

Pro-series Bridge Seminars
Final Report
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West Hillhurst Community Centre / May 4 to June 29 / Unit 390 "Pro-Series" Seminars

The Spring "Pro-Series" Series of lessons was sponsored by the Calgary Unit 390 and presented by experienced bridge players from the Unit.

- attendance numbers ranged from 21 - 33 per seminar
- 142 attended at \$12.00 per person = \$1,704.00
- room rental fees = \$393.76
- presenter remuneration = \$900.00
- photocopying, supplies etc. = \$67.75
- balance = \$342.49

In general, the feedback was very positive for presenters and topics covered and effort put forth by all involved with this series. Some wanted more "hands on" lessons which is very difficult to do in this forum. Suggested topics for future were: defensive play, more play of the hand, squeezes, dealing with interference, bidding, slam bidding and cue bidding.

Some presenters suggested that the students be registered in groups based upon student experience level. The seminar content could then be designed to suit each group. However, it seems that many of the attendees were very keen, novices and without them we wouldn't have had a very good turn out. A total of 25 people registered and then didn't show up and copies were made and chairs set up in advance which was frustrating.

- #1 - May 4 - "Modern Hand Evaluation" by Martin McDonald
- #2 - May 11 - "So You've Evaluated Your Hand..Now Bid the Best Contract" by Abdul Fakhir
- #3 - May 25- ""Signals" by Janet Dunbar & Chris Galbraith
- #4 - June 1 - "Play of the Hand" by Dann Kramer
- #5 - June 8 - "Opening Leads" by Barry Pashak
- #6 - June 29 - "Making Sense of the Odds" by Nicholas and Judith Gartaganis

Thanks to all presenters for a job well done.

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