willenborg
8	32.21	Robert Ramos
9	29.88	James Willenborg
10	28.24	Jerry Barson
11	28.24	Linda Barson
12	27.61	Eugene Short
13	27.50	Ken Wagner
14	24.48	Gene Petrey
15	23.97	Michael Greenhutt
16	22.10	Jack De Crescente
17	21.97	Tom Fitzsimmons
18	21.97	Derek Moore
19	21.83	Barbara August
20	21.83	Bob Rosenblum
21	21.58	Sean Ganness
22	21.54	Harvey Hoffenberg
23	21.04	V. S. Vaidhyanathan
24	21.00	John Lewis
25	19.17	Julie Zophres

This Month's Special Events



**Thursday Evening
March 18**

**Gametime:
7:00pm**

THE BRIDGE GAME EVERYONE
IS TALKING ABOUT

Free Plays for the winning team.

Duplicate boards with hand records
available at the end of each round.



April 9-11, 2010

Friday, April 9
10:00am Stratified 0-300 Pairs
1:30pm Complimentary Lunch
2:30pm Stratified 0-300 Pairs

Saturday, April 10
10:00am Stratified 0-300 Pairs
1:30pm Complimentary Lunch
2:30pm Stratified 0-300 Pairs

Sunday, April 11
10:00am Stratified 0-300 Swiss Teams
(playthrough - finish by 5:30pm)
2:00pm Complimentary Lunch

Complimentary meals available only to participants of
the tournament that day.

Strata: A = 200-300, B = 100-200, C = 0-100

Card Fee: \$8.00
(\$2 add'l per session for non-ACBL members)



**SILVER POINTS SECTIONAL
AT THE CLUBS**

March 8 - 14, 2010

Monday, March 8
11:30am Lunch
12:30pm **Open Pairs**
12:30pm **0-300 Pairs**

Tuesday, March 9
11:30am Lunch
12:30pm **Open Pairs**
12:30pm **0-750 Pairs**
6:00pm Dinner
7:00pm **Open Pairs**

Wednesday, March 10
11:30am Lunch
12:30pm **Open Pairs**
12:30pm **0-750 Pairs**

Thursday, March 11
11:30am Lunch
12:30pm **Al Levin Trophy Game (Open Pairs)**
12:30pm **0-300 Pairs**
7:00pm **Open Pairs**

Friday, March 12
11:30am Lunch
12:30pm **Open Pairs**
12:30pm **0-750 Pairs**

Saturday, March 13
11:30am Lunch
12:30pm **Open Pairs**
6:00pm Dinner
7:00pm **Open Pairs**

Sunday, March 14
12:00pm Brunch
1:00pm **Open Swiss Teams (single session)**
6:30pm **Open Swiss Teams (single session)**

Card Fee: \$6.00/members, \$8.00/non-members.
Meal prices are set by the chef.
Swiss Teams are single sessions and stratification will
be based on the team masterpoint average.
Side pair game will be available Sunday Afternoon
Only for Club rated black points.

Carl's Corner

The months of March and April are a great time to go mining for Silver at the Fort Lauderdale Bridge Club. Our Unit is holding its annual March STaC from the 8th to the 14th, and we will give this event our full support. There will be no side games except for the Open Pairs game on Sunday Afternoon concurrent with the Swiss Team event. That game will be rated as a Club masterpoint game.

During that week on March 11th we will be also celebrating Al Levin's 101st birthday. The overall winners of that game will have their names engraved on the Al Levin Trophy on display at the Club.

On April 9-11 we will also hold our weekend tournament for players under 300 masterpoints. This is a great opportunity to win lots of Silver points. Please pick up a copy of the schedule at the Club.

We are pleased to announce that our Club had 7 winners in the ACBL-Wide Ace of Clubs competition. They are Yanni Karabelis, Ken Wagner, Michael Greenhutt, Harvey Hoffenberg, Bella Ionis-Sorren, Edith Denenberg and Helen Shanbrom. We also had many others who finished high in the ACBL standings in their category. I wonder if one club has ever had so many winners. We will be congratulating these and other winners on a special Members Appreciation Dinner on Tuesday Evening, April 6th. This event will have live music, dancing, dinner and bridge. Be sure to sign up on the Bulletin Board.

This is an addition to all the other fine things that happen at our Club; the charitable work, the social events, and other activities. We have much to be proud of.

Carl's Bridge Tip of the Month
Always bid and play in tempo.
Hesitating before playing singeltons or making obvious plays is unethical.