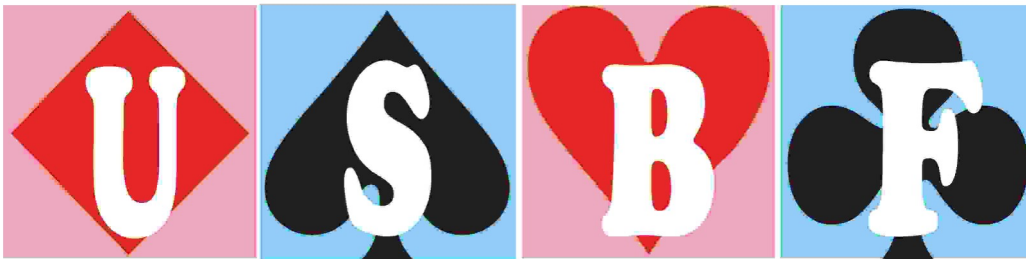




“Trials” and Tribulations—Pre-Bulletin



The Prez Says ...



Howie Weinstein, President of the United States Bridge Federation, welcomes you to the Embassy Suites, Phoenix, AZ, for the 2014 United States Bridge Championships.

Ed. note: For those who are not aware, George Jacobs, former USBF President, has resigned from office and Howie has been elected to fill George’s unexpired term

In addition, Sylvia Moss has been elected to fill Howie’s unexpired term as Vice President.

Both Howie and Sylvia are experienced volunteers and great assets to the organization. We welcome their leadership. We miss George and wish him well. We know he will still be a driving force in the USBF.

FORMAT

The format of the 2014 USBC will be 5 2-day stages: the first stage will be a Round Robin among all teams except those with byes to the Knockout phase; the other stages will be 120 board Knockout matches, starting with the Round of 16 on Sunday, May 11 and Monday, May 12 and ending with the Finals on Saturday, May 17 and Sunday, May 18.

Sixteen teams have entered the 2014 USBC. Three teams have byes. The remaining 13 teams will play a two day complete Round Robin to select eleven teams to join Gordon in the Round of 16.

BYES

The Nickell team earned the top seed and a bye to the Round of 8. The Fleisher team earned a bye to the Round of 8 and will be the 2 seed. The Gordon team earned a bye to the Round of 16. They will originally be seeded 3 but will be randomly shuffled with the highest-seeded team that emerges from the Round Robin to determine whether they are the 3 or 4 seed.

From the Editor:

Please be advised to keep this issue of the newsletter. While team lists and schedules will be reprinted in subsequent hard copy editions, other information will not. We do this to make room for new content at a substantial print savings to the organization. Thank you!!

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Teams in Order by Seeding

"TRIALS" AND TRIBULATIONS—PRE-BULLETIN

Nickell Bye to Rnd of 8	Frank Nickell, Capt Bobby Levin Jeff Meckstroth	Ralph Katz Steve Weinstein Eric Rodwell
Fleisher Bye to Rnd of 8	Martin Fleisher, Capt Gary Cohler Chris Willenken	Chip Martel Michael Rosenberg
Gordon Bye to Rnd of 16	Mark Gordon, Capt David Berkowitz Jacek Pszczola	Pratap Rajadhyaksha Alan Sontag Michael Seamon
Diamond	John Diamond, Capt Geoff Hampson Brad Moss	Brian Platnick Eric Greco Kevin Bathurst
Bramley	Bart Bramley, Capt Howard Weinstein Robert Hamman	Lew Stansby Ross Grabel Roger Lee
Sherman	Richard Coren Kevin Dwyer Mike Passell Gabrielle Sherman, NPC	Michael Kamil Russell Ekeblad Marc Jacobus
Fireman	John Kranyak Justin Lall Joel Wooldridge Paul Fireman, NPC	Gavin Wolpert John Hurd
Koneru	Venkatrao Koneru, Capt Kit Woolsey	Jim Krekorian Fred Stewart
Meltzer	Steve Robinson Steve Garner Rose Meltzer, NPC	John Mohan Peter Boyd Ron Smith
Seligman	Martin Seligman, Capt Jiang Gu Curtis Cheek	Mark Lair Huub Bertens
Harris	Martin Harris, Capt Glenn Milgrim Jeff Aker	Jacob Morgan Barry Rigal Josh Parker
Kolesnik	Alex Kolesnik, Capt Josh Sher Brady Richter	Bob Etter Ai-Tai Lo John Ramos
Hung	Eugene Hung, Capt JoAnna Stansby	Jason Feldman William Watson
Baseggio	Franco Baseggio, Capt Migry Zur Campanile	Andrew Stark John McAllister
Parrish	Adam Parrish, Capt Joel Datloff	Greg Humphreys Roger McNay
Berkowitz	Dana Berkowitz, Capt Craig Ganzer	Sylvia Shi Robert Brady

The trouble with the world is that the stupid are cocksure and the intelligent are full of doubt.

