INTRODUCTION TO BRIDGE A ONE-DAY WORKSHOP

- Participants include true beginners, those returning to bridge after long absences and those who want to "test the waters" before committing to formal classes.
- This concentrated course includes instruction both on bidding the contract and in playing the hand.

When: Saturday, September 30, 2017

Time: 10 am to 4 pm lunch included

Cost: \$40 per person; \$75 per couple

The Guelph Bridge Club is a non-profit, membership-run club serving the bridge needs of Guelph and surrounding communities.

We provide:

- bright, comfortable facilities
- guaranteed play
- ACBL sanctioned games
- hand records
- games for all levels of play
- stress-free lessons
- full accessibility
- free parking
- free hot beverages
- lending library

- Register on-line at www.guelphbridgeclub.org
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FALL 2017

Lessons for players of all levels



LEARN, PLAY AND ENJOY BRIDGE

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Courses Offered Fall 2017

BEGINNER

Beginner (Level I) – Play bridge in the 1st lesson!

Evaluate hands; work with a partner; open the bidding; respond to opening bids, rebids, overcalls, or take-out doubles; use the Stayman and Jacoby Transfer conventions (8 lessons)

When: Wednesday – 9 to 11:30 am

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Dates: Oct 11 to Nov 30 (8 weeks)

Cost: \$120 (includes text)

Prerequisite: none

Instructor: Rob Mackinnon

Beginner (Level II) – Refining your game!

Respond to opener's bid with a strong hand; refine your no trump auctions; compete in the bidding; use negative doubles, opening weak two bids and preempts; force the bidding with a strong two club opening; use Blackwood and Gerber (10 lessons)

When: Tuesday – 9 to 11:30 am

Dates: Sept 26 to Nov 28 (10 weeks)

Cost: \$100

Prerequisite: Beginner Level I or equivalent

Instructor: Sheila McLaren

INTERMEDIATE

Introduction to Defender's Play

Instructor: Tom Ramsay

Learn the fundamentals of defensive play – know the suit and the card in the suit that will give partner the maximum amount of information; know when and how to signal; know when to play an attacking defence (taking your tricks as quickly as possible) and when to play a passive defense (sitting back and waiting for your tricks). These are the fundamental building blocks of defensive play.

When: Monday – 9 to 11:30 am
Dates: Sept 18 to Oct 30 (6 weeks)

Cost: \$110 (includes text)

This course is designed for those players who have completed Beginner Bridge Level II and have had some practice playing the game.

Play of the Hand

Instructor: John Spencer

Plan the play – develop tricks through promotion, length and finesse; eliminate losers through ruffing and discarding; use entries; avoid the dangerous opponent; manage the trump suit.

When: Monday – 7 to 9:30 pm
Dates: Sept 18 to Nov 13 (8 weeks)

Cost: \$100

This course is designed for those players who have completed Beginner Bridge Level II and have had some practice playing the game.

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED

Slam Bidding - 1430

Instructor: Thea Davis

When you have an interest in bidding slam, should you use cue bids or do you only need to know how many Key Cards? Come to this course on the 1430 convention and examine its power —and that of cue bids — when you want to explore the possibility of a slam.

When: Thursday – 9 to 11:30 am
Dates: Nov 9 to Nov 30 (4 weeks)

Cost: \$60

This course is designed for intermediate players – people who have been playing bridge for two or more years.

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