

August Events

August 20 - 26 STAC Local Clubs

> August 26 Unit Game Adobe

Welcome New Members

Diane M Lisle

Contribute to the Kibitzer

The Kibitzer welcomes articles and information from players and clubs throughout our unit. Deadline for submissions are the 15th of the month.

Articles should be in word or text format, photos in .jpg format.



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Unit 356 Official website
www.SouthernArizonaBridge.com

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2018 Unit 356 Calendar

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Adobe By Lee Erdman

June Results

Master Point Winners Under 1000

Brad Leach 15.87; John McKethen 15.55; Lee Erdman 13.87; Tina Mendenhall 9.41; Lynda Thomas 9.22.

Master Point Winners 0 - 2500

Michael Cuno 19.53; Brad Leach 15.87; John McKethen 15.55; Carol Pilmar 14.62; Jared Boulds 14.31.

Master Point Winners Open

Greg West 33.67; Martin Schiff 28.82; William Howard 26.83; Dave Douglass 21.53; Max Limbocker 20.12.

65% games

Greg West - Bill Howard 70.80; Greg West - Donna DePesa 70.10; Martin Schiff - George Good 69.38; Sara Boyd - Bob Yana 69.25; Greg West - Nicolai Minenko 68.61; Martin Schiff - Julie Cassetta 68.21; Linda Grissom - Virginia Brier 67.86; Ann Economidy - Sundaresan Ram 67.22; Steve Reynolds - Shelly Edson 67.00; William Howard - Louis Herbster 66.95; Jared Boulds - L Hall 66.67; Martin Schiff - George Good 66.50; Steve Reynolds - L Hall 66.01; Martin Schiff - Jared Boulds 65.83.

Thunder Mountain Bridge Center By Margaret Glenn

June Results

Top Ten Master Point Winners

Marc Hay 12.05; Marjorie Dugas 11.04; Paul Soper 10.19; Jim Cobis 7.77; Bob Walton 5.64; Richard Turke 5.05; Larry Scott 4.96; Jan Dragoo 4.77; Mary Aveiro 4.68; Carol Thornton 4.43

65% games

Jim Cobis - Carol Thornton 68.45 Jim Cobis - Marjorie Dugas 67.71; Judy Shelnutt - Marjorie Dugas 65.00;

Mike's Play and Learn Charity Bridge By Mike Smith

June Results

Top Master Point Winners

Judy Bois 1.47; Sylvia Payne 1.09; Arlo McDowell 1.04

65% games

Judy Bois - Vonnie Erickson 70.83; Kathy Klammer - Jane Smith 67.86

Small Slams Bridge Club By Joyce Honorof

June Results

Top Ten Master Point Winners

Sue Bush 4.11; Louise Jeffery 3.65; Linda Triboulet 3.65; Phil Bush 2.74; Donna DePesa 2.63; Steve Maltzman 2.63; Marilynn Baker 2.05; Tom Baker 2.05; Karen Muench 2.03; Bob Hertzog 1.97; Bonnie Hertzog 1.97

65% games

Lousie Jeffery - Linda Triboulet 72.22; Phil & Sue Bush 71.88; Anne Jones - Diann Swalve 70.84; Arlene Gerety - Ann Taylor 70.25; Marilynn & Tom Baker 69.10; Bruce & Eileen Aird 68.06; Peggy Dudley & Carolyn Sennhenn 65.63; Sue Bush & Betty Meyer 65.30.

Saguaro By Doris Kuzmak

June Results

Top Ten Master Point Winners

Nora Tkacz 6.10; Gene Maki 5.70; Linda Kexel 4.50; Harvey Bush 3.93; Emmanuel Vuvunas 3.73; Paul Black 3.38; Allen Bowman 3.38; Jeannette Hallquist 3.37; Andrew Reyniak 3.37 and Russ Hanson 3.10.

65% games

Gene Maki - Linda Kexel 66.11; Paul Black - Allen Bowman 65.27.

