

# 2018 Frank Allison Double Knockout Bridge Tournament

Starting in May, the first matches of the **2018 Frank Allison Double Knockout Tournament** will be played in our unit, offering all of Long Island's and the New York City's bridge community an opportunity to participate in an exciting event.

Here are the highlights of how our **Double Knockouts** will work:

- Players will form their own teams of 4, 5 or 6 players – including one Captain and one Assistant Captain to be responsible for all scheduling and reporting. (More than 4 is recommended)
- Teams will be seeded in brackets, based on the average master points per team.
- There will be 3 “Flights”: A, B, and C.
  - Anyone with more than 2,500 masterpoints, along with his/her teammates, will be eligible to enroll in Flight A only.
  - Anyone with more than 1,000 masterpoints, along with his/her teammates, will be eligible to enroll in Flight A and/or Flight B.
  - All others will be eligible to enroll in all three Flights. (Flights B and C may be combined, depending on the number of teams)
- The enrollment fee is \$40 per team for each Flight in which a team enrolls, payable by check to the NSBA. Enrollment forms will be made available at all bridge clubs.
- The Tournament Director will assign the teams to their respective brackets and will match up the teams for each round of the tournament.
- The Captains will be responsible for deciding when and where their matches will take place.
  - For each assigned match, the Captains must suggest three possible dates for playing the match.
  - **Suggested play days MUST include both one weeknight or weekend day.**
  - After agreeing upon a date, the Captains must select a location for the match. The matches will be held in any mutually convenient club in our unit. When the teams decided on a bridge club, **they must contact the bridge club in advance to make the necessary arrangements and also pay the club fee for the game.**
- Each team **will be required to play one match per month**, starting in May.
- A match is made up of 24 boards – 12 boards for each of 2 rounds. IMP scoring will be used. In the event of a tie after 24 boards, four extra boards will be played to determine a winner.
- The winners of each match will be awarded black points. The winners for each flight will be awarded additional black points (and other prizes, to be determined).
- A team is eliminated from the event if it loses two matches in each of the Flights in which it had enrolled.

The complete [NSBA Double KO Conditions of Contest](#) can be found on the [www.LIBRIDGE.com](http://www.LIBRIDGE.com) website.

If you have any questions about the upcoming Double Knockouts, feel free to contact either of us at any time.

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