**Tillsonburg Unit 249 Special Games**

**August 7 and 8, 2021**

**Stratiflighted Pairs - Saturday Aug 7**

·         Two Flights Each Session

o   0-500    Stratified A-B-C as entries warrant

o   Open    Stratified A-B-C as entries warrant

·         Each session will be scored independently and ACBL masterpoints awarded for each session

·         Players do not have to play both sessions

o   Enter one or both sessions, as you prefer

·         Partnerships may be changed between sessions

·          Prizes: At the conclusion of the second session a manual calculation will be made on the basis of average percentage per player over the two sessions

o   For each flight the top 2 players (and ties) per stratification will receive BBO credits

§  Strat A        $25     BBO

§  Strat B        $15     BBO

§  Strat C        $10     BBO

(Note: If a player is in different stratifications in the two sessions, prize will be based on the higher stratification)

Pairs Schedule:

          Morning:

                0-500 Flight   9:30 am

 Open Flight 9:45 am

 Afternoon:

               0-500 Flight   1:30 pm

 Open Flight 1:45 pm

**Swiss - with a Twist!**

Many players have expressed a concern over the length of games in online Swiss.  As well, they are concerned that the ACBL masterpoints awarded in long games are not in synch with the time and effort required.

We hope we have come up with a solution that suits more players.

·         Flighted Swiss Teams will be held over two sessions

o   Maximum of four matches per session

§  each session 20-24 boards, depending upon flight and field size

o   4-person teams only

o   Matches are non-stratified, but opponents with similar records are matched

·         Each session will be scored independently and ACBL masterpoints awarded for each session

·         Players do not have to play both sessions

o   Enter one or both sessions, as you prefer

o   Team composition may be changed between sessions

Prizes: At the conclusion of the second session a manual calculation will be made on the basis of total victory points earned per player over the two sessions

o   Top 4 individual players (and ties) in each flight will receive $25 in BBO credits

o   Players must play both sessions in the same flight to qualify for BBO credits

Swiss Schedule

          Session 1 – Sunday Aug 8

                0-750 Flight   9:30 am

 Open Flight 9:45 am

 Session 2 – Sunday Aug 8

                0-750 Flight   1:30 pm

 Open Flight 1:45 pm

**Registering for Swiss**(Amended July 25)

No pre-registration is required.  Swiss team games will proceed as long as we have a minimum of 4 teams entered per session.

**BBO Entry Procedures**

You need to have a team of 4 (only 4, and you may not switch partners once the game begins, however, you may switch between sessions of a multi-session event.)

•        **Invite your partner**, just as you would for a VACB pairs game. (You are the Inviter of the pair.)

•        When partner accepts, your pair will be added to the list in the ***Select Teammates*** screen.

•        When you see your team’s other pair on this screen, the Inviter must click on them to select them.

•        Only the Inviter of the second pair will see the invitation to join the team.

•        Once the invitation is successful, the entire team will move as a unit to the ***Entries*** tab.

Please be back online**at least ten minutes** before the game is slated to begin.   IMPORTANT – if you are not online when the game begins, it WILL start without you. Your teammates will then be seated in the game, and you and partner will be on the sidelines, not in the game!

Matches will happen automatically

•        BBO will first match you with a team that has close to your team’s combined masterpoints.

•        Each subsequent match will be created by like VPs won.

•        Using the Danish Swiss rules, BBO allows replays between teams not near the top of the field.

 If you have any questions, contact Jed Drew.