Bertrand Russell



D. Berkowitz, Shi, Brady, Ganzer



Parrish, Humphreys

All About Kibitzing

All About Kibitzing

WHEN CAN YOU KIBITZ IN THE PLAYING ROOMS?

You will be able to kibitz at any of the tables during this event, except in the Closed Room during the final sequestered matches of the Round Robin. However, you will be subject to the following regulations:

Kibitzers may enter the room ONLY at the start of play for a segment. Once play has started, the room will be closed.

A kibitzer who leaves the room may not return until the start of the next segment.

Cell phones and other electronic devices are not allowed in the playing rooms, even if they are turned off. Any kibitzer who is found with a cell phone will be evicted and not allowed to kibitz during the remainder of the tournament.

When a match is being shown on BBO Vugraph, no kibitzer may sit on the same side of the table as the Vugraph operator.

SCREENS

All of the USBC is played with screens. You need to know that it is quite different from kibitzing at an "unscreened" table. You need to be seated at an "open" corner of the table (not next to the screen) in order to see, and once there are 4 kibitzers at a table it will be very hard for additional kibitzers to see.

USBC KIBITZING RULES

The USBF **General Conditions of Contest** contain specific rules about kibitzers. They are designed to promote security at the tournament and are set forth in the conditions of contest section labeled "Security."

GENERAL RULES

- a. During any use of duplicated boards across multiple matches, Kibitzers must select one table for kibitzing and may not move to any other table during a session or segment.
- b. Kibitzers may not speak with players, must watch only one hand at a time, may not sit in such a position as to see more than one hand at a time, may not sit in such a position as to see a computer screen in use for Internet broadcast, must check communication devices with the Director, cannot call attention to irregularities other than a board being placed incorrectly on the table (arrow positioning), but may serve as witnesses to a possible irregularity.
- c. Kibitzers must enter the playing room before play commences. Kibitzers are required to remain until the segment of play is completed at the table they are watching or to leave the playing area entirely. Kibitzers are expected to abide by the same rules as the players regarding leaving the room (e.g. be escorted to the restroom).
- d. Except as expressly provided in the conditions and appendices, NPC's shall be subject to the WBF General Conditions, Section 17.
- e. No one other than the Internet broadcast personnel and Tournament Directors may watch any computer screen or any other mechanism for enabling the Internet broadcast at any time in either the Closed Room or the Open Room.
- f. These rules may be revised in specific instances by the DICs for the orderly running of the event.



Levin, S. Weinstein, Nickell, Katz, Meckstroth, Rodwell 3

Round Robin Schedule

Knockout Schedule

Round Robin		
Captains' Meeting in Playing Area at 9:45 AM		
FRIDAY MAY 9TH	10:00 - 11:15 11:20 - 12:35 12:40 - 1:55	MATCH 1 - BOARDS 1-8 MATCH 2 - BOARDS 9-16 MATCH 3 - BOARDS 17-24 75 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
	3:10 - 4:25 4:30 - 5:45	MATCH 4 - BOARDS 25-32 MATCH 5 - BOARDS 33-40 15 MINUTE BREAK
SATURDAY MAY 10TH	6:00 - 7:15 7:20 - 8:35	MATCH 6 - BOARDS 41-48 MATCH 7 - BOARDS 50-56
	10:00 - 11:15 11:25 - 12:40 12:50 - 2:05	MATCH 8 - BOARDS 57-64 MATCH 9 - BOARDS 65-72 MATCH 10 - BOARDS 73-80 75 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
	3:20 - 4:35 4:45 - 6:00 6:10 - 7:25	MATCH 11 - BOARDS 81-88 MATCH 12 - BOARDS 89-96 * MATCH 13 - BOARDS 97-104 *
* MATCHES 12 & 13 ARE SEQUESTERED, NO SUBSTITUTIONS IN CLOSED ROOM & NO COMPARISONS ALLOWED.		

Round of Sixteen		
Captains' Meeting in Playing Area at 9:45 AM		
SUNDAY MAY 11TH	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
	3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 45-60
MONDAY MAY 12TH	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 61-75 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 76-90 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
	3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 91-105 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 106-120
Quarterfinals		
TUESDAY MAY 13TH	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
	3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
WEDNESDAY MAY 14TH	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 61-75 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 76-90 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
	3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 91-105 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 106-120
Semi-Finals		
THURSDAY MAY 15TH	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
	3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
FRIDAY MAY 16TH	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 61-75 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 76-90 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
	3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 91-105 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 106-120
Final		
SATURDAY MAY 17TH	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
	3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
SUNDAY MAY 18TH	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 61-75 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 76-90 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
	3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 91-105 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 106-120



Diamond, Platnick, Greco, Hampson, Moss, Grue



Baseggio, Stark, Campanile

VuGraph Information

The 2014 USBC will be covered on BBO Vugraph starting with the Round of 16. We will cover 2 or 3 matches. The Round of 16 will start Sunday, May 11th. From the Quarterfinals on, we will cover all of the tables in play. To watch the Vugraph online, go to the **BBO website** where you can log on directly from your browser, go to "Vugraph" and choose which table to watch, or download the BBO software to run BBO on your computer. If you choose the latter approach, after downloading, install the software on your computer, log on, follow the directions to become a BBO member and you'll be magically transported to the Lobby of the largest bridge club in the world. Click on the button labeled VUGRAPH and you'll be able to choose which of the USBC matches you want to watch.

