



TUESDAY
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ROGUE VALLEY REGIONAL DAILY BULLETIN

Daily Regional Coverage, ACBL District 20, Jim Flint, Editor

Today's Events

10:00 and 3:00
Stratified Open Pairs (2 sessions)
Daytime Side Game Series I
299er Stratified Pairs (single sessions)

10:00, 3:00, 7:30
Welcome to Medford Knockout Teams (2-3-4)

7:30
Rogue Valley KOs (1 of 3)
Evening Side Game Series

Wednesday's Events

10:00 and 3:00
Weekday Bracketed KOs (1-2 of 4)
Stratified Open Pairs (2 sessions)
Daytime Side Game Series I
299er Stratified Pairs (single sessions)

3:00
Stratified Swiss Teams (single session)

7:30
Rogue Valley KOs (2 of 3)
Evening Side Game Series



**By Marilyn Vilhauer
D20 Tournament Manager**

It's sunny, it's warm, and you're here to enjoy a fabulous week of bridge and Southern Oregon Hospitality. Life is good.

I hope you'll like the early start times. The local unit thought it would be a great opportunity for out-of-towners to play bridge and enjoy an evening of fine dining or theatre.

Speaking of the local unit, boy have they been busy planning all sorts of surprises for you this week.

Becca Ostrom is hospitality chair and she believes we should feed our players, so watch for lots of goodies this week. Becca and local chair Don Walker are especially excited about the wine (or after bridge, some might call it "whine") and appetizer party planned for 7 p.m. Friday.

Gee Gee Walker is at the helm of the partnership desk. If you're looking for a partner or teammates, visit Gee Gee. She'll be at the desk every morning at about 9:15.

Sadly, District 20 had to say goodbye to our long-time Bulletin editor and friend Bruce Cook. Bruce died in March after a short and brave battle with cancer. Those of us who've worked with Bruce will miss his wit and cheerfulness.

Stepping in as Bulletin editor is Jim Flint, a retired newspaper publisher and editor who moved to Ashland two and a half years ago from the Yakima Valley in Washington. Jim can be a bit of a nuisance. He'll pester everyone for news-- Are you a new Life Master? Did you make an impossible slam? Anything you think might be of interest to Jim for the Bulletin can be jotted down and left in his "In Box" at the hospitality desk.

Another new face this week is Matt Smith, our director in charge. Matt will be DIC at many D20 regionals now that John Ashton has retired. For the players, this is key information, because John now will be your opponent at the bridge table. Duck and cover!



Enjoy the famous hospitality of the beautiful Rogue Valley

Let me extend a friendly greeting to all of our regional players from your friends in Unit 484. We're excited and delighted to have you here.

Besides the wonderful bridge, there is a lot more to do, and you'll have the time to do it with our early 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. starting times for most events.

Check out a play at the famous Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, just 20 minutes south. This Tony Award winning festival offers Shakespeare, other classics, comedies, and world premieres. You'll find brochures with a schedule and the box office number at the hospitality desk.

Other theatres in the area include the Ginger Rogers Craterion in Medford, the Camelot in Talent, and the Cabaret in Ashland.

If you're playing at 10 and 3, you'll have time to have a leisurely dinner. And how lucky for you that the Medford-Ashland area boasts so many fine restaurants. Find information at the hospitality desk.

The Red Lion Inn has been very kind to us with their free amenities. Check out their breakfast buffet. And you can order dinner in the lounge.

Enjoy the bridge, enjoy our valley, and come back soon!

Don Walker
Local Chair, Rogue Valley Regional