

# Spotlight on Education



Unit 356

Serving Bridge in Southern Arizona

spring/summer 2017

[www.southernarizonabridge.com](http://www.southernarizonabridge.com)

## IMPROVE YOUR BRIDGE GAME IN SOUTHERN ARIZONA

**Regardless of your skill level, clubs in Unit 356 offer classes, individual instruction, mentor opportunities and play and learn games to keep you moving forward. This directory lists spring/summer club offerings with contact information.**

### Adobe Bridge Club 401 E. Limberlost Tucson, AZ 85705



Club manager: Jared Boulds

520-795-2441

[adobebridgeclub@gmail.com](mailto:adobebridgeclub@gmail.com)

### Intermediate Play of the Hand

Thursday: 9 am - 11 am

April 18 - May 23

Instructor: Ken Badertscher

Make more contracts and play to win. You will learn how to construct a plan, when to pull trump, when to finesse, how to focus, what you need to focus on and more...

Primary text: *More Declarer Play the Bergen Way* by Marty Bergen.

Cost: \$60 for 6 weeks of classes.

Add \$15 for the text if needed.

### Beginning Bridge Review

Thursday: 9 am - 11 am

April 27 - May 18

Instructor: Barbara Rosenthal

The perfect transition to intermediate play and further coursework. You'll receive deals arranged by topic, providing a structured review of bridge basics

and pointers for bidding and play that will reinforce the rules you already learned in the introductory courses.

The first eight deals cover bidding over a 1NT opening. The next 16 deals involve suit opening bids, and the last eight deals cover competitive bidding.

You will also explore each deal in detail, looking at the bidding, opening lead, declarer's plan and the play of the hand.

Primary text: *Bidding "Play" Course* by Pat Harrington

Cost: \$40 for 4 weeks of classes. Add \$8 for text if needed.

### Mentor Program

Whether you are seeking advice, confidence or encouragement, mentors can take you to the next level. This structured mentor program will meet Wednesday, May 3 from 9 am - 11:30 am, and the first Wednesday of each month June through October.

Mentor/mentee pairs play approximately 12 boards with short hand analyses provided.

Light lunch provided. Black points awarded. Hand records available.

Fee: \$7 for mentees. Mentors play FREE.

**Life masters needed!** To sign up contact Diana Humphreys, [tucsongram5@comcast.net](mailto:tucsongram5@comcast.net) or visit Adobe Bridge Club.

Non-life masters register via [bridgewebs.com/adobe](http://bridgewebs.com/adobe)

## Adobe Bridge Club (cont.)

### Monday and Tuesday Supervised Play and Learn

9 am - 11 am

Active year-round

Participants with less than 299 masterpoints play 12 boards each followed by an instructor/director review.

Black points awarded. Hand records provided.



Free coffee, tea and light pastries.

Fee: \$5 per player

To register, go to [bridgewebs.com/adobe](http://bridgewebs.com/adobe)

### Wednesday Supervised Play and Learn

9 am - 11 am

Active year-round

Instructor/Director: Jud Jones

Participants with less than 99 masterpoints play boards each followed by a brief review and explanation. Students are introduced to conventions key to expanding play.

Fee: \$10 per player.

Limited to three tables for more concentrated instruction.

To register, e-mail Jud Jones, [jjgolfer44@gmail.com](mailto:jjgolfer44@gmail.com)



## Bridge Center of Greater Tucson 16150 N. Oracle Road Tucson, AZ 85739

Club manager: Al Spaet

520-825-2383

[www.tucsonbridge.com](http://www.tucsonbridge.com)

### Bridge 101 for Absolute Beginners

Friday: 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Instructor: Al Spaet

Taught at a basic level to acclimate new players to the wonderful world of duplicate bridge.

Students are introduced to point count systems, opening bids, responding bids, declarer play, defensive play and bridge etiquette.

A cursor to Bridge 201.

