DENVER'S ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL

Sponsored by Unit 361 and District 17
Gary Zeiger, Director in Charge

Tuesday, May 21, 2013



Thanks to our Charity Chairman,
Susan Marshbanks, and the Denver Unit
members who brought the wonderful cookies.
For every Charity Pairs table,
\$7.75 will go to Food Bank of the Rockies,
serving Colorado and Wyoming.
To make a personal donation, see Susan or any
Denver Unit Board member.

Chairman's Welcome

I am privileged to have the opportunity to welcome you to another regional presented by the Denver Unit and District 17 of the American Contract Bridge League. We hope that your experience will be positive and that you will choose to join us again in the future. In addition to this annual regional tournament, we will join with the ACBL and host a National Bridge Tournament in November, 2015. We hope to see you there as well.

We are sponsoring a Pro-Am event for the first time this year thanks to the hard work of Shelbie Bastiaans, Penny Coffman and Flo Newlin. It has been well received and we plan to incorporate the event as a regular feature of this tournament.

John Gallagher is Partnership chairman, Joan Kushner is Hospitality, and Blair Young is in charge of caddies. Their efforts and the hard work of the rest of the Denver Unit Board made this tournament possible. I would also like to thank Maxine Divine, last years' tournament chair, for her invaluable insight and assistance. A special thanks to Don Heitler, who arranged our speakers. Joan Mager, Susan Marshbanks, Carol Bertz, Jerry Ranney, Jerry Newcomb, Carolyn Newcomb all assisted in special ways along with the

Results are on the Web!
www.denverbridge.
com. Click on Winner's
Gallery.



Denver Unit Board to host this tournament.

Signs are posted in helpful places around the Denver Renaissance Hotel. There will be board members wearing welcome sashes in the main lobby and outside the Colorado Ballroom near the registration area. If you have questions about locations or times, please ask.

It's time to turn your cell phones off and your bridge pads on.....Good Bridge!!

Today's Schedule

1:00 p.m.

Pro Am Game

7:00 p.m.

Mt Massive Charity Pairs—single session

Mt Elbert Knockouts-Round 1

Mt Harvard 199er Charity Pairs—single session

Player Specials at Vivace!

Dinner Buffet \$14.95 Dinner Specials \$13.95

- Oven Roasted Chicken with Mashed Potatoes
- Meatloaf & Mashed Potatoes
- Chicken Fettuccini
- Turkey or beef burger
- Spaghetti and meatballs

Bill Beard

Hospitality News

Stop by the Hospitality desk to pick up a patch, a convention card holder, pencil and a restaurant list. Order personal labels by filling out a registration form.

Hospitality this year will include free sandwiches on Monday during the Swiss Teams and Fast Pairs.

Enjoy the tournament!

FREE PARKING

The parking garage is free to bridge players this week. Enjoy!

CELL PHONES

The use of electronic devices is strictly forbidden in the playing area.

Photos



Winners & New Life Masters

If you win an event or make life master, please get your picture taken. Tom Burger will be taking photos near the Hospitality Desk at 12:30 and 6:30. Winners photos will be sent to the Contract Bridge Forum. See you in the Winner's Gallery!

Speaker's Corner



Wednesday 12:15

Marvel Heinsohn

Forcing No Trump

Wednesday 6:15

Robert Todd

Hand Evaluation

Stratified: A=2000+; B=750-2000; C=0-750 (Stratified by team or pair average)

Strati-flighted: Flights A/AX play together: A=5000+; AX=0-5000; Flights B/C/D play together: B=1250-2000; C=750-1250; D=0-750 (Stratified by team or pair average within each flight)

Knockouts: Bracketed by average masterpoint holdings of all team members. Compact KOs limited to 4 members only. KOs may be handicapped.

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Daily Bulletin Editor

Today's Sudoku (easy)

Carolyn Newcomb

2	7				3			
	6							
	1		6		8	7		
5		7		8	6		3	
6	8						7	5
	2		7	9		8		6
		4	1		5		8	
							2	
			3				5	7

Wednesday's Games

see flyer for more info



<u>Pairs</u>	<u>Time</u>			
199er Pairs	1 & 7			
Blanca Peak Side Game Series (1 of 5) (horizontal)	9			
Mt Yale Side Game Series (1 of 5) (horizontal)	1			
Torreys Peak Side Game Series (1 of 5) (horizontal)	7			
Central City 0-300/750 Gold Rush Pairs	10 & 3			
La Plata Peak A/B Daylight Pairs	10 & 3			
Mt Lincoln Stratified Pairs	1 & 7			
Teams				
Mt Elbert KO Rounds 2,3,4	9,1&7			
Mt Antero KO Rounds 1 & 2	1 & 7			
Castle Peak Stratified Swiss Teams—Single Session	7			

My Favorite Conventions

By Carolyn Newcomb

I enjoy bridge in all its incarnations. This game never ceases to amaze and confound me. After years and years of learning new conventions, I am convinced that most times you and partner can arrive at the right contract by a number of paths.

Still, I have grown very attached to a few bells and whistles that I would like to share with you.

Erik Kokish wrote about a system of game tries in the Bridge Bulletin in February 2003 on page 46. Jerry and I call it the Kokish Three Way Game Try system. Later this week, I will explain it to you.

A tool we use to decide whether to make the game tries is losing trick count. The beauty of losing trick count is that you can use it whether or not your partner participates. I'll write a little about that later as well.

Another of my favorites and the easiest to learn is Compressed Bergen. It frees up several bids for more productive use over regular Bergen raises.

Bridge is all about lifelong learning. You and your partner should make a commitment to continue studying the game and learning new things. Our bookseller has lots of choices.

SPEAKERS: Speakers will be giving us instruction every day at 12:15 and 6:15 in the Big Thompson Room on the lower level. Be sure to stop by to get some inspiration and new ideas. Here is a tentative schedule:



Marvel Heinsohn Robert Todd Anita Heitler Judy Randel Carol Bertz Jade Barrett Norma Sands Billy Miller Curt Soloff Chris Champion Wednesday Afternoon Wednesday Evening Thursday Afternoon Thursday Evening Friday Afternoon Friday Evening Saturday Afternoon Saturday Afternoon Sunday Afternoon Sunday Evening