

# 13 Top Tricks Bridge Club



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## January 2025 News

### News and Upcoming Games

Cold and flu season is upon us. If you are not feeling well, please stay home until you recover. Play online instead! Don't worry... your partner will understand.

Starting on Monday evening, January 7 we are introducing a newcomer game. This game will take place at 7 pm. We'll play 18 boards and at least one member of each partnership must have 20 MP or less. **The entire month of January the Newcomer game is FREE.** Our open game will take place as usual at 7 pm and will be a separate event. Pizza will still be served. January is Junior Fund month. Every game will be run as an extra Masterpoint game. \$1 of every play will go to our under 25 bridge players to cover their travel expenses.

Our monthly Tuesday Swiss team game will take place on January 7<sup>th</sup>. This game will be a Grand National Teams Qualifier. Points are 50% red, 50% black and you can qualify to play in the D19 finals.

On Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 10 am we will have an annual meeting. During this meeting, I will discuss how the club is doing and our plans for the future. I will also be announcing the 2024 winners of the Aitken Cup. The Aitken Cup is awarded to one player in each of 3 categories who earned the most Masterpoints at 13 Top Tricks in a calendar year. The three categories are based on how many Masterpoints you had on January 1 of each year—0-500, 500-2500 or 2500+. Winners will have their names engraved on the trophy.

### Thinking Bridge: Becoming and Intimidating Defender.

Our new Thinking Bridge class with Coach Al begins on January 8. In this class you will learn to find clues from the auction and the play to become a deadly defender. You're on defense 50% of the time so improve your defense and improve your score. Table or laptop required. Register at [bridgwhiz.org](http://bridgwhiz.org).

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 11 am open Junior Fund	2 11 am open Junior Fund	3 11 am open Junior Fund	4 10 am Coached Play 1 pm open Junior Fund
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