There will often be a "yellow" user on BBO called USBF. If you have general questions, please ask USBF, not one of the hard-working Vugraph Operators, who may not be able to respond to private messages. Thank you.

Each day's schedule is the same (these are Phoenix times; to see the times for your time-zone, go to the **BBO Vugraph schedule site**)

10:00-12:10
12:25-2:35
3:45-5:55
6:10-8:20

During the Semifinals and Finals, all of the teams will play the same boards.

During the Round of 16, each team will play a different set of boards.

After a session, you can review the Vugraph action on our Web Vugraphs, which show each hand played with a link to bidding and play records. Web Vugraphs are posted about half an hour after completion of the Vugraph show.

You can find the hand records for USBC matches on the USBF site, linked to the scorecards you can get to by clicking on 2014USBC under "Event Results" in the upper left of each page.

No Electronic Devices are Permitted in the Playing Area.

This applies to players AND kibitzers.

Severe penalties will be assessed for violation of this rule.

Please turn off all cell phones and check them at the door.

The USBF reserves the right to wand anyone entering the playing field.



Hospitality Suite Information

The hospitality suite for the 2014 USBC will be the Kayenta Suite (room 2052). Our wonderful hostesses, Lisa Berkowitz and Molly O'Neill will make the "trek" to Phoenix to welcome you to the Hospitality Suite during the tournament. Because the hotel serves breakfast every morning, we will not be serving breakfast in the hospitality suite. Please join us for:

Lunch on Monday-Sunday from 2:30-4:00.

Vugraph, casual chit chat, drinks & snacks during the rest of the playing hours and for a short time after the end of the day.

NOTE: on Friday-Sunday, we have arranged with the hotel to have a buffet lunch available at the break between sessions. More information about location and logistics as soon as we work it all out with the hotel.

As we have the last two years, we will also have a "Players' Break Room" (aka Jan's office) near the playing rooms from Tuesday on. We will have coffee, soft drinks and some snacks available in that room while you wait for your slow teammates to finish playing.



Solly Weinstein, USBC Director



Chris

Stonecreek Golf Rates

Golf rates at **Stonecreek Golf Club** for guests at the Scottsdale Embassy Suites are:

Monday-Thursday: \$53.56 per person (includes tax)

Friday-Sunday: \$64.49 per person (includes tax)

USBF 8 Board Victory Point Scale

Margin	Winner	Loser	Margin	Winner	Loser	Margin	Winner	Loser
0	10	10	15	15.23	4.77	30	18.37	1.63
1	10.44	9.56	16	15.50	4.50	31	18.53	1.47
2	10.86	9.14	17	15.75	4.25	32	18.68	1.32
3	11.27	8.73	18	16	4	33	18.83	1.17
4	11.67	8.33	19	16.23	3.77	34	18.97	1.03
5	12.05	7.95	20	16.46	3.54	35	19.11	0.89
6	12.42	7.58	21	16.68	3.32	36	19.24	0.76
7	12.77	7.23	22	16.9	3.1	37	19.37	0.63
8	13.12	6.88	23	17.11	2.89	38	19.5	0.5
9	13.45	6.55	24	17.31	2.69	39	19.62	0.38
10	13.78	6.22	25	17.5	2.5	40	19.74	0.26
11	14.09	5.91	26	17.69	2.31	41	19.85	0.15
12	14.39	5.61	27	17.87	2.13	42	19.95	0.05
13	14.68	5.32	28	18.04	1.96	43	20	0
14	14.96	5.04	29	18.21	1.79			



Hamman

Golf Courses in the Area ...



