



# District 25

NEW ENGLAND BRIDGE CONFERENCE - AMERICAN CONTRACT BRIDGE LEAGUE - DISTRICT 25



# Welcome to the Harvest Regional

**November 6-10  
Mansfield, MA**

**Five Days of Bridge  
and So Much More  
from District 25**

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**Online Bulletins** are now included on the Tournament Results page on NEBridge.org.

# Lineup of Events

<b>Wednesday, November 6</b>			
<b>Event</b>	<b>Eligible</b>	<b>Strats</b>	<b>Times</b>
A/B/C Pairs	Open	Open/3000/1500	10 & 2:15
Gold Rush Pairs	0-750	750/500/300	10 & 2:15
Open Swiss	Open	Open/3000/750	10 & TBA
299er Pairs	0-300	Director	10, 2:15 & 7:30
Ask the Experts Panel			1:30-2:00
Super Point Series	Open	Open/1500/500	7:30
<b>Thursday, November 7</b>			
<b>Event</b>	<b>Eligible</b>	<b>Strats</b>	<b>Times</b>
I/N Lesson by Carolyn Weiser: The Art of Counting			9:15
Open Knockout	Open	Bracketed	10 & TBA, Continues Fri.
Knock-In Knockout		Bracketed	10 & TBA, Continues Fri.
Open Pairs	Open	Open/3000/750	10 & 2:15
299er Pairs	0-300	Director	10, 2:15, 7:30
Super Point Series	Open	Open/1500/500	7:30
<b>Friday, November 8</b>			
<b>Event</b>	<b>Eligible</b>	<b>Strats</b>	<b>Times</b>
Lesson by Carolyn Weiser: Kickback			9:15
A/B/C Pairs	Open	Open/3000/1500	10 & 2:15
Gold Rush Pairs	0-750	750/500/300	10 & 2:15
Open Swiss	Open	Open/3000/750	10 & TBA
299er Pairs	0-300	Director	10, 2:15, 7:30
Super Point Series	Open	Open/1500/500	7:30
<b>Saturday, November 9</b>			
<b>Event</b>	<b>Eligible</b>	<b>Strats</b>	<b>Times</b>
I/N Lesson by Carolyn Weiser: Open Forum and Q&A			9:15
Open Pairs	Open	Open/3000/750	10 & 2:15
299er Pairs	0-300	Director	10, 2:15
Flight A NAP	D25		10, 2:15, Continues Sun.
Flight B NAP	D25, 0-2500		10, 2:15, Continues Sun.
Flight C NAP	D25, 0-500 NLM		10, 2:15
Super Point Series	Open	Open/1500/500	7:30
<b>Sunday, November 10</b>			
<b>Event</b>	<b>Eligible</b>	<b>Strats</b>	<b>Times</b>
A/X Swiss	Open	Open/4500	10 & TBA
Midflight Swiss	0-2500	2500/1250	10 & TBA
Gold Rush Swiss	0-750	750/300	10 & TBA
299er Pairs	0-300	Director	10
Super Point Series	Open	Open/1500/500	10, 2:00

The schedule on some printed copies of the flyer contained some errors. The schedule shown above has been verified by all concerned parties, but it is subject to change depending upon attendance.

# Upcoming Bridge in New England

## Regional Event (Gold and Red Points):

Tournament	Site	City	Dates
Presidential Regional	Red Lion Hotel	Cromwell, CT	February 11-16

## Sectional Events (Silver Points):

Tournament	Site	City	Dates
STaC	Clubs	Connecticut	November 11-17
Holiday Sectional	Armenian Center	Watertown, MA	December 13-15
STaC	Clubs	Not CT	January 6-12
Winter Sectional	Senior Center	Johnston, RI	January 25-26
Silver Snow (0-500)	Burlington Bridge Club	Williston, VT	January 25
Winter Sectional	Armenian Center	Watertown, MA	February 21-23

## Club Games (Black Points):

Sanctioned club games are held nearly every day. Wherever you find yourself, you can find a nearby club at [web3.acbl.org/findalist/club](http://web3.acbl.org/findalist/club).

## It's time to get excited:

The Summer **North American Bridge Championships** will be held in Providence, RI, July 15-25, 2021.

# KIKO, the Knock-In Knock-Out

**When is it?** Thursday and Friday November 7-8.

**Who can play?** There may be an upper limit on masterpoints. If so, an Open Knock-Out will be available for teams that have more points or prefer the classic format.