Green Valley By Allen Bowman

June Results

Top Ten Master Point Winners

Al Bowman 10.61; Corinne Leachman 7.28; Gary Mitchell 7.28; Nora Tkacz 7.12; Fran Herrmann 6.85; Jo-Ann Day 5.38; Les Balascoe 4.92; Franz Schaltz 4.91; Frank Collins 4.88; Jeanne Collins 4.88;

65% games

John Arnold - Nora Tkacz 72.44; Frank & Jeannie Collins 70.74; Gene Vernon - Mary-Jo Simmon 67.86; Al Bowman - Paul Black 67.82; Bill Barkley - Les Balascoe 67.59; Bill Barkley - Sue Boyle 66.20; Les Balascoe - Arne Maki 65.22;

Tucson Charity Bridge By Pat Felker

June Results

Top Ten Master Point Winners
Ruth Houkom7.09; Diann Plunkett 6.07; Paul Plunkett 6.07;
Suzanne Greenwood 5.69; Joseph Bianco 5.17; Barbara Levkowitz 5.17;
Kathleen Jacobs 5.08; Steven Jacobs 5.08; William Robinson 4.65;
Tunde Dolan 4.62.

65% GAMES

Kelly Bright - Russell Bright 68.40; Elaine Goldberg - Sophie Katz 68.08; Hurd Baruch - Ruth Houkom 67.52.

DONATIONS

The club and individual donations allowed the group to \$2720 to Operation School Bell, which has provided children with the greatest need in Tucson with appropriate clothing to encourage regular school attendance and improve self-esteem.



High Desert Hands By Carol Lee Erbeck

June Results

Top Ten Master Point Winners

Ed Mulkey 3.15; Norma Sue Griffin 3.05; Jackie Foster 2.08; Mabel Kadet 2.03; Phil Thum 1.44; Elliott Hendrickson 0.63; Carol Lee Erbeck 0.42; Jim Martin 0.42; Vikki McBee 0.39; Anne Spaulding 0.38.

New Game

High Desert Hands is happy to announce that we have added a Sunday game to our schedule. The game is at a different venue -- 571 North Frontage Road, Sunsites, Arizona — and begins at 1PM. Please contact Carol Lee Erbeck for directions or further information.

Over 70% Games all Clubs

June Results

John Arnold - Nora Tkacz 72.44; Lousie Jeffery - Linda Triboulet 72.22; Phil & Sue Bush 71.88; Anne Jones - Diann Swalve 70.84; Judy Bois - Vonnie Erickson 70.83; Greg West - Bill Howard 70.80; Frank & Jeannie Collins 70.74; Arlene Gerety - Ann Taylor 70.25; Greg West - Donna DePesa 70.10.

Recent Rank Advances

New Junior Masters:

Frances Harvey
Donald Brooks
Karen W Brooks
J Elizabeth Detloff
Jan Goodrich
Bill Hard
Joseph Mollica

New Club Masters:

Ron Gospodarek Anne E Hammond Thomas H Kurtin Kenneth J Riskind Ann N Taylor

Recent Rank Advances

New Sectional Masters:

Peggy C Dudley Janet J Fusinati Suzanne Greenwood

New Regional Masters:

Charlene T Campbell Cheryl S Ledford

New NABC Masters:

Lee E Erdman Pamela J Shoemaker Donald R Taylor

New Bronze Life Masters:

Kate F Stewart

New Gold Life Masters:

Jared Boulds W P Fuesz

Mike's Play & Learn 6th Anniversary Celebration

Mike Smith celebrated his 6th Anniversary and \$16,312 in donations to Tucson Charities with a luncheon prior to his game on Friday. He had 9 tables of players and not a single person came through that door without a donation to the food counters. The food included a beautiful cake furnished by Mike's wife, Sylvia. Then there was shrimp, pizza, turkey roll-ups, assorted dips & chips, meatballs, watermelon, trail mix, etc. etc. It is clear that everyone loves Mike and appreciates the huge amount of work he puts into his games.