Acacia/Mesquite at Kierland Golf Club - Public

15636 Clubgate Dr
Scottsdale, Arizona 85254

Camelback Golf Club - Ambiente Course

7847 N Mockingbird Ln
Scottsdale, Arizona 85253

Camelback Golf Club - Padre Course

7847 N. Mockingbird Lane
Scottsdale, AZ 85253

Canyon/Oasis at Phoenician, The - Resort

6000 E Camelback Rd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85251

Champions Course at TPC Scottsdale

17020 N Hayden Rd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85255

Coronado Golf Course - Public

2829 N Miller Rd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85257

Desert/Canyon at Phoenician, The - Resort

6000 E Camelback Rd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85251

Executive at Continental Golf Course - Public

7920 E Osborn Rd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85251

Ironwood/Acacia at Kierland Golf Club - Public

15636 Clubgate Dr
Scottsdale, Arizona 85254

Legend Trail Golf Club - Public

9462 Legendary Ln
Scottsdale, Arizona 85262

Mariott's Mountain Shadows Resort & Golf Club - Resort

5641 E Lincoln Dr
Paradise Valley, Arizona 85253

McDowell Mountain Golf Club

10690 E. Sheena Drive
Scottsdale, AZ 85255

Mesquite/Ironwood at Kierland Golf Club - Public

15636 Clubgate Dr
Scottsdale, Arizona 85254

Monument at Troon North Golf Club - Semi-Private

10320 E Dynamite Blvd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85255

North at Talking Stick Golf Club - Public

9998 E Indian Bend Rd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85256

Oasis/Desert at Phoenician, The - Resort

6000 E Camelback Rd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85251

Orange Tree Golf & Conference Resort - Resort

10601 N 56th St
Scottsdale, Arizona

Palm at McCormick Ranch Golf Club - Public

7505 E McCormick Pkwy
Scottsdale, Arizona 85258

Pine at McCormick Ranch Golf Club - Public

7505 E McCormick Pkwy
Scottsdale, Arizona 85258

Pinnacle at Troon North Golf Club - Semi-Private

10320 E Dynamite Blvd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85255

Scottsdale Silverado Golf Club

7605 E Indian Bend Rd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85258

Scottsdale Silverado Golf Club - Silver Pony Course

7605 E Indian Bend Rd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85258

South at Talking Stick Golf Club - Public

9998 E Indian Bend Rd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85256

Stadium Course at TPC Scottsdale

17020 N Hayden Rd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85255

Starfire Golf Club - Hawk/King

7702 E Shea Blvd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85260

Starfire Golf Club - Squire/Hawk

7702 E Shea Blvd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85260

Starfire Golf Club - Squire/King

7702 E Shea Blvd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85260

Apache Course at Desert Mountain Golf Club

10333 E Rockaway Hills Dr
Scottsdale, Arizona 85262

Arroyo/Lakes at Gainey Ranch Golf Club - Resort

7600 Gainey Club Dr
Scottsdale, Arizona 85258

Chiricahua Course at Desert Mountain Golf Club

10333 E Rockaway Hills Dr
Scottsdale, Arizona 85262

Cholla Course at We-Ko-Pa Golf Club

18200 East Toh Vee Circle
Fort McDowell, AZ, 85264

Cochise Course at Desert Mountain Golf Club

10333 E Rockaway Hills Dr
Scottsdale, Arizona 85262

Cypress Golf Course - Public

10801 E McDowell Rd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85256

Dunes/Arroyo at Gainey Ranch Golf Club - Resort

7600 Gainey Club Dr
Scottsdale, Arizona 85258

Geronimo Course at Desert Mountain Golf Club

10333 E Rockaway Hills Dr
Scottsdale, Arizona 85262

Lakes/Dunes at Gainey Ranch Golf Club - Resort

7600 Gainey Club Dr
Scottsdale, Arizona 85258

Mirabel Golf Club

37100 N Mirabel Club Dr
Scottsdale, Arizona 85262

Monument Express at Troon North Golf Club

10320 E Dynamite Blvd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85262

Outlaw Course at Desert Mountain Golf Club

10333 E Rockaway Hills Dr
Scottsdale, Arizona 85262

Pavilion Lakes Golf Club - Public

8870 E Indian Bend Rd
Scottsdale, Arizona 85250

Pinnacle Peak Country Club

8701 E. Pinnacle Peak Road
Scottsdale, AZ 8525

Raptor at Grayhawk Golf Club - Public

8620 E Thompson Peak Pkwy
Scottsdale, Arizona 85255

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Some Nearby Suggestions For Your Dining Pleasure



The Mighty Leek

Over at FnB restaurant, the buzz is all about leeks. Not just any leeks, mind you. We're talking about Chef Charleen Badman's Braised Leeks with mozzarella and a fried egg, which earned a prestigious spot on *FOOD & WINE's* "Top 10 Restaurant Dishes of 2010." Though renowned for her talents as a "vegetable whisperer," Badman also fills her seasonally-changing menu with heartier specialties like Dave's Roast Chicken with spaetzle, spigarello and pan jus, and Creekstone Farms ribeye, served with sweet potato hash, green beans and mustard cream.

7125 E. Fifth Ave., Ste. 31, Scottsdale 480-284-4777 / www.fnbrestaurant.com

A Little Calle Attitude

At downtown's Barrio Queen, Chef Silvana Salcido Esparza shares her family traditions, her love of Mexican cuisine and a dash of *calle* (street) attitude with guests from around the world. Menu highlights include Esparza's award-winning Cochinita Pibil, succulent slow-roasted pork seasoned with sour orange and achiote, and Vasito de Elote, sweet grilled corn topped with butter, cotija cheese, cilantro and lime.

