



District 25, American Contract Bridge League

New England Units of the ACBL

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The New England Summer Regional Tournament in Sturbridge, MA June 18-24, 2012

Today's Schedule:

Tuesday, June 19		
9:00 AM	<i>Mon-Tues Compact Knockout continues (no new entries)</i>	2 nd round
10:00 AM	GOLD RUSH Swiss Teams (stratified at 0-300, 300-750, continues at 2:00)	1 st session
	"Daylight" Stratified Open Pairs (continues at 2:30)	1 st session
	Intermediate / Newcomer Pairs	
1:00 PM	Stratified by average Open Swiss Teams (continues 7:00)	1 st session
	Side Game (Mon-Tues-Wed Series)	
2:00 PM	Intermediate / Newcomer Pairs	
	<i>Gold Rush Swiss Teams continues (no new entries)</i>	2 nd session
2:30 PM	<i>Daylight Open Pairs continues</i>	2 nd session
7:00 PM	<i>Stratified Open Swiss Teams continues (no new entries)</i>	2 nd session
	Side Game (Mon-Tues-Wed Series)	
	Intermediate / Newcomer Pairs	

STRATA & FLIGHT BREAKS:

A: 3000+; B: 750-3000; C: 0-750; Newcomer: 0-299, stratified

Zero Tolerance

Zero Tolerance is in effect at all District 25 tournaments. What can we do to make sure it works? Here's what Dick Budd, District 25 recorder, has to say:

Occasionally, your opponents do something you find rude or unethical. Most players simply do nothing at the time, and then complain loudly to their friends. This course of action leads the offenders to believe their actions are tolerated, and your friends that Zero Tolerance isn't working.

*If you are subjected to rude and/or unethical behavior, call the director at the time of the incident. Report what happened, and ask for a **player memo**. Fill it out and hand it in. Every complaint will be investigated, and suitable action will be taken.*

Help us make Zero Tolerance work, and make playing bridge even more enjoyable for all, from beginner to expert.

Useful Information

Active Ethics	Want to promote active ethics? When someone makes that extra effort to practice what we all preach, make sure that person is made to feel appreciated. Tell us, and the Bulletin will tell the world.
Change of Address	If your address or other information is wrong, please let the directors and Memphis know.
Give me a hand!	“Everyone has a story worth telling.” If you have any interesting or amusing hands, stories, anecdotes, or announcements, please pass them along for inclusion in the Daily Bulletin. Give them to the bulletin editor (tournament director David Metcalf) or to any tournament director, or email them to bulletin@nebridge.org
New Life Masters	Please let us know when, in what event, partner and teammates, and tell us about any special or interesting circumstances.
Smoking	There is no smoking anywhere near the playing area.
District Web Site	Check out the NEW AND IMPROVED District 25 Web site!!! It is full of interesting and useful information. Check it out at www.nebridge.org .
Cell Phones	Please remember to turn off all cell phones and other electronic communication devices before entering the playing area.



OFFICIAL ACBL SLOW PLAY POLICY

If you are a habitually (or even occasionally) slow player, you should be aware that there are new rules governing your conduct at the bridge table. These new, stricter rules *will* be applied at this and future tournaments.

The ACBL Board of Directors approved unanimously a new policy, based on references to slow play regulations in the Laws of Duplicate Bridge. Their motion read,

“When a pair has fallen behind, it is incumbent on them to make up the time lost as quickly as possible, *whether at fault or not*. All players are expected to make a concerted effort to catch up when they have fallen behind, regardless of the reason for their lateness.

“In the absence of compelling evidence to the contrary, the director should presume that a pair finishing a round late by more than two or three minutes on more than one occasion during a session is responsible for the lateness. There is a strong expectation that the director will penalize such a pair. The size of the penalty will tend to increase for subsequent instances of slow play and for chronic or egregious slow play. While warnings typically will be given before a penalty is assessed, failure to do so in no way limits the director’s authority to issue a penalty.”

Slow play, as opposed to careful or thoughtful play, is discourteous to your opponents -- and to all other competitors as well. Players and pairs who take more than their allotted time will be subject to penalty. And if you do fall behind, *even if through no fault of your own*, you nevertheless have a clear obligation to get caught up as soon as possible.