Mike has created a safe and friendly playing environment for everyone in his games. They play 12 boards and after each board, Mike explains the best bidding sequence and then line of play to make the most tricks. It is perfect for new players and social players who want to "brave duplicate" -- and points are awarded.

The Board of TCBC cannot thank Mike enough for developing a "farm team" for us. Many, many players have "graduated" and gone on to play in our games. Many other players continue to play in both Clubs. We thank you, Mike, from the bottoms of our hearts, for what you are doing for bridge and the Tucson Community.

Submitted by Ruth Houkom



Small Slams Delivers Big to Fight Alzheimer's Disease Nationwide

Small Slams Bridge Club, Tucson, Arizona, raised \$9,498 for Alzheimer's Disease care and research during its 2nd annual Longest Day event held June 21, 2018, surpassing 2017 contributions by over \$1,000.

Held during the week of the Summer Solstice, June 17-24, 2018, The Longest Day event is sponsored by the American Contract Bridge League and is held in conjunction with the Alzheimer's Association. During The Longest Day, bridge players nationwide unite to raise funds to find a cure for Alzheimer's Disease.

"Thanks to club initiatives like Small Slams and player support, The Longest Day, now in its 6th year, has raised over \$4 million to further the care, education, and research needed to end this devastating disease.", said Lori Pope, public relations coordinator, American Contract Bridge League.

Over 110 players attended the Small Slams Longest Day event held at the Saddle-Brooke Country Club HOA #1 Clubhouse. Bridge, canasta, and mahjongg games were played followed by a buffet luncheon, silent auction and 50/50 raffle. T-shirts were sold to commemorate the event and to show support.

"I cannot name one person in our community who has not been touched by the tragedy of this devastating disease, be it a friend, neighbor or relative", said Dr. Joyce Honorof, Club Manager, Small Slams.



Left to Right Laura Benson, Linda Triboulet, Jim Young, Cam Mette, Linda DePew, Al Spaet, Sue Hagerty, Jim Coe, Barbara Starrett, Joyce Honorof. Team members not in photo Sue Young, Phil Bush, Sue Bush

BRIDGE BITES #86

THE KEY CARD

Brian Gunnell



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West opens 3♠ and eventually South becomes Declarer in 6♥. West's opening lead is the ♠K, won by Declarer's Ace. Declarer can count four side-suits tricks, with a fifth available if the ♠K is with East. That means that he will need to score 7 or 8 trump tricks if he is to make his slam. And with East sure to be out of Spades by now, any Spade ruffs will have to be high.

How do you propose to make 12 tricks?

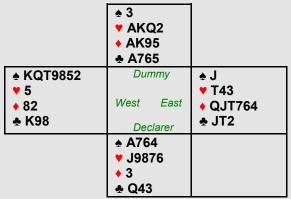
One possibility is to hope for 2-2 trumps and for East to have the &K. In that case, trumps are drawn, and Declarer gets up to 12 with five trumps in his hand, five side-suit tricks and two Spade ruffs on the board. What's wrong with that plan?

This plan needs a fair amount of luck. Firstly, as West has extreme Spade length, he is likely to have less than his share of the Hearts, and a 2-2 Heart break is possible but unlikely. Secondly, this line requires the ♣K with East.

Better, but still not good enough, is to arrange for two high Spade ruffs, and to pick up trumps by finessing against East's Ten. That caters for the 3-1 trumps, but it's down one whenever the ♣K is offside.

Any other ideas?

The route to success is to ruff *three* Spades high in Dummy, and to finesse against East for the ♥T. That line of play gets you to 12 tricks without worrying about the ♣K. Here is the full deal:



The full line of play is:

Win the ♠A, Cross to the ♣A Finesse the Heart Nine Ruff a Spade

Cash ◆AK (pitching a Club from hand)

Now you merrily cross-ruff the hand, conceding the last trick. That well-timed line of play works against most distributions, requiring only that East has the ♥T. *That's* the key card on this deal, not the ♣K!