7114 E. Stetson Dr., Ste. 105, Scottsdale 480-656-4197 / www.barrioqueen.com

Essential Elements

Even if you don't know James Beard from James Bond, you'll recognize one of Scottsdale's culinary superheroes – Food Network star Beau MacMillan, executive chef at elements restaurant at Sanctuary on Camelback Mountain Resort and Spa. Probably best known for putting a Kobe beef beatdown on "Iron Chef" Bobby Flay, MacMillan emphasizes fresh, local and seasonal ingredients in his menu, utilizing a network of local organic farmers and ranchers to source most of his ingredients.

5700 E. McDonald Dr., Paradise Valley 480-607-2300 / www.elementsrestaurant.com

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

For Latin American cuisine that sizzles with contemporary style and robust flavors, head over to The Mission. Here, Chef Matt Carter has earned culinary kudos for specialties like Duck Carnitas Empanada, Chimmichurri Marinated Hanger Steak and Almejas al Vapor, a lick-the-bowl-good blend of Peruvian clams, rock shrimp and chorizo in a creamy broth. The Mission's hand-crafted cocktails, using freshly pressed juice and organic ingredients, also routinely garner glowing reviews.

3815 N. Brown Ave., Scottsdale 480-636-5005 / www.themissionaz.com

Hula's Modern Tiki

This new kid on the downtown block offers a modern twist on the classic Tiki bars and restaurants of the 1950s. During nice weather (meaning most of the year), Hula's entire glass front is open so that even the interior tables feel like patio seating. It's the ideal setting for island specialties like Habanero Lime Chicken Tacos, Luau Pork Sandwiches and Crispy Coconut Shrimp Rolls. And to accompany your meal, try a Hula's Hurricane (three rums infused with pineapple and vanilla bean), a Tropical Itch (passion fruit, Cruzan rum, 151, dark rum, Jim Beam, Triple Sec and fruit juice) or a classic Hula's Mai Tai.

7213 E. First Ave., Scottsdale 480-970-4852 / www.hulasmoderntiki.com

Bootleggers Modern American Steakhouse

If you're a card-carrying carnivore, you'll love the meaty menu at Bootleggers. Start your feast with the Bacon Board – a carefully curated collection of all-natural "swine slabs" accompanied by griddled toast, sweet onion jam, and housemade mustard and pickles. Other highlights include Hickory smoked beef brisket, fork-tender ribs and award-winning smoked salmon tacos.

7217 E. First Street, Scottsdale 480-404-9984 / www.bootleggersaz.com

Taste of the Mediterranean

Virtù Honest Craft, located on property at Scottsdale's posh Bespoke Inn, made a splash its opening year when it was named one of the top 20 "Best New Restaurants" in the country by *Esquire* magazine in 2013. Boasting one of the most romantic patios in town, Virtù seduces the taste buds with New Mediterranean specialties like prosciutto-wrapped pork rib chops, panseared scallops and truffled steak tartare.

3701 N. Marshall Way, Scottsdale 480-946-3477 / www.virtuscottsdale.com

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SOL FOOD

A newcomer to Scottsdale Quarter, SOL Cocina showcases the Baja style of Mexican cuisine, which is known for fresh fish, slow-simmered meats, vibrantly flavored salsas, and satisfyingly simple sauces.

SOL's culinary wizards make everything on the menu fresh daily from scratch – no small task when the roster boasts nine varieties of Street Tacos, entrées like the Shrimp Chile Relleno, and dessert offerings that include Pink Guava Crème Brulee.

15323 N. Scottsdale Rd., Ste. 195, Scottsdale 480-245-6708 / www.solcocina.com/scottsdale

A Valley Tradition

El Chorro has been a Valley tradition since the late 1930s when the original buildings, which previously housed the Judson School for Girls, were converted to a restaurant and lodge. Today, El Chorro is known for its exquisite beef, fish and chicken entrées, as well as its world-famous sticky buns.

5550 E. Lincoln Dr., Paradise Valley 480-948-5170 / www.elchorro.com

Historic Atmosphere

Though Old Town Tortilla Factory, which opened its doors in 1996, is a relative newcomer among the establishments listed on this page, the old adobe home in which it resides has been around more than 75 years. Grab one of the coveted patio tables that are shaded by 100-year-old pecan trees and savor specialties like Pork Chili Verde and Achiote Pork Ribs.

6910 E. Main St., Scottsdale 480-945-4567 / www.oldtowntortillafactory.com

Sweet Treats

The Sugar Bowl, a bubble-gum pink landmark in Old Town Scottsdale since 1958, is a must-stop on any family itinerary. The menu includes classics like patty melts, PB&J sandwiches and cheeseburgers, but the real stars are ice cream confections like the Gosh-Awful-Goey Banana Split and Dusty Road Sundae. Late cartoonist and area resident Bil Keane was such a fan that the Sugar Bowl was often featured in his “Family Circus” cartoon strip.

