

San Antonio Holiday Regional Wednesday Bulletin



ACBL offers beginner classes online

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The ACBL launched Intro to Bridge this year, an online beginner bridge course. A new set of classes will begin in January.

The program consists of ten 90-minute lessons with plenty of practice built in. Students can expect to begin playing during the first lesson. The \$50 cost includes a 90-day free trial of Shark Bridge, the platform on which the practice hands are played.

Intro to Bridge was developed with Patty Tucker, an ACBL Hall of Fame member and legendary bridge teacher. She is a leader in bridge education for all ages and specializes in guiding players who are just beginning. Course instructors include Patty Tucker, Eli Jolley, Morris "mojo" Jones and Morgan Johnstone.

Students who are familiar with other card games – especially trick-taking games, like spades, euchre or war, are off to a good start. Some comments from students who have taken the course:

Not only was this excellent instruction, but meeting and practicing with different people from all over North America was so enjoyable. I enjoyed everyone I dealt with. Great class. Thanks everyone.

The classes were extremely well-paced and covered enough of the basics to that one could actually start playing. I enjoyed being given time to play and practice the lesson of the day.

My impression of the game before the course was that it was very complicated. The course broke it down into manageable concepts that build one on another and while it is a very sophisticated game, it now makes sense!

It is strongly recommend that students attend the classes on a PC or Mac desktop computer rather than on a tablet or phone. While tablets can be used, these devices make navigation much harder. Space is limited. Register at my.acbl.org/events/learn-bridge

Today's Schedule

- 10am** ➔ Stratified 299er Pairs
➔ Morning Side Series (5/5)
➔ Gold Rush Pairs (1/2)
➔ A/X/Y Pairs (1/2)
➔ Bracketed Swiss (1/2)

- 2:30pm** ➔ Stratified 299er Pairs
➔ Afternoon Side Series (6/6)
Gold Rush Pairs (2/2)
A/X/Y Pairs (2/2)
Bracketed Swiss (2/2)



**Today's
Speaker**

1:45pm
La Joya

Tomorrow's Schedule

- 10am** ➔ A/X Swiss (1/2)
➔ 0-2500 Bracketed Swiss (1/2)
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0-2500 Bracketed Swiss (2/2)

Speakers



50% Better Bridge

Wednesday 1:45pm (La Joya Ballroom)

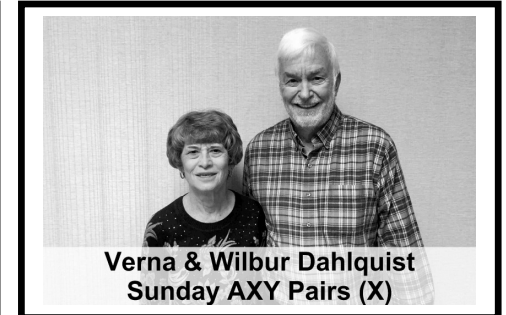
Thomas Rush is our Wednesday speaker. Early in his bridge career, Thomas read every bridge book in the Berkeley Public Library. This gave him a deep understanding of bidding theory and why systems work (or don't!). He uses 25 years of Toastmasters membership to craft his knowledge into compelling presentations for beginners through advanced players. He is representing District 16 in the Grand National Teams for the second time this year, and has also represented the district in the NAP twice, finishing as high as third overall.

He is retired from a 25-year career with Compaq and HP where he did a lot of technical training and delivered presentations to technicians all the way up to CEOs. He now teaches bridge and is a certified for ACBL Best Practices.

Sincere thanks to Thomas, and all of our speakers this week, for taking the time to share their knowledge, experience and insights with us.



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Tuesday Morning Pairs Series

2.32	Gold Red	1/2			43.50	60.42	Verna Dahlquist <i>Sulphur, LA</i>	Wilbur Dahlquist <i>Sulphur, LA</i>
2.32	Gold Red	1/2			43.50	60.42	Rosemary Kelley <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Richard Southworth <i>San Antonio, TX</i>
2.46	Red	3	1		38.50	53.47	Susan Young <i>Shreveport, LA</i>	Myra Ribak <i>San Antonio, TX</i>
1.85	Red			2	37.00	51.39	Ronald Briggs <i>Billerica, MA</i>	Andy Villastrigo <i>San Antonio, TX</i>

Tuesday A/X/Y Pairs

9.63	Gold	1	1	1	84.10		Lilly Justman <i>Austin, TX</i>	Melody Euler <i>Austin, TX</i>
7.22	Gold	2			83.10		Dolores Aquino <i>Houston, TX</i>	Christoph Eick <i>Houston, TX</i>
5.42	Gold	3	2	2	77.40		Beth Gale <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Bob Otis <i>San Antonio, TX</i>

Tuesday Gold Rush Pairs

3.90	Gold	1			145.50		Mike Robinson <i>Odessa, TX</i>	Sarah Wright <i>Odessa, TX</i>
3.12	Gold Red	2	1		143.50		Christopher Steele <i>Pflugerville, TX</i>	Charlene Coor <i>Austin, TX</i>
2.19	Gold	3			133.00		Lew Spurlock <i>Fair Oaks Ranch, TX</i>	Yesh Singh <i>San Antonio, TX</i>
1.65	Gold	4			129.00		Curt Wyman <i>Austin, TX</i>	Susan Breeding <i>Austin, TX</i>
2.34	Gold Red	5	2		125.50		Jerry Eaton <i>Rockport, TX</i>	Terri Eaton <i>Rockport, TX</i>
2.76	Red		3	1	125.00		Peter Doyle <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Yao-Hui Hsiau <i>San Antonio, TX</i>
2.07	Red		4	2	118.50		Sharon Lux <i>Dallas, TX</i>	Judy Wood <i>Dallas, TX</i>
1.55	Red			3	115.00		Janice Hardcastle <i>Houston, TX</i>	Beverly Flannery <i>San Antonio, TX</i>

Tuesday Bracketed Swiss (Bracket 1)

21.39	Gold	1	83.00	John Kranyak <i>Greenville, SC</i>	Allison Kranyak <i>Greenville, SC</i>	Kay Enfield <i>Santa Fe, NM</i>	Patty Hinze <i>San Antonio, TX</i>
16.04	Gold	2	73.00	Sally Wheeler <i>The Woodlands, TX</i>	Buddy Hanby <i>The Woodlands, TX</i>	Ira Hessel <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Ellen Hessel <i>San Antonio, TX</i>
12.03	Gold	3	65.00	Gary Anziani <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Ed Rawlinson <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Donna Swarthout <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Dave Swarthout <i>San Antonio, TX</i>

Tuesday Bracketed Swiss (Bracket 2)

11.97	Gold	1	95.00	Forrest Gray <i>Van Vleck, TX</i>	Tessa Bodnar <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Jeanne Dawley <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Kathy Sinkin-Amor <i>San Antonio, TX</i>
8.98	Gold	2	86.00	Brian Bankler <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Thomas Trudeau <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Richard Curtin <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Kay Laird <i>San Antonio, TX</i>
6.73	Gold	3	75.00	Tawana Arnett <i>Denton, TX</i>	Lori Slocum <i>Denton, TX</i>	Harry Ingham <i>San Marcos, TX</i>	Dorothy Rippstein <i>Karnes City, TX</i>
5.05	Gold	4	72.00	Andrea Williams <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Carol Ellis <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Eleanor Siegal <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Marjorie Norton <i>Laredo, TX</i>
3.99	Gold	5	63.00	Joe Ramirez <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Phyllis Giffin <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Debbie Schweiss <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Evelyn Pitman <i>San Antonio, TX</i>



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