



# SOUTH BEND BRIDGE CLUB

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Director Dawg wishes you a wonderful summer and he has lots of news to impart. During August there will be 6 NAP games, our usual Swiss Team on the 16th, and a special celebration on the 8th for non-life-masters who have achieved a new title in 2020-2021.

If you or any of your friends have not been receiving our newsletters and calendars, please let me know so we can get the latest updates to them (yes, even by snail mail). Of course this information can also be found on our website [www.sbbc.info](http://www.sbbc.info).



Jo Ann Steigmeyer, Editor

## Annual Membership Meeting of the South Bend Bridge Club

Monday, September 12 at 3:00 PM.

Club Manager, Marty Martin, will present the "State of the Club" report. At that time a proposed slate of nominees will be offered for approval.

**Nominations from the floor are welcome. Be sure to save this date!!!**

## "JUST THE FACTS, MA'AM"

### Board of Directors Information

*There are seven board members who serve 3-year terms when elected. The Board then elects President, Vice-President, and Secretary. The Treasurer is appointed by the Board, is not necessarily a board member, and does not have voting options. Presently, the Board meets every other month at 10:30 A.M. on the third Tuesday (also the date of scheduled Swiss Team games). Members are welcome to attend.*

### Movin' on Up Celebration

On August 8th the club will be honoring *Non-Life Masters* who achieved a new plateau during the 2020-2021 period. The honorees are:

*NABC Masters* - Ivye Benson and Dick Hastings

*Regional Masters* - Candace Hurwich, Julie Jarvis, and Randy Peterson

*Sectional Masters* - Miki Grant, Tami McNally, and Kathy Stegmaier

*Club Masters* - Mary Newbold and Pat Short

Our heartiest congratulations to the winners who have supported our club during those two difficult years.



## STEP-UP PROGRAM

Starting in the month of September

1. The purpose of this program is to connect the Thursday morning "Come and Play" participants with players in the open game.
2. Open game players will be asked to pair up once a month (or more often) with someone from "Come and Play".
3. Tricia Killeen will arrange the partnerships.
4. Membership in SBBC will not be required of the "Come and Play" players.

### Step-Up Program Guidelines

1. Come at 12:45 to meet your partner.
2. Use the Step-Up Convention Card.
3. Answer questions, if asked, and briefly.
4. No lessons at the table.
5. Come and Play Players have been taught: negative doubles; the strong 2 Club opening with a 2 diamond waiting response; weak 2's & 3's; Blackwood & Gerber; takeout doubles; transfers and Stayman
6. Use Tricia Killeen as a liaison. (574-271-1345) or e-mail at [patriciakilleen@att.net](mailto:patriciakilleen@att.net)

## REVIVING A FAVORITE

# Pro Am Swiss



It has been almost three years since we have had a Pro-Am Swiss Event. **NEWS ALERT!** It is scheduled for **Saturday, October 1st.** This is a chance for newer players to be partnered with some of the veterans in the club. Each pro (life master or player with more than 500 points) will be playing with a non-life master who has fewer than 500 points. The Pros will be sitting either North or East so the seeding will be fair. Of course, a barbecue lunch will be offered by our resident chef, Bill Searcy. Certainly worth the trip. \$7 play - \$7 meal. Sign up sheets are on north wall.



## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 06 Leroy Boser
- 06 Elaine Thompson
- 07 Ron McKay
- 08 Rosemary Polizzotto
- 12 Patricia Kovarik
- 13 Don Wertheimer
- 16 Roger Skurski
- 18 Rosemary Zonker
- 19 Tom Rossow



## SBBC Top Games in July

|             |  |        |
|-------------|--|--------|
| Swiss: 7/19 | First Place - Cappy Gagnon, Tom Rossow<br>Bruce Sokol and Mike Young         |        |
| 7/19        | Second Place - Tom Hallum, Sharon Novotny<br>LaDora Sloan and Virginia Stipp |        |
| Open: 7/20  | Dick Hastings and Rich Mao   | 72.92% |
| 7/20        | Margaret Lewis and Joan Tobler   | 65.48% |
| 3-Way Tie   | 7/28 John & Tricia Killeen   | 65.48% |
|             | 7/28 Cappy Gagnon and Marci Meyer  | 65.48% |

