

# ♣ ♦ ♥ ♠ Illini Regional Bridge Tournament ♣ ♦ ♥ ♠

*Memorial Day week: May 22-28, 2018*

**Hawthorn Suites, 101 Trade Center Drive, Champaign, Illinois**

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- ♣ **Non-stop hospitality!** Evening buffets, hospitality suite, registration gifts, door prizes, champagne splits & glasses to section winners, *more!*
- ♣ **Friday: Juniors Day** -- Full-time students 25 and under play **FREE** all day. **Half-price entries** for students for all other events all week.
- ♣ **Thursday-Friday and Saturday-Sunday:** Two two-session **Morning Swiss Teams**.
- ♣ **Sunday: Barometer final** in the Open Pairs (1:30 qualifying & 7:00 finals).
- ♣ **Sunday: Fighting Illini Fans Day** -- \$2 off your afternoon entry if you wear Illini orange and blue!
- ♣ **Monday: FAST Swiss Teams** -- Playthrough with free continental breakfast & cash snack bar.
- ♣ **Novice/Intermediate Program:**
  - Gold Rush Pairs** -- 2-session gold-point events for 0-750 masterpts -- Thursday, Saturday & Sunday.
  - Flight C masterpoint awards** in all open events.
  - Expert speakers** -- 12:45, Wed. through Sunday.

## **Three Bracketed Knockout Teams** (4 session)

**Big Ten KO** -- 7:00 Tue. & 9:30, 1:30 & 7:00 Wed.

**Chief Illiniwek KO** -- 1:30 & 7:00 Thu. & Friday

**OskeeWowWow KO** -- 1:30 & 7:00 Sat. & Sunday

## **Stratified Teams**

### **Two morning two-session Swiss Teams:**

**Orange AM Swiss** -- 9:30 am Thursday & Friday

**Blue AM Swiss** -- 9:30 am Saturday & Sunday

### **Three primetime two-session Swiss Teams**

Wednesday (1:30 & 7:00)

Friday (1:30 & 7:00) -- qualifying & final

Monday (10:30 & TBA)

### **Two one-session Swiss Teams** -- 7:00 Thu. & Sat.

### **One-session Combo Pairs/Teams** on Friday (7:00) --

Two chances to win. Matchpoint *and* board-a-match scoring. Enter as a pair (teams assigned).

## **Stratified Pair Events**

*Single-session entries always available.* Series Side Games if attendance warrants.

**Charity Series AM Pairs** -- 9:30 am, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday to benefit animal charities. Enter one, two or all three sessions (play two or three sessions to qualify for overall awards).

**Choice Stratified Pairs** -- 9:30, 1:30 and 7:00 on Wednesday and Friday. Enter one or two sessions each day (play two to qualify for overall awards).

**One-session Charity Pairs** -- 7:00 Tuesday

**Two-session Stratified Open Pairs** -- 1:30 & 7:00 Thursday and Saturday.

**Two-session Barometer Pairs** -- 1:30 & 7:00 Sunday. *Barometer final.*

**Strata:** A=Open A/X=3500 B=0-2500 C=0-500 D=0-200

All events stratified by pair or team members' average masterpoint holding. KOs may be handicapped.

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## **Host hotel**

**Bridge rate** (\$95 double) at **Hawthorn Suites**, 101 Trade Center Drive.

All rooms are suites with beds and sofa beds. Includes hot breakfast buffet, free parking, free wifi and use of fitness center, hot tub and indoor pool. Pet-friendly.

**Reservations:** Call **217-398-3400** and ask for the bridge rate. *Please reserve early.*

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## Tuesday, May 22

7:00 -- **Big Ten KO Teams** (continues Wednesday AM, Aft & Eve)

7:00 -- Play for the Pets Charity Pairs

## Wednesday, May 23

9:30, 1:30 & 7:00 -- Big Ten KO (2nd, 3rd & 4th sessions)

9:30, 1:30 & 7:00 -- **Choice Stratified Pairs** (play one or two sessions)

1:30 & 7:00 -- **Stratified Swiss Teams** (partners & team-mates guaranteed)

## Thursday, May 24

9:30 -- **Orange Morning Swiss Teams** (continues at 9:30 Friday)

9:30 -- Charity Series AM Pairs (continues at 9:30 Saturday & Sunday)

1:30 & 7:00 -- **Chief Illiniwek KO Teams** (continues Fri Aft/Eve)

1:30 & 7:00 -- **Stratified Open Pairs**

1:30 & 7:00 -- **0-750 Gold Rush Pairs** (stratified 0-300 / 300-500 / 500-750)

7:00 -- One-session Swiss Team

## Friday, May 25 -- Juniors Day

♣ *Students age 25 & under play FREE today.*

9:30 -- Orange Morning Swiss Teams (2nd session)

9:30, 1:30 & 7:00 -- **Choice Stratified Pairs** (play one or two sessions)

1:30 & 7:00 -- Chief Illiniwek KO (3rd & 4th sessions)

1:30 & 7:00 -- **Swiss Teams qualifying & final**

7:00 -- One-session Combo Pairs/Teams (enter as a pair)

## Saturday, May 26

9:30 -- **Blue Morning Swiss Teams** (continues at 9:30 Sunday)

9:30 -- Charity Series AM Pairs

1:30 & 7:00 -- **OskeeWowWow KO Teams** (continues Sun Aft/Eve)

1:30 & 7:00 -- **Stratified Open Pairs**

1:30 & 7:00 -- **0-750 Gold Rush Pairs** (stratified 0-300 / 300-500 / 500-750)

7:00 -- One-session Swiss Teams

## Sunday, May 27 -- Fighting Illini Fans Day

♣ *\$2 off your afternoon entry if you wear Illini orange & blue!*

9:30 -- Blue Morning Swiss Teams (2nd session)

9:30 -- Charity Series AM Pairs

1:30 & 7:00 -- **Barometer Open Pairs** (qualifying with **barometer final**)

1:30 & 7:00 -- **0-750 Gold Rush Pairs** (stratified 0-300 / 300-500 / 500-750)

1:30 & 7:00 -- OskeeWowWow KO (3rd & 4th sessions)

7:00 -- Barometer final (2nd session of Open Pairs)

7:00 -- Side game

## Monday, May 28 (Memorial Day)

♣ *Free continental breakfast -- 9:45 to 11:00 a.m.*

10:30 a.m. -- **FAST Swiss Teams** (stratified by team's average masterpoints)

*On the road by 5:45 pm.*

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