



Upcoming Sectionals

Denver Winter Sectional Golden, Colorado January 8-11

Colorado's first bridge tournament of the year will be at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds. It starts with a one session Swiss Teams on Thursday night at 7:00 p.m. and then has the usual schedule, including a 10:00 a.m. start on Saturday. More information is at denver-bridge.com and in the ad in this issue of *ScoreCard*.

Tucson Winter Sectional Tucson, Arizona January 8-11

The Holiday Inn on Palo Verde just off of I-10 will again host this sectional. Use the booking code "ABC" before December 29 to get the reduced room rates of \$79.00, which includes a Breakfast Buffet and Wi-Fi. There is free coffee and tea, bagels and cream cheese, smoked salmon, and pastries every morning. See the ad in this issue of *ScoreCard*.

London Bridge Sectional Lake Havasu, Arizona January 16-19

Enjoy pleasant January weather at the London Bridge Sectional, Arizona's only all beach-front resort. The four-day tournament (Friday through Monday) is held at the Elks Club Lodge and includes two KOs. More information is in the ad in this issue of *ScoreCard*.

Non-Life Master Under 500 Sectional Tempe, Arizona January 17-18

The Pera Club is hosting this Non-Life Master Sectional. There will be pre-dealt hands, even in the Sunday Swiss Teams, and between sessions a local expert will review the deals you played. More information is available in the ad in this issue of *ScoreCard*.

Sunshine Sectional Yuma, Arizona February 5-8

Yuma's four day Winter Sectional is at the Quality Inn at 711 East 32nd Street. Yuma is a snowbird haven due to its lovely winter weather. Nearby are the "Star Wars" sand dunes on the border with California. Come and play. Details will be in the ad in the next issue of *ScoreCard*.

Northern Colorado Winter Sectional Loveland, Colorado February 6-8

This popular sectional is right off I-25 exit 259, about an hour north of Denver, at the Larimer County Fairgrounds and Events Complex. On Sunday a hot lunch will be provided between sessions. More information is at northerncoloradobridge.com and in the ad in this issue of *ScoreCard*.

Presidents Day Valentine Sectional El Paso, Texas February 13-16

The Decker Bridge Center is again this venue for four days (including the holiday Monday) of delightful and perhaps romantic bridge, with 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. starting times every day. The first event is a one session Swiss Teams, and Saturday has a two session Compact KO. See the ad in this issue of *ScoreCard* for more details.

Phoenix Presidents' Day Sectional Glendale, Arizona February 13-16

The annual Phoenix Presidents' Day Sectional will again be at ASU West Campus in Glendale. The four day sectional offers something for everyone - single session Stratified Pairs events, a Friday night through Saturday KO, a Sunday Swiss, plus a Compact KO in addition to pairs events on Monday. See the ad in this issue of *ScoreCard* for more details.

Pueblo Winter Sectional Pueblo, Colorado February 13-15

Enjoy great hospitality in a friendly hometown atmosphere. There is always plenty of terrific food at this tournament in downtown Pueblo at the Sangre de Cristo Arts & Conference Center. There are no KO Teams scheduled, but there is a two session pairs event on Saturday. More details are in the ad in this issue of *ScoreCard*.

Santa Fe 499er Sectional Santa Fe, New Mexico February 28-March 1

The Leonard Helman Bridge Center at 3827 Thomas Road in scenic Santa Fe, New Mexico, will be hosting this 499er tournament. No further information is available at this time. Check <http://bridgesantafe.com/> which will have more information soon.