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FREE SUNDAY

LUNCH

CACTUS FLOWER NLM REGIONAL THE TUCSON FALL SECTIONAL

NOVEMBER 8 - NOVEMBER 11, 2018 PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE

An open sectional tournament held in conjunction with an NLM Regional. Same dates and location.

Hotel Tucson City Center

475 N. Granada Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85701. 520-622-3000. Rooms: \$89 single/double & \$109 studio/suite. Free WiFi. Free ample parking. For preferred rates use booking code ABC. Book before November 5, 2018.

Thursday, November 8

9:00 am & 1:30 pm 9:00 am & 1:30 pm 9:00 am & 1:30 pm 9:00 am & 1:30 pm	NLM GOLD RUSH stratified pairs (GOLD/RED) Stratified 199'er pairs (SILVER) Sectional stratified open pairs (SILVER) Stratified Swiss Teams (SILVER)	Two Sessions Single Sessions Single Sessions Two Sessions
	Friday, November 9	
9:00 am & 1:30 pm 9:00 am & 1:30 pm 9:00 am & 1:30 pm 9:00 am & 1:30 pm 1:30 pm	NLM GOLD RUSH stratified pairs (GOLD/RED) Stratified 199'er pairs (SILVER) Sectional stratified open pairs (SILVER) Compact Knockout (SILVER) (Four players per team) Swiss Teams (SILVER)	Two Sessions Single Sessions Single Sessions Two Sessions Single Session
	Saturday, November 10	
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Sunday, November 11

9:00 am & TBA NLM GOLD RUSH Swiss Teams (GOLD/RED)

A = 500 - 750; B = 300 - 500; C = 0 - 300 Sectional stratified Swiss Teams (SILVER)

A = 2,500+; B = 2,500 - 1,000; C = 0 - 1,000

FREE LECTURES THURSDAY -SATURDAY 12:30 PM

GOLD RUSH IS LIMITED TO NON-LIFE MASTERS WITH LESS THAN 750 MASTERPOINTS.





CACTUS FLOWER NLM REGIONAL TUCSON FALL SECTIONAL NOVEMBER 8 - 11, 2018 PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE

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FREE CANDY DAILY

NLM GIVEAWAYS, PRIZES AND TOURNAMENT PATCH

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FREE LUNCH ON SUNDAY!

FREE LECTURES THURSDAY - SATURDAY 12:30 PM

TOURNAMENT CHAIR: STEVE REYNOLDS, tvs1@cox.net

I/N REPRESENTATIVE: SUZANNE GREENWOOD suzie1greenwood@icloud.com

DIRECTOR IN CHARGE: ERIC BELL

PARTNERSHIPS: RUDY MARTINEZ, 925-382-9454 rfmartinez999@gmail.com

Entry fees: \$13 ACBL members. \$17 for unpaid ACBL members. Non-members must purchase a membership for \$49 yearly or a temporary one month membership for \$7.99.

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ATTENTION GOLD RUSH PAIRS

Pairs finishing in the overalls (Stratification A) in the two-session GOLD RUSH PAIRS will NOW be awarded 33 percent GOLD and 67 percent RED masterpoints.

Two-session SWISS TEAMS on Sunday also pays 33 percent GOLD for overalls!

Gold rush is limited to non-life masters with less than 750 masterpoints.

STRATIFICATION BY PAIR OR TEAM AVERAGE:

GOLD RUSH PAIRS: 0 - 750 (NLM)*

A = 500 - 750

B = 300 - 500

C = 0 - 300

OPEN PAIRS:

A = 2,500+; B = 2,500 - 1,000; C = 0 - 1,000

199'er PAIRS:

D = 1,000 - 199; E = 0 - 99

ZERO TOLERANCE FRAGRANCE FREE



V	/EEKLY C	LUB SCH	HEDULES)			
Club	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Adobe Bridge Club (JLee Erdman Club Manager) 401 E Limberlost 795-2441 adoblebridge@qwestoffice.net www.bridgewebs.com/adobe	1:00pm Open	9.00 am 499'er 12:30pm Open & 499	9.00 am 299'er 12:30pm Open	9.00 am 299'er & Mentor Game 12:30pm Open & 499	12:30pm Open	12:30pm Open	1:00pm Open
Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club Games Open to Members and Guests Only (Jon R Stromquist Club Manager) 3660 S Camino Del Sol jonstromquist@yahoo.comt gvbridge.com		1:00pm Inv Canoa			1:00pm Inv Canoa	1:00pm Inv Canoa	
High Desert Hands (Carol L Erbeck, Club Manager) 1270 Treasure Road, Pearce 520-559-7894 carol@crazyedoptical.com	1.00 pm Open					12:00pm	
Mike's Play and Learn Bridge (Michael D Smith, Club Manager) 520-820-1757 5360 E Pima St Tucson AZ 85712 mikesmith55@cox.net						12:30 199'er	
Mountain View Duplicate Bridge Club (Jo Ann Aiken, Club Manager) 38759 Mountain View Blvd, SaddleBrooke - 818-1727 jotax123@aol.com www.bridgewebs.com/mountainview/			1:00pm			1:00pm	
Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club (Doris Kuzmak, Director/Manager) 600 S La Canada Dr 625-4027 or 237-1959 dldkay@cox.net gvbridge.com							12:30pm
Thunder Mountain Bridge Center 240 N Hwy 90 (Margaret Glenn, Club Manager) 4213 Coral Brooke Dr, Sierra Vista, AZ 85650 520-378-0555 cglenn6@cox.net		12:30pm		12:30pm		12:30pm	12:30pm
Tucson Charity Bridge (Ruth Houkom, Club Manager) 5360 E Pima Street, Tucson charitybridge@comcast.net www.tucsoncharitybridge.com		12.30 999 (St Alban's)	12:30pm 749 (Streams)		12:30pm 749 (Streams)		9:00am 999 (Streams)
Small Slams Bridge Club Open to SaddleBrooke and SaddleBrooke Ranch residents and their guests only (Joyce Honorof Club Manager) SaddleBrooke HOA #1 Activity Center and Clubhouse 64518 Galveston Lane; Tucson, AZ 85739 SmallSlamsBridgeClub@gmail.com www.bridgewebs.com/smallslams/					1.00pm 749	1.00pm 20	

	SPEC	CIAL EVENT	S SCHEDUI	LE - August	2018	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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			CG	CC	NAP	SFG TCB
			AD	SS	AD	
						CG AD
August 5	August 6	August 7	August 8	August 9	August 10	August 11
NAP	SFG AD	CG AD, TCB		NAP GV		CG TCB
AD	CG TCB	NAP MV		CG TCB		NAP SA
August 12	August 13	August 14	August 15	August 16	August 17	August 18
Swiss	NAP	CG	NAP		CG	
Adobe	AD	MV	AD		AD	
August 19	August 20	August 21	August 22	August 23	August 24	August 25
	STAC	STAC	STAC	STAC	STAC	STAC
	AD, GV	AD, MV	AD	AD, GV, SS	AD, MV, GV	AD, SA
August 26	August 27	August 28	August 29	August 30	August 31	
Unit STAC	SFG	NAP		SFG	NAP	
AD	AD, TCB	AD, MV SFG TCB		ТСВ	AD, MV	

Abbreviations: AD-Adobe, MV – Mountain View, SA – Saguaro, TM – Thunder Mountain, GV - Green Valley, HDH - High Desert Hands, TCB - Tucson Charity Bridge, MPL - Mikes Play and Learn, SS - Small Slams;

B-Birthdays, BAM -Board-a-Match, CAC – Club Appreciation Championship, CC – Club Championship, CG - Charity Game, MAG—Member Appreciation Game, NLM – Non Life Master, IN – Intermediate /Novice, SFG—Special Fund Game, SR—Sectionally Rated, ST— Swiss Teams, UWC—Unit Wide Championship, AMB--Membership Game, GNT - GNT Qualifier, NAP - North American Pair Qualifier, * See write-up under club; ACG - ACBL Wide Charity Game