

August at BAND

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 1:30 Upgraded Club Championship Open Prs 1:30 Intermediate Prs 1:30 Newcomers Prs 6:30 NAP Qualifying Prs	2 12:30 STaC Open Prs 6:30 STaC Open Prs All STaC Games = Triple Silver Points!	3 10:00 Play-N-Learn 12:30 STaC Open Prs 12:30 STaC Intermediate 12:30 Newcomers Prs 6:30 STaC Open Prs	4 12:30 STaC Open Prs 6:30 STaC Open Prs 6:30 STaC Intermediate 6:30 Newcomers Prs	5 12:30 STaC Open Prs 6:30 STaC Open Prs	6 12:30 STaC Open Prs 6:30 STaC Swiss Teams	7 10:00 Play-N-Learn 1:30 STaC Open Prs 6:30 STaC Open Prs
8 1:30 STaC Open Prs 1:30 STaC Intermediate 1:30 Newcomers Prs 6:30 STaC Open Prs	9 12:30 No Game - Grant 6:30 Open Prs	10 10:00 No Game - Grant 12:30 No Game - Grant 12:30 No Game - Grant 6:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points	11 12:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points 6:30 Intermediate/NLM NAP Prs 1/2 Red 6:30 Newcomer Prs	12 12:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points 6:30 Charity Prs	13 12:30 Charity Prs 6:30 Open Swiss New! Handicapped Swiss Teams	14 10:00 Learn-N-Play 1:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points
15 1:30 NAP Qualifying Open Prs 1/2 Red 1:30 Intermediate Prs 1:30 Newcomers Prs 6:30 Open Prs	16 12:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 6:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points	17 10:00 Play-N-Learn 12:30 Intermediate/NLM NAP Prs 1/2 Red 12:30 Newcomer Prs 6:30 Charity Prs	18 12:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points 6:30 Intermediate Charity Prs 6:30 Newcomer Prs	19 12:30 Charity Prs 6:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points	20 12:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points 6:30 Charity 8 is Enough Mentoring Swiss	21 10:00 Learn-N-Play 1:30 Charity Prs
22 1:30 Open Charity Prs 1:30 Intermediate Prs 1:30 Newcomer Prs 6:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points	23 12:30 Inter-Club Champ 6:30 Charity Prs	24 10:00 Play-N-Learn 12:30 Intermediate Charity Prs 12:30 Newcomer Prs 6:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points	25 12:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points 6:30 Intermediate/NLM NAP Prs 1/2 Red 6:30 Newcomer Prs	26 12:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points 6:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points	27 12:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points 6:30 Open Swiss New! Handicapped Swiss Teams	28 10:00 Learn-N-Play 1:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points
29 1:30 NAP Open Prs 1/2 Red 1:30 Intermediate Prs 1:30 Newcomer Prs 6:30 4x4 Mentoring Charity Swiss	30 12:30 Charity Prs 6:30 NAP Qualifying Prs 1/2 Red Points	31 No Games Dallas Regional BAND is closed August 31st-September 6th	Stratified Open Prs Hand Records Refreshments & Fun Every Session! Averaged Masterpoints	Intermediate Prs 0-299 MP & Mentors Averaged Masterpoints Mini Lesson 30 Minutes Prior to Game	Newcomer Prs 0-49 Masterpoints Supervised Play Averaged Masterpoints Mini Lesson 30 Minutes Prior to Game	Special Events throughout the month of August. Events in color pay extra points!

Bring a new BAND friend and you both play free!

Bridge Academy of North Dallas
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Bridge Bingo
 30 minutes prior to each game.
 Chance to win a free play!

August Top Tips

Use the lead-directing double when the opponents go through Blackwood. If the response to 4NT is a suit you want led, double! Important!

You hold: ♠ xx ♥ xxx ♦ KQ10x ♣ xxxx

West North East South (you)

1♠ Pass 2♥ Pass

3♠ Pass 4♠ Pass

4NT Pass 5♦ ?

Double 5♦ to alert partner you want a diamond lead against an eventual spade contract. At the four level or higher a double of an **artificial** bid can be made with a strong three or four card suit (KQx(x), KJx(x)). If you don't double 5♦, partner will make a negative inference that you didn't want a diamond lead.

When leading a suit partner has bid and you have supported, lead your highest card with three or four small cards.

The high card lead denies an honor, partner knows of your length. If you haven't supported, lead low from three or four small cards to deny a doubleton. The lead of a high spot card in partner's unsupported suit shows shortness. With three or four cards headed by an honor (10, J, Q or K) lead low whether or not you have supported. If you plan to lead partner's suit holding the ace, lead it.

Special Events

**NEW—Sunday Open Pairs—Special Games throughout August!
Triple Silver Point Games August 2-8 (All Games!)**

Handicapped Swiss Teams

These are open swiss team events. Everyone plays together and each match is handicapped according to masterpoints. The overalls are based on stratification.

NAP Qualifying Pairs

In July & August, BAND will be hosting the club qualifying round of the North American Pairs. There are two types of NAP qualifying games: Open and NLM. Please note the specifics on the other side. Masterpoints awarded are 1/2 red!

Qualifying participants advance to the Unit level qualifying round held in the fall.

Upgraded Club Championship Pairs

This is a special game awarded to **BAND** for membership recruitment.

The winners of Strata A, B and C receive trophies and have their pictures placed on in the Winner's Circle at **BAND** and on the website. Triple Points are awarded!

8 is Enough & 4x4 Mentoring Swiss Teams

These are special monthly stratified team events designed to introduce our newer players to swiss team events. Dinner is served and fun is had by all. Non-mentor teams welcome.

For more information, check out our website or flyers at **BAND**.

Inter-Club Championships

Play bridge with your friends and then score against all of the other participating clubs.

Overalls based on 150+ tables!

Mini Lessons Prior To Weekly Games

30 minutes before all Play-N-Learn, Newcomer, & Intermediate games.

Great handouts included!

Learn-N-Play Games

The Learn-n-Play offers the social and new players an opportunity to play with supervision.

Duplicate Bridge Etiquette

MANNERS ARE IMPORTANT Greet your opponents at the beginning of the round and smile! At the end of the round, they are still your friends...

SILENCE IS GOLDEN Conversation stops when you remove your hand from the board.

THINK BEFORE YOU TOUCH Once you have decided on a bid in your mind, then use your hand to choose the bid from the box.

Don't let your fingers do your thinking!

TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE Once the auction is complete, make your opening lead and table the dummy before you write the contract in your private score.

Remember to lead face down!

WHAT HAPPENS IN THE CURRENT ROUND...STAYS IN THE CURRENT ROUND Once the round is finished, you may then discuss hands from the current round. Refrain from discussion between hands. Hands from previous rounds should never be discussed in front of the new opponents.

YOUR MOTHER'S RULE If you can't say something nice, don't say anything at all!