

August 14-20  High 89°  Low 71° Daily Bulletin

Welcome to the Gateway to the West Regional!



Your Gateway Tournament Chair
Welcome from Mike Carmen

On behalf of the members of Greater St. Louis Unit, 143, welcome to our Gateway to the West Regional. We have a superb staff of Directors headed by Rick Beye, so we know the games will run smoothly, and many local volunteers are working hard to make sure that everyone has a great time.

Thanks for attending!



Late Night Hospitality

St. Louis offers tasty hospitality for all after each evening session. Join us tonight and talk over the evening's hands. Tonight's Chat & Snack is jumbo cookies & brownies.



Pair Games to Feature Pre-Duplicated Boards

Unit 143 is proud to offer preduplicated boards for all pair games. This means you don't have to duplicate boards from hand records...and you still will be able to see the hands with hand records available after the session. Preduplicated hands are not rigged, we promise! "Computer-dealt hands" are a true random deal.

Hate #S@&%*! computer-dealt hands?

Did you know... that to create a random deal manually, players must give the deck a through shuffle at **least 7 times to guarantee the cards are properly mixed!** Remember the next time you shuffle, deal, and play.



Welcome from Our President



Welcome to our tournament and to St. Louis! We are privileged that you have chosen to spend the week playing bridge with us. Thank you to our local players as well as those of you from farther away. We appreciate your support. We hope you enjoy your time at the bridge table and at our excellent St. Louis restaurants. In your free time, St. Louis offers a myriad of sightseeing opportunities to please everyone. Have fun, tell your friends, and hope to see you again next year.

Becky Hubert, Unit 143 President

Free Newcomers Event Today

Only for Players with 0-20 Master Points

Bruce Greenspan, ABTA Master Bridge Teacher and Member of NABC Celebrity Speaker Program

10 AM – 12 NOON: Free Lesson
"Takeout Doubles"

- Coffee and Pastries Served

1PM - 4 PM: Free & Stress-Free Duplicate Game with Relaxed Rules

- Awards Black Masterpoints
- Trophies for Winners

This is a wonderful way to introduce your social b duplicate bridge and to improve your own game. for the morning lesson, it's not too late to call you come and play this afternoon.



Bruce will speak again this evening at 6:15 PM in the Intermediates/ Newcomers Room. He will cover 'Opening Leads.'

There will be I/N 199er Pairs Games every afternoon and evening through Sunday afternoon.



DUMMY — (SEE BELOW).
PARTNER — (SEE ABOVE).

Today's Events			
0-20 MP Pairs (Black points)	Single Session	Free of Charge	1:00 PM
0-199er Pairs	Single Session		7:00 PM
MONDAY-TUESDAY KNOCK OUT TEAMS 1	Session 1 of 4 Sessions		7:00 PM
REGIONAL SIDE GAME SERIES 1 Pairs	Session 1 of 4 Single Sessions		7:00 PM

For the Advancing Player		Today's Expert Guest Speakers	
Bruce Greenspan		"Opening Leads"	I/N Room
			6:15 PM

Stratified Events: 0-750/750-2500/2500+; I/N 199er Pairs: Stratified 0-20/20-100/100-200; Bracketed Swiss: Bracketed from Bottom Up; Barometer Pairs: Fit A Unlimited; Strat B/C/D: 0-300/300-750/750-2500; b All Stratifications by Average MP's in all events; Eligibility for flighted events based on highest MP player. Bracketed KO's/Swiss may be handicapped.

ZERO TOLERANCE IS IN PLACE!

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This Week's Events

Zero Tolerance Policy Is In Place

ALL PAIRS EVENTS FEATURE PRE-DUPLICATED BOARDS

Monday *FREE* Newcomers (0-20 MP) Event: blackpoint awards
Free Lesson 10:00 AM – Noon, 1:00 PM Stress-Free Duplicate Game with *Relaxed Rules*

I/N 199er Pairs Games (Single sessions) Everyday
Expert Guest Speakers before each session Monday - Saturday

Monday: 199er Pairs, Single Session	7:00 PM
Tuesday through Saturday: 199er Pairs, Single Sessions	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Wednesday & Friday: 2-Session Gold Rush Pairs*	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
<i>*Must play in both sessions of Gold Rush Pairs. Only play vs. other 0-750 players. Pays Gold for Section Tops (300-750) & Overalls.</i>	
Sunday: 199er Pairs, Single Sessions	10:00 AM & 2:00 PM



Regional Side Game Series (Single Sessions)

Series 1: Monday & Tuesday	Monday 7:00 PM
<i>Continues Tuesday</i>	9:00 AM, 1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Series 2: Wednesday & Thursday	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Series 3: Friday & Saturday	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
<i>Can play in 1 or more games of a series. Must play at least 2 games of same series for overall gold.</i>	

Knockout Teams (4-Session events)

Monday-Tuesday Knockout 1	Monday 7:00 PM
<i>Continues Tuesday</i>	9:00 AM, 1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Tuesday-Wednesday Knockout 2	Both days 1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Wednesday-Thursday Knockout 3	Both days 1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Friday-Saturday Knockout 4	Both days 1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Saturday-Sunday Knockout 5	Sat. 1:00 PM & 7:00 PM, Sun. 10:00 AM & TBA

Swiss Teams (Stratified, unless noted)

Single Session Evening Swiss: Tuesday – Saturday (Tuesday Charity)	7:00 PM
2-Session Morning Swiss: Wednesday – Thursday	9:00 AM
2-Session Morning Swiss: Friday – Saturday	9:00 AM
2-Session Prime Time Stratified Swiss: Thursday	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
 2-Session Bracketed Swiss (0-3000): Sunday, <i>Play through, finishes by 5:30 PM</i>	10:00 AM
 2-Session A/X/Y Swiss (0-4000/6000/6000+): Sunday, <i>Play through, finishes by 5:30 PM</i>	10:00 AM

Pairs (All 2-Session events, except Saturday AM Charity)

Tuesday Stratified Open Pairs	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Wednesday Gold Rush Pairs (0-300, 300-750)	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Wednesday A/X Pairs (0-2500, 2500+)	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Thursday Stratified Open Pairs	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Friday Gold Rush Pairs (0-300, 300-750)	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Friday A/X Pairs (0-2500, 2500+)	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Saturday Stratified Open Pairs (<i>Charity Game</i>) single session	9:00 AM
Saturday Barometer Pairs, 2 sessions (Qualifying)	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Saturday BCD Pairs (0-300, 300-750, 750-2500)	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Sunday Fast Pairs, 2 sessions <i>over by 5 PM</i>	10:00 AM

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