4005 N. Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale 480-946-0051 / www.sugarbowlscottsdale.com

SPORTS FANS' PARADISE

A landmark in downtown Scottsdale since 1981, Don & Charlie's is a virtual shrine to sports memorabilia. Celebrity caricatures and autographed bats, balls and jerseys cover almost every square inch of wall space, but the true MVP here is the Chicago-inspired menu that includes prime steaks, fresh seafood, barbecue ribs, and a complimentary chopped liver plate served before every dinner.

7501 E. Camelback Rd., Scottsdale 480-990-0900 / www.donandcharlies.com

Garden of Delights

The Boulders, A Waldorf Astoria Resort, features a 5,600-square-foot, all-organic garden that yields a bounty including maize, chiles, Sonoran eggplant, lettuce, carrots and heirloom tomatoes, as well as a variety of herbs and edible flowers – all are incorporated into delicious dishes at the resort's dining venues and several have inspired seasonal spa treatments. Guests also can enjoy private dinners or a sunset feast in the garden as part of the “Dining with the Stars” series, which incorporates intuitive readings by a professional astrologer.

34631 N. Tom Darlington Dr., Carefree 480-488-9009 / www.theboulders.com

Backyard Bounty

Lon's at the Hermosa Inn meets the demands of diners seeking higher quality ingredients through the cultivation of the resort's one-acre, organic culinary and herb garden. Chef Jeremy Pacheco and his team use produce and herbs harvested from the resort's garden, combined with outsourced locally grown produce, to complement dishes like Fennel Dusted Scottish Salmon and Pecan Wood Grilled Beef Tenderloin.

5532 N. Palo Cristi Rd., Paradise Valley 602-955-7878 / www.lons.com



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Organic Comfort Food

Hotel Valley Ho's signature restaurant, ZuZu, serves up American comfort food using local and organic ingredients whenever possible. Menu items coming from local sources include preserves from AZ Harvest, sausages from Schreiner's, seasonal produce from Duncan's Trading Company, frozen delights from Berto's Gelato and infused oils from olives grown and pressed locally at Queen Creek Olive Mill.

6850 E. Main St., Scottsdale 480-421-7997 / www.cafe-zuzu.com

Some Downtown Selections

Barrio Queen

Authentic Mexican comfort food by Chef Silvana Salcido Esparza.

7114 E. Stetson Dr., Ste. 105

480-656-4197 / www.barrioqueen.com

Ben & Jack's Steakhouse

Featuring prime dry-aged steaks and chops.

4180 N. Drinkwater Blvd.

480-947-7900 / www.benandjackssteakhouse.com

Brat Haüs

Artisan sausage, house-made German pretzels and imported beers.

3622 N. Scottsdale Rd.

480-947-4006 / www.brathausaz.com

Buca di Beppo

Traditional Southern Italian cuisine served family style.

3828 N. Scottsdale Rd.

480-949-6622 / www.bucadibeppo.com

Café Forte Bistro & Wine Bar

American comfort food in the heart of the Arts District.

7032 E. Main St.

480-994-1331 / www.cafeforte.com

Cien Agaves

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29001 N 122nd St
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- **Chase Field**
- 401 E. Jefferson St.
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In and Around the Site... Things To Do:

- Paradise Valley Mall - 1 block
- Old Town Scottsdale - 6 miles
- Biltmore Fashion Park - 6.4 miles
- Fashion Square - 7.3 miles
- Old Town Scottsdale Shopping Center - 7.8 miles
- Phoenix Zoo - 10 miles
- Chase Field (Arizona Diamondbacks) - 11 miles
- Downtown Phoenix - 12 miles
- Wet N Wild Phoenix - 17 miles

Happy Mother's Day!!



In Honor of Mother's Day ...

Mom No. 1: How do you get your sleepy-head son up in the morning?

Mom No. 2: I just put the cat on the bed.

Mom No. 1: How does that help?

Mom No. 2: The dog's already there.

Baby snake: Mommy, are we poisonous?

Mother snake: Yes, son. Why?

Baby snake: I just bit my tongue!

Chris: Why is a computer so smart?

Mom: It listens to its motherboard.

Son: Dad, do you know the difference between a pack of cookies and a pack of elephants?

Dad: No.

Son: Then it's a good thing Mom does the grocery shopping!

Sunday school teacher: Tell me, Johnny. Do you say prayers before eating?

Johnny: No, ma'am, I don't have to. My mom's a good cook.

Joker: Why did the monster's mother knit him three socks?

Harvey: I have no clue.

Joker: She heard he grew another foot!

A mother is trying to get her son to eat carrots. "Carrots are good for your eyes," she says.

"How do you know?" the boy asks.

The mother replies, "Have you ever seen a rabbit wearing glasses?"

Elephant: Why do mother kangaroos hate rainy days?

Hippo: I give up.

Elephant: Because their kids have to play inside!

A mother mouse and a baby mouse are walking along when suddenly a cat attacks them. The mother mouse shouts "BARK!" and the cat runs away. The mother mouse says to her baby. "Now do you see why it's important to learn a foreign language?"

Jack: What did the mother broom say to the baby broom?

Bill: What?

Jack: It's time to go to sweep!