**Who will get gold points?** All four members of every team that makes it to Friday's head-to-head matches – just like in a Monster Knockout.

**So, what's the big deal?** The size of the brackets. The brackets in traditional knockouts have between 9 and 16 teams. Most KIKO brackets – and all of the lowest ones – will have only 5!

**Wait, are you saying that ...** Yes! In most brackets four out of the five teams will get to play one another on Friday for first, second, third, and fourth place. All sixteen players will be guaranteed gold points in all brackets.



**How will the four teams get selected?** The format for Thursday's games will be a Round-Robin with Swiss scoring. Every team will play every other team in its bracket. The four teams with the most victory points will advance.

**How does a five-way Round-Robin work?** I'm glad that you asked. Each team plays the other four teams over the course of Thursday. Many different schedules are possible. Here is one:

	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4
NS 1	EW 2	EW 3	EW 4	EW 5
NS 2	EW 4	EW 1	EW 5	EW 3
NS 3	EW 1	EW 5	EW 2	EW 4
NS 4	EW 5	EW 2	EW 3	EW 1
NS 5	EW 3	EW 4	EW 1	EW 2

At the end of Round 1 and Round 3, the East-West teams take the boards that they have played to their North-South teammates. At the end of Round 2 and Round 4, scores are reported to the director. The director converts them to victory points and posts them on a matrix such as this:

Team #	1	2	3	4	5	Scores
1	xxx	15	8			23
2	5	xxx		11		16
3	12		xxx		15	27
4		9		xxx	11	20
5			5	9	xxx	14

The Scores column shown above list results at the halfway point using a 20-point VP scale. Team 1 has played Team 2 and Team 3; Team 2 has played Team 1 and Team 4, etc.

# Also in Mansfield

All three flights of the North American Pairs will be contested over the weekend. Flights A and B will have a qualifying two-session event on Saturday. The finals will be on Sunday. Flight C will be one two-session event on Saturday. The top pairs in each flight will earn the right to represent the district in the continental championships in the spring. They will also receive a monetary stipend.

Participants must have qualified at a special club game over the summer. Details of this event are posted on the NEBridge.org website.

**Vouchers for entry fees** will be on sale near the playing area from 8:45-9:45 every morning. You can purchase any number of vouchers and use them whenever you want at any event sponsored by District 25. Credit cards, cash, and checks will be accepted as payment. All of the details about vouchers are available at [NEBridge.org/pages/390/](http://NEBridge.org/pages/390/).

Sunday's Swiss team event will have **three flights**. The top flight will be open to all. The Mid-Flight event will be open to players with less than 2500 masterpoints. Players with less than 750 masterpoints can play in the Gold Rush flight. Every player on the team must meet the eligibility criteria.

# Special Events at the Harvest Regional

## Hospitality:

- Coffee and treats every morning at 9:00 outside the main ballroom.
- Treats such as cookies or fruit cups in the middle of the afternoon sessions outside of the playing areas.
- Candy available at the Welcome Desk and the 299er room.
- Coffee and treats during the evening pairs games.

## Education:

- A panel of experts will discuss the hands from the morning pairs game at 1:30 on Wednesday in the Boxwood Room.
- Popular teacher Carolyn Weiser will present short bridge lessons at 9:15 on in the Boxwood Room on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

## Committee Meetings:

Committee	Day	Time	Location
NABC Providence 2021	Friday	8:30 AM	Boardroom
Tournament Scheduling	Friday	6:00 PM	Boardroom
Communications	Saturday	8:30 AM	Boardroom
Executive	Saturday	5:30 PM	Boxwood Room
Board of Delegates	Sunday	8:00 AM	Amphitheater



To be safe, check the sign posted at the Welcome Desk for the **locations** of all committee meetings and special events.

# Strats, Flights, and Other Bridge-isms

At some point almost every serious bridge player wonders how the schedules for Regional Tournaments are determined. This document attempts to clarify part of the process.

In District 25 the schedule for each tournament is drawn up by the Tournament Scheduling Committee, a group of volunteers that works hard to devise schedules that will provide positive experiences for the largest number of participants. This schedule must then be approved by the Executive Committee, which includes representatives from each unit.

The schedule must meet certain guidelines established by the ACBL. These guidelines use two terms that might be somewhat confusing to the average player: **flights and strats**. Below are the schedules for two days of this tournament with each event's flights and strats.

