

I/N BRIDGE NEWS

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Thunder Mountain Bridge
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Bridge, Tucson
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Ace of Hearts, Tucson
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Saguaro Duplicate Bridge
Club, Green Valley
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EXCITING BRIDGE OPPORTUNITIES COMING TO TUCSON

Earn Silver at The Tucson Spring Sectional April 23 - 26

The Tucson Spring Sectional is approaching with much anticipation. Held April 23 - 26 at The Clarion Hotel, this four-day event gives you the opportunity to earn silver points.

Free lectures

Combine tournament play with learning from top local players and instructors.

Ken Badertscher -- Key Card Blackwood, Thursday, April 23.

Ken Grafton -- reverses, Friday, April 24.

Stephen Maltzman -- Puppet/regular Stayman, Saturday, April 25.

Lectures will be held in the Marabella Room starting at 12:30 p.m. Questions are always welcome.

Free coupon

Receive a \$2 discount coupon good toward any bridge event each time you attend a lecture.

Don't miss the complimentary morning coffee, pastries, bagels and salmon as well as the free candy at events.

Complimentary buffet lunch provided to Swiss Teams players on Sunday.

If you need a pairing contact Rudy Martinez (925) 382-9454.

Earn Silver at Spring Fling STaC May 4 - 10

Spring Fling STaC week will be held unit-wide from May 4 - 10.

A STaC is a "Sectional Tournament at Clubs." In a STaC, you can win Silver master points -- much needed if you want to become a life master. Because you are ranked against all other clubs participating in the STaC, winners earn a higher percentage of points.

Check your local club for details.

MEMBER APPRECIATION UNIT GAME

Sunday, June 14

This memorable event will again be held at Skyline Country Club, Tucson where you will enjoy an exceptional buffet lunch in a beautiful setting. Flexible schedule provides full day, morning and afternoon play on Sunday, June 14 beginning at 9 a.m. Lunch will begin at 12:30 p.m.

Fee: \$20 per person

To register, complete and drop off a registration form now available at all clubs or contact Carolyn Reynolds at cmcareynolds@gmail.com



Pro-Am Swiss Teams Sunday, May 17

Our unit is sponsoring the first of two Pro-Am Swiss Teams for 2015 on Sunday, May 17 at Adobe Bridge Club. The game starts at 1 p.m., but please arrive by 12:30 p.m. to socialize, enjoy a light snack and get ready to play.

This is an excellent opportunity to solicit play with a life master, play with your mentor, learn and have fun! Why not develop a rapport with your life master partner by asking him or her to join you at the bridge table a few times before the event? Who knows, this could be the start of a great relationship!

For this event, a pro is defined as a life master with 500 or more master points. An Am is defined as a player with less than 500 master points and is not a life master.

Never played in a Swiss Teams event? Don't let this stop you from participating! It is fun and you have a team to support you! Unlike Knockout games, you play the entire time. The big difference is in the scoring.

Because you have a team of four, IMPs or International Master Points are used. Let your life master keep score and learn by watching how it is done.

There are many tips and techniques available for playing Swiss Teams, but the most important thing to remember is to play your game, relax and do your best. Refinement of play is achieved by doing.

Sign up sheets for the Spring Pro-Am are now available at all clubs.

Registration deadline: May 15

Fee: \$5 per person

Need help finding a pro? Ask a director or your instructor to recommend a pro to play with or contact Cindy Shoemaker, cndyshoemaker@yahoo.com

