



# Kingston Duplicate Bridge Club

April 2023



## Everybody... All Together Now!



**The Great News:** We have all sorts of wonderful bridge events planned.

**The Reality News:** We need members to step forward as volunteers to help with our many upcoming events. We are a CLUB because everyone contributes!

We know everyone has busy lives, but as the saying goes, if you want to get anything done, ask a busy person! And many hands make light work...

Please read through our list of upcoming events, and on-going needs, to see where you can make a difference. Your help, big or small, will be appreciated.

If you would like to volunteer, but don't feel ready to step into a coordinator position, we would like to add your name to a volunteer list. When we need a volunteer, we will call members on this list.

To let us know you'll help, email the Club at [bridgecentrekingston@gmail.com](mailto:bridgecentrekingston@gmail.com)

**We look forward to hearing from you!**



## HELP WITH A SINGLE EVENT

On **Sunday, May 28** from 1:00-2:00 pm KDBC is hosting a Zoom meeting. The bridge celebrity, Jerry Helms, author of the column “**Ask Jerry**” in the ACBL bulletin is joining us for a private hour of bridge questions and replies. If you have a question, send it in advance to the Club, and plan to join the Zoom.

On **Wednesday, July 5** the Board would like to hold a **Strawberry Social** special event. We need helpers to organize the food and beverages.

The Board has agreed to hold a local **Sectional Tournament** (silver points!) from **Friday, Sep 8— Sunday, Sep 10** at the RCAFA Hall. These local tournaments are a new option offered by the ACBL to get players back to tournament play. This is a 3-day tournament, requiring set up and take down, food and beverage preparation and advertising/promotion. We will also need volunteers for the partnership desk.

Chris Caswell is chair of our **2024 Regional Tournament** (gold and red points!), which will be held from **Thursday, May 16—Monday, May 20, 2024**. Chris has an organizing committee in place and will also need additional volunteers to help with preparations before the tournament and also during the tournament. It's only one year away. The tournament will be held at the Quality Inn at Division St and the 401.

## HELP FILL AN ON-GOING NEED

### Education Chair

Tammy Gauvin has stepped down as KDBC Education Chair. We thank her for hard work. KDBC has a great group of students who took the beginner classes at the Senior Centre.

We need someone to lead an education committee, prepare for beginner lessons slated for September and also organize other educational programs. As per our bylaws: “The duty of the Education Chair shall be recruit instructors and co-ordinate all lessons.”

Education Chair is our most pressing need, and a very important role. Students and new bridge players are our future, and we've a great program in place that we want to keep going, keep growing, and keep thriving.

### Charity Coordinator

A big thank you goes to Carol Anne Ralph who held this position throughout the difficult times of Covid and the sluggish re-start of F2F games. The charity coordinator is not a Board position. Our club has always been very supportive of local charities. The Charity Coordinator connects with the community and arranges events to bring information to the members and support to the selected local organizations.

### Club Secretary

Presently, the club manager takes minutes of Board meetings and does other secretarial chores. The Board would like this position filled by a volunteer.

# Let's SUPPORT Bridge!