



Phoenix Desert Empire Regional

August 13 – August 19, 2018

Game Schedule



American Contract
Bridge League

Monday Aug 13	9:30—Noon Negative Doubles with Dennis Dawson, National Champion	Learn about the single most important convention in bridge. Notes are included.	You don't need a partner. Registration details and more information is available on the back of this flyer.
		1:30 Charity Pairs Aft. Side Game (1/6) Pro/Am (1/1)	7:30 Charity Pairs (Eve. Side Game Series (1/6) Ocotillo Bracketed KO's (1/3) - continues Tues/Weds 7:30 0 – 300 Pairs (1/1)
Tuesday Aug 14	10:00 A.M. Side Game Series (1/5) 0-300 Pairs (1/1) Stratified Open Pairs (1/2) GOLD RUSH PAIRS (1/2) Barrel KO's (1/4)	3:00 Aft. Side Game Series (2/6) 0-300 Pairs (1/1) Stratified Open Pairs (2/2) GOLD RUSH PAIRS (2/2) Barrel KO's (2/4) Stratified Open Swiss (1/1)	7:30 Eve. Side Game Series (2/6) Ocotillo KO's (2/3) - continues Weds 7:30
Wednesday Aug 15	A.M. Side Game Series (2/5) 0-300 Pairs (1/1) Stratified Open Pairs (1/2) Barrel KO's (3/4) Bracketed Round Robin Teams (1/2)	Aft. Side Game Series (3/6) 0-300 Pairs (1/1) Stratified Open Pairs (2/2) Barrel KO's (4/4) Bracketed Round Robin Teams (2/2) Stratified Open Swiss (1/1)	Eve. Side Game Series (3/6) Ocotillo KO's (3/3)
Thursday Aug 16	A.M. Side Game Series (3/5) 0-300 Pairs (1/1) Stratified Open Pairs (1/2) Agave KO's (1/4) GOLD RUSH PAIRS (1/2)	Aft. Side Game Series (4/6) 0-300 Pairs (1/1) Stratified Open Pairs (2/2) Agave KO's (2/4) GOLD RUSH PAIRS (2/2) Stratified Open Swiss (1/1)	Eve. Side Game Series (4/6) Stratified Swiss (1/2)
Friday Aug 17	A.M. Side Game Series (4/5) 0-300 Pairs (1/1) Stratified Open Pairs (1/2) Agave KO's (3/4) Bracketed Round Robin Teams (1/2)	Aft. Side Game Series (5/6) 0-300 Pairs (1/1) Stratified Open Pairs (2/2) Agave KO's (4/4) Bracketed Round Robin Teams (2/2) Stratified Open Swiss (1/1)	Eve. Side Game Series (5/6) Stratified Swiss (2/2)
Saturday Aug 18	A.M. Side Game Series (5/5) 0-300 Pairs (1/1) Stratified Open Pairs (1/2) Board a Match Swiss (1/2) GOLD RUSH PAIRS (1/2)	Aft. Side Game Series (6/6) 0-300 Pairs (1/1) Stratified Open Pairs (2/2) Board a Match Swiss (2/2) GOLD RUSH PAIRS (2/2)	Eve. Side Game Series (6/6) Stratified Swiss (1/1)
Sunday Aug 19	A/X/Y Teams – 2 sessions 0 – 3000 BRACKETED GOLD TEAMS - 2 sessions Tournament information and results at www.unit354.com		This is a Zero Tolerance Tournament

Talking Stick Resort

9800 E. Indian Bend Rd
Scottsdale, AZ 85256
(866) 877-9897

HIGHLIGHTS

- ♦ Room rates just \$99 (2016 rates) - BEFORE July 23rd !
- ♦ Mention Phone Code # 12685 or “Desert Empire Regional” when registering.
- ♦ Online Registration: <https://reservations.travelclick.com/73351?groupID=2089287>
- ♦ Check-in time is 4:00 pm. Check-out time is 11:00 am.
- \$ Resort Guests are responsible for room, tax, bellman (\$10), housekeeping gratuities (\$3/day) and all incidentals, to be charged on guest credit card.
- ♦ Free Wi Fi
- \$ No Daily Resort Fees (must use code 12685)
- ♦ Complimentary Self and Valet Parking
- ♦ Best Pro-Am in the West!
- ♦ New KO's Mon, Tues, Thur
- ♦ Gold Rush pairs!
- ♦ Bracketed GOLD teams!
- ♦ Stratified Open pairs!
- ♦ 0-300 pairs!
- ♦ Daily Speakers (Tues-Sat)
- ♦ Daily Giveaways
- ♦ \$13 for paid up members.
- ♦ Free play for paid up members w/0-10 MPs.
- ♦ \$7 for Youth and Junior (under 25) paid up members.
- ♦ \$17 for unpaid ACBL members.