Event Defenders

TUESDAY A/X SWISS TEAMS

- A Howard Piltch - Loraine Kieley - Bud Hinckley, South Bend IN;
Haven Sharaf, Danvers MA; William Irving, Methuen MA

- X Ray Pfeister, Bronxville NY; Michael McNamara, White Plains NY;
Adam Parrish, Arlington MA; Adam Kaplan, New Port Richey FL

GOLD RUSH SWISS TEAMS

- 0-750 Richard Lebel, Danielson CT; Phanindra Chakraborty, Putnam CT;
Barry Buehler, East Lyme CT; Paul Stanton, Woodstock CT

- 0-500 Richard Lebel, Phanindra Chakraborty, Barry Buehler, Paul Stanton

- 0-300 Richard Healy, Westboro MA; James Buss, Westborough MA;
Steven Diamond, Shrewsbury MA; Sam Shoushtarian, Natick MA

TUESDAY DAYLIGHT OPEN PAIRS

- A Mark Stasiewski, Meriden CT; Paul Carrier, Southington CT
- B Mark Stasiewski, Paul Carrier
- C Dorothy Lamson, Smithfield RI; Beverly Blazar, Providence RI



Reminder



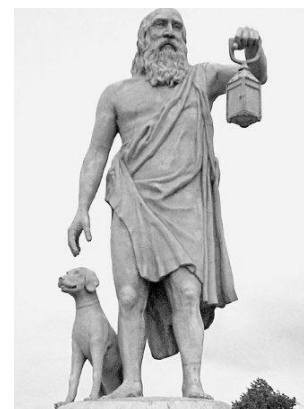
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Seeking Nominations for the Larry Weiss Award

The New England Bridge Conference, District 25, periodically awards the Larry Weiss Trophy, which is inscribed: "For Grace and Skill at the Bridge Table". There are three criteria for the award:

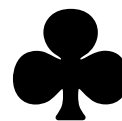
1. Some degree of success in contract bridge during the year for which the award is made.
2. Some degree of association with New England Bridge.
3. Notably, superior behavior and gracious presence at the bridge table.



Members of District 25 are encouraged to nominate a deserving individual for this award. Please e-mail nominations to Jim Rasmussen at jrras@aol.com.

In most years, the district has voted on this award in the fall. For further information on the history of this award and names of past recipients, consult the District 25 website, click on "Officers and Administration"; you will find the link at the bottom of the page.

299er Bridge News



Come join the fun...

0-299er Program!



Newcomers and Intermediates

...with Sue Miguel



Welcome to the District 25

Gold Rush Tournament

→ → → **TODAY** ← ← ← 10:00 and 2:00 (two-session event)

GOLD RUSH SWISS TEAM OF FOUR GAME!

Special team game for players with under 750 points
Stratified at 0-300, 300-750

Wednesday: 10:00 and 2:00 (two-session event)

GOLD RUSH COMPACT KNOCKOUT TEAM OF FOUR GAME!

Special team game for players with under 750 points

Friday: 10:00 and 2:00 (two session event)

GOLD RUSH PAIRS

Special game for players with under 750 points
Stratified at 0-100, 100-300, 300-750



I/N Event Schedule:

DAY	GAME	TIMES
Tuesday	Stratified Pairs Gold Rush Swiss Teams	10:00, 2:00, 7:00 10:00 and 2:00
Wednesday	Stratified Pairs Gold Rush Compact KOs	10:00, 2:00, 7:00 10:00 and 2:00
Thursday	Stratified Pairs	10:00, 2:00, 7:00
Friday	Stratified Pairs Gold Rush Pairs	10:00, 2:00, 7:30 10:00 and 2:00
Saturday	Stratified Pairs	10:00, 2:00, 7:00
Sunday	Swiss Teams	10:00

all events except Gold Rush games are single session

Join us for...

Free morning coffee • Free snacks

Door prizes • Trophies • Hand analysis • Free bridge lessons • Fun • Surprises
... and a whole lot more!!

