

PALM BEACH GARDENS REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

August 15-21, 2022 • PGA National Resort & Spa

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Bridge is Great in Unit 128 - Come get your GOLD POINTS!

Welcome Back to PGA!! This is a beautiful facility to win more points than ever. To help you with this, please come to the FREE half hour lecture at 9:15am Tuesday thru Friday. Some of our best experts will be speaking! Shannon Cappelletti and Charlene Predmest are your hosts this week, and Helena and Lou are at the partnership desk to help you find great partners.

Remember coffee, tea and orange juice are complimentary!! Have fun and GOOD LUCK!!!

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NEED A PARTNER? TEAMMATES?

Come to the Partnership Desk at 9:15 am for the 10:00 am games and at 2:00 for the 2:30 games. Please come to the desk as early as possible and if you find a partner on your own, after making a request, please have the courtesy to come back to the desk to tell us! A board will be posted for your use. Contact Helena Fine, Partnership Chair at 239-384-1577.

Restaurants at the Hotel:

Honeybelle

Daily:

6:30AM – 11AM Breakfast

11:30AM – 5PM Lunch

5:30PM – 9PM Dinner

The MKT

Daily 6:30Am – 6PM

Birdie's Diner

Daily 11AM – 5PM

Wave Bar-Poolside

Daily 11AM – 5PM

The Butcher's Club

Tuesday-Saturday 5PM – 10PM

Lobby Bar

Monday-Friday 4PM – 12AM

Saturday-Sunday 3PM-12AM

The Big Drip

Daily 12PM – 6PM

Sugarplume

Wednesday-Sunday 11AM – 4PM

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

MONDAY, AUGUST 15 – NEW START TIMES!

10:00 & 2:30 – Mon-Tue Bracketed KOs
10:00 & 2:30 – Charity A/X/Y Open Pairs
10:00 & 2:30 – Charity Gold Rush Pairs
10:00 – Morning Side Game (1st of 6)
2:30 & 7:30 – Charity Round Robin Teams
2:30 – Afternoon Side Game (1st of 6)
7:30 – Win an Entry Side Game

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16

9:15-9:45 – Bruce Lang - *What happens after Stayman*
10:00 & 2:30 – Bracketed Round Robin Teams
10:00 & 2:30 – A/X Open Pairs
10:00 & 2:30 – B/C Mid-Flight Pairs
10:00 & 2:30 – Gold Rush Pairs
10:00 – Morning Side Game (2nd of 6)
2:30 – Afternoon Side Game (2nd of 6)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17

9:15-9:45 – Corey Krantz - *Slam Bidding*
10:00 & 2:30 – Wed-Thu Bracketed KOs
10:00 & 2:30 – A/X Open Pairs
10:00 & 2:30 – B/C Mid-Flight Pairs
10:00 & 2:30 – Gold Rush Pairs
10:00 – Morning Side Game (3rd of 6)
2:30 – Afternoon Side Game (3rd of 6)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

9:15-9:45 – Linda Green - *Finer Points of Finesses*
10:00 & 2:30 – Bracketed Round Robin Teams
10:00 & 2:30 – A/X/Y Open Pairs
10:00 & 2:30 – Gold Rush Pairs
10:00 – Morning Side Game (4th of 6)
2:30 – Afternoon Side Game (4th of 6)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

9:15-9:45 – Aubrey Fein - *Treatment after Opponent Bids 1NT*
10:00 & 2:30 – Friday-Saturday Bracketed KOs
10:00 & 2:30 – A/X Open Pairs
10:00 & 2:30 – B/C Mid-Flight Pairs
10:00 & 2:30 – Gold Rush Pairs
10:00 – Morning Side Game (5th of 6)
2:30 – Afternoon Side Game (5th of 6)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

10:00 & 2:30 – Bracketed Round Robin Teams
10:00 & 2:30 – A/X/Y Open Pairs
10:00 & 2:30 – Gold Rush Pairs
10:00 – Morning Side Game (6th of 6)
2:30 – Afternoon Side Game (6th of 6)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

9:30 – A/X/Y Swiss Teams
(A=6000+, B=4000-6000, C=0-4000)
9:30 – Bracketed B (0-3000) Teams

STRATS

A/X/Y Open (unless noted):
A=5000+; X=2500-5000; Y=0-2500

A/X Open: A=5000+, X=0-5000

Mid-Flight B/C (no player over 3000 MPs):
B=1500-3000; C=0-1500

Gold Rush (no player over 750 MPs):
A=500-750; B=300-500; C=0-300

All KOs will be a 2-session Round Robin qualifying event with the top 4 teams playing in the semifinals the next day.