Mother to son: I'm warning you. If you fall out of that tree and break both your legs, don't come running to me!

Robbie: Larry's mother had four children. Three were named North, South and West. What was her other child's name?

Bobbie: East?

Robbie: No. Larry.

Daffynition: Sweater—something you wear when your mother gets cold.

Pee Wee: What did the digital clock say to its mother?

Westy: What?

Pee Wee: "Look, Ma! No hands!"

Ben: How come the mother needle got mad at the baby needle?

Jerry: I dunno.

Ben: It was way past its threadtime!



When life gives you lemons...



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June 10-15, 2014

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Tuesday, June 10

- 9:00 Morning Side Game, session 1
299er Pairs
Tuesday/Wednesday Compact KO, session 1
- 1:30 KO-A session 1
Gold Rush Pairs, session 1
A/X Pairs (X=0-2000, A=2000+), session 1
299er Pairs
Afternoon Side Game, session 1
- 7:30 KO-A session 2
Gold Rush Pairs, session 2
A/X Pairs, session 2
Single Session BAM
Evening Side Game, session 1
299er Pairs



- 9:00 Swiss Teams, session 2
Choice Pairs, session 1*
299er Pairs
Morning Side Game, session 4
- 1:30 KO C, session 3
Choice Pairs, session 2*
299er Pairs
KO D, session 1
Afternoon Side Game, session 4
- 7:30 KO C, session 4
Choice Pairs, session 3*
299er Pairs
KO D, session 2
Evening Side Game, Session 4

Wednesday, June 11

- 9:00 Choice Pairs, session 1*
299er Pairs
Tuesday/Wednesday Compact KO, session 2
Morning Side Game, session 2
- 1:30 KO A, session 3
KO B, session 1
Choice Pairs, session 2*
299er Pairs
Afternoon Side Game, session 2
- 7:30 KO A, session 4
KO B, session 2
Choice Pairs, session 3*
299er Pairs
Single Session Swiss Teams
Evening Side Game, session 2



Saturday, June 14

- 9:00 Morning Side Game, session 5
299er Pairs
- 1:30 KO D, session 3
Stratified Open Pairs, session 1 B, C, D
(B: 1500, C: 750, D: 300)
A/X Pairs, session 1
Swiss Teams Qualifying
(2 days), session 1
299er Pairs
Afternoon Side Game, session 5
- 7:30 KO D, session 4
Swiss Teams Q, session 2
Stratified Open Pairs, session 2
A/X Pairs, session 2
299er Pairs
Evening Side Game, session 5

Thursday, June 12

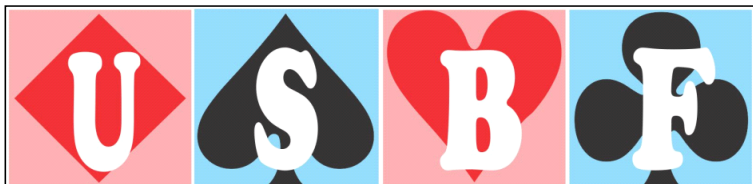
- 9:00 Swiss Teams, session 1 (Th/Fr AM)
Morning Side Game, session 3
299er Pairs
- 1:30 KO B, session 3
KO C, session 1
Gold Rush Pairs, session 1 (B=300-750; C=0-300)
A/X Pairs, session 1
299er Pairs
Afternoon Side Game, session 3
- 7:30 KO B, session 4
KO C, session 2
Gold Rush Pairs, session 2
A/X Pairs, session 2
299er Pairs
Evening Side Game, session 3

Sunday, June 15

- 9:00 Swiss Teams Stratified
Swiss Teams Q, session: 1st final
299er Swiss Teams
- 2:00 Swiss Teams Q, session: 2nd final
Stratified Swiss, Session 2
299er Swiss Teams

A=3,000 +, B=750-3,000, C=0-750
299er Strats: 300/200/100

*Choice Pairs: Players designate which sessions they will play at the time of purchase of entry Friday, June 13



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		4		6		9		5
	3				1	4		
					5		8	
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4			1					

Sudoku 1

Sudoku

Sudoku 2

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6					9			
			3	9			1	
4	8				1			
		3						2

Answers to Puzzles No Peeking!

Sudoku 2 Solution

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

Sudoku 1 Solution

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

Puzzle Page ...

Richard works in IT support at Gadgetworks, Inc. and he noticed last Friday that he had several computers in need of updating. He arranged with each user to upgrade their computer this week. Since upgrading operating systems was rarely as simple as the programmers thought it was, Richard planned a full day for each computer and even provided loaners for the users. Determine the full name of each user, which department each worked in, which operating system each used (Windows or Apple), and which day of the week Richard worked on each computer.