<b>Wednesday, November 6</b>		<b>Eligibility</b>	<b>Stratification</b>
A/B/C Pairs	10 & 2:15	Open	Open, 3000, 1500
Gold Rush Pairs	10 & 2:15	0-750	750, 500, 300
Open Swiss	10 & TBA	Open	Open, 3000, 750
299er Pairs	10, 2:15, 7:30	0-299.99	Director's discretion
Super Point Series	7:30	Open	Open, 1500, 500

<b>Sunday, November 10</b>		<b>Eligibility</b>	<b>Stratification</b>
A/X Swiss	10 & TBA	Open	Open, 4500
Mid-Flight Swiss	10 & TBA	0-2500	2500, 1250
Gold Rush Swiss	10 & TBA	0-750	750, 300
299er Pairs	10, 2:15, 7:30	0-299.99	Director's discretion
Super Point Series	7:30	Open	Open, 1500, 500

A strat (in bridge circles “stratum” and “strata” are seldom used) is a **level in an event** used for scoring, not for eligibility of participation. The scores in stratified events are based upon masterpoints. The stratification can be based upon the player with the most points or upon the average of the team members (or pair in a pairs game). In District 25 stratification is usually based upon the **average** of the team members or pair.

So, the Gold Rush Pairs event on Wednesday has three strats: 0-299.99, 300-499.99, and 500-749.99. Pairs with an average of under 300 points can win the top strat, but they must do better than all the players in the event, even those with hundreds of points more than they have. However, to win the bottom strat they must only score more than the other pairs with average points under 300. This approach allows players with less experience to play against players with more points but to be scored against their peers. It helps address the frustration of players who must compete against others with far more experience.

Similarly, the ABC Pairs event also has three strats. The breaking points are 3,000 and 1,500 masterpoints. The Open Swiss Teams on Wednesday also has three strats, but the breaking points are 3,000 and 750. In all of these the averages are used for stratification.

Why would the Swiss and the Pairs have different strats when they are both open events and occur at the same times? The ACBL considers the two two-session pairs events (i.e., the A/BC Pairs and Gold Rush Pairs) as **two flights of the same event**. This distinction is important. The pairs event is a much larger event that awards a much larger number of masterpoints than the Swiss. In effect, the winners in the ABC Pairs event are given credit for finishing ahead of everyone in the Gold Rush event! Of course, those who do not place win nothing.

The Swiss team games on Sunday are different because there are three flights – A/X, Mid-Flight, and Gold Rush. Each of them has only two strats. This arrangement allows the players with less than 2500 points to get a break from trying to swim with the sharks.

The 299er and Super Points games throughout the tournament are also stratified. Because these are single-session events, they are covered by a different set of standards. In District 25 the levels in the 299er games are usually set by the director. In the Super Points pairs games, there will be three strats – Open, 1500, and 500.

## Social Media

Bridge news and more: **NEBridge** on Facebook, **@NE\_Bridge** on Twitter

# The ACBL: Districts, Units, Clubs, Sectionals, Regionals, NABC's, etc.

The American Contract Bridge League (ACBL) oversees all aspects of bridge, not just in the United States but throughout North America and some islands. Its headquarters is in Horn Lake, MS, which is a suburb of Memphis, TN.

The ACBL is geographically divided into twenty-five districts. The six New England states comprise District 25. The organization that oversees bridge in New England is the New England Bridge Conference (NEBC). For nearly all purposes, the NEBC and District 25 can be thought of as one entity.

The NEBC schedules five regional tournaments each year. Each is held in a separate location. They last five or six days, and the players who do well get **gold and red points**.

The district is also responsible for selecting the participants in the “Grass Roots” events, the North American Pairs and the Grand National Teams. Much more about these events can be found on page 10.

District 25 is divided into eight geographic units. Massachusetts boasts three units. The other five states have one unit each. Each unit has a number.

The organization that oversees bridge in the unit is known as the X Bridge Association, where X is the name of the area: Connecticut Bridge Association, Maine Bridge Association, Central Mass Bridge Association, etc. Each organization schedules sectional tournaments. They last from one to three days and award **silver points** to the players who do well.

The units also are responsible for a few types of special games that are held at clubs. These include Sectional Tournaments at Clubs (STaC's), which award silver points, and Unit-Wide games. In both of these contests players can win large numbers of extra points if they do well compared to players at other clubs competing in the same events.

