



SOUTH BEND BRIDGE CLUB

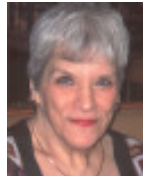
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“Count Dawgula” wishes you a Happy Halloween. So many special games (12) this month - your chance to win BIG amounts of points. They include (8) Club Appreciation games, (2) International Fund games, and (1) each of Junior Fund and Educational Fund games. The “Come and Play” program has proven to be very successful with many new players playing with veteran players at our regular games. And, the return of our Pro-Am Swiss Game on October 1st. What a busy month!



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, October 7

Open Pair

Single Sessions
9:30 AM 2:15 PM

***Limited (499er) Pairs

Single Sessions
9:30 AM 2:15 PM

Saturday, October 8

Open Pair

Single Sessions
9:30 AM 2:15 PM

***Limited (499er) Pairs

Single Sessions
9:30 AM 2:15 PM

Sunday, October 9

HOWARD SCHMID

Open Stratified Swiss Teams 9:30 AM
\$30 per person, includes lunch

Special Offer:

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- Play for **FREE** in any afternoon session on Friday or Saturday, provided that you played (and paid the full entry fee) in that day's limited or open morning session.
- Does not apply to the Sunday Swiss Team Game.

SBBC Annual Meeting



The annual meeting of the SBBC was held on Monday, September 12th. The yearly report was given out to all the attendees and will be posted on the website at www.sbbc.info. A hearty thanks to all the members who have attended this past year in order for our club to keep going during a very difficult time. A big thanks to our President, Joan Tobler, the Club Manager, Marty Martin, and the Board of Directors as well as the Game Directors' Staff. A new member was elected to the board at this meeting: Tom Rossow. An executive board meeting will be Monday, October 3rd after the game to elect a president, vice-president, secretary and appoint a treasurer. Next regularly scheduled board meeting is November 15 - time TBA Note: All members are encouraged to attend.

President's Service Award



This year's selection for the President's Service Award was announced at the SBBC Annual meeting on Sept 12th. A well earned bouquet of flowers was presented to Tricia Killeen for her work with newer players. This past year she has been responsible for offering beginning bridge classes through Forever Learning, and for creating & running a Thursday morning "Come and Play Game" for anyone who wants to play and learn. Her work has netted over \$2,000 given to the club for which we are very grateful. Her name will be inscribed on the plaque located on the wall near the front entrance. Congratulations, Trish!



Joan Tobler, President

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

09 Judith Kearns
 15 Pat Short
 16 Barbara Emmons
 18 Peggy Lyzun
 28 Mike Young
 31 Tom Hebron



Top Games in September

Swiss 9/20 1st Cappy Gagnon, Tom Rossow,
 Bruce Sokol and Mike Young
 2nd Lena Howard, John Killeen,
 Tricia Killeen and Ren Singleton
 Open 9/15 Lee Boser & Lena Howard 72.00%
 9/22 John & Tricia Killeen 68.08%

Musings

If a man speaks in the forest and there is no woman there to hear him, is he still wrong?

Call the director...

when there is a lead out of turn,
 when there is a bid out of turn,
 when there is a call out of turn,
 when declarer leads from his
 hand but is on the board (or vice versa)
 when defenders lead from the wrong
 hand, etc.

For any other irregularity **CALL THE DIRECTOR!! DO NOT ACCEPT RULINGS FROM ANYONE BUT THE DIRECTOR!**

Often there are options that apply to certain infractions which can be explained to protect yourself and the other players at the table....

CALL THE DIRECTOR!

DID YOU KNOW...

Conventions come and go but the play of the hand stays constant. There are just so many ways to approach a hand. To become a more accomplished bridge player we highly recommend the following books on the subject: Watson's Play of the Hand; Bid Better, Play Better By Dorothy Hayden Truscott; Play of the Hand by Audrey Grant; and How to Play a Bridge Hand by Willim S. Root. Check the Internet for copies to buy (you can often get them for a song) or wander through our library to borrow these books..

TAKEOUT DOUBLES 101a

A double by you after an opponents has bid

Requirements for a basic takeout double

1. A hand of opening strength or better.
2. Support for all of the unbid suits and shortness in opponent's suit. e.g. RHO (right hand opponent) bids 1 diamond and you hold:

♠ A Q 7 5
 ♥ Q J 9 6
 ♦ 9
 ♣ A J 5 2

This hand falls into the takeout double category - opening hand and support for all of the unbid suits and shortness in opponent's suit. So you would double.

Another example: ♠ Q 8 7 5
 ♥ 9 6
 ♦ K 9 3 2
 ♣ A K Q

If RHO opens 1 heart, you can double with this hand.

If RHO opens 1 spade, 1 diamond, or 1 club, you should pass since you do not have a 5-card suit to overcall or you do not have a tolerance for hearts.

The partner of the doubler is required to bid:

His best four-card or longer suit

Jump the bidding with 10 to 12 points

Bid a major suit game with 13 or more points

Bid a minor suit game with 16 or more points.

Bid no trump with good stoppers in opponent's suit:

1NT + 7 to 10 pts 2NT = 11 to 12 pts 3NT = 13 or more

Remember your partner has promised at least 13 points and support in the other suits, so bid your hand accordingly.

more next month!

Education Updates

The Monday morning (9:30) J & J class

schedule for October is as follows:.

10/3 - Leads - what is partner telling you.

10/10 - Let's talk Q's (Western Q, Cue bid Stayman, Cue bid raises, etc.)

10/17 - Play of the Hand **10/24** - Defense **10/31** - No class

After each lesson, there are hands to play.

Come and join us for a fun and informative morning. (9:30-11:30 - \$5.00)

AND ALWAYS, ALWAYS THE BASICS.

REPORT FROM TRICIA KILLEEN - We had 26 Step-Up Partnerships in September, and the Thursday morning "Come and Play" sessions averaged 5 tables each week. John Killeen gives a lesson from 9:15-10 - he's been working on declarer play in suit contracts and bidding quizzes. The Tuesday Forever Learning class is small (only 10) but very enthusiastic. The FLI group is working its way through Audrey Grant's Bridge Basics. We are teaching Stayman and transfers as well. Many thanks to John Killeen, Tom and Connie Hebron, Tom Hallum, Jane Bruce, and Mary Mathews for all their help

