

# Guelph Bridge Club

## Information Regarding Playing at the Club

1. We'll follow these protocols:
  - a) Proof of vaccination will be required. Please note that vaccines do not provide 100% protection from COVID. If you have immunity or other health issues you may wish to continue to play online only for now.
  - b) We will have a limit of 12 tables plus 1 director. This is under 50% of our capacity.
  - c) Tables will be distanced.
  - d) Players will have to wear masks, or an appropriate face shield, at all times. This might be unpleasant for some, but sadly it will be necessary, until the Ontario government goes to Stage 4 and lifts this restriction.
  - e) Refreshments will need to be brought from home.
  - f) Hand sanitizer will be provided for use upon entry and after each round.
  - g) Because capacity is limited, players will have to register through the GBC website ahead of time for live games.
2. Equipment management and new resources will also be in place for your protection;
  - a) East/west will carry their bidding boxes with them. You can bring your own bidding box if you prefer.
  - b) Only North will touch the Bridgemates.
  - c) The club has purchased new HEPA air filters and they will be running during the games.
  - d) We will be asking everyone to pay using debit card instead of cash whenever possible.
  - e) Boards will only be used once a week.

3. The Game Schedule was announced in the newsletter. It is basically the same as we have now with a few changes.

a) We will start Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoon games live at the club, with the other games continuing on BBO.

b) We will move the BBO games to the club once we reach Stage 4, and capacity limits are lifted.

c) Our online games for newer players have not been well attended so we have added 2 events for newer players live at the club on Tuesday afternoon and Friday morning.

d) The 299 game Thursday afternoon remains on BBO. We will also offer a 0-99 online game Monday afternoon concurrent with the live 0-499 game. This game will go from online to live at the club as soon as capacity restrictions are lifted.

e) We added a 0-1000 game Tuesday afternoon on BBO.

f) For Open players we have added an online game Friday afternoon concurrent with the live 0-499 game. This game will go from online to live at the club as soon as capacity restrictions are lifted.

4. Please note that the capacity for our **Reopening Party** on Saturday, Nov. 6 will be limited to the 1st 50 people who register through the GBC website. You must be a fully paid member of the club to attend as this event is to celebrate membership.

Finally, conditions related to Covid change so quickly these days, we have to say the above plan is subject to change at any time. We'll issue a further update after our November 3rd board meeting. In the meantime, please stay safe and we hope to see you all online at the **Ray Millie Memorial tournament October 16.**

If you have any questions or require additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me or any member of our board of directors.

Tom Ramsay, President GBC