

Mentoring Program!!

In June the Barrington Bridge Club in Los Angeles CA started a mentoring program. This is how their program operates. A newcomer is defined as any player with less than 100 masterpoints. A mentor is defined as a Life Master. Mentors agree to play with their assigned newcomer six times during the upcoming three-month period. All games are expected to take place on a specific night. These games are arranged at the convenience of both players. Mentors and newcomers are assigned randomly after all sign-ups are completed for the event.

The game is handicapped in an effort to make it as fair as possible. Handicapping is determined by masterpoints. Masterpoints are awarded based on the raw scores as well as the handicapped scores. The game is open and **ALL** players are welcome to play in the game. A sincere effort is made to make it the **FRIENDLIEST** game in town! Zero Tolerance is **STRICTLY** enforced.

Escorts are provided at the end of the game for players wanting to be walked to their car.

There will be no card fees for the mentors and the newcomers will pay a \$10 card fee for any game with their mentor.

*Please join us in an effort to
make this a successful
and rewarding program!!*

Example sign-up sheet:

MENTOR SIGN-UP SHEET

- ♥ Mentors will be Life Masters.
- ♥ Mentors are asked to play with their Newcomer six times during a three-month period. Games are to be arranged at the convenience of both players.
- ♥ All games are held on _____(day of week) starting at _____ (time).
- ♥ All games will be handicapped based on masterpoints. Awards will go to both the raw score winner and the handicapped winner.
- ♥ There will be NO card fees for the mentor. Each mentor will receive one free play at the completion of each program.
- ♥ Escorts will be provided to cars after each game.

Name

Phone #

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HANDICAP GAMES

Effective immediately, the _____ game will now become a handicap game. Players will receive a handicap based on their masterpoint holding. Each player will carry their own handicap which will yield a total handicap for the partnership. Management reserves the right to assign a handicap to a non-member of the ACBL.

Masterpoints will be evenly divided between the raw score finishers and the handicap finishers. Per ACBL regulations, when a pair qualifies for two different awards they will receive both awards.

The handicap formula is detailed below. It is subject to change with one week's notice.

MPs	Handicap
0-5	1 1/2 boards
5-20	1 1/4 boards
20-50	1 board
50-300	3/4 board
300-750	1/2 board
750-1000	1/4 board
1000-1500	-1/4 board
1500-2000	-1/2 board
2000-3000	-1 board
3000+	-1 1/2 boards

NOTE: All minus handicaps will only be applied to offset a positive handicap.

Below are some examples:

- A. A player with 2 MPs is playing with a player with 200 MPs. Their handicap will be 2 1/4 board (1 1/2 and 3/4).
- B. A player with 10 MPs is playing with a player with 1200 MPs. Their handicap will be 1 board (1 1/4 and -1/4).
- C. A player with 0 MPs is playing with a player with 5000 MPs. Their handicap will be 0 (1 1/2 and -1 1/2).
- D. Two players with over 1000 MPs are playing together. Their handicap will be 0 since negative handicaps only apply to offset positive handicaps.

Management reserves the right to make subjective decisions about handicaps.