

Feb 9, 2022

Dear Members of the Edmonton Bridge Centre,

Our Board and I would like to invite you to join us at our Society's **Annual General Meeting at 3:00 pm Saturday February 12, 2022**. We will again be meeting online with Zoom. The agenda, Zoom link, and reports are being sent by email. If you did not receive the email or want to join us, email me at club@edmontonbridge.ca . (On Saturday email me at patmatt@telus.net for the reports or link.)

As I write this letter, 121 members have joined or renewed their club membership. We hope that you see the value in being a member and supporting our club. You can of course wait until we are able to be together, but it would be great if we could receive your membership dues. It remains at \$40 each for 2022. You can use Interac e-transfer from your bank account to ours at club@edmontonbridge.ca (direct deposit, no passwords). Or, if you wish you can pay at the club or send a cheque by mail to:

Edmonton Bridge Centre
11810 Kingsway Ave NW
Edmonton T5G 0X5

If you wish to add a donation to our club it would be received with gratitude. I can report happily that we received donations totaling over \$10,000 in 2021. We have the most wonderful membership.

We continue to offer a variety of games online in our Virtual club. Starting Feb 14, the regular entry price for online games will be 5 \$US each. After BBO and ACBL we receive about 65% of this amount. The added fee will go towards sustaining our club. For those playing in our Virtual club, the week Feb 21 – 27 is **ACBL Educational Foundation** week. All games will have extra masterpoints. Entry is \$7 to cover the extra sanctions.

The **2022 Team League** is underway. 8 teams in flight AB, 9 teams in flight CD and 4 teams in flight EF are having lots of fun. Thank you to Don for organizing this event. We are only in week 3. If by chance you want to join a team in flight CD, so that we have even number of teams and no bye week, please contact Matthew ASAP. Current standings can be found linked to our homepage.

Thank you all for your concern as I had a short bout of Covid last week. I am happy that I could take the time to recover fully and not spread it to anyone else. Other members have also had and recovered from this virus. Lately, there have been dramatic changes to Covid restrictions in Alberta. The Board and management will review what is happening, and how our membership feels, before announcing any changes to our policy. Our club remains open to fully vaccinated members and guests. Masking indoors is still required.

Thank you, everyone, for your interest and participation in our club.

Matthew

Please pass on this info to others who may not have email or are not on our lists.