

January 21, 2023

Dear Members of the Edmonton Bridge Centre,

Welcome to a new year of bridge.

Our club is holding our OPEN HOUSE on Saturday January 28, Noon to 5pm. We welcome you to tell your friends, and bring them out to find out about our great game and club. Lesson series start the week of February 13th. A full list of classes is available at the club and on our website.

The EBC Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday February 4 at 3:45 pm. The Board welcomes you to come and find out about 2022 and help determine the future of our club. We will have a session of championship duplicate bridge at 12:30 pm (Open and Int) to start the afternoon. Beginner and Rubber bridge as well. Hospitality will follow the meeting.

Volunteers are the lifeblood of our club. Thank you to all who serve on the Board. If you would like to help serve on the new Board, please let our secretary Kathy Turnbull know, or send me a note. Other volunteers are great at baking. Thank you to all who bring treats to our games. If you have a special treat for the AGM, we will happily share it at the after meeting gathering. Thank you all, for what you do to help our club.

Memberships for 2023 are still available. Membership for 2023 has increased to \$75 each. Lifetime memberships remain at \$1000. When you renew, please confirm that we have your current phone numbers and information. As always, any extra donations to support our club are gratefully appreciated. If you wish to buy by e-transfer, do it to club@edmontonbridge.ca (no password required).

Thank you for all your Christmas donations to Santas Anonymous, the Edmonton Food Bank, and the Bissell Centre. You were so very generous to these deserving groups this year. It was very much appreciated.

I am sad to report that Barry Pritchard, a long time, founding member of EBC, passed away last Thursday afternoon. A memorial and gathering of friends and family is being planned for the afternoon of Sunday January 29th at our club. Please join us if you can.

Thank you, everyone, for your interest and participation. I look forward to seeing you at the club, at the Open House and AGM. If you need a partner, please let us know if you are available for a game or drop in before gametime.

Matthew Greenways

Manager

P.S. Please pass on this letter to others who may not have email or are not on our lists.