INTERMEDIATE BRIDGE - JERICHO LIBRARY

This is an eight-session class, to be presented on Zoom with the following topics to be discussed on the dates indicated below. Please make sure that you have printed out or have available the materials for each class prior to the beginning of the class. Prior to each session, you will receive the Zoom link.

February 3, 2021- Review of the Topics in Beginner's Bridge

February 10, 2021 – Reevaluating Your Hand

February 17, 2021 - Making the Right Lead

February 24, 2021 – Using the Blackwood Convention

March 3, 2021 – The Art of the Play – Using a Finesse

March 10, 2021 - Playing an Honor from the Short Side

March 17, 2021 – Playing in A Suit Contract vs. No Trump

March 24, 2021 - New Minor Forcing

Each class will have sample hands. It would be very helpful if you could deal out these hands prior to each class and try to work out how to play them before we discuss the play of the hand in class. I understand that you may have difficulty deciding on the bidding of the hand prior to the class, but you will have the materials for the lesson to guide you. It would be very helpful if you could actually have the hands dealt out on a table when we have our class so you can pull out each card when we discuss the play of the hand. This is not essential for your understanding of the hand, but it is helpful as we work on Zoom.

I am available to answer questions about course material prior to each class. I log on about 10 minutes prior to the class, and you can ask me questions then. You can also email me at actanne@aol.com

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REVIEW TOPICS FOR BEGINNER'S BRIDGE

Please take a moment to jot down a few words about each of the following topics- just a couple of notes from what you remember:

Opening in a major suit
Opening in a minor suit-
Opening 1 No Trump
Opening 2 Clubs -
Opening 2 No Trump
Bidding a complete game vs. a partial game
Making a preempt bid at Level 2, Level 3, and Level 4

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When would you bid a suit more than once if your partner hasn't bid it?
Penalty Doubles
When would you bid the same suit as your partner?
Take-out Doubles
Redoubles
Overcalls
Responding to partner's opening bid in a major suit
Responding to partner's opening bid in a minor suit
Jacoby Transfer

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Jacoby Transfer (cont'd)
Stayman Convention
Invitational Bids
Balanced Hand
Distribution Points -
When does declarer count her winners when making a plan?
When does declarer count losers when making a plan?
Responses to an opening bid of 2 Clubs
The Rule of 17

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SAMPLE HAND #1 - Dealer is East

NORTH

Spades - A 6 5 4

Hearts - K 9 3 2

Diamonds - A

Clubs - KJA3

WEST

Spades - Q 108

Hearts - 7

Diamonds - K 10 7 5 2

Clubs-9762

EAST

Spades - J93

Hearts- A.8

Diamonds - QJ864

Clubs-AQ8

SOUTH

Spades - K72

Hearts - QJ 10 6 5 4

Diamonds - 93

Clubs - 10 5

SAMPLE HAND #2 - Dealer is North

NORTH

Spades - 6

Hearts - 10 7 4 3

Diamonds - K Q 10 7 2

Clubs - Q 9 5

WEST

Spades-842

Hearts - KQ85

Diamonds - 93

Clubs - K 10 7 6

EAST

Spades - J 3

Hearts - AJ92

Diamonds - A J 6

Clubs - J 8 3 2

SOUTH

Spades – A K Q 10 9 7 5

Hearts - 6

Diamonds-854

Clubs - A 4