

Daily Bulletin ♠

Enjoy Phoenix in August!
August 15-21, 2016

Phoenix Desert Empire Regional

Talking Stick Resort, Scottsdale, Arizona

Tournament Chair: JoAnne Lowe ♠ Director: Gary Zeiger

Tuesday, August 16

Morning Side Game Series (1 of 5)	9:30 a.m.
199er Pairs (single sessions)	9:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
A/B/C Stratified Open Pairs (2-session event)	9:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
Gold Rush Pairs (2-session event)	9:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
Agave Bracketed Knockout Teams (2 - 4 of 4)	9:30 a.m., 1:30 & 7:15 p.m.
Afternoon Side Game Series (1 of 5)	1:30 p.m.
Barrel Bracketed Knockout Teams (1 & 2 of 4)	1:30 & 7:15 p.m.
Stratified Open Swiss (single session)	7:15 p.m.
Evening Side Game Series (2 of 6)	7:15 p.m.

Guest Speaker

Tuesday, August 16

Bob Morris

"Opening Leads"



Bob Morris, 57, lives in Houston, Texas, where he is in constant demand as a bridge teacher and professional partner. He has acquired 20,000 masterpoints (Grand Life Master) including two NABC wins, plus more than 300 regional wins. A high school math teacher many years ago, Bob has also taught bridge all over the world on many cruises.

Registration Desk

Players, be sure to visit the Registration Desk as soon as possible. Registering entitles you to a welcome packet including a convention card holder and this year's version of our traditional and popular Kokopelli decal. Also, you can find information there concerning local restaurants, upcoming sectionals and regionals.



Your registration card will be used for door prize drawings. You don't have to be present to win, but make sure you claim your prize at the Registration Desk by the end of the tournament. Winners will be drawn daily beginning today.

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"Balancing"

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championships including the prestigious Von Zedwitz Life Master Pairs. Mark resides in Newport Beach, Calif., and when not playing bridge enjoys tennis, skiing, fishing, hiking and spending time with Sandy, and with his two college age daughters Christina and Michelle.



Thursday, August 18

Mike Passell

"Everything You Always Wanted to Know about When to Cover an Honor with an Honor"

Mike is an ACBL Hall of Fame member and one of the League's top masterpoint holders with more than 80,000. He has won three world championships and dozens of national titles including two wins in the Summer NABC in Washington last month. He is always friendly at the table with a great sense of humor. Mike and wife Nancy (also a world champion) live in Dallas.



Friday, August 19

Curtis Cheek

"Your Partner Overcalls ... Now What?"

Curtis is a full time bridge professional who has won five NABC championships including

the prestigious Vanderbilt Teams, Reisinger B-A-M Teams and Life Master Open Pairs. Curtis, a Grand Life Master, has earned more than 40,000 masterpoints. A popular figure on the tournament trail, Curtis is a fun partner and opponent, but tough competitor. Curtis and wife Phyllis live in Las Vegas.



Saturday, August 20

Marc Jacobus

"Questions & Answers"

Marc is a World Class pro with more than 40,000 masterpoints. He is 14th on the ACBL Grand Life Master list. Marc has won numerous national

championships and a gold medal in the World Bridge Federation Senior Teams. He lives in Las Vegas with his wife Brenda.

Partnership Desk

Do you need a partner or assistance putting a team together? Come to our Partnership Desk. Unit 354 can proudly proclaim we have assembled a great team to assist you. The Partnership chair Anne Marie Harrington and her experienced volunteers will do their best to accommodate your needs. We service all strats of players for all events.

You will need to fill out a Partnership card with some basic information such as your name, number of masterpoints, bidding system preference, and a number at which you may be reached. Remember, telephone numbers should be how to reach you at the tourney, not your home number. We cannot always guarantee a good “fit” for a partner, but we do guarantee we’ll try our very best.

Tournament Notes

Daily Results can be found on Bridge Results and also on ACBL Live.

Daily Bulletins will be downloaded each night on the unit website: *unit354.com*

Vendors in the Lobby

Jan’s Collectibles – purses & clothing
Bergen Raffle: Chance to win a trip to Orlando to play with Marty Bergen

Fragrance Free: At the tournament please keep the playing area fragrance free. For everyone’s comfort, we thanks you.

Cell phone rule: Make the directors happy that they don’t have to assess you penalties (quarter board) if yours rings.