There are thousands of bridge clubs throughout the continent. Some offer only one game a week or less. Some offer a dozen or more. A few are owned by the players themselves, but most of them are proprietary.

Many, but not all of the clubs are sanctioned by the ACBL. This allows them to reward success with **black points** (and other pigments in a few special games). In exchange these clubs agree to follow the ACBL's rules.

## Where are my results?

Results from the games are no longer included in this publication. Players who register at ACBLLive.org are sent an email with links to their results as soon as they are posted. Links to both the detailed results and the list of high finishers are also posted on NEBridge.org on both the home page and the Tournament Results page.

Results will now also be posted under a daily banner in the hallway, and, of course, you can still find them on the wall in the room in which the session took place.

Players will also receive via email the online bulletins that list high finishers from the previous day.



## Restaurants in the Mansfield area:

Category	Name	Address	Town	Phone	Miles
American	B. GOOD	280 School St		508-682-1222	2.6
American	Bristol Grill	In Holiday Inn			
American	Buffalo Wild Wings	321 School St		508-339-4035	2.2
American	Cosi	280 School St		508-261-8740	2.6
American	Jake n JOES Sports Grille	20 Foxborough Blvd	Foxborough	508-543-0535	1.4
American	TGI Friday's	280 School St		508-261-4021	2.6
American	99	4 Fisher St	Foxborough	508-543-1199	1.6
Asian	Cheng-Du Restaurant	249 N Main St		508-339-5946	2.1
Asian	Quan's Kitchen	30 Chauncy St		508-261-7826	2.1
Asian	Tahana Restaurant	60 Oakland St		508-337-8500	2.1
Bakery & Deli	Mansfield Deli	72 Pratt St		508-339-2994	2
Bakery & Deli	White's Bakery & Cafe	321 School St		508-339-8230	2.2
Breakfast	Cafe on the Common	14 S Main St		508-339-5130	2.2
Breakfast	Pushkart Cafe	219 N Main St		774-719-2179	2.1
Fast Food	Wendy's	64 Copeland Dr		508-339-7284	1.3
Fast Food	B. GOOD	280 School St		508-682-1222	2.6
Fast Food	McDonald's	175 Mansfield Ave	Norton	508-285-5083	5
Fast Food	Subway	84 Copeland Dr		508-339-0600	1.3
Fast Food	Burger King	6 Taunton St	Plainville	508-695-1664	3.8
Fast Food	D'Angelo	260 Chauncy St		508-339-8603	1.2
Fast Food	Dairy Queen	122 Main St	Foxborough	508-543-6488	4.3
Fast Food	KFC	116 Pleasant St	Attleboro	508-226-0700	6.8
Ice Cream	Cold Stone Creamery	280 School St D160		774-719-2314	2.6
Ice Cream	Flannel Cow Creamery	88 Chilson Ave		508-339-0035	2
Italian	Alberto's Pub & Pizza	241 Mansfield Ave.	Norton	508-285-5611	5
Italian	Bertucci's	260 School St.		508-261-2371	2.6
Italian	Cibo Matto Cafe	254 Chauncy St.		508-339-9800	1.2
Italian	Trattoria Della Nonna	160 N Main St.		508-339-5432	2.1
Italian	Sabatino's Trattoria	111 W Main St	Norton		6.6
Mexican	Chipotle	280 School St		508-339-2061	2.6
Mexican	Fiesta	177 Mansfield Ave	Norton	508-622-0009	5
Mexican	QDOBA Mexican Eats	280 School St.		508-337-2400	2.6
Mexican	El Azteca Mexican Restaurant	71 Pleasant St #73	Attleboro	508-226-6258	6.8

Name	Address	Town	Phone	Miles
Stefano's Pizza & Subs	30 Chauncy St		508-339-6111	2
Mansfield House of Pizza	175 N Main St		508-339-6400	2.2
Deco's Italian Cuisine	365 N Main St		508-339-6995	1.8
Cousin's Pizza & Subs	660 East St		508-339-6243	3.5
Mansfield Best Pizza	211 N Main		508-339-6995	2.2
Great Woods Pizza	428 Elm St		774-719-0117	3.5
AJ's Stone Oven Pizzeria	288 E Main St	Norton	508-285-7000	7.3
Flynn's Irish Pub	219 N Main St		508-337-2100	2.2
Geno's Restaurant & Lounge	407 N Main St		508-339-8771	1.9
Jimmy's	141 N Main St		508-339-7167	2.1
Bog Iron Brewing	33 W Main St	Norton	508-952-0555	6.6
The Fresh Catch	30 Chauncy St		508-339-5187	1.9
LongHorn Steakhouse	390 West St		508-261-8810	1.3
Kyoto Japanese Steakhouse	280 School St		508-339-8883	1.2
Sake Steakhouse	242 Chauncy St		508-337-2388	2.6

280 School St. is the address for all stores and restaurants in the Mansfield Crossing shopping center. This map depicts the layout of the area.



