

# FORT LAUDERDALE BRIDGE CLUB

*"The Friendly Club For All Levels of Play"*

May 2009  
Newsletter

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## Weekly Schedule

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>12noon</b> Brunch	<b>11:30am</b> Lunch	<b>11:30am</b> Lunch	<b>11:30am</b> Lunch	<b>11:30am</b> Lunch	<b>11:30am</b> Lunch	<b>11:30am</b> Lunch
<b>1:00pm</b> Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints	<b>12:15pm</b> Free 299ers Lecture with Carl Cronrath	<b>11:45am</b> Free Lecture with Carl Cronrath	<b>12:30pm</b> Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints	<b>12:15pm</b> Free 299ers Lecture with Carl Cronrath	<b>12:30pm</b> Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints	<b>12:30pm</b> Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints
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<b>6:30pm</b> No Zeros Jackpot Game with Triple Masterpoints		<b>7:00pm</b> Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints		<b>6:15pm</b> Scrabble		<b>7:00pm</b> Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints
		<i>Every 3rd Tuesday:</i> Dinner and 8 is Enough Swiss Teams		<b>7:00pm</b> Open Stratified Triple Masterpoints		

**Presorted boards and hand analysis available every session!!!**

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

Membership are available for 2009! \$30/new members, \$20/renewal

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

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

0-750: C (0-100) B (101-300) A (301-750)

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

## Lessons and Lectures

### The Rosie Way to Better Bridge

Rosemary Boden presents a series of 7 lessons for 7 weeks on

### Coping with Interference

Monday OR Tuesday Mornings

(Attend either day)

10am to 11:30am

May 18th to June 30th

Lessons will include prepared hands on:

- when RHO makes a Takeout Double
  - when RHO overcalls
- when RHO makes a Weak Jump Overcall
  - when RHO makes a 2 Suited Overcall
- when RHO overcalls your partner's opener of 1NT
- when RHO interferes after your partner's response
- when either opponent interferes in your Blackwood routine

\$50 for all 7 lessons or \$8 per lesson

### Bridge Conventions beyond the Basics

Friday Mornings 10am to 11:30am

\$8.00 per lesson

More 2 over 1 Game Forcing  
(1NT Forcing, Limit Raises, etc)

More Essential Conventions  
(Inverted Minors, Drury, Michaels,  
Key Card Blackwood, etc)

For more information, contact:  
Carl Cronrath, Certified Bridge Teacher  
954-533-0619 or visit www.ftlbc.com

Join In Anytime!! No partner needed!!

**Free Lecture with Carl Cronrath**  
**Every Tuesday Morning; at 11:45am**

## April Top 25

1	58.65	Richard Gross
2	48.86	Bella Ionis-Sorren
3	38.24	Tom Fitzsimmons
4	36.84	Patrice Roy
5	36.33	Helen Shanbrom
6	29.35	Robert Ramos
7	28.95	Michael Greenhutt
8	28.25	Irma Willenborg
9	27.19	Bernace DeYoung
10	27.01	James Willenborg
11	25.76	Jim Moran
12	25.67	Mildred Oster
13	23.86	Helene Beaulieu
14	23.65	Diann Kirsch
15	22.67	Harvey Hoffenberg
16	21.68	Dyan Kahane
17	21.20	Mary Short
18	20.71	Sandy Rosen
19	20.50	Harry Serfer
20	20.33	Drita Balentine
21	19.43	Myrtha Wiederkehr
22	19.30	Jay Cohodes
23	19.16	Gene Petrey
24	19.03	Elizabeth Kros
25	18.44	JennyLee Mealer

## This Month's Special Events

### No Zeros Jackpot Game

**Every Sunday Night  
Starting May 10th**

The Jackpot will consist of one dollar from every player's entry. To win the Jackpot simply play without any bottom boards.

If no one wins the Jackpot, the pool will be carried over to next week's game.

Triple Masterpoints will be awarded.

Stratification will be based on the average masterpoints of the partnership. Prize Pool will be divided equally to the winning pair(s).

Gametime: 6:30pm

Card Fee: \$5/members, \$7/members

### **Congratulations to John Lewis and Linda Epstein**

They will be representing Florida District 9 in the Grand National Teams National Final in Washington D.C. this summer!

### 8 IS ENOUGH SWISS TEAMS

**Tuesday Evening, May 19th**

**Dinner: 6:00pm  
Game: 7:00pm**

Free Plays for the winning team.

Duplicate boards will be used in every match with analyses available at the end of each round.



### **Memorial Day BBQ and Game**

**Monday, May 25th  
at 11:30am**

## Carl's Corner

BridgeMate has arrived!!! BridgeMate is the tabletop scoring device which allows scores on each hand to be entered directly into the computer from the bridge table. We will begin using them on May 10th. You will quickly come to appreciate the improvement in speed and accuracy in recording scores and producing game results. We expect a period of adjustment as we get use to these machines but I think we will all agree with the advantages they provide when we get used to them.

The masterpoint races are heating up among our regular players. Once again we have a number of players who are performing well in the ACBL Masterpoint Races. We are especially pleased to see that several new members including members of the Quick Tricks group are performing well in this competition.

Many of our players including these Quick Tricks players have played in our local tournaments and have performed well. There is great satisfaction in watching developing players take on the tournament scene for the first time, playing in Swiss Teams, Knockouts and other events new to them. It is especially satisfying to see them perform well in these events.

Our beginning class continues to do well also. It is always nice to see new players join the fold and develop a strong interest in the game.

The fun events at our club continue into the merry month of May, starting with our annual Kentucky Derby party on May 2nd. We also feature our Annual Mother's Day Brunch on May 10th. Our Annual Memorial Day BBQ on May 25th. And 8 is Enough Swiss Teams on May 19th at 7pm.

We are starting a new and exciting event on Sunday Evenings beginning May 10th. We will award a prize generated from game entries to the partnership with no bottom boards during the game. Please plan to participate.

Stay cool, have fun, and enjoy your Bridge!!!

**Carl's Bridge Tip of the Month**  
**Play out the hand; DON'T CLAIM!!**