Monday Evening Side Game

16.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.94	1			Rhoda Kratenstein, Albany NY; Shannon Cappelletti, Delray Beach FL	68.37%
2.96	2			Paul Wolf II, Shrewsbury MA; Lloyd Arvedon, Natick MA	64.39%
2.22	3			Sheila Gabay, Newton MA; Lewis Gamerman, Westwood MA	63.64%
3.64	4	1		Sonya Gower - Horace Gower, Freeport ME	60.42%
2.73	5	2		Ausra Geaski, Manchester CT; Jonna Robinson, San Jose CA	58.71%
2.05	6	3		Brian Duran, Medford MA; John Stern, Apple Valley MN	57.20%
1.57		4		Myron Siegel - Judith Siegel, Delray Beach FL	56.63%
3.03		5	1	Carrington Greenidge, Olean NY; Sandra Monachino, Vernon CT	55.11%
2.27		6	2	Sandy Desilets, Groton VT; Rhoda Chickering, E Montpelier VT	54.73%
1.70			3	Dominique Schneider, Old Brookville NY; Elyse Berger, Bayside NY	49.81%
1.28			4	Richard Fronapfel - Susan Fronapfel, Danbury CT	49.05%
0.96			5	Lisa Allison, Lee NH; Nancy Hornbeck, Durham NH	48.67%
0.72			6	Van Whitehead - Judith Whitehead, Ottawa ON	48.30%

SECTION H

NORTH-SOUTH

A	B	C		
1			Rhoda Kratenstein, Albany NY; Shannon Cappelletti, Delray Beach FL	68.37%
2			Sheila Gabay, Newton MA; Lewis Gamerman, Westwood MA	63.64%
3	1		Ausra Geaski, Manchester CT; Jonna Robinson, San Jose CA	58.71%
4	2		Myron Siegel - Judith Siegel, Delray Beach FL	56.63%
5	3	1	Dominique Schneider, Old Brookville NY; Elyse Berger, Bayside NY	49.81%
6	4		Bari Boyer - Carol Seager, Worcester MA	49.24%
	5	2	Richard Fronapfel - Susan Fronapfel, Danbury CT	49.05%
6/7			Sally Kirtley, North Granby CT; Helen Pawlowski, Westfield MA	47.73%
6/7	3		John Nelson - Linda Nelson, Arlington VT	47.73%
	4		Robert Alfandary - Susan Nurock, Lafayette CA	47.54%

SECTION H

EAST-WEST

A	B	C		
1			Paul Wolf II, Shrewsbury MA; Lloyd Arvedon, Natick MA	64.39%
2	1		Sonya Gower - Horace Gower, Freeport ME	60.42%
3	2		Brian Duran, Medford MA; John Stern, Apple Valley MN	57.20%
4	3	1	Carrington Greenidge, Olean NY; Sandra Monachino, Vernon CT	55.11%
5	4	2	Sandy Desilets, Groton VT; Rhoda Chickering, E Montpelier VT	54.73%
6			Haven Sharaf, Danvers MA; Bill Irvine, Quincy MA	53.79%
	5	3	Lisa Allison, Lee NH; Nancy Hornbeck, Durham NH	48.67%
	4		Van Whitehead - Judith Whitehead, Ottawa ON	48.30%

Monday Evening 299er Game

3.5 Tables

	A	B	C		
0.00	1			Sandra Monachino, Vernon CT; Carrington Greenidge, Olean NY	55.11%
1.49	2			Sarah Witte - Breck Witte, New York NY	46.59%
1.11	3			Anthony Larosa - Audrey Larosa, Lynnfield MA	46.02%

SECTION ZZ

A	B	C		
1			Sandra Monachino, Vernon CT; Carrington Greenidge, Olean NY	55.11%
2			Sarah Witte - Breck Witte, New York NY	46.59%
3	1	1	Anthony Larosa - Audrey Larosa, Lynnfield MA	46.02%
	2		Maureen Walsh, West Hartford CT; Julie Guglielmo, Wolcott CT	40.34%



Upcoming Nearby Regionals:

**DISTRICT 3 SUMMER REGIONAL
JULY 30 - AUGUST 5, 2012**

Parsippany, NJ

**Sheraton Parsippany Hotel
Room rate: \$119 + tax**

**973-515-2000
Reservations deadline: July 16**

**DISTRICT 25 NEW ENGLAND “FIESTA” REGIONAL
AUGUST 27-SEPT 2, 2012**

Warwick, RI

**Warwick Crowne Plaza Hotel
Room rate: \$89 + tax**

**401-732-6000
Reservations deadline: Aug 10**

Upcoming District 25 sectionals:

District 25 STaC (except CT)	June 25-July 1	local clubs
Vermont Summer Sectional Tournament	July 6-8	Rutland, VT
NH Summer Sectional Tournament	July 28-29	Hudson, NH
EMBA Summer Sectional Tournament	Aug 3-5	Watertown, MA
Connecticut Summer Sectional Tournament	Aug 17-19	Greenwich, CT
Maine Lobsterfest Sectional Tournament	Aug 18-19	Portland, ME
Alleen Houle Sectional Tournament	Aug 25-26	Hudson, NH

HAVE YOU QUALIFIED YET?????