Blue Coyote Cantina

The Blue Coyote Cantina is the ideal spot for those who seek a true Southwestern experience here in Scottsdale.

Today at Blue Coyote Cantina enjoy \$2.00 Tacos from 4:00-10:00 p.m. Choose Your favorite Tacos from:

- Veggie
- Carne Asada
- Chicken Tinga
- Carnita
- Barbacoa
- Yucatan Shrimp
- Al Pastor

Etiquette



The I/N Crowd – By **Rod Bias**
Ten Duplicate Bridge Tips Every I/N (0–199) Needs to Know (part 1 of 2)

1. **Socialize before** and after deals. Be “all business” when cards are in your hand. Do not engage in extraneous conversation or talk at the table once you have removed your cards from the boards. Even in an informal game, your vocabulary for the auction is limited to 15 words: pass, the numbers one through seven, double, redouble, spades, hearts, diamonds, clubs and notrump. “I bid one club,” contains too many words. Slow passes, fast doubles, loud overcalls, etc., are unacceptable behavior.

2. **If you are the dummy**, you have limited rights. For the dummy to go around the table and look at declarer’s hand (or exchange hands with partner) is unacceptable. The dummy is an active participant at the table charged with turning cards for partner and preventing partner from revoking or leading from the wrong hand.

3. **Do not write down** the contract in your convention card until after three consecutive passes. Writing it down prematurely is practically the same as to telling your partners you want them to pass.

4. **Make your opening** lead face down on the table. At the same time you should say, “Questions, partner?” When you are not the opening leader, your partner and/or the opponents will tell you.

5. **Be a good partner.** Regard your partner with respect. Never “teach” in front of others. Remind yourself that for the duration of the session, your partner is your best friend and part of your responsibility is to make your only teammate’s life and decisions as easy as possible. (See page 5)

Yesterday's Winners

Pro-Am Pairs



Kim Corbin
Eric Shoberg 1st
Dave Certa Pro



Kim Corbin
Joan Ivey Pro
Harvey Lowe 2nd



Kim Corbin
Virginia Chernis 3rd

Upcoming Speaker

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Tournament Photos

Winners & New Life Masters

Please get your pictures taken. Meet Bonnie Bagley, Suzette Wynn or JoAnne Lowe, our friendly photographers, in the hall next to the registration desk at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. If you can't make it then, send us a selfie at bonnie@bonniebagleyd17.com or pnutlowe@cox.net with the names as they appear from left to right and the event you won. Your photos will appear in the District 17 *ScoreCard of Contract Bridge League*.

Fish Bowl Drawing

Be sure to try your luck at guessing the number of cards at the fish bowl for a daily prize basket. Fish bowl winners will be listed in the following day's Daily Bulletin

Fish Bowl Winner: Mark Golon

Door Prize Winners

Sue Rosen, Lil Zisook. Patricia Sohler. Jo Harris. Barbara Pianin, Linda Tipton, Ewoud Van Goch, Michael Grossfeld.

Meet our Directors

Gary Zeiger, Phoenix, Ariz.

Eric Bell, Henderson, Nev.

Patty Holmes, Las Vegas, Nev.

Ken Horwedel, Las Vegas, Nev.

William Kohler Albuquerque, N.M.

Bill Michael, Florissant, Colo.

Linda Mitchell, Phoenix, Ariz

Kevin Perkins Austin, Tex.

Sam Stoxen, Denver, Colo.

Meet our Staff

Chairman: JoAnne Lowe

Photos: Bonnie Bagley,

JoAnne Lowe, Suzette Wynn

Hospitality: Heather Cook

Partnership: Anne Marie Harrington

Pro-Am Chair: Murali Nair

Bulletin Editor: Ken Monzingo

Talking Stick Eateries

Black Fig Coffee & Bistro

This express service bistro just feet off the gaming floor features fresh Peet's Coffee, Tea and Lattes along with delicious handcrafted sandwiches, specialty pizzas, delectable appetizers, fresh soups and salads. Make a play for the Valley's best in-casino, quick service restaurant at Talking Stick's Black Fig Coffee & Bistro.

Blue Coyote Café

Casual dining and Sushi in Scottsdale has been perfected at Talking Stick Resort™. Our Blue Coyote Café serves hotel guests and visitors 24 hours a day from a menu of mouth-watering American cuisine with a Southwest flair. Upscale, but casual, Blue Coyote maintains a welcoming décor with indoor-outdoor restaurant seating and a wonderful view of our main hotel pools.

