



*New
Member Guide*



Daytona Metropolitan Bridge Club



If you have played **Party Bridge** and would like to play Duplicate, please join us on any day of the week except Sunday. The morning sessions with their 15 -30 minute lessons before the game are a good place to start.

If you have **never played Bridge before**, we offer courses and games just for you. It is a friendly atmosphere with the dual purpose of learning Bridge and having fun! Call (386) 255-7744 for the schedule of Beginning Bridge Classes. You'll be interested in the Limited Games shown below.

If you are a **Duplicate Bridge player** moving into the area or just passing through, you are always welcome at our club. The bridge is good and the people are great! Come join us!

Local Directions:

From International Speedway Blvd, turn north onto Atlantic Ave (A1A). Driftwood Ave. is two miles north. It is the second light North of Seabreeze.

From Granada Ave, turn south onto Atlantic Ave (A1A) for about 3.7 miles. Driftwood is immediately south of the Sahara Motel.

If time is RED , call club to verify schedule		Game Schedule					
	SUN	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	
Morning		9:00		9:30	9:30		
Afternoon	1:00	1:30	1:30	1:30	1:30	1:30	
Evening						7:00	



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Special Events: Besides the regular game schedule, we offer a number of special events during the year including club, STAC, Sectional and Regional tournaments as well as our Tuesday afternoon Jackpot game. In addition, our entertainment committee has a special event each month featuring a game and very nice lunch. We have several Pro-Am events which are very popular and on the first Monday of each month, we have a cake to celebrate that month's Birthdays. For more information check the Calendar and Events schedule on our web site.

Lessons before most Limited Games: Our Bridge Directors are very good teachers and before most Limited Games, they have a 15-30 minute lesson covering topics of interest to you. You may also ask a Bridge Director to cover a specific subject for you. On our web site, we list the topics to be covered in the coming weeks. Before some games, the Bridge Directors have a Question and Answer (Q&A) session where you can pose that problem hand or inquire about the details of a convention. On Thursday afternoon, there is a lesson and Q&A session for the Open players conducted by Spike Lay.

Club Membership: Club Membership is \$15 per year due on November 1. The year runs from November 1st through October 31st. Benefits of club membership include: Reduced game fess (\$4 instead of \$5), Membership Directory, use of Library and the Learning Center. Members joining after July 1st will be charged \$5 for the duration of the year (ending on Oct 31st).

ACBL: Join ACBL! Your Masterpoints are automatically updated and you can check them online at the ACBL web site. As an ACBL member, you pay reduced entry fees at tournaments and you receive their highly readable and very educational monthly magazine "ACBL Bridge Bulletin."

Bridge Results Online: After each game, our Bridge Directors upload the game results to [our web site](#). It is easy to see what others did on the board and ask: Did we bid too much? Too little? Were we in the wrong contract? Was our defense good?

Cost per Game: Regular games are \$4 for members and \$5 for non-members. Special games such as Charity games and STAC games are \$1 more. Tournaments and special Swiss games vary with the event.

Library: Our Library contains a wonderful selection of Bridge books and magazines donated by our members for our members. If you have Bridge books you no longer need, please consider donating them to the club Library.

Need a Partner: Call the Club when you need a partner and the Bridge Directors will do their best (which is very good) to find you one. If the club is closed, leave a message with your name, phone number, playing strength and the date you need a partner.



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Zero Tolerance Policy for Unacceptable Behavior: Behavior is unacceptable if it makes Bridge less enjoyable for others. **From ACBL:** “The following list are some examples of behavior which will not be tolerated: (1) Badgering, rudeness, insinuations, intimidation, profanity, threats, or violence. (2) Negative comments concerning opponents' or partner's play or bidding. (3) Constant and gratuitous lessons and analyses at the table. (4) Loud and disruptive arguing with a director's ruling.”

Web Site: www.daytonabridge.org You will find Club News, Announcements, Pictures, Club Schedule, Calendar of Events, Topics for Lessons at the Club, Easy Bridge page, and links to BridgeScore and ACBL to check your Masterpoints. Also, we have many Bridge related items: Articles and Columns, Bridge Books, Bridge Tips, Bridge Trivia, Bridge Links and a page devoted to Learning to Play Bridge. Tours of our web site are offered at our Learning Center on demand, just sign up at the Learning Center.

Bridge Directors: Contact information for our [Bridge Directors](#) is posted on our website..

Friday Night Swiss: A casual, yet competitive Swiss game where you come as a pair and teams are formed by drawing cards. Each week the teams are different but each week the fun is the same. Come join us for a very enjoyable game.

Gift Cards: Need a gift for your partner or friend? Our Club sells pre-paid gift cards which are redeemable at our club for a free play. Check with any Game Director.

Club Cookbook: Our Club's Cookbook, **Grand Slam Recipes**, is a unique compilation of culinary delights from our membership. Buy one for yourself and another for a friend. The Bridge Directors handle sales and a copy of "Grand Slam Recipes" on display.

Playing Up: Playing in an Open or a 0-499 game when you normally play in the 0 -150 is called playing up. When you play against better players, you learn a lot by watching them bid and play. Moreover, the players in our club are very generous in offering tips and advice when asked. Finally, all games are stratified so if you don't win or place in the **A**, you still could do so in **B** or **C**. Play up whenever you can.

Newsletter: We publish a monthly e-mail Newsletter filled the club information and happenings. It is also [posted on our web site](#). If you are not receiving the Newsletter, please give your e-mail address to any Bridge Director or sign up for it on our web site. We do have printed copies of the newsletter at the club.