Restaurants in the complex:

B.GOOD D115

Bertucci's G100

Cold Stone Creamery D160

Cosi D135

QDOBA D100

Sake Steakhouse J100

TGI Friday's A100

# What's Available at the Tournament for Newcomers and Intermediates?

## 299er Pairs

- Limited to players with less than 300 masterpoints
- Single-session pair games
- 10:00, 2:15, and 7:30 Wednesday through Saturday
- 10:00 Sunday
- Red points
- Strats determined by director

## Gold Rush

- Limited to players with less than 750 masterpoints
- Two-session events
- Pairs on Wednesday and Friday with three strats: 750, 500, 300
- Swiss Teams on Sunday with two strats: 750, 300
- Gold and red points

## Knock-In Knock-Out

- Four-session team events at 10:00 and 2:15 on two consecutive days
- **KIKO starts on Thursday and continues through Friday – small brackets dramatically improve chances**
- Bracketed (5-6 teams per bracket) so that everyone plays against other teams with similar levels of experience
- Gold and red points
- Everyone who makes it to the second day wins gold points



# Who Does What in District 25?

Board of Delegates	Representatives from each of the eight units	Chosen by the units	Meets twice a year to set policy and elect officers.
Executive Committee	Officers plus past president plus one or two reps from each district	Officers elected by BoD. Reps chosen by the units.	Meets at every regional event to deal with issues that have arisen.
Tournament Director	Peter Marcus	Selected by Executive Committee	Hires and manages directors. Provides advice on ACBL rulings and policy.
District Director	Bob Bertoni	Elected by units	Represents the district in all ACBL meetings and decisions. Appoints the NAP and GNT coordinator.
President	Lois DeBlois	Elected by BoD	Sets the agenda and makes sure that everything gets done.
Vice President	Jack Mahoney	Elected by BoD	Chairman of the Tournament Scheduling Committee and backup for the president.
Treasurer	Joe Brouillard	Elected by BoD	Manages investments and accounting.
Secretary	Carolyn Weiser	Elected by BoD	Records, writes, and publishes minutes. Acts as liaison with the units and clubs.
Tournament Manager	Sally Kirtley	Selected by special committee	Negotiates and manages contracts with tournament sites. Arranges all details of tournaments and reports on attendance and finances.
I/N Director	Sue Miguel	Appointed by president	Manages program for beginners and intermediates. Creates flyers.
Communications	Mike Wavada	Appointed by president	Manages website, emails, database, and tournament publication.
Tournament Coordinator	Maureen Fahey	Appointed by president	Arranges for the ACBL to sanction all events sponsored by D25. Maintains the calendar on NEBridge.org.

# Sunday

Last year's winners:

<b>Event</b>	<b>Strat or Bracket</b>	<b>Winners</b>
Morning 299er Pairs	A & B	Dan Hoch, Roger Ketron
	C	Jory Agate, Rita Vachani
A/X Swiss	A	Pat McDevitt, Harrison Luba, James Streisand, Margie Sullivan
	X	Peter Manzon, Alix Taylor, Jori Grossack, Linda Robinson
Mid-Flight Swiss	B & C	Roger Zessis, Leda Knight, Mike McDonald, Tom Floyd
Gold Rush Swiss	7	Dick and Eleanor Phillips, Bernie Bendiksen, Connie Sweeney
	3	Lucy Sachs, Janis Weilheimer, Barbar Blauer, Rob Russell
Knockout	Bracket 1	Alan Watson, Bill Braucher, Rick Binder, Anton Tsytkin
	Bracket 2	Dick Tracy, Pat Eastman, Art Young, Michael Morris
Super Point Series		Harrison Luba

Last year's NAP (Flight A) Qualifiers:

1. James Streisand, Walter Lee
2. Doug Doub, Frank Merblum
3. Geoff Brod, Rich DeMartino

Last year's NAP (Flight B) Qualifiers:

1. Yin Lichen, Chan Liu
2. Trevor Reeves, Felix Springer
3. Rob Baum, Parul Jain
4. Dan Jablonski, Al Muggia

# Sunday's Schedule

Event	Eligible	Strats	Times
A/X Swiss	Open	Open/4500	10 & TBA
Midflight Swiss	0-2500	2500/1250	10 & TBA
Gold Rush Swiss	0-750	750/300	10 & TBA
299er Pairs	0-300	Director	10
Super Point Series	Open	Open/1500/500	10, 2:00

The Board of Delegates will meet at 8:00 AM in the Amphitheater.