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PRO-AM

199er Pro-Am Pairs (single session) Monday 1:30

KNOCKOUT TEAMS

Ocotillo Bracketed KO's (3 sessions) Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 7:30

Barrel Bracketed KO's (4 sessions) Tuesday & Wednesday 10 & 3

Agave Bracketed KO's (4 sessions) Thursday & Friday 10 & 3

SWISS & BRACKETED TEAMS

Bracketed Round Robin Teams (2 sessions) Wednesday & Friday 10 & 3

Stratified Open Swiss (single session) Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 3:00.

Saturday 7:30

Stratified Swiss (2 sessions) Thursday/Friday 7:30

Board a Match Swiss (2 sessions) Saturday 10 & 3

A/X/Y Swiss (2 sessions) Sunday 10 & TBA

0 – 3000 Bracketed GOLD Teams (2 sessions) 10 & TBA

PAIR GAMES

Morning Side Game Series (single session) Tuesday thru Saturday 10:00

Afternoon Side Game Series (single session) Monday thru Saturday 3:00

Evening Side Game Series (single session) Monday thru Saturday 7:30

Stratified Open Pairs (2 sessions) Tuesday thru Saturday 10 & 3

I/N GAMES

0-300 Pairs (single session) Tuesday thru Saturday 10 & 3 Monday 7:30

GOLD RUSH PAIRS (2 sessions) Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 10 & 3

Bracketed Round Robin Teams (2 sessions) Wednesday, Friday 10 & 3

Sunday 10 & TBA

Negative Doubles

with Dennis Dawson

National Champion

Monday, 9:30 A.M. – 12:00 A.M.

Dennis Dawson is also an ACBL Grand Life Master and a World Championship Bronze Medalist.

Negative Doubles are not only the most important convention in bridge, but one of the most misunderstood. They do not promise both unbid suits, nor is a double of a 1NT overcall negative, nor do they apply only to minor suits. Bid lots of examples in class, then play and discuss 4 hands.

To register:

☐ \$25 per person if paid by August 6

☐ \$30 per person if paid after August 6

Email dennis@bridgevacations.com and send a check to

105 Michelle Dr

Santa Fe, NM 87501

NEARBY ACTIVITIES

Talking Stick, a Cultural & Entertainment Destination.



Luxurious 4-diamond resort and spa, casino, 36-holes of championship golf. Taliesin West & Scottsdale Fashion Square Mall nearby.

14-acre OdySea Aquarium

Per their website:

“Located in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, OdySea Aquarium is the largest aquarium in the Southwest. With over 50 exhibits and 500 different species, there are more than 30,000 animals that call OdySea home.”



Please refrain from wearing fragrance.

Entries: \$13 for ACBL members, \$17 for unpaid ACBL members. Free play for paid up members w/040 MPs. \$7 for Youth and Junior (under 25) members

All events STRATIFIED when attendance permits.

Bracketed Teams pay GOLD. 0-3000 (no player over 3000 MPs –bracketed by average). Gold to first three overalls in EVERY bracket.

Gold Rush Events 0-200/400/750.

Gold Points awarded - top flight section top or overall (no player may have over 750 MPs).

A/X/Y Swiss Opposite bracketed Gold Swiss Teams 0-4000/6000/6000+.

Stratified events NOT opposite Gold Rush Pairs are 0-750/3000/3000+

Stratified Open Pairs Opposite Gold Rush Pairs are 0-1500/3000/3000+

Sunday Bracketed Gold Teams: 0-3000. No player over 3000 MPs. Gold to top 3 teams in EVERY bracket.

Knock Out Teams:

Bracketed by average MP holding of all members, Top Bracket may be handicapped.

0-300 Pairs stratified by attendance; no player over 300.

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