*My partner and I had a good game yesterday.  
It only took 6 pairs to beat us. (anonymous)*

### Just a Reminder of Do's and Dont's

**DO** have your convention card filled out and open on the table so that the opponents can see both pages.

**DO** have your partner's and your convention cards filled out alike! (ACBL rule)

**DON'T** have your convention card open to the inside pages with your scores apparent for all the opponents to see and perhaps use to their advantage.

**DON'T** play a card from the board (if you are the dummy) until partner (declarer) has called for it - even if it is a singleton!

### Some Bidding & Playing Hints.....

**Didja' know?** If partner (unpassed hand) responds 1 diamond to your 1 club opener, it does **NOT** mean that he doesn't have a 4-card major. He may be bidding up the line. He could be holding KQxx Qxx Qxxxx x.

**Didja' know?** You bid 1 or 2 NT, your partner bids Stayman (Standard bidding) & you hold BOTH majors! After you have responded with one of your 4-card majors and she then bids no trump indicating no fit, you can confidently bid the other major knowing she would not have used Stayman without having at least one 4-card major.

**Didja' know?** Leading A from an AK+ holding applies **only** to the **opening lead**. During the play, lead the K from an AK+ holding. Playing the Ace during the play of the hand will deny the king.

## Member Updates

Chris Clarke ph. number 574-291-1706

**PLEASE ADD THIS INFO TO YOUR PHONE AND E-MAIL LISTS!**

## WHERE DO THESE SCORES COME FROM? (PT II)



590, 790, 850 - How are these scores determined? For instance, the opponents have doubled you in 4 spades (n.v.) and you **MADE IT!** How is it scored?

If an opponent doubles you, and you make the contract, the amount of the tricks is doubled and you are given an extra 50 points for the **insult!**

### Some examples:

- 1 NT n.v. doubled, making 1, computes to 2 x 40 (trick value) + 50 (partial) + 50 for the insult which equals **180**.
- 2 spades vul. doubled, making 2 is 4 (now game range) x 30 + 500 (game bonus) + 50 (insult) which equals 670.
- A contract of 4 spades is doubled.

$$4 \times 30 = 120 \times 2 \text{ (dbl)} = 240$$

$$\text{Add game bonus} \quad + 300$$

$$\text{Add insult} \quad + 50$$

$$\text{For a total of} \quad 590$$

- Suppose you have bid 3 spades vul., doubled making 4

$$30 \times 3 \times 2 = 180$$

$$\text{Add game bonus} \quad 500$$

$$\text{Add doubled overtrick} \quad 200$$

$$\text{and, of course, the insult} \quad 50$$

$$\text{For a total of} \quad 930$$

*more next month!*

Yep, it's easier to look on the back of bidding box cards to find the results

## Education Updates

### CLASSES FROM JO ANN AND JOAN



Jo Ann

J & J Monday morning (9:30) classes will begin on the 1st of August. Subjects covered will be :

**8/01** - Third, fourth bids and beyond! (cont'd)

**8/08** - Planning the Play of the Hand

**8/15** - Competitive bidding & Sacrificing

**8/22** - More Play of the Hand

**8/29** - **NO CLASS**

IN ADDITION, we will spend time (15 - 20 minutes each week) talking about some portions of the convention card that you and your partner need to have filled out and why they must be matching. Cost \$5



Joan

### CLASSES FROM TRICIA AND JOHN KILLEEN

Tricia will be teaching beginning bridge classes in mid-September here at the Bridge Center, under the auspices of Forever Learning, on Tuesday mornings. You can register online at:

**foreverlearninginstitute.org**  
or by calling **574-282-1901**

. Be sure to tell your bridge playing friends about this beginning course.

Don't forget about the "Come and Play" class offered on Thursday mornings from 10 to 12 with a short lesson presented at 9:30. **Cost \$5**



Tricia