

2023 FINGER LAKES REGIONAL

AUGUST 7-12, 2023



WELCOME BULLETIN

Welcome to the Finger Lakes Regional at our new location, the Louis Wolk Jewish Community Center of Greater Rochester. This is District 4's first Upstate NY regional since 2019. Betty Youmans, Phil Geibel, and their Tournament committee are excited and pleased that you are here. We hope you have a rewarding, fun and enjoyable experience. If you have any questions or requests, do not hesitate to ask a member of the Tournament Committee – look for an “Ask Me” badge.

HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES

Vaccinations are recommended, but proof of vaccination is not required. While facemasks are not required, we ask you to bring one in case a player at your table requests you wear one for the current round.

SCHEDULE FEATURES

Gold Rush Pairs and Bracketed Teams will be held each day. Monday, Thursday, and Friday feature Open Pairs. On Tuesday and Wednesday, Mid-Flight and Top Flight Pairs are scheduled.

It is difficult to forecast attendance, so please understand that the Tournament Director must reserve the right to alter event formats based upon attendance.

A new, online event has been added on Saturday, August 12, at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.; play will be on BBO. There will be a Gold Rush, Mid-Flight and Open Pairs event. These games will ONLY be available to members of District 4.

ALL ABOUT ENTRIES

The cost per session per person is \$20 and includes all hospitality. Please note that each member of a five- or six-person team must pay the \$20 per person per session entry fee. ACBL policy requires that all players be ACBL members. Players with less than 20 masterpoints will have a free entry for their first game played. Full-time students also can play for free. The Saturday online event entry fees are \$15 per person per session.

Non-members can apply for a free 120-day ACBL membership [here](#). You can extend the free temporary membership to a full year regular membership for \$29 for the first year.

The Finger Lakes Regional is a **cashfree tournament** and only accepts credit and debit cards. Credit card charges will appear on statements as ACBL Tournament Entry.

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PARTNERSHIPS

The partnership table will be open each day, starting one hour before game time of the morning and afternoon sessions. Please check in as early as possible to increase the chances of making pairings and to allow time for potential partners to discuss styles and systems.

You can also e-mail the Partnership Chair, Dan Boye, in advance, at skipbid2003@yahoo.com.

HOSPITALITY

The Tournament serves free coffee, tea, lemonade, or iced tea daily.

The Tournament serves a free meal between sessions Monday through Friday.

- Monday: Vodka pasta with fruit salad, rolls with butter, cookies and brownies.
- Tuesday: Wraps, Caesar salad, brownies.
- Wednesday: Egg salad, tuna salad, mixed green salad, cookies.
- Thursday: Deli sandwich (turkey or roast beef or vegetarian), chips, mixed green salad, brownies.
- Friday: Sheet tray pizza, mixed green salad, cookies.

Lunch menus reminders will be posted in the Daily Bulletins. You may bring your own food into the JCC but please avoid pork and shellfish.

The Louis Wolk JCC has a café onsite. As the Monday free lunch won't be served until 3 p.m., individuals arriving Monday morning may purchase food or beverages at the café before game time.

DAILY BULLETIN AND PHOTOS

If you have won any strata or overall event or became a Life Master, or achieve a new Life Master ranking, please stop at the information table to arrange for your picture to be taken for the online bulletin.

The Finger Lakes Regional uses Fast Results for our Daily Bulletin. Results will be texted and emailed shortly after the end of the event.

To receive an email with a direct link to your personal results and your daily bulletin, send an email to FastResultsHelpDesk@gmail.com with your ACBL number in the subject line. There is no need to put anything in the message, just click and send.

INTERMEDIATE/NEWCOMER LECTURE SERIES

These free lectures are held at 9:00 am in the Yiddish Culture Room just outside the playing area at the JCC:

- Tuesday: Joann Glasson - Opening Leads
- Wednesday: Sally Hill - How to Play Notrump
- Thursday: Mary Poplawski - Memories - A Suit Combination Used by Bill Gates; a Critical Swing to Win the NAP B in Las Vegas
- Friday: Dan Boye - Signals and Carding - Information NOT a Command

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Additionally, Mary Miller will present “Counting losers and making a plan to make your suit contract.” This 1:15 pm Thursday lesson is aimed towards novice players.

ZERO TOLERANCE

The ACBL Zero Tolerance (ZT) Policy is in effect throughout the tournament. District 4 and the Tournament Committee of the Finger Lakes Regional expect all players and participants to behave in accordance with this policy at all times towards their partners, opponents, directors, caddies, and tournament officials. Commendable behaviors under ZT include being a good host and guest at the table. Unacceptable behaviors include rudeness, intimidation, profanity, threats, or violence; negative comments about the opponents’ bidding or play; gloating; constant, unwelcome, or gratuitous lessons or analysis; arguments with the directors; and ringing cell phones. Recorder forms are available from a director to send to the ACBL a record of unacceptable behavior. Lou Glasthal is the District 4 Recorder. glasthal@comcast.net

SMOKING AND SCENTS POLICY

Smoking is prohibited in the Louis Wolk JCC.

All District 4 Tournaments, including the Finger Lakes Regional, are fragrance free. Players must refrain from wearing cologne, after shave lotion, perfume, perfumed hand lotion, fragranced hair products, and/or similar products when taking part in our tournaments. These fragrances can cause serious health issues for migraine sufferers and players with breathing-related problems.

ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

Except for health-related equipment or by permission of the Director-in-Charge, cell phones, pagers, or any similar communication equipment must be turned off and may not be used or operable on the tournament playing area during a session of play.

GUEST MEMBERSHIP IN THE JCC

The JCC is offering a one-week guest membership for any players or family members who wish to use the extensive facilities available. These include a lap pool, family pool and gymnasium. Information about the guest pass is available [here](#); information on the facility is available at <https://jccrochester.org>.

HOTEL INFORMATION

The Country Inn and Suites by Radisson, which is seven minutes from the JCC, is offering a discounted rate. There are limited rooms. Call (585) 784-8400 and ask for the bridge rate.

There are [several more hotels available](#) within a few miles.

BONUS DAY – ONLINE REGIONAL

We have added a special online two-session event for Saturday after the Face-to-Face play ends. More Gold points! These events are restricted to District 4 Members.

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RESTAURANT GUIDE

Fine Dining

- Avvino² (2541 Monroe Ave – 1.9 mi) American and Worldly Cuisine
- Black & Blue Steak and Crab¹ (3349 Monroe Ave – 2.4 mi) Steaks and Seafood
- Grinnell's (1696 Monroe Ave – 2.8 mi) Steaks, Seafood
- Max's Chophouse (1456 Monroe Ave – 3.2 mi) Steaks, Chops, Seafood
- Pane Vino on the Avenue² (3400 Monroe Ave – 2.4 mi) Italian
- Park Avenue Pub (650 Park Ave – 4.5 mi) Upscale casual dining
- REDD Rochester (24 Winthrop St – 5.6 mi) California Haute Cuisine
- Richardson's Canal House² (1474 Marsh Rd, Pittsford – 6.5 mi) Upscale American
- Ristorante Lucano (1815 East Ave – 3.9 mi) Italian
- Rooney's (90 Henrietta St – 4.9 mi) American
- Trattata (145 Culver Rd – 3.9 mi) Contemporary American

Casual

- Adelita's Mexican Cocina¹ (3349 Monroe Avenue – 2.7 mi) Mexican
- Benucci's¹ (3349 Monroe Avenue - 2.4 mi) Italian
- Cheesecake Factory¹ (3349 Monroe Avenue - 2.4 mi) American
- Chen Garden (1750 Monroe Avenue – 2.8 mi) Chinese
- Dinosaur Bar-B-Que (99 Court Street – 8.4 mi) Bar-B-Que
- Edibles Restaurant (704 University Avenue - 5.3 mi) American Bistro
- Fattoush (5 S Main St, Pittsford – 3.2 mi) Mediterranean
- Jines (658 Park Avenue – 4.5 mi) Greek/American
- Mama G's (2133 E Henrietta Rd – 8.3 mi) Italian
- Longhorn Steakhouse (680 Jefferson Rd – 3.6 mi) Steak House
- Pittsford Pub & Grill (60 N Main – 3.5 mi) Pub Food
- Plum Garden (3349 Monroe Avenue – 2.4 mi) Japanese
- The Distillery Restaurant (3010 S Winton Rd – 1.1 mi) American Bar Food
- The King and I (1455 E Henrietta Rd – 3.0 mi) Thai

Breakfast

- CharBroil (2450 Monroe Ave – 1.9 mi)
- The Frog Pond (652 Park Ave – 4.5 mi)
- Highland Park Diner (960 Clinton – 4.8 mi)
- Jines (658 Park Avenue – 4.5 mi)

Notes

¹3349 Monroe Avenue is Pittsford Plaza where several of the restaurants are located.

²Outdoor dining (Richardson's is far and away the best)

All distances measured from the JCC. No drive greater than 15 minutes

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FUN THINGS TO DO IN THE EVENING

We will not be holding any evening bridge sessions. The Finger Lakes area is well known for being a top tourist destination in Upstate New York. Wineries abound. The minor league baseball team, the Red Wings, has evening games that week. The Colonial Belle, a boat ride on the historic Erie Canal, has evening cruises every night including a Murder Mystery Dinner Theater on Tuesday, August 8. Casinos are within a thirty-minute drive.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Monday, August 7

12 noon & 4:15 PM

Gold Rush Pairs (750/300/100)

Open Pairs (>3000/3000/1500)

Bracketed Teams

Tuesday, August 8

10 AM & 2:15 PM

Gold Rush Pairs (750/300/100)

Mid-Flight Pairs (3000/1500)

Top Flight Pairs (>4000/4000)

Bracketed Teams

Wednesday, August 9

10 AM & 2:15 PM

Gold Rush Pairs (750/300/100)

Mid-Flight Pairs (3000/1500)

Top Flight Pairs (>4000/4000)

Bracketed Teams

Thursday, August 10

10 AM & 2:15 PM

Gold Rush Pairs (750/300/100)

Open Pairs (>3000/3000/1500)

Bracketed Teams

Friday, August 11

10 AM & 2:15 PM

Gold Rush Pairs (750/300/100)

Open Pairs (>3000/3000/1500)

Bracketed Teams

Saturday, August 12

BBO Online Bonus events

10 AM & 2:00 PM

Gold Rush Pairs (750/300/100)

Mid-Flight Pairs (3000/1500)

Top Flight Pairs (>4000/4000)

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