



Austin Firecracker Regional Daily Bulletin



Sandy Potts Day

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Welcome to the Austin Regional Live Music Capital of the World!

Welcome to the 2022 Austin Firecracker Regional.

This is the first summer regional since San Antonio 2019. Austin and San Antonio alternate regionals each July. We were in the process of planning the Austin regional in 2020 when COVID closed everything down.

We welcome all the dedicated bridge players who have stayed with bridge over this long hiatus, and all the new bridge players who picked up the game looking for something interesting to do.

Take advantage of the activities that Austin has to offer. We are known for our great restaurants and music venues. You can take a walk along the hike and bike trail on Lady Bird Lake downtown, or ride with our Unit 207 President Sharon Hoger as she captains one of the nightly bat boats there. Where else but Austin can you see the largest urban bat colony in the world? There are tons of wineries and distilleries within an easy drive of Austin, and even more places to drink in Austin. And you will see plenty of examples of "Keeping Austin Weird."

But this week, the most fun to be had in Austin is right here inside the Holiday Inn at the Firecracker Regional. One overriding reason is that it is air-conditioned, and one thing that you need in Austin in the summer is air-conditioning. The other reason is that bridge is the greatest game in the world and playing it is lots of fun. So, play, play, play – and take home all the masterpoints you can carry.

Sally Sassen - Chairman

Sharon Hoger - Unit President



Novice / Newcomer / Lecture Information on Back

Tuesday's Schedule

10:00	299er Novice-Newcomer Pairs (1 of 1) Beth Tobias A/X/Y & Gold Rush Pairs (1 of 2) Stratified Side Game Pairs Series (1 of 5) Two-Session Bracketed Swiss (1 of 2)
2:30	299er Novice-Newcomer Pairs (1 of 1) Beth Tobias A/X/Y & Gold Rush Pairs (2 of 2) Stratified Side Game Pairs Series (1 of 5) Two-Session Bracketed Swiss (2 of 2)
7:00	Stratified Side Game Pairs Series (1 of 5) Single-Session Swiss (1 of 1)

Wednesday's Schedule

10:00	299er Novice-Newcomer Pairs (1 of 1) A/X/Y & Gold Rush Pairs (1 of 2) Stratified Side Game Pairs Series (2 of 5) Two-Session Bracketed Swiss (1 of 2)
2:30	299er Novice-Newcomer Pairs (1 of 1) A/X/Y & Gold Rush Pairs (2 of 2) Julie Johnson Stratified Side Game Pairs Series (2 of 5) Two-Session Bracketed Swiss (2 of 2)
7:00	Stratified Side Game Pairs Series (2 of 5) Single-Session Board-a-Match (1 of 1)

Participants can view the daily regional bulletin at austinbridge.org

Today is Sandy Potts Day

Brave, strong, and courageous are just a few of the adjectives that describe Sandy Potts. Her eternal optimism is infectious and is demonstrated in her enthusiasm to promote growth, education and well-being of our bridge community.



Results

The daily newsletter will post the previous day's morning and afternoon results and the evening results of two days ago. For example, the Thursday edition will post the Tuesday evening results and the Wednesday morning and afternoon results.

Prizes and Photographs

The Winner's Circle is located just outside of the main playing area. Section top prizes (of each strat) are awarded for all pair events as well as overall prizes of each Swiss bracket, one-session team events and each strat of two-session pair events.

Pictures of overall event winners (of each strat or bracket) will be taken daily in the Winner's Circle. Times are: 9:30-10:00, 1:00-2:00, and 5:30-6:00 Tuesday-Saturday.

Notices

New Life Masters

If you made Life Master during the regional, please have your picture taken at the Winner's Circle.

Lost & Found / First Aid / Eyeglass Repair

All of these are available at the Hospitality Desk.

Checks

This is a cashless tournament- credit or debit cards only. Checks cannot be accepted.

COVID Vaccinations

Everyone must wear a wrist band indicating that you have shown proof of Covid vaccination. These wristbands are available at the hospitality desk located in the lobby.

Hotel Restaurant

Breakfast: 8:00am - 10:00am

Concessions

Assorted Sodas - \$1.00

Coffee - \$1.00

Bottled Water - \$2.00

Diced Fruit Cup - \$3.00

Breakfast Tacos, Sausage and Biscuit - \$4.00

Chips, Candy, and Snacks - \$2.00

Chicken Caesar Salad - \$12.00

Chicken Tender Combo - \$13.00

Sandwich Combo - \$13.00

Novice / Newcomer Lecture Series

Lectures are held at 1:45 on Tuesday through Saturday in the Elm Room. All are welcome to the lectures – one does not need to be a novice.

Tuesday	Charlene Sands	Overcalls: Those nasty opponents got into the auction first. Does that mean you can't bid? Of course not!
Wednesday	Kim Brinkman	Have You Seen My Honor? Subtle clues your partner and the opponents give and how to use them.

Monday Results

MON BRACKETED TEAMS-1

7 Tables

16.30	1	Anne LaCour - Ron LaCour, Georgetown TX; Thomas Peters, Grapeland TX; Harold George, Wichita KS	96.00
12.23	2	Sam Dinkin - Nancy Joe, Austin TX; Jacob Freeman, Toronto ON; Kalyan Venkat, Round Rock TX	93.00
9.17	3	Elisabeth Kay, Spring Branch TX; Cindy Cummins, Seguin TX; Ann Kuehler - Catherine McGaffic, New Braunfels TX	87.00

MON BRACKETED TEAMS-2

6 Tables

7.57	1	Ross Ramsey, Flower Mound TX; Linda Schubert, Dallas TX; Allan Chernov, Irving TX; Brian Eaton, Fort Worth TX	70.00
5.68	2	Dorothy Foster - Marie Russiello - Emil Russiello - Candace Jacobson, Austin TX	60.00

MON TOP FLIGHT PAIRS

8.0 Tables / Based on 21 Tables

	A	B	C		
16.28	1			Phillip Grothus, Houston TX; Jeff McKee, Cleveland TX	62.05%
12.21	2	1		Charlie Chen - Andrew Chen, Austin TX	60.42%
9.16	3			Ishmael Del'Monte, Las Vegas NV; Margaret Hart, Baton Rouge LA	57.29%
6.87	4			Ellen Hessel - Ira Hessel, San Antonio TX	56.55%
5.43	5			Nunzio Martorina, Corona CA; Kathryn Bailey, Dripping Spring TX	50.00%
3.66		2		Jerrold Harrington - Mary Harrington, San Antonio TX	45.98%

MON GOLD RUSH PAIRS

4.5 Tables

	A	B		
3.86	1		Amy Salisbury - Michael Rainbird, Austin TX	58.00%
2.90	2		Jamie Southerland - Steve Luning, Austin TX	56.77%
2.17	3		Linda Mott - Amy Allen, Laredo TX	51.12%