

Newsletter of the Duchess County Bridge Association Unit 186

Spring 2025

Welcome to all of the DCBA members

Our annual meeting will be Saturday, April 5th from 11 AM to 1 PM at Longobardi's Restaurant in Wappinger Falls. This will be followed by a game at the Hudson River Bridge Club. Flyers are coming out for signing up, menu selections and other details. The cost is \$30 for the meal and game or \$10 if you just want to attend the game. The DCBA is co-funding the event as a, thank you, to all the members.

In 2025, the DCBA established a new website that added a feature to sign up for games and to check who and how many people signed up for a particular event. There is also a spot on the front page called "Contact" where a member may submit a question to the club. The feedback has been positive on the website.

Attendance in 2024 was slightly lower than 2023. In 2023 the club averaged 70 tables a month, and in 2024 we averaged 67 tables per month. Between the Sectional, special events and normal club games the unit has had a positive cash flow. At the end of 2024 the bank account had \$407 more in it than at the start of the year. Income and expenses have been matching. The board has been trying to fund events. like the annual meeting and the Holiday party and run the club on a break even standpoint. Based on a recommendation by one of the Board members we placed \$10,000 in a CD that is earning approximately 5%. The unit also bought new cards and is still conducting bridge lessons for beginners Wednesday afternoon. Several of the new players have moved on to playing in the Tuesday game and even a few of the Open games.

On the first Wednesday of the month a duplicate game is still conducted at 12:00 to provide the students an opportunity to experience a duplicate game. The final set of lessons will be completed in a few weeks. In addition to lessons we have open games on Monday and Friday at 12:30, an open game at night on Thursday at 7 PM and a limited game (<400 pts) on Tuesday at 9:30 AM. We are encouraging all players to register for the game you want play in on the website, HudsonRIverBridgeClub.org. Go to "Events" and you will see a calender of the games and form to fill out to attend a game. You can also indicate if you need a partner.

OTHER EVENTS DURING 2025

April 5	Annual Meeting		
May 2-4	Sectional		
June 21	Silver Saturday		
June 20	Longest Day		
July 8-12	Fairfield Regional NJ		
July 19	Saturday-Anniversary Party of the Club		
September 13	Saturday-Back to Bridge		
October 18	Silver Saturday		
December 6	Holiday Party		
BOARD NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTION			

<u>Officers – 2 year terms</u> Bill Maine- Vice President Ceil Collopy - Secretary

<u>Board Position - 3 year terms</u> Roger Eddy Michael Levine Fred Goulette

Additional nominations may be made by petition on an official form supplied by Ceil Collopy, DCBA Secretary, or any similar form. A properly executed petition should include the names, signatures, ACBL number and addresses of fifteen DCBA members in good standing. The petition should be submitted to the Secretary with a copy to the President by March 24, 2025

2024 Milestones

Diamond Life Master	<u>Bronze Life Master</u> Marie Wildman	
John Kinn		
Gold Life Master Ilene Goldman	<u>New Life Master</u> Tim Collopy	
Ruby Life Master Phyllis Bressman Joe Shuldiner	<u>Regional Master</u> Ed Herbst Diane O'Leary	
<u>Silver Life Master</u> Ceil Collopy		

Bob Whelan

Sectional Master Michael Levine Madeline Katan

<u>Club Master</u> Susan Frink Jean-Claude Fourere

> Junior Master Anne Leibling Paula Mutchler Carl Mutchler

2024 Unit Awards

Ace of Clubs		<u>Mini-McKenney</u>	
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IN MEMORIAM FROM 2024

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Mary Werner