



ACBL REGIONAL AT SEA WITH ROBERT TODD



Daily Bulletin

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MONDAY EVENING SIDE

25.0 Tables

mps	A	B	C		
5.31	1	1	1	Mary Jane Riedlinger - Beverly Miller, Georgetown TX	63.25%
3.98	2			Will Burford - Nannell Burford, Naples FL	61.54%
2.99	3			Barbara Crews - Lorraine O'Donnell, El Paso TX	61.32%
2.24	4			Sharon Anderson - Roger Anderson, Eagan MN	59.83%
1.83	5	2		Carol Diminnie, San Angelo TX; Terri Tedford, Miles TX	58.97%
1.10			2	William Norberg - Karen Norberg, Alamo TX	53.42%

TUESDAY COZUMEL OPEN PAIRS

12.0 Tables / Based on 36 Tables

mps	A	B	C		
16.10	1			Will Burford - Nannell Burford, Naples FL	62.30%
12.08	2			John Smalley - Nancy Smalley, Beaumont TX	56.89%
9.06	3			Robert Hanson - Rosalie Hanson, Tulsa OK	55.37%
6.79	4			Roger Anderson - Sharon Anderson, Eagan MN	55.18%
5.37	5			Larry Levin, San Antonio TX; Helen Lauderdale, Lubbock TX	55.13%
6.10		1	1	John Nader - Veronica Deskey, Ferndale WA	52.88%
4.58		2	2	Sandra Harris - Michael Harris, Austin TX	52.56%

TUESDAY COZUMEL GOLD RUSH PAIRS

14.0 Tables / Based on 13 Tables

Mps	7	3	1		
4.23	1	1		Karla Ratchford - Patricia Dollarhide, Oklahoma City OK	61.77%
3.17	2			Carolyn Gilmore - Beverly Miller, Georgetown TX	57.85%
2.38	3	2		Robert Frantzen - Chantal Frantzen, Princeton NJ	56.64%
1.78	4			Thomas Zimmerman - Claire Zimmerman, Pearland TX	56.54%
1.76	5			Yvonne Sterkin, Spring TX; Kathleen Simpson, Santa Barbara CA	54.52%
0.78		3		Robyn Williams - Arvis Williams, Pearland TX	52.21%
1.30			1	Allan McAllister - Margaret Garms, Oakland CA	50.58%

Alert!

Today's games will take place over two days. The morning's pair event will conclude tomorrow morning. You need to pick up a new entry in the afternoon from the directors. If you do not intend to play the second session because you are getting off the boat, please let the directors know.

Today (Wednesday) Schedule

9:00 AM Lecture with Robert Todd
10:00 AMCayman Pairs (Session 1 of 2)
10:00 AMAM Gold Rush Pairs (Session 1 of 2)
10:00 AMMorning Side Game Series
2:00 PMJamaica Pairs (Session 1 of 2)
2:00 PMPM Gold Rush Pairs (Session 1 of 2)
2:00 PM Afternoon Side Game Series
4:45 PMQ & A with Robert Todd
8:00 PMEvening Side Game Series
8:00 PM Knockout Teams (1 of 3)

Stay healthy

Wash your hands frequently and if you don't feel well, please stay away for a session until you feel better. Additionally, please clean up tissues and your personal items to help keep the room tidy and hygienic.

ALL EVENTS ARE IN THE CONFERENCE CENTER ON DECK 2 (FORWARD)

You must take the forward elevators to reach the playing area.

Restrooms are located on decks 3 and 4.

DON'T FORGET to wear your name badge to all bridge events.

Teammates available!

If you are looking for teammates for the knockouts this evening, please see Laurie and Larry Levin at the partnership desk. They will gladly help you find partners or teammates, but the sooner you let them know, the better.

Tomorrow (Thursday) Schedule

9:00 AM Lecture with Robert Todd
10:00 AMCayman Pairs (Session 2 of 2)
10:00 AMAM Gold Rush Pairs (Session 2 of 2)
10:00 AMMorning Side Game Series
2:00 PMJamaica Pairs (Session 2 of 2)
2:00 PMPM Gold Rush Pairs (Session 2 of 2)
2:00 PM Afternoon Side Game Series
4:45 PMQ & A with Robert Todd
8:00 PMEvening Side Game Series
8:00 PM Knockout Teams (2 of 3)

TODD'S TIPS

Words of wisdom from Robert Todd

Responder's second bid is an area where many players go awry. The opener's second bid generally does a good job of shaping/limiting opener's hand, but responder may still need to know about a certain suit or strength.

Knowing which of responder's bids are forcing is important. Repeating a suit that's already been bid is not forcing (unless by agreement). Instead, responder should make use of an unbid minor in order to force the opening bidder to clarify.

A classic example is the convention New Minor Forcing. After 1♦--1♠--1NT (no interference), the responder can use 2♣ as a way to force opener to show secondary support (3 cards in spades in this case). Even not playing the convention, this is a forcing bid and opener would still be expected to show spade support.

This works similarly in a convention called Fourth Suit Forcing which is typically game forcing. When opener bids two suits 1♦--1♥--1♠--2♣ is the fourth suit and opener would show heart support now if possible.

Lastly if the opener rebids her suit, 1♣--1♥--2♣, then responder can use the unbid minor (2♦ here) as a way to force opener to show delayed support or another feature. Make sure you discuss with partner which bids are forcing so you never wind up short of game when responder wants to be there.

Tell us about your achievements! If you become a life master, we will feature your picture in this space and celebrate at the farewell awards party. Let Michael Berkowitz or Linda Green know if you (or a friend) reach this milestone.