The District 25 **North American Pairs regional final** will take place Oct 20-21, in TWO locations: Flight A will play at the Hartford Bridge Club. Flight B will be held at The Bridge Spot in Woburn MA. Flight C will be held at BOTH locations (Sunday only). If you want to play in it (and compete for a district-subsidized trip to the National finals), don't forget to qualify at your local club! Clubs will be holding qualifying events throughout the months of June, July and August. You need not qualify with the person you will play with in the regional final, but you **MUST** qualify. Ask your club director when he will be holding qualifier games.

Sturbridge Tournament Schedule

TUESDAY, JUNE 19	
Stratified by average Swiss Teams (open/0-2500)	2 sessions: 1:00 and 7:00
GOLD RUSH Swiss Teams (0-750; stratified at 750/300/100)	2 sessions: 10:00 and 2:00
“Daylight” Open Pairs	2 sessions: 10:00 and 2:30
Side Games (Mon-Tues-Wed series)	One session events at 1:00 and 7:00
Stratified 299er Pairs	One session events at 10:00, 2:00, and 7:00
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20	
Wed Morn Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	2 sessions: 9:00 and 1:00
Red Point Stratified Swiss Teams	1:00 (one session)
GOLD RUSH Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams (0-750; bracketed)	2 sessions: 10:00 and 2:00
0-750 Red Point Swiss Teams	2:00 (one session)
Wed-Thurs Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	7:00 (continues Thurs 9:00)
“Daylight” Open Pairs	2 sessions: 10:00 and 2:30
Stratified Open Pairs	2 sessions: 1:00 and 7:00
Side Games (Mon-Tues-Wed series)	One session events at 1:00 and 7:00
Stratified 299er Pairs	One session events at 10:00, 2:00, and 7:00
THURSDAY, JUNE 21	
Stratified by average Swiss Teams	2 sessions: 1:00 and 7:00
“Daylight” Open Pairs	2 sessions: 10:00 and 2:30
Side Games (Thu-Fri-Sat series)	One session events at 1:00 and 7:00
Stratified 299er Pairs	One session events at 10:00, 2:00, and 7:00
FRIDAY, JUNE 22	
Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	2 sessions: 9:00 and 1:00
Flight A Knockout Teams	7:30 (continues Sat 1:00 & 7:00, Sun 10:00 & 2:00)
Flight B Bracketed Knockout Teams	7:30 (continues Sat 9:00, 1:00, & 7:00)
Red Point Stratified Swiss Teams	1:00 (one session)
“Daylight” A/B Pairs	2 sessions: 10:00 and 2:30
GOLD RUSH Pairs (0-750; stratified at 750/300/100)	2 sessions: 10:00 and 2:00
Stratified Open Pairs	2 sessions: 1:00 and 7:30
Side Games (Thu-Fri-Sat series)	One session events at 1:00 and 7:30
Stratified 299er Pairs	One session events at 10:00, 2:00, and 7:30
SATURDAY, JUNE 23	
Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	2 sessions: 9:00 and 1:00
Red Point Stratified Swiss Teams	1:00 (one session)
“Daylight” Open Pairs	2 sessions: 10:00 and 2:30
Flight A/X Pairs (open/0-4000)	2 sessions: 1:00 and 7:00
Flight B/C Stratified Pairs (0-3000/0-750)	2 sessions: 1:00 and 7:00
Side Games (Thu-Fri-Sat series)	One session events at 1:00 and 7:30
Stratified 299er Pairs	One session events at 10:00, 2:00, and 7:00
SUNDAY, JUNE 24	
Bracketed Round Robin Teams	10:00: (2 sessions, short lunch break, finish by 6:00)
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	One session event at 10:00