The head table at the Board of Delegates meeting in 2018. From left: Treasurer Joe Brouillard, District Director Mark Aquino, President Lois DeBlois, Vice-president Jack Mahoney, and Secretary Carolyn Weiser.



"Make sure that you have all of your gear, and have a safe trip home."

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# Saturday

Last year's winners:

<b>Event</b>	<b>Strat or Bracket</b>	<b>Winners</b>
Morning 299er Pairs	A	Bob Fucile, Mary Lu Klum
	B & C	Christi Williamson, Sylvia Sutton-Heath
Open Pairs	A	Tom Hyde, Ed Lewis
	B	Dick Zeckhauser, Jonathan Baumel
	C	David Gardner, Scott McDermott
Single-Session Swiss	A	Geoff Brod, Karen McCallum, Victor King, Sheila Gabay
	B	Bob Potvin, Donna Cone, Josephine Murray, Jane Clancy
	C	John Willoughby, Mayank Mehta, Mike Shore, Lin Li
Afternoon 299er Pairs	A, B, & C	Lisa McChesney, Julia Hicks
Evening 299er Pairs	A	Bill and Ed Halteman
	B & C	Allison Ryan, Richard McClure

Last year's NAP (Flight C) Qualifiers:

1. Alan Peterfreund, Michael Ramella
2. Shen and Meiyuan Duan
3. Nathalie Tabor, Lisa Muir
4. Allen Barber, Howard Abrams

# Saturday's Schedule

Event	Eligible	Strats	Times
I/N Lesson by Carolyn Weiser: Open Forum and Q&A			9:15
Open Pairs	Open	Open/3000/750	10 & 2:15
299er Pairs	0-300	Director	10, 2:15
Flight A NAP	D25		10, 2:15, Continues Sun.
Flight B NAP	D25, 0-2500		10, 2:15, Continues Sun.
Flight C NAP	D25, 0-500 NLM		10, 2:15
Super Point Series	Open	Open/1500/500	7:30

## It's NAP Day!

Popular bridge teacher Carolyn Weiser will answer questions at 9:15 AM in the Boxwood Room. This event is free and open to the public.

The Communications Committee will meet at 8:30 AM in the Boardroom.

The Executive Committee will meet at 5:30 PM in the Boxwood Room.

The locations of the meetings will be posted at the Welcome Desk.



"Bridge certainly demands intense concentration, but try to reserve a small corner of your mind for disposing of your trash."

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# Friday

Last year's winners:

<b>Event</b>	<b>Strat or Bracket</b>	<b>Winners</b>
Morning 299er Pairs	A & B	Rachel Peled, Stan Nissen
	C	Robert and Joy Schenker
A/X Pairs	A	Jill Fouad, Harold Feldheim
	X	Andrew Hanes, Selen Hotamisligil
Mid-Flight Pairs	B	Sarah Widhu, Darryl Legassie
	C	Felix Springer, Trevor Reeves
Gold Rush Pairs	7	John Boettcher, Lynn Tavormina
Open Swiss	A	Rick Binder, Alan Watson, Glenn McIntyre, Larry Bausher
	B & C	Dick Tracy, Michael Warning, Phil Weber, Bayle Drubel
Afternoon 299er Pairs	A	Christi Williamson, Sylvia Sutton-Heath
	B & C	Rachel Peled, Stan Nissen
Evening 299er Pairs		Tracy Wang, Julia Qi Zhou
Knockout	Bracket 1	Lawrence Lebowitz, Adam Grossack, Peter Fredin, Cenk Tuncok
	Bracket 2	Steve Diamond, Tom Seder, Susan Aquino, Sabrina Miles
	Bracket 3	Bob Russell, Paul Harris, Paul Durda, Saul Franklin
	Bracket 4	Jeff and Bob Schapiro, Bill and Ed Halteman
Single-Session Swiss	A	David Aronson, Rob Baum, Ellen Oasis, Barbara Glazerman
	B	Bruce Fischer, Rumen Dimitrov, Donald Rankin, Vincent Fournier



In 2018 the late Harold Feldheim presented the lesson on Friday morning and then won the A/X pairs. For decades he unselfishly shared his knowledge and wisdom with newer players. We will definitely miss him.