Fee: Free for the first three classes. \$10 per class thereafter. Optional text book: \$25.

No reservation required.

### Bridge 201 Supervised Play

Wednesday: 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Instructor: Ron Vickery

Program includes lessons and play. Ron is an experienced teacher and prepares his students for duplicate play. Emphasis is placed on enjoyment and learning the finer points of bridge in a friendly environment.

Students generally have less than 5 masterpoints.

Fee: \$10 per player.

No reservations required.

### Instruction by Barbara Feeley

Watch for classes resuming fall.

Whether she is delivering a prepared lecture, coaching players at the table or managing supervised play, students can count on Barbara Feeley for thoughtful preparation, clear instruction and just plain fun.

Unit 356 sectionals and regionals offer FREE lectures by leading local and national experts.

For details, go to [www.southernarizonabridge.com](http://www.southernarizonabridge.com)

## **Green Valley Recreation Duplicate Bridge Club**

Ken Grafton, president  
Al Bowman, club manager

[www.gvbridge.com](http://www.gvbridge.com)

### **Introduction to Duplicate Bridge**

Friday: 9 am - 11 am

Instructor: Ken Grafton  
Location: GVR East Center

Three-month courses offered throughout the calendar year introducing players to duplicate bridge.

Classes include one hour of lecture followed by one hour of supervised play with focus on hand evaluation and bidding, competitive bidding and defense.

Free to GVR members.

### **Beginning Instruction and more**

Tuesday and Wednesday  
9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Instructor: Bill Hackbarth  
Location: Las Campanas Recreation Center

Six classes offered throughout the year, two of which are tailored to the beginning bridge player. Additional classes focus on Stayman transfers and Audrey Grant's Bridge Book II while two change yearly depending on interest and feedback from players/students.

Nominal charge. Open to GVR members only.

## **High Desert Hands 1270 Desert Hands Pearce, AZ 85625**

520-559-7894

Friday

Instructor: Carol Erbeck

Focusing on the beginner and intermediate player, Carol Erbeck provides a one hour lesson before play.

## **SaddleBrooke**

### **Mountain View Bridge Club**

### **Desert View Theatre Bldg.**

Club Manager: Jo Ann Aiken  
520-818-1717

[mountainviewbridgeclub.com](http://mountainviewbridgeclub.com)

### **Small Slams Bridge Club SaddleBrooke HOA1 Activity Center**

Club Manager: Joyce Honorof

[SmallSlamsBridgeClub@gmail.com](mailto:SmallSlamsBridgeClub@gmail.com)

SaddleBrooke Resort Community will resume classes in the fall with offerings that include bridge basics through brush-up, modern bidding and advanced defense. Bridge clinics with a separate program for beginner/novice players are also available.

For details go to

[www.saddlebrookebridge.org](http://www.saddlebrookebridge.org)

## **Thunder Mountain Bridge Club**

**240 N. Hwy 90  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635**

Wednesday

[jcobisab@gmail.com](mailto:jcobisab@gmail.com)

Instructor: James Cobis

Focusing on helping the social player convert to modern bidding, instructor James Cobis provides a class before play.

## **Tucson Charity Bridge Club, Inc.**

### **Streams in the Desert Lutheran Church**

**5360 E Pima Street**

**Tucson, AZ 85712**

[CharityBridge@comcast.net](mailto:CharityBridge@comcast.net)

President: Ruth Houkom

Classes covering topics such as declarer play and basic/intermediate bidding are offered periodically throughout the year.

## **Mike's Play and Learn Streams in the Desert Lutheran Church**

**5360 E Pima Street**

**Tucson, AZ 85712**

Friday: 1 pm

520-820-1757

[MikeSmith55@cox.net](mailto:MikeSmith55@cox.net)

Instructor: Mike Smith

Participants with less than 199 masterpoints play 12 boards each followed by a review.

Masterpoints awarded.

Fee: \$5 per player.