Red Deer Bridge Club

- Keeping You Informed



Where Everyone is Welcome

2024

District 18



2023-2024 Bridge Board Dave Bailey

Gerene Albrecht Marg Barr John Collier

Catherine Goodman (CM) Glenn Cossey Jim Horne Ellen Van Doesburg (P)

Jim Wallace

Unit 248



The Unit Executive 2023-2024

Donna Collier Colleen Milne Marilyn Vaughan Doug Girvan (President)

Adam Thiel



To host and foster the game of duplicate bridge in a manner that respects all ages, genders, and handicaps while encouraging the enjoyable development of bridge skills for all.



"Be always at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let each year find you a better person." ~ Benjamin Franklin

"Some people swear there's no beauty left in the world, no magic. Then, how do you explain the entire world coming together on one night to celebrate the hope of a new year?"

~ 2011 film "New Year's Eve"

"You know how I always dread the whole year? Well, this time I'm only going to dread one day at a time. ~ Charlie Brown



MEMBERSHIP



Don't Delay! Please renew your membership by January 31st.

It is really helpful to the directors if you can arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the game.





This gives the directors time to set up the rotation and the bridgemates and allows the game to start on time. Thanks.



Start Date = Thursday, January 4, 10:00 a.m.

Cost = \$40 for 8 weeks

Instructor = Rick Cookson-Hills

Drop-In = \$5.00 for those who have already taken

any lessons.



- ◆ Over/Under Games = 4th & 18th
- ▼ Junior Fund extra masterpoints awarded = Saturday, 13th at 1:00
- ◆ Eight is Enough Team Game = Monday, January 15th
- ♣ Board-A-Match Team Game = Thursday, 25th at 6:30
- ♠ Red Deer Sectional = 26th to 28th
- ♥ No game on Monday, January 29th



eight is enough team game

Monday, January 15

Teams of 4 with a maximum of 8 points total. 3 pts = over 1100 MP 2 pts = 300 to 1100 MP 1 pt = 0 to 300 MP

Sign up on the bulletin board.

B-A-M Team Game WE WANT YOU!

January 25

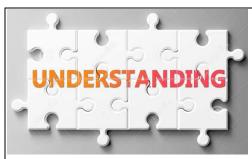
Don't have a full team? Contact Ruth Sidebottom

Red Deer Sectional

Watch for a sign-up sheet for the 299er sessions. Contact person is Donna Collier.

January 26 to 28

\$12 per single session Partnerships = Ruth Sidebottom



Bridge Conventions:

Negative & Takeout Doubles

It is important to know the difference between a negative double and a takeout double. This chart will hopefully help you understand the subject.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN NEGATIVE DOUBLES AND TAKEOUT DOUBLES

NEGATIVE DOUBLES

- Partner opened
- The double is made by the responder
- The overcaller's suit is doubled
- 6+ HCP are needed at the one level; more at higher levels
- Emphasis is on the unbid major(s)
- You need not be short in the opponent's suit
- A negative double followed by a bid in a new suit is weak

Level of Overcall	HCP Needed
One of a suit	6
Two of a minor	8
Two of a major	9
Three of a suit	10
Four or higher of a suit	10
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TAKEOUT DOUBLES

- An opponent opened
- The double is made by the overcalling side
- Opener's suit is doubled
- 11+ HCP are needed at the one level; more at higher levels
- Coverage in all unbid suits is promised
- You must be short in the opponent's suit
- A takeout double followed by a bid in a new suit is strong (17+ HCP)

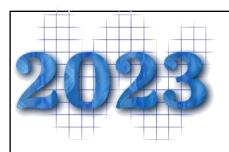
Aggressive action is called for when:

✓ You are short in the opponent's suit,	&/or
✓ You know you have a fit,	&/or
✓ You have tolerance for opener's suit,	&/or
✓ You have aces and kings	&/or

✓ You have ideal distribution in the unbid suit(s).

Discretion is recommended with:

✓ Length in the opponent's suit	&/or
✓ Shortness in partner's suit,	&/or
✓ Flawed distribution in the unbid suits,	&/or
✓ A hand that is dominated by minor hono	ors



Mixed Pairs
Heather Cookson-Hills
Rick Cookson-Hills

Over/Under Dinu Bhadresa Phil Blackburn

Christmas Bryant Hawthorne Laurie Shapka

Trophy Winners



Novice Trophy Ellen Van Doesburg Marilyn Vaughan

Birthday Heather Cookson-Hills Rick Cookson-Hills

Life Master Janet Gangl



Unmixed Pairs Cindy Cossey Laurie Shapka

Open Pairs Lorna Deschner Barney Dolan

Most MP Lorna Deschner



November 21 to December 29 (in no particular order)

Chris B. & Doug G. (2)

Rick & Heather C-H. (7)

Lorna D. & Barney D. (3)

Gerene A. & Bryant H.

Charlie R. & Lorna D. (2)

Colleen M. & Dinu B.

Rita P. & Catherine G.

Judi F. & Dave B,

Doug G. & Marilyn V. (2)

Larry P. & Marlene W. (3)

Phil B. & Ruth S.

Carol B. & Chris R.

Glenn C. & Mary A.

Marg & Rick B. (2)

V. (2)



Dick & Mary P. (2)

Dave R. & Marlene W. (2)

Ellen V. & Marilyn V.

Phil B. & Bonnie R. (3)

Jim & Ethel H.

Gerene A. & Adam T.

Jim & Myra C.



Laurie S. & Lorna D. Gerene A. & Bryant H. (2)