Ocean Trail Lunch and Dinner

Experience a taste of New Orleans in Scottsdale, just off the casino floor at Ocean Trail. The height of sophistication with its sleek, modern décor, Ocean Trail delights not only your taste buds with exceptional seafood, but your sense of style as well.

- 11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Tues to Thurs
- 11:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday
- Lunch Specials Tuesday through Friday

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By Rod Bias

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5. Always root for your partner to do the right thing. If "pard" misplays or misguesses, sympathize and console – pard feels worse than you do. You not only make the situation more pleasant, you make it more rewarding in personal and practical ways: Your partner will play better; you will play better; your results will be better.

6. Play up to speed. In polls to find what players' biggest bridge pet peeve is, slow play was clearly the winner! You are given seven minutes per board, which should be plenty of time for even the toughest hands. To wait for your opponents to arrive at the table while the clock ticks is irritating ... and your time to play the next round is being devoured. Equally, if not more irritating, is to be *East/West* and have to wait for people you are following to vacate your chairs. To stand and wait without people thinking you are watching other boards being played is awkward. Remember, no one cares how well you play, only how fast!

7. Bid in tempo. Bidding too fast or thinking too long before bidding could send unauthorized information to your partner. If you pass too quickly, it seems you have no interest in this deal. If you pause for a long time, you probably have choices to make and can't decide which action is best.

8. Play in tempo. If you take too long to play a card, you send the message you have a problem. Never hesitate before playing a singleton. You have no problem, and planting the idea that you do have a problem is highly unethical.

9. Never (ever) postmortem at the table. You can't afford to use mental energy rehashing the past. Keep it in the past. Put aside a bad result and start fresh with the next 13 cards. Successful partnerships will discuss difficult hands and situations where something went wrong after the session and in private.

10. Call the director. Many newcomers are afraid to call the director because they fear it makes the atmosphere unfriendly. The director's task is to alleviate stress, actually making the event more fun. By calling, you will ensure fairness for everybody, not just you and your opponents.

Duplicate bridge is a sport – the director (like a basketball referee) must touch the ball to get it back into play.

Charity Pairs

MONDAY AFT CHARITY PAIRS

38.5 Tables

A	B	C		
14.29	1		Kathy Litterman, Scottsdale AZ; Tim Keller, Orangevale CA	613.89
10.72	2		Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Joan Cremin, Paradise Valley AZ	609.05
8.04	3		Edward Zuckerberg, Los Altos Hills CA; Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV	599.05
6.03	4		Dena Goldston, Phoenix AZ; Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV	594.05
9.19	5	1	Dan Wax - Linda Tucker, Scottsdale AZ	570.89
6.89	6	2	Daniel Nelson, Phoenix AZ; Michael Smith, Tucson AZ	568.55
5.17	7	3	Richard Nordeng - Ann Nordeng, Waunakee WI	564.36
3.98	8	4	Gloria Holtzman - Robert Galler, Scottsdale AZ	556.55
2.35	9		Dwight Bender, London ON; Ewoud Van Goch, St Thomas ON	554.95
1.68	10		Barbara Flanagan - Michael Flanagan, Scottsdale AZ	553.89
2.91	11	5	Patricia Sohler, Sun Lakes AZ; Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ	548.92
2.35	12	6	Barbara Woltz, Miami FL; Sonya Glasser, Lakewood Ranch FL	545.34
2.99	13	7	Deborah Watson, Mesa AZ; Michelle Steiner, Chandler AZ	540.58
1.68	14		Frank Leonard, Tempe AZ; Joyce Perlstein, Scottsdale AZ	538.36
1.23		8	Patricia Plummer, Albuquerque NM; Lois Tracey, Scottsdale AZ	536.95
1.17		9	Carron Landau - Linda Ehrlich, Scottsdale AZ	524.05
2.24		3	James Peters - Rosemary Peters, Peoria AZ	520.42
1.68		4	Sharon Berglund, Parker CO; Arjun Singh, Lakewood CO	517.29
1.30		5	Sara Corey, Indio CA; Deann Young, Palm Desert CA	516.95
0.94		6	Pat Sandler - Marilyn Abramson, Scottsdale AZ	515.55

