



District 25, American Contract Bridge League

New England Units of the ACBL

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Wednesday, November 7, 2012

The New England Masters Regional Tournament in Mansfield, MA November 7-11, 2012

WELCOME! On behalf of District 25, we would like to welcome everyone to Mansfield, and the 2012 New England Fall Masters Regional tournament. We offer a full calendar of events for players at every skill level. Note in particular our expanded Gold Rush games – a 2-session Swiss Team event on Thursday, pair events on Wednesday and Friday, and a compact knockout on Saturday -- all for players with 0-750 points, and all award gold points!

Our Hospitality and Partnership desks will be open each day prior to game-time. If you need a partner, or would like information about restaurants, have questions, or need help of any sort, our volunteers will be present and eager to assist you.

We wish everyone a great stay, lots of good bridge, plenty of fun, and a bushel of masterpoints. Please feel free to call the tournament staff if any problems arise. Have a great time, and see you at the bridge table!

Today's Schedule:

Wednesday, November 7		
1:00 PM	Stratified A/B Pairs (continues at 7:00)	1 st session
	Gold Rush Pairs (stratified @0-100, 100-300, 300-750, continues at 7:00)	
	Side Game (Wed-Thu Series)	
	Intermediate / Newcomer Pairs	
7:00 PM	Wed-Thu Bracketed Random Draw Knockouts (continues Thu 9:00 AM, 1:00 PM, & 7:00 PM)	1 st round
	Stratified A/B Pairs continues (no new entries)	2 nd session
	Gold Rush Pairs continues	
	Side Game (Wed-Thu Series)	
	Intermediate / Newcomer Pairs	

STRATA & FLIGHT BREAKS:

A: 3000+; B: 750-3000; C: 0-750; Newcomer: 0-299, stratified
SENIOR EVENTS are restricted to those 55 years or older

Zero Tolerance

Zero Tolerance is in effect at all District 25 tournaments.

What can we do to make sure it works? Here is 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.

It may help to know

- 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 ACBL headquarters know.
- Give me a hand,
Tell me a story** “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 Bulletin. Give them to the bulletin editor (David Metcalf) or any tournament director, or email them to [**bulletin@nebridge.org**](mailto: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** The District 25 Web site has lots of interesting and useful information. Check it out at [**www.nebridge.org**](http://www.nebridge.org).
- Cell Phones** Please remember to turn off all cell phones and other electronic communication devices before entering the playing area.



299er Bridge News

Come join the fun...

0-299er Program!

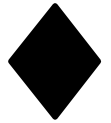
Newcomers and Intermediates

...with Sue Miguel

Welcome to the District 25

Gold Rush Tournament

>> WIN GOLD POINTS!!! <<
 Special games for players with under 750 points
 All events are two session games



Wednesday: 1:00 and 7:00

GOLD RUSH PAIRS

Thursday: 10:00 and 2:30

GOLD RUSH SWISS TEAMS

Friday: 10:00 and 2:00

GOLD RUSH PAIRS



Saturday: 10:00 and 2:00

GOLD RUSH COMPACT KNOCKOUT TEAMS

I/N Event Schedule:

DAY	GAME	TIMES
Wednesday	Gold Rush Pairs	1:00 and 7:00
	Stratified Pairs	1:00, 7:00
Thursday	Gold Rush Swiss Teams	10:00 and 2:30
	Stratified Pairs	10:00, 2:00, 7:00
Friday	Gold Rush Pairs	10:00 and 2:00
	Stratified Pairs	7:30
Saturday	Gold Rush Compact KO Teams	10:00 and 2:30
	Stratified Pairs	10:00, 2:00, 7:00
Sunday	Stratified Pairs	10:00

Tournament Schedule

Wednesday, November 7	
1 PM & 7 PM	Stratified A/B Pairs Gold Rush Pairs
1 PM, 7 PM	Side Game (Wed-Thu Series) Intermediate / Newcomer Pairs
7 PM	Bracketed Random Draw KO <i>(continues Thurs 9AM, 1PM, 7PM)</i>
Thursday, November 8	
10 AM & 2:30 PM	“Daylight” Stratified Open Pairs Gold Rush Swiss Teams <i>(2 sessions; stratified @0-100, 100-300, 300-750)</i>
9 AM, 1 PM, 7 PM	Side Game (Wed-Thu Series)
1 PM & 7 PM	Stratified <i>by average</i> Swiss Teams <i>(stratified @0-2500, open)</i>
10 AM, 2 PM, 7 PM	Intermediate/Newcomer Pairs
Friday, November 9	
9 AM & 1 PM	Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams
10 AM & 2 PM	Gold Rush Pairs <i>(2 sessions, stratified @0-100, 100-300, 300-750)</i>
10 AM & 2:30 PM	“Daylight” Stratified A/B Pairs
9 AM, 1 PM, 7:30 PM	Side Game (Fri-Sat Series)
1 PM	One Session Stratified Open Swiss Teams
7:30 PM	Flight A Championship Knockout Teams <i>(seeded)</i> <i>(continues Sat 1PM, 7PM, Sun 11 AM, TBA if needed)</i> Flight B Bracketed Knockout Teams <i>(0-3000) (continues Sat 9AM, 1PM, 7PM)</i> Intermediate/Newcomer Pairs
Saturday, November 10	
9 AM & 1 PM	Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams
10 AM & 2 PM	Gold Rush Compact KO <i>(0-750, bracketed)</i>
10 AM, 2 PM, 7 PM	Intermediate/Newcomer Pairs
10 AM & 2:30 PM	“Daylight” Stratified Open Pairs
1 PM	One Session Stratified Open Swiss Teams
2 PM	One Session Stratified 0-750 Swiss Teams
9 AM, 1 PM, 7 PM	Side Game (Fri-Sat Series)
8:30 PM	Zip KO
Sunday, November 11	
10 AM <i>(finish by 6 PM)</i>	Bracketed Round Robin Teams <i>(2 sessions, short lunch break, finish by 6:00)</i> Intermediate/Newcomer Pairs <i>(one session)</i>