ENTRY EXPRESS

AVOID THE LINE 

Buy your entries today -
members.acbl.org/tournaments

Entry Fees:

Entries can be paid by Credit Card!! All major credits are accepted. Each player can use their own credit card. An additional \$4 per session will be charged for unpaid or lapsed ACBL members. No reason to wait in line to buy entries! Pre-register and pay for your entry using Entry Express. Visit members.acbl.org/tournaments to buy your entries online.

Tournament Results:

No reason to wait around for the results. Have your results delivered to you by email or text message. Go to your MyACBL account to opt-in for Tournament Results. In addition, all results can also be found at live.acbl.org.

This is a Zero Tolerance Tournament.

If you have a problem at your table, please call the Director immediately so the situation can be handled. It doesn't help to report the incident after the fact.

HOW DO I GET MY GOLD?

There will be plenty of opportunities for you to earn gold points. However, you must play in an event that lasts two sessions or longer and the event must have an upper limit of at least 750 master-points. Here's how:

Bracketed Knockouts -

Bracketed Knockouts are 2-day events. Each bracket will be 5-10 teams. On the first day, all brackets will play a 2-session Swiss or Round Robin. The top 4 teams in each bracket will qualify for the semifinals the next day. The top qualifier in each bracket will choose from 3rd or 4th place team as their semifinal opponent. In this format all KO teams are guaranteed two sessions of play. Each match you win in the Qualifying session will earn you masterpoints. Single Session Swiss are no longer on the schedule. Also, this format brings more Masterpoint Awards to the winners. No unlucky first round draws and more balanced brackets. You will LOVE this format!

Bracketed Round-Robin Teams -

A great way to win gold points. Play is divided into brackets depending on the number of players who enter and the teams' masterpoint total. Once you are assigned to a bracket, you play against only teams in your bracket, i.e. against teams with points comparable to your team's points. Brackets are usually 7, 8 or 9 teams total. Awards vary – Bracket One awards the most masterpoints, with awards decreasing as the bracket number increases. But no matter which bracket you are in, if you are one of the top 3 teams then you will win gold points!

Gold Rush Pairs -

Overall and section top winners in the top stratum win gold points. Overalls will be awarded to about the top 25% of the field. Other masterpoint awards will be red points. The good thing about this event is that no one in the field will have over 750 masterpoints.

Mask Policy

The ACBL's mask policy evaluates whether masks are required depending on conditions in the area where the tournament is being held. If the COVID-19 Community Level in **Palm Beach County, FL** as determined by the CDC is High (Red), face masks will be required. Masks will be optional (though they are always recommended) if the Community Level is Low (Green) or Medium (Yellow), as indicated by the CDC. However, if you are seated at a table with a player who asks for tablemates to wear masks, please be courteous and do so.

Cell Phones

The use of cell phones and other electronic devices is allowed in-between rounds or sitouts in the playing room. Please silence your phone. Should your cell phone ring, a penalty of 1/8 board will be automatic. If you answer your phone or your phone becomes audible, the penalty will be 1/2 board. Making calls in the playing room also carries a 1/2 board penalty.

Intermediate/Novice Schedule

Due to a smaller anticipated turnout, we have not scheduled any Intermediate/Novice games into this year's schedule. However, any player with less than 300 masterpoints can purchase a single session entry into the Gold Rush pairs. Most novices and intermediates should find the Gold Rush as a comfortable place to play. Please see any Tournament Director if you have any questions

Learn Bridge in a Day?

Do you have family and friends that are interested in learning bridge? Unit 128 is excited to bring Patty Tucker to the PGA Regional on Sunday August 14, the Sanibel Regional on Sunday, October 9, and the Daytona Regional on Sunday, November 6 for her Learn Bridge in a Day (LBIAD) course. This course typically costs \$75. Unit 128 is thrilled to underwrite a generous portion! The cost for your family and friends to participate is \$25 at the door or \$20 if you pre-register at floridaunit128.org. This course is perfect for true beginners, those returning to bridge after long absences and those wanting to "test the waters" before committing to formal classes. The concentrated course includes both class instruction and coached play. Textbooks and door prizes are included in the fee.

Upcoming District 9 Regionals

October 10-16, 2022 - Ft Myers - Marriott Sanibel Harbour
November 7-13, 2022 - Daytona Beach - The Shores Resort & Spa
December 12-18, 2022 - Boca Raton - Embassy Suites
January 2-8, 2023 - Orlando - Doubletree SeaWorld
February 20-26, 2023 - Palmetto - Bradenton Convention Center
March 27-April 2, 2023 - Coral Springs - Marriott Coral Springs

GOOD LUCK and HAVE FUN!!!

GUEST SPEAKERS

(9:15 to 9:45am)

Tuesday: Bruce Lang - What happens after Stayman

Wednesday: Corey Krantz - Attributes of Slam Bidding

Thursday: Linda Green - Finer Points of Finesses

Friday: Aubrey Fein - Treatment after Opponent Bids NT