

Palm Coast Duplicate Bridge Club Mentor Program

Purpose: To enable new bridge players to gain valuable playing experience and the self confidence needed to progress their play through a "hands on" Mentoring Program. This program will help to sustain and grow our bridge club.

Program Mentors:

1. Mentors will play with their students in the Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday or Saturday open games. Mentors will not be charged for play. The director will initial the Mentor Tally card indicating that a mentor/student play did occur.
2. Term of the mentor/student relationship is a period playing together a minimum of 12 times.
3. Mentors will attend a ½ hour mentoring class conducted by our Managing Director, Pat Heading.
4. Mentors will provide tutoring on duplicate bridge rules, etiquette, bidding, play of the hand, and defense.
5. Mentor volunteers or new players wanting a mentor should contact Alice Rumana via email, phone, or in person to enter the program.

Program Students:

1. The student must have completed "Introduction to Bridge" on Monday mornings or be certified by a director to be capable of participating in the program.
2. The student must be a member of the Palm Coast Duplicate Bridge Club and have less than 20 master points.

Mentoring Guidelines:

1. Be positive and compliment the good things.
2. Do not teach during play.
3. Do not point out every error.
4. Use the convention card; try to review one part of the card before the game; do not add conventions during play.
5. Review one or two major errors after the game.
6. Respond to questions but do not add too much detail.

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