

Bridge at Ballantrae

For two years, due to Covid, we have had little Ballantrae Community Bridge so this article is intended to bring everyone up to date with the current situation.

There are four Bridge games on offer.

1. The most advanced is played on Mondays from 1.00 pm to 4.00 pm. It is **Duplicate Bridge** and usually there are between four and seven teams of four. The standard is not very high but players need to have a reasonable understanding of Standard American conventions. Emphasis is on enjoying the game.
 - If you wish to play, please contact Mary Elizabeth Lane, maryelizlane@rogers.com or 905 591 0987. She prepares the roster each week. Partners are selected randomly before each session. This group is now playing.
2. Also on Mondays from 1.00 to 4.00 there is a larger and less formal group who do not play duplicate. To play in this group please contact Lynn Bartram, lynn.bartram@rogers.com or 905 640 0430. Alternate contact is Peter Sims, long.sims@outlook.com or 416 399 3741.
3. Another group meets on Wednesdays through the Fall and Winter months and is designed to help people with a basic knowledge of Bridge, to progress to playing in the other groups. There are usually no more than eight players. The contact is Bernard Downes at bermaurs@gmail.com or 905 591 1769.
4. Finally there is a group of about twelve players aptly named **Social Bridge** less stress and more fun - who play on Thursday evenings from 7.00pm to 9.30pm. Just drop in - neither reservations nor partners are required. Contact is Peter Sims long.sims@outlook.com or 416 399 3741.

All games are played at the Rec Center. Please note that in all cases play is for pleasure and criticism is not encouraged.

Over the last two years we have seen many changes in the Community with people leaving and new people coming. All the Bridge groups will welcome new members.

For more information please contact Bernard Downes at bermaurs@gmail.com or 905 591 1769.