

## May Attendance

We had very solid attendance at our games in May. The open game on Monday night averaged 10 tables, and the Thursday afternoon game averaged 8 tables.. As usual, thanks to all of you who continue to enjoy our games.

## North American Pairs Games

ACBL has announced that virtual clubs can have two NAP (North American Pairs) games per sanction in the months of June, July, and August. Mid-Valley will hold these games on the 2nd and 4th calendar weeks in those months. In June, these games will be on Mondays June 13 and 27 and Thursdays June 16 and 30. Those games will be \$1 extra.

## Rank Changes

In the month of May, these Mid-Valley players advanced in rank:

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| Alison Smith       | Club Master (20 MP)          |
| Elaine Cull        | Regional Master ((100 Mp)    |
| Kathleen McCrossin | Regional Master (100 MP)     |
| Rachel Frame       | NABC Master (200 mp)         |
| Patricia Johnson   | NABC Master (200 MP)         |
| Nora Laughlin      | Bronze Life Master (500 MP)  |
| Noeline Myers      | Silver Life Master (1000 MP) |

## Online Mid-Valley Games

vacb277004 Mid-Valley Open Mon 6:30 PDT

vacb277004 Mid-Valley Open Thu 1:00 PDT

You and your partner can register for a game up to 2 hours before game time, but please register at least 15 minutes before game time so the director can set up for the correct number of tables. If you haven't played in one of the Mid-Valley games before, register early to make sure you are set to play. You may log off after you register but be logged on and ready to play 10 minutes before game time. NOTE: If you are playing in the Casual Area, BBO will consider you offline and you will not be notified when the game begins.

## Other Online Games in the Valley

**McMinnville** -- Oak Valley-Salem plays online Tuesdays at 6:30. Anyone who played in a game in Salem, McMinnville, or Corvallis in 2019 or after is **already** included in the Oak Valley player list. All Mid-Valley players are welcome to play. Please contact Steve Drew ([stevedrew111@frontier.com](mailto:stevedrew111@frontier.com) or phone 503-560-3738) to be added to the list.

**Eugene** – The Emerald Bridge Club offers online games on Monday morning (9:30 299er, 9:35 open), Wednesday evening (6:30 open), and Friday morning

(9:30 749er). If you have not played in any online Eugene games, you will need to be added to their player list. Contact Don Marsh ([donmarsh45@comcast.net](mailto:donmarsh45@comcast.net)) or Sherri Morgan ([sherri\\_morgan@comcast.net](mailto:sherri_morgan@comcast.net)).

## Area Clubs Open for Face-to-Face

**Albany-Corvallis** -- Both Albany and Corvallis clubs are open with their regular in-person games. Check out the schedule at [Albany-Corvallis Bridge Game Schedules \(acbridge.org\)](http://acbridge.org). Both clubs require proof of vaccination; masks are optional. The Albany club has team games on every 5<sup>th</sup> Monday and 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday. For more information, contact Bob Peery ([rapid35@comcast.net](mailto:rapid35@comcast.net)) about the Albany games and Mavis Tuten ([kmtuten@comcast.net](mailto:kmtuten@comcast.net)) for the Corvallis games.

**McMinnville** – The Oak Valley Club holds a face-to-face open game on Mondays at 12:30. Proof of vaccination is required. Contact Steve Drew ([stevedrew111@frontier.com](mailto:stevedrew111@frontier.com) or phone 503-560-3738) for more information.

**Eugene** – The Emerald Bridge Club has games at 12:30 Tuesday and Thursday; for more information see their website at <https://emeraldbridgeclub.net/> or contact Don Marsh ([donmarsh45@comcast.net](mailto:donmarsh45@comcast.net)) or Sherri Morgan ([sherri\\_morgan@comcast.net](mailto:sherri_morgan@comcast.net)).

**Salem** -- The Salem Duplicate Bridge Club is now open for face-to-face games. Games are at the Keizer / Salem Area Senior Center (KSAS) and Capital Manor. All games require proof of vaccination at least 2 weeks earlier. Their schedule is as follows:

KSAS Open Wed 11:00 am PDT  
Capital Manor Open Wed 6:30 PDT  
KSAS Open Thur 6:30 pm PDT  
KSAS Open Fri 12:30 pm PDT  
Capital Manor Open Sat 6:00 PDT  
KSAS Unit Open Sun 1:00 PDT

## New Visitor Policy

ACBL has changed their visitor policy for online clubs. If you are a member of the club, that is, if you have played in any of the pooled clubs, you can invite a guest without that guest counting against the club visitor limit. It is important in that case that you invite the guest.

Please put your real name in your profile. It makes the game more friendly.  
Also, please make sure your convention card(s) are filled in as completely as possible to save you and your opponents' time.  
See you at the games! Any issues or suggestions for improvement call me at 541-757-7499 or email me at [dennis.w.harms@gmail.com](mailto:dennis.w.harms@gmail.com).

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