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"Yep."
"Don't tell me he went down?"
"Oh yes. This guy won the spade, led a trump to dummy, cashed the diamond ace, returned to his hand with a trump, produced that eight of clubs, pitched the diamond jack and ruffed one. He then lost a trick to the spade queen. You should have seen the expression on his wife's face when she saw what was going on! The way she says to the guy 'nice play,' you knew the poor boy was going to be sleeping on the couch."
"You have got to be kidding me. What did he say?"
"I can't remember exactly. I think it was something about ♠Q in somebody's hand,

a squeeze, or diamonds 3-3 but, as you know, nobody is listening by that point. Everyone is too amazed."
"So you know who the hero of this hand is, right?" "Me?"
"No, not you. Betty. She gave him a chance to go wrong by building his eight of clubs. If she returns a low club this guy has no option but to get it right."
"Huh? He has only nine tricks even with the diamond hook then."
"Wrong, he then has ten on a criss-cross squeeze."
"You Are Right. That is the kind of hand this dude would make. I have to go find Betty and buy her a drink!!"

Non Life Master Sectional

January 17 & 18, 2015
No player over 500 MP
No Life Masters

All games award **Silver Points**

Sponsored by: Unit 351 & 354
Sanction # 1501091

Saturday

10:00 AM: Single session stratified pairs
Pre-dealt hand & hand records

1:45 PM: Review morning hands with local expert

2:30 PM: Single Session stratified pairs
Pre-dealt hands & hand records

Sunday
Swiss Teams

9:30 AM: Swiss Team strategy & explanation

10:00 AM: Session 1 Swiss Teams
Pre-dealt hands & hand records

1:45 PM: Review morning hands with local expert

2:30 PM: Session 2 Swiss Teams
Pre-dealt hands & hand records

Saturday Entry Fees

\$12 per person ACBL Members
\$15 per person non/unpaid members

Sunday Swiss Team Entry Fees

\$26 per person ACBL Members
\$32 per person non/unpaid members

Entry Fee includes lunch

Where

The PERA Club
1 East Continental Dr, Tempe AZ 85281

Tournament Chairs
JoAnne Lowe Jim Horton
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Partnerships: Michelle Steiner
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SEDONA SECTIONAL

March 12th, 13th, and 14th, 2015
(Thursday, Friday & Saturday)

Elks Lodge #2291 - 110 Airport Road, Sedona, Az.

Sedona Lodging:
Hampton Inn (928-282-4700); \$139; Talk directly to the office - do not contact 1-800 office as only the local hotel has the offer on file.

Super Eight (928-282-1533); Sun & Thurs (\$69+tax), Fri & Sat (\$79+tax)

Rooms are Limited - Please make reservations early!

Two Bracketed Knockouts!

Thursday
March 12

Stratified Open Pairs - 9:00 AM, 1:30 PM, & 7:00 PM -Single Sessions;
199'er pairs - 9:00 AM and 1:30 PM
Strats (Average): A (1500+ MP), B (500+ to 1500MP), C (0 to 500 MP)
199'ers (0 to 50 MP, 50 to 100 MP, 100 to 200 MP)

Bell Rock Bracketed Knockout - 9:00 AM, 1:30 PM & 7:00 PM - 3 Rounds
Top Bracket may be handicapped;
Single Session Swiss - 7:00 PM;

Friday
March 13

Stratified Open Pairs - 9:00 AM, 1:30 PM, & 7:00 PM -Single Sessions;
199'er pairs - 9:00 AM and 1:30 PM
Strats (Average): A (1500+ MP), B (500+ to 1500MP), C (0 to 500 MP)
199'ers (0 to 50 MP, 50 to 100 MP, 100 to 200 MP)

Cathedral Rock Bracketed Knockout - 9:00 AM, 1:30 PM & 7:00PM - 3 Rounds
Top Bracket may be handicapped;
Single Session Swiss - 7:00 PM

Saturday,
March 14

Stratified Swiss Teams - Two Sessions 10:00 AM
Strats: A (1500+ MP), B (500+ to 1500MP), C (0 to 500 MP); 20 minute lunch break
199'er Swiss team - 10:00 AM single session

Daily - Sandwiches, Salads & Refreshments available for lunch - Free Coffee provided all day!

Tournament Chair: Darryl Helton
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Entry Fees: \$10 members, \$13 non and unpaid ACBL members

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