

**Alert!**  
**Lexington Bridge Club News**  
**August, 2010**

**Kudos for new Masters:** Congratulations to the following players on their great achievements!!

Junior Masters: Neil Armstrong, Carolyn Jones, and Karl Persson

Club Master: Nancy Garriott

NABC Master: Mary Murphy

Bronze Life Masters: Linda Dickerson, Bill Adams

**Summer Bridge Camp** has seen a 6<sup>th</sup> year at the Lexington Bridge Club. 23 campers were registered ranging in age from 5 to 18. It's amazing how sharp those young minds are. Many thanks to Georgia Ringo for leading this effort, to the teachers, the board maker, the hosts and hostesses who provided snacks, and to those who showed up to help out wherever help was needed. What a great experience for the kids.

**Cook Books** have arrived! The first sale was on July 12, 2010. I picked up my 6 copies; have you gotten yours yet? They are so great. I plan on buying at least one more, maybe more. A huge thanks to Claudia Haller and committee members, Liz Wise and Atha Dickenson for their hours of work to make this a very successful fund raiser for our club.

**BridgeMate II Electronic Table Scoring System** has arrived and is operational. You have probably used them already, and aren't they great! These neat little devices came to us as a result of Mike McCann's research of available systems, selection and procurement of the BridgeMate II and Dan Neill's system/IT Implementation and Development of Director Instructions and Training. Funding for this project is from the Cook Book sales. Thanks to all those who made this possible.

**Bridge Lessons** are about to begin again.

- **Easy Bridge I** begins on August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> for 10 weeks followed by Easy Bridge II for another 10 weeks and Easy Bridge III for a 3<sup>rd</sup> 10 week series. All will be taught by Georgia Ringo.
- **Beginners Classes** start September 9<sup>th</sup> for 8 weeks followed by Play of the Hand for 8 weeks. Donna Loeffler is teaching both of these classes.

**Highlights of the August Calendar –**

- There will be a potluck on Thursday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am in Memory of Emy Lynch. This will be a Charity Game as well with proceeds going to the Lexington Humane Society.
- This is the last month for NAP Qualifying. 11 NAP Qualifiers are scheduled during August. Consult the attached calendar for dates and times.
- A 3<sup>rd</sup> game has been added on Sundays. There will now be a Mentor/Youth short (12 board minimum) game in the classroom at 2 pm. At least one of the pair playing must be under age 20. Pass the word to those young people.
- A change has been added to the Thursday evening 99'er games. A pair's masterpoints will now be averaged. So if one player has 50 points, his/her partner can have as many as 148 points and still be legal for this 99'er game.
- Youth now have 3 games they can play in at our club: the 2 pm game on Sunday, a Saturday 12:30 pm game, and eventually the 6:30 pm Thursday game.
- Check the calendar for the dozen or so Club Championship games available in August. Big points!
- This month's 8 is Enough game will be a Junior Fund Swiss Team Game on August 22<sup>nd</sup> with a Potluck at 5:30 pm and game at 6. Sign up as soon as you can.
- On Monday, August 16<sup>th</sup> there will be an Upgraded Club Championship game at 11:30 am. The upgrade was obtained from membership growth.
- The 99'er Swiss Team Game on Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup> will be a Junior Fund Game costing \$1 more.