MONDAY AFT CHARITY PAIRS ONLY SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION J		EAST-WEST	
A	B	C	A	B	C	
1			1	1		Daniel Nelson, Phoenix AZ; Michael Smith, Tucson AZ 568.55
			2	2	1	Gloria Holtzman - Robert Galler, Scottsdale AZ 556.55
2	1		3	3		Patricia Sohler, Sun Lakes AZ; Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ 548.92
3	2		4	4		Carron Landau - Linda Ehrlich, Scottsdale AZ 524.05
4	3	1	5			Wilma Krueger - Dee Horwitz, Scottsdale AZ 523.05
5	4			2		James Peters - Rosemary Peters, Peoria AZ 520.42
		2				
		3				

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION K		EAST-WEST	
A	B	C	A	B	C	
1	1		1			Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Joan Cremin, Paradise Valley AZ 609.05
2			2			Edward Zuckerberg, Los Altos Hills CA; Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV 599.05
3			3	1		Honey Klein - Bill Berry, Scottsdale AZ 501.55
4	2	1	4			Martin Coppe - Jean Joseph, Scottsdale AZ 491.42
5			5	2		Carol Warner, Phoenix AZ; Andrea Miller, Victoria BC 475.42
	3			3	1	Alan Stone, Scottsdale AZ; S Edward Hargest, Cave Creek AZ 467.24
	4	2		4		Liselotte Pouh, Carefree AZ; Jeffrey Arenson, Scottsdale AZ 427.61
				2		Robert Glantz - Kay Glantz, Sun Lakes AZ 424.11

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION N	EAST-WEST			
A	B	C		A	B	C	
1	1	Richard Nordeng - Ann Nordeng, Waunakee WI	564.36	1		Dena Goldston, Phoenix AZ; Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV	594.05
2	2	Barbara Woltz, Miami FL; Sonya Glasser, Lakewood Ranch FL	545.34	2		Sara Carlson - William Carlson Jr, Thousand Oaks CA	537.20
3		Frank Leonard, Tempe AZ; Joyce Perlstein, Scottsdale AZ	538.36	3		David Abelow, La Jolla CA; Martha Roth, San Diego CA	527.55
4	3	1 Sharon Berglund, Parker CO; Arjun Singh, Lakewood CO	517.29	4	1	Sally Hale - Jeffrey Rogers, Alpine CA	513.61
5	4	2 Pat Sandler - Marilyn Abramson, Scottsdale AZ	515.55	5	2	Eva Berlin - Monique Greene, Scottsdale AZ	500.05
	5	Alan Salem, Scottsdale AZ; Fred Batko, Phoenix AZ	496.65		3	Jo Ellen Amrine - Frank Amrine, Moore SC	498.11
					4	Jo Ann Lee - Jeanne Wiley, Scottsdale AZ	486.11
					1	Bradley Leach, Oro Valley AZ; John McKethen, Tucson AZ	465.05

Pro-Am Pairs

39.5 Tables

11.67	1	David Certa, Phoenix AZ; Eric Shoberg, Oro Valley AZ	637.12
8.75	2	Joan Ivey, Litchfield Park AZ; Harvey Lowe, Tempe AZ	626.30
6.56	3	Douglas Allan, Lincoln CA; Virginia Chernis, Scottsdale AZ	626.12
4.92	4	Cynde Lere, Flagstaff AZ; Jerry Gaer, Scottsdale AZ	611.20
3.69	5	Madeline Bloom - Catherine Wallace, Scottsdale AZ	606.38
2.80	6	Stephen Weiner, Scottsdale AZ; Cindy Shoemaker, Marana AZ	601.62
2.08	7	James Lenertz, Scottsdale AZ; Linda Grissom, Tucson AZ	601.20
1.56	8	Murali Nair, Phoenix AZ; Sandy Crickette, Chandler AZ	599.92
1.34	9	Rodney Bias, Phoenix AZ; Cheryl Lurie, Avondale AZ	596.42
1.96	10	Ann Allen, Phoenix AZ; Alfred Oakland, Tucson AZ	577.55
1.40	11	Renay Danto Weiner, Scottsdale AZ; Lois Bartels, Sun City West AZ	574.84

