Dear members and friends of the Edmonton Bridge Centre,

Thank you for your participation in our survey. Just over 200 members responded. 60% are playing live while 50% still play some online bridge. About 20% are not playing bridge right now. Regarding masking, 65% indicated that they would play bridge at the club if masking was optional but not required. As for food service, only about 15% of respondents would support a kitchen at this time. Many members took time to add suggestions and comments about Covid restrictions and the club.

The Board met and reviewed the results. They are moving forward by changing the Covid measures such that, starting Monday June 20<sup>th</sup>, the Edmonton Bridge Centre will continue to require Covid vaccination to play at the club while the wearing of masks will be optional and not required.

We also discussed making changes to the schedule. Though there is some interest in increasing our live sessions, there is still a need to support some members who can only play online. The current schedule will continue at least through August. Online games will thus continue if they are supported by the membership.

The Board is also planning a Semi-annual General Meeting and BBQ for Saturday August 13<sup>th</sup>. Mark the date and plan to join us if you can.

Also of note, this week we will have some special championships to support Alzheimers Societies in Canada. The ACBL has for over 10 years had a Longest Day event for this good cause. This year there are online virtual games on Saturday and Sunday afternoon June 18 and 19. At the club we will have a special game on Tuesday afternoon June 21.

From June 27 to July 10, there will be "Back to the Club" special ACBL championships for live club play. See you there.

Thank you for your attention to this letter and your participation in our club. You are great members, and we will continue to create a great club for you.

Matthew

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