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March News

CCBC is making a change to its **Tuesday** games. See below for more details.

CCBC continues its hybrid schedule with bridge games in person in Orinda and on-line on BBO. ACBL is reinstating the ACBL-wide games and charity games for in-person clubs in 2023, so there will be many opportunities in the coming year for extra MPs. There will also frequently be 1 week per month of special games **on-line** with extra MPs.

CCBC is now hosting games on Mondays (open at 11:15), Tuesdays (299er at 10:00) and Thursdays (999er at 10:30) at the Orinda Masonic Hall, 9 Altarinda Road. Games continue on BBO on Wednesday (open at 10:00) and Friday (open at 10:00).

Schedule changes: Effective **March 1 - Tuesday's 10 AM bridge game in Orinda will be changed to a 299'er game.** This change will allow more players the opportunity to play in person, while continuing CCBC's efforts to appeal to the area's newest players.

The game will have the following features:

- 1) A mini-lesson will precede each game, with a review of a couple of hands from the prior week.
- 2) 18 boards will typically be played.
- 3) Each player will have the opportunity to ask 2 bidding questions during the game.
- 4) Games will be stratified by Master Point level; so players are competing with others with comparable experience.
- 5) A player may come with a partner or as a single. (Singles can count on being matched with a partner.)
- 6) Mentoring will be encouraged. An experienced player in the 200-299 MP range playing with one in the 0-50 range will play for free.

Tuesday's 749'er online game will be cancelled.

Special games in March – The week of **March 13-19**, we will have club championship games for all in-person games. Lots of extra MPs with no extra charge!

Thank you for your support of CCBC!