

SCHEDULE OF GAMES

Tuesday 12:30 PM

Not So Serious Duplicate

Tuesday 6:30 PM

Charity Open Duplicate

Wednesday 12:30 PM

Charity Open Duplicate

Wednesday 6:30 PM

Not So Serious Duplicate

Thursday 12:30 PM

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Thursday 6:30 PM

Charity Open Duplicate

Friday 12:30 PM

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Want a Partner?

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Not So Serious Duplicates: Loyce Rubin
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SPECIAL EVENTS

St Patrick's Day Treat 16th-20th

Sweet Treats by Loyce for all games.

Birthday Free Play

If your birthday is in March, please pick up a free play from an Academy Team Member.

Bridge Bingo Free Play

30 Minutes before every game there will be a bridge bingo. Free play for future game goes to the winner!

Predict Your Score Free Play

During the Week of March 23-27, if you predict your final score after the first round, you win a free play.

APRIL EVENTS

Earth Day Party—April 22nd

MARCH 2009

Bridge Academy of North Dallas

YOUR HOME FOR BRIDGE LESSONS & FRIENDLY PLAY

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 10:00 Minor Suit Bidding 12:30 Supervised Play 6:30 Minor Suit Bidding	3 10:00 Play It Again Sam (Adv) 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 12:10</i> 1:00 All In One L8 6:30 Charity Duplicate	4 10:00 Splinter Bids 12:30 Charity Duplicate SALAD MIXER @ 11:45 6:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 6:10</i>	5 10:00 Blackwood & Gerber 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 12:10</i> 1:00 The Defensive Mind-Set 6:30 Charity Duplicate	6 10:00 Combining Techniques 1:30 199er Sectional 4:30 Winter Classic Kid's Tournament
9 10:00 No Class 12:30 No Class 6:30 No Class	10 10:00 No Class 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 12:10</i> 1:00 No Class 6:30 Charity Duplicate POT LUCK DINNER @ 5:45	11 10:00 RKC 12:30 Charity Duplicate 6:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 6:10</i>	12 10:00 No Class 12:30 NSS Duplicate SALAD MIXER @ 11:45 <i>Mini-Lesson @ 12:10</i> 1:00 No Class 6:30 Charity Duplicate	13 10:00 No Class 12:30 Charity Duplicate 4:30 No Class
16 10:00 No Class 12:30 No Class 6:30 No Class	17 10:00 No Class 12:30 NSS Duplicate SALAD MIXER @ 11:45 <i>Mini-Lesson @ 12:10</i> 1:00 No Class 6:30 ACBL-Wide Charity Duplicate Tournament	18 10:00 No Class 12:30 Charity Duplicate 6:30 NSS Duplicate POT LUCK DINNER @ 5:45 <i>Mini-Lesson @ 6:10</i>	19 10:00 No Class 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 12:10</i> 1:00 No Class 6:30 Charity Duplicate	20-1ST DAY OF SPRING 10:00 No Class 12:30 Charity Duplicate 4:30 No Class
23 10:00 Hand Evaluation 12:30 Supervised Play 6:30 Hand Evaluation	24 10:00 Adv. Conventions SP 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 12:10</i> 1:00 Introduction To Bidding 6:30 Charity Duplicate	25 10:00 Adv Takeout Doubles 12:30 Charity Duplicate 6:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 6:10</i>	26 10:00 Strong 2C with Follow-Ups 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 12:10</i> 1:00 Making A Plan 6:30 Charity Duplicate SPRING FLING PARTY 6:00pm	27 10:00 Opening Leads v. NT 12:30 Charity Duplicate SALAD MIXER @ 11:45 4:30 Kid's Class
30 10:00 Notrump Bidding 12:30 Supervised Play 6:30 Notrump Bidding	31 10:00 Adv. Conventions SP 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 12:10</i> 1:00 Introduction to Play 6:30 Charity Duplicate	1 10:00 Adv Penalty Doubles 12:30 Charity Duplicate 6:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 6:10</i>	2 10:00 Blackwood/Gerber 12:30 NSS Duplicate SALAD MIXER @ 11:45 <i>Mini-Lesson @ 12:10</i> 1:00 Promotion & Length 6:30 Charity Duplicate	3 10:00 Opening Leads v. Suits 12:30 Charity Duplicate 4:30 Kid's Class

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March Top Tips

With two five-card suits: open with the higher ranking suit, respond in the higher ranking suit, and overcall in the higher ranking suit. Do not worry about which is the stronger suit.

You hold: S. x H. J10xxx D. AKQxx C. Kx

Open 1H, not 1D. Respond 1H to an opening 1C bid and overcall 1H if the opening bid to your right is 1C.

If you and partner lead the ace from AKx(x) against suit contracts be advised: (1) The lead is a trick one convention only. (2) After trick one, the king is led. (3) If the suit has been supported, or if you are leading a suit you have supported, the king is led. Leading the ace in a supported suit denies the king. (4) If the opponents wind up at the five or six level, the king is led. The lead of an ace at these levels denies the king. (5) From AK doubleton, everything is reversed.

When fortunate enough to have a powerful trump suit and being forced to ruff, tend not to ruff with your lowest trump. That tiny trump might be your only way to get to dummy.

Bridge Humor

A lady playing in her first duplicate hears an opponent say: "Alert". She says: "I am alert!"

Interesting Tidbits

Nancy Fellman has one daughter studying for the bar exam and another daughter in medical school.

Jane Kirby's daughter is getting married on March 21.

Mark Bumgardner's daughter won the Division III TAPPS State Soccer Tournament February 21st!

Please let the Academy Team know about the special events in your life so that we may share the news with all of our friends at the Academy.

Special Events

(See calendar for dates and times)

Pot Luck Dinners The Academy provides the meat & drinks. You bring a side dish of a vegetable, salad or dessert. Loyce Rubin has been out doing herself with tender brisket, mouth-watering meatloaf, and barbeque chicken. We have also found out that not only do BAND players know how to play bridge, but they also know how to cook!

Just to name a few side dishes: Susan Keyes' "Mashed Potatoes and Gravy," Marilyn Bick's "Broccoli Slaw," Karen Ferguson's "Corn Pudding," and Delilah Perkinson's "Red Beans and Rice."

Salad Mixers The Academy provides the lettuce and salad dressing. You bring one cup of salad ingredient. I didn't realize there were so many types of lettuce. Can't wait to see this week's.

Donna Compton's devilled eggs are a huge hit at the Salad Mixers. But don't tell her family that she cooks. It's her best kept secret!

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!

HAVE FUN! At the end of the day, we are all here to have a good time. Enjoy...