MONDAY AFT		PRO-AM PAIRS ONLY SESSION		
NORTH-SOUTH		SECTION G	EAST-WEST	
1	Stephen Weiner, Scottsdale AZ; Cindy Shoemaker, Marana AZ	601.62	1 Marvin Schenk, Scottsdale AZ; Monica Quinlan, Tucson AZ	525.88
2	Ann Allen, Phoenix AZ; Alfred Oakland, Tucson AZ	577.55	2 Paul Glick, Phoenix AZ; Steven Western, Prescott AZ	523.88
3	Renay Danto Weiner, Scottsdale AZ; Lois Bartels, Sun City West AZ	574.84	3 Marianne Spanier, Scottsdale AZ; Juliette Mushahwar, Phoenix AZ	520.92
4	Adair Karlin, Tucson AZ; Linda Jacobs, Scottsdale AZ	547.63	4 Norma Arlen - Don Murray, Scottsdale AZ	515.25
5	Vernon Hoover, Tempe AZ; Edwin Kilburn, Scottsdale AZ	543.42	5 Judy McNaughton, Scottsdale AZ; Jo Harris, Sun City AZ	513.80
6	David Folger, Lincoln CA; Marilyn Glasberg, Scottsdale AZ	521.17	6 Mark Robertson, Phoenix AZ; Joe Biehl, Sun City West AZ	511.38

NORTH-SOUTH		SECTION H	EAST-WEST		
1	Douglas Allan, Lincoln CA; Virginia Chernis, Scottsdale AZ	626.12	1	Cynde Lere, Flagstaff AZ; Jerry Gaer, Scottsdale AZ	611.20
2	Alice Bendheim, Phoenix AZ; Ronald Bliss, Oro Valley AZ	548.95	2	Madeline Bloom - Catherine Wallace, Scottsdale AZ	606.38
3	Robert Craig, El Paso TX; Anita Eyring, Sun City West AZ	511.95	3	Murali Nair, Phoenix AZ; Sandy Crickette, Chandler AZ	599.92
4	Ernie Ivey, Litchfield Park AZ; Ellen Tryba, Scottsdale AZ	506.62	4	Daniel Coughenour, Fountain Hills AZ; Bruce Urben, Scottsdale AZ	562.55
5	Stephanie Haddy - Joanna Rieth, Scottsdale AZ	494.08	5	Tom Reid, Gilbert AZ; Lynne Holmes, Scottsdale AZ	560.88

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1	David Certa, Phoenix AZ; Eric Shoberg, Oro Valley AZ	637.12	1	Joan Ivey, Litchfield Park AZ; Harvey Lowe, Tempe AZ	626.30
2	Timothy Mann - Mary Murphy, Scottsdale AZ	557.70	2	James Lenertz, Scottsdale AZ; Linda Grissom, Tucson AZ	601.20
3	David Stewart - Nancy Flaker, Sun City AZ	532.12	3	Rodney Bias, Phoenix AZ; Cheryl Lurie, Avondale AZ	596.42
4	Allan Deserpa, Tempe AZ; Judy Lamers, Sun Lakes AZ	526.62	4	Adele Verkamp, Phoenix AZ; Christine Colonna, Scottsdale AZ	572.80
5	Joan Beuchel, Scottsdale AZ; Virginia Brier, Tucson AZ	516.62	5	Edwin Katten, Cave Creek AZ; Stephen Ames, Scottsdale AZ	527.92

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Morning Side Game Series (2 of 5).....	9:30 a.m.
Cholla Bracketed Knockout Teams (1 of 3)	9:30 a.m.
199er Pairs (single sessions)	9:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
A/B/C Stratified Open Pairs (2-session event).....	9:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
Gold Rush Pairs (2-session event)	9:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
Afternoon Side Game Series (2 of 5)	1:30 p.m.
Ocotillo Bracketed Knockout Teams (1 & 2 of 4).....	1:30 & 7:15 p.m.
Barrel Bracketed Knockout Teams (3 & 4 of 4).....	1:30 & 7:15 p.m.
Stratified Open Swiss (single session)	7:15 p.m.
Evening Side Game Series (3 of 6)	7:15 p.m.

Thursday, August 18 (Goodwill Day)

Morning Side Game Series (3 of 5).....	9:30 a.m.
Cholla Bracketed Knockout Teams (2 of 3)	9:30 a.m.
A/B/C Stratified Open Pairs (2-session event).....	9:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
199er Pairs (single sessions)	9:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
Afternoon Side Game Series (3 of 5)	1:30 p.m.
Ocotillo Bracketed Knockout Teams (3 & 4 of 4).....	1:30 & 7:15 p.m.
Strati-Flighted Swiss (2-session event).....	1:30 & 7:15 p.m.
Evening Side Game Series (4 of 6)	7:15 p.m.



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