# Friday's Schedule

Event	Eligible	Strats	Times
Lesson by Carolyn Weiser: Kickback			9:15
A/B/C Pairs	Open	Open/3000/1500	10 & 2:15
Gold Rush Pairs	0-750	750/500/300	10 & 2:15
Open Swiss	Open	Open/3000/750	10 & TBA
299er Pairs	0-300	Director	10, 2:15, 7:30
Super Point Series	Open	Open/1500/500	7:30

Popular bridge teacher Carolyn Weiser will give a short lesson on the Kickback approach to Blackwood at 9:15 AM in the Boxwood Room. This event is free and open to the public.

The NABC Providence 2021 committee will meet at 8:30 AM in the Boardroom.

The Tournament Scheduling committee will meet at 6:00 PM in the Boardroom.

The locations of all events and meetings will be posted at the Welcome Desk.



"Try hard not to gloat when things are going your way. High fives are bush league. Hip bumps are definitely out."

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# Thursday

Last year's winners:

<b>Event</b>	<b>Strat or Bracket</b>	<b>Winners</b>
Morning 299er Pairs	A & B	Butch Norma, Kathy Caron
	C	Robert Steinbach, Rosemary Thomsen
Open Pairs	A	Kim Gilman, Haven Sharaf
	B	Mike Wavada, Darryl Legassie
	C	Ross and Rob Huntington
Single-Session Swiss	A	Jim Rasmussen, Parul Jain, Natalie Bassil, Marina Polestra
	B	Ron Briggs, Alan Korpi, Dorothy Briggs, JiTu Nathwani
	C	Debbie Katz, Lori Leopold, Riva Lewinter, Sharon Kochen
Afternoon 299er Pairs	A	Deborah Swenson, Cynthia Ervin
	B & C	Alvin and Heidi Beal

## It's KIKO Day!



# Thursday's Schedule

Event	Eligible	Strats	Times
I/N Lesson by Carolyn Weiser: The Art of Counting			9:15
Open Knockout	Open	Bracketed	10 & TBA, Continues Fri.
Knock-In Knockout		Bracketed	10 & TBA, Continues Fri.
Open Pairs	Open	Open/3000/750	10 & 2:15
299er Pairs	0-300	Director	10, 2:15, 7:30
Super Point Series	Open	Open/1500/500	7:30

Popular bridge teacher Carolyn Weiser will give a short lesson on how to look at your opponents' cards (legally) at 9:15 AM in the Boxwood Room. This event is free and open to the public.



"Thumping the table and gathering up bidding cards are not legitimate calls. Just show the Pass card."

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Morning 299er Pairs	A	Gail and Bruce Hutchins
	B	Marion Eklund, Jeanne Conroy
	C	Debbie and Alexander Jesurum
Open Pairs	A	Sheila Gabay and Luke Gillespie
	B & C	Richard Simolari, Arthur Keefe
Gold Rush Pairs	7	Matt and Eva Muir
	5 & 3	David Temple, Phil Stashenko
Open Swiss	A & B	Fred Magnus, Bob Carvin, Len Aberbach, Barry Black
	C	Rene and Sue Frayman, Ashok Rao, Ronald Klein
Afternoon 299er Pairs	A, B, & C	Tracy Burlock, Mimi Whalen



The Expert Panel in 2018 comprised Dick Budd, Bob Bertoni, and Kate McCallum.

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Event	Eligible	Strats	Times
A/B/C Pairs	Open	Open/3000/1500	10 & 2:15
Gold Rush Pairs	0-750	750/500/300	10 & 2:15
Open Swiss	Open	Open/3000/750	10 & TBA
299er Pairs	0-300	Director	10, 2:15 & 7:30
Ask the Experts Panel			1:30-2:00
Super Point Series	Open	Open/1500/500	7:30

At 1:30 a panel of experts will go over the hands played in the morning session. Bring your questions to the Boxwood Room. This event is FREE and open to everyone.

The locations of all special events and meetings will be posted at the Welcome Desk.



"Have a word of encouragement for our younger and less experienced players, for they are the future of our game."

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