1. The Windows users were, in no particular order, the user who worked in finance, Mr. Almond, and Harvey.
2. The computer that Richard took on Wednesday belonged to an Apple user.
3. John's last name wasn't Crawford but he worked in customer service. Mr. Grace didn't work in manufacturing.
4. Mr. Maxwell's Apple computer was taken the day before Elliot's Windows computer but two days after the computer in marketing, which wasn't Harvey's computer.
5. Mr. Crawford, whose first name wasn't Elliot, didn't work in engineering.
6. Michael's computer was taken on Tuesday but he didn't work in marketing. The engineering computer was taken on Friday but George Bixby wasn't the user.

	Almond	Bixby	Crawford	Grace	Maxwell	customer service	engineering	finance	manufacturing	marketing	Apple	Apple	Windows	Windows	Windows	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Elliot																				
George																				
Harvey																				
John																				
Michael																				
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customer service																				
engineering																				
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First Name	Last Name	Department	Operating System	Day of the Week
Elliot				
George				
Harvey				
John				
Michael				

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Limey Jack...

You Yanks are back at it; all engaged for the next fortnight to seek the Colonial Champion.

Limey Jack will keep your interest even if the bridge flags. For comic relief that daft Howie Dung with dither and attempt to pick winners but he is like the blind Parson in the bog.

Of the 17 entries 14 will compete in the round robin for 11 spots open in the round of 16. A mere 3 will fail to answer the second bell. None of the teams are bloody awful, but some do not pass mustre. It looks like Parrish, Hung, and Kolesnik get the early hook.

The big news is who is missing from the tilt. Where is my adored Zia? I have played him and watched him hundreds of times at the money club and cannot understand the brill it took to overlook him. For example, Fleisher is 5 handed, as is Seligman. They could both use him. Diamond became 5 handed unexpectedly when Grue wound up at Her Majesty's Pleasure and would have benefitted greatly. Bathurst is an able replacement, but is not Zia. Where too, is Chris Compton?

We will be having a knees up (Ed: going to a dance) for quite a while and Limey Jack will best HD day after day in spite of the off hours needed up with which to be kept.

Cheers, LJ

Howie Doing...

It's good to be back. I've missed you a bit.
Don't listen to L. Jack ... He's one stuffy twit!

My first impressions are wiser than his.
He's a big phony and I am a wiz!

Parrish will perish. That is my hunch.
Tell Mom he's coming for Mother's Day brunch.

Though Dana B's team will suffer defeat,
She can breakfast in Phoenix with Mom in "the suite."

Heading home for the holiday, still Franco grins,
Thinking of hands to bid with his twins.

Jason buys flowers! He's hung here to play.
While Erin's with baby on her special day!

Diamond signed Bathurst, refusing to bail,
While Grue gathers moss, his game getting stale.

Will Mike leave his mark while Mark alters style?
Mark hasn't transferred to pard for a while!

If Kranyak gets hot, what will traspire?
Guess Paul stayed as captain to put out the fire!

Woolsey and Stewart ditched Stevie and Pete,
Who will end happy and who in defeat?

This competition will not be a party
If speed is factor for Jacob and Marty.

See you tomorrow when play will commence.
Until then, here's keeping us all in suspense!

Howie Doing... not so bad!!



Getting Ready for the Round of 8... Nickell/Katz Practice

Monday night, Ralph and Nick were practicing against Ira Chorush and Harmon Edgar when this hand arose. You are East holding: S: T976 H: KJ9832 D: 72 C: 8. Here is the auction:

West	North	East	South
Chorush	Nickell	Edgar	Katz
Pass	2C	Pass	2D
Pass	2NT	Pass	4C (ace ask)
Pass	4H (4 aces)	Pass	6NT
All Pass			

What would you lead?

If you go with the tried and true 4th from your longest and strongest, you win big on this hand. A heart knocks out declarer's heart ace while your side still has a club entry. Ironically, the heart lead defeats the hand even though N/S has hearts double stopped (see full layout below.)

At the table, Edgar chose a very reasonable spade lead. He didn't want to lead from the heart honors into the 2C opener's hand. Unfortunately for him, while the spade lead looked safer, it afforded his opponents the timing they needed to bring home their slam.

Board 4
 Dealer: W
 All Vul.

♠ AKQJ
 ♥ A
 ♦ AJ53
 ♣ A953

♠ 432
 ♥ T74
 ♦ T984
 ♣ KT4

♠ T976
 ♥ KJ9832
 ♦ 72
 ♣ 8

♠ 85
 ♥ Q65
 ♦ KO6
 ♣ QJ762



A Quiz from Eddie Wold:

You are South. The auction is as follows:

West	North	East	South
1C	1D	Pass	Pass/6C

This auction was given to a panel (or at least a bunch) of experts. Half bid 6C and half passed.

What is the hand?

Answer:

Answer to Puzzle on page 16

Michael	Crawford	finance	Windows	Tuesday
John	Maxwell	customer service	Apple	Wednesday
Harvey	Grace	engineering	Windows	Friday
George	Bixby	marketing	Apple	Monday
Elliot	Almond	manufacturing	Windows	Thursday
First Name	Last Name	Department	Operating System	Day of the Week