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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE —*Shawn Stringer, shstringer@aol.com*

It is hard to believe that almost a year has passed since the North American Bridge Championships (NABC) were held in Washington, DC last summer, and that the Toronto NABC is coming up soon. These championships provide an excellent opportunity to showcase the depth and breadth of bridge talent in District 6 (D6), and our players certainly outperformed at the Spring NABC in Kansas City. There are many fine opportunities coming up in D6 for players to demonstrate and refine their own skills, including these two that are known as "Grass Roots events:"

North American Pairs (NAPs): the NAPs, an annual competition, that starts with qualifying games in clubs and ends at the Spring NABC of the following year. D6 players were especially successful at the finals of the 2016 event held in Kansas City in March 2017. Once you qualify at a club game this summer, we encourage you to come out and play in the 2017 District Finals being held the weekend of September 23-24. Competition will take place in both Richmond, VA where Barry and Winnie Fratkin have done an excellent job stirring up interest, and Silver Spring, MD where Bill Cole and the Grass Roots Committee continue to oversee a premier event. Not too long ago, ACBL increased the number of pairs from each District that we can send to play at the Nationals, and we can now send eleven pairs for the three flights.

The ACBL and District subsidize the travel costs of winning pairs to the Nationals, which in 2018 will be in Philadelphia. So, consider coming out for the competitive experience and the chance to represent D6 at the national level.

Grand National Teams (GNTs): the GNT event, like the NAP event, is a grass roots event where competition begins on the level closest to our players – the local club. This year the qualification period begins on September 1, 2017 and continues until April/May of 2018. There are four brackets with Masterpoint ranges of 0-500, 0-2500, 0-6000 and Open. The D6 finals take place over two weekends, and the 1st weekend of the 0-6000 level competition is held on a separate weekend from the other brackets so that eligible players can compete in two different brackets. The eventual winners of each bracket will compete at the summer NABC in Atlanta, GA in 2018, and their trips are subsidized by D6. It is not too early to talk to your teammates and make plans to play in this year's GNT event. You can play with different players and on different teams during the qualifying period, and then form a team of any D6 players who have qualified at the club level to enter the semi-final competition on the first weekend.

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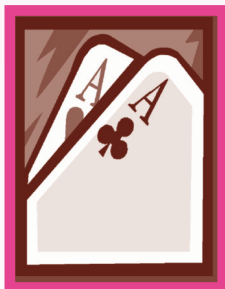
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Declining attendance, due largely to the aging of the bridge population, has become the rule rather than the exception, throughout much of the ACBL. This means that events' sponsors are going to have to make tough decisions that may result in fewer tournaments and/or fewer events at those tournaments. It will become more difficult to negotiate good playing site contracts if we cannot fill our room commitments. It has become riskier to sign long-term contracts. Although we still have some of the lowest entry fees in the country, that situation will not last if we have to pay tens of thousands of dollars for playing space. ACBL is experimenting with offering the possibility to play in Regionals and Nationals online. I welcome your thoughts as we grapple with the realities of bridge demographics.



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TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

Lou Bluhm Open Knockout	1:30 & 7:30
<i>Seeded; Continues 10:00 & 2:30 until complete</i>	
Lou Bluhm Bracketed KO (0-6000)	1:30 & 7:30
<i>Continues 10:00 & 2:30 Wednesday</i>	
Open Pairs (1500/3000/3000+)	1:30 & 7:30
GOLD RUSH Pairs	1:30 & 7:30
Olympic Side Series (1st, 2nd of 4)	1:30 / 7:30
Non-Life Master 49er and 499er Pairs	1:30 / 7:30
Stratified Board-a-Match Teams	7:30
Non-Life Master 499er Swiss Teams	7:30
<i>Aft. pair games benefit ACBL Ed Foundation</i>	
<i>Eve. pair games benefit Atlanta Junior Bridge</i>	

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

0-5 MP players play free today

Nadine Wood Bracketed Knockout	10:00 & 2:30
<i>Continues 10:00 & 2:30 Thursday</i>	
A/X Pairs	10:00 & 2:30
Mid-flight Pairs (0-3000)	10:00 & 2:30
GOLD RUSH Pairs (0-750)	10:00 & 2:30
Olympic Side Series (3rd, 4th of 4)	10:00 / 2:30
Non-Life Master 49er and 499er Pairs	10:00 / 2:30 / 7:30
Stratified Board-a-Match Teams	2:30
Falcons Bracketed Knockout	7:30
<i>Continues 7:30 Thursday and Friday</i>	
Evening Side Game Series (1st of 5)	7:30
499er Swiss Teams	7:30

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

Barb Borah Bracketed Knockout	10:00 & 2:30
<i>Continues 10:00 & 2:30 Friday</i>	
A/X Pairs	10:00 & 2:30
Mid-flight Pairs (0-3000)	10:00 & 2:30
GOLD RUSH Pairs (0-750)	10:00 & 2:30
Billy Woodson Side Series (1st, 2nd of 4)	10:00 / 2:30
Non-Life Master 49er and 499er Pairs	10:00 / 2:30 / 7:30
Strati-flighted Swiss Teams	2:30

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Bruce Reeve Compact KO	7:30
<i>Two 12-board matches; concludes 7:30 pm Friday</i>	
Evening Side Game Series (2nd of 5)	7:30
Stratified Board-a-Match Teams	7:30
Non-Life Master 499er Bracketed Pairs	7:30
<i>Pair game with computer-assigned BAM teammates</i>	

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 - GOODWILL DAY

A/X/Y Swiss (4000/6000/6000+)	10:00 & 2:30
Bracketed Flight B Teams (0-3000)	10:00 & 2:30
<i>Three teams in each bracket win gold</i>	
Stratified Open Pairs	10:00 & 2:30
Billy Woodson Side Series (3rd, 4th of 4)	10:00 / 2:30
Non-Life Master 49er and 499er Pairs	10:00 / 2:30
Stratified Board-a-Match Teams	2:30
Strati-flighted Swiss Teams	7:30
Evening Side Game Series (3rd of 5)	7:30
Non-Life Master 499er Swiss Teams	7:30
Non-Life Master 49er and 499er Pairs	7:30

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Dickie Freeman Bracketed Knockout	10:00 & 2:30
<i>Continues 10:00 & 2:30 Sunday</i>	
A/X Pairs	10:00 & 2:30
Mid-flight Pairs (0-3000)	10:00 & 2:30
GOLD RUSH Pairs (0-750)	10:00 & 2:30
Peachtree Side Series (1st, 2nd of 6)	10:00 / 2:30
Non-Life Master 499er Swiss Teams	7:30
49er and 499er Pairs	10:00 / 2:30 / 7:30

• STRATS DETERMINED BY MP AVERAGES, BUT NO PLAYER MAY EXCEED EVENT'S LIMIT • ALL KOs (EXCEPT LOU BLUHM OPEN KO) ARE BRACKETED, RANDOM DRAW WITH NO PLAYBACKS UNLESS UNAVOIDABLE, AND INCLUDE 0-500 PLAYERS. ONE- AND TWO-BRACKET KNOCKOUTS ARE HANDICAPPED • OPEN EVENTS, INCLUDING SIDE SERIES, ARE STRATIFIED 0-750, 750-3000, 3000+ UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED • AX STRATS: 5000/5000+ • MID-FLIGHT STRATS: 1500/3000 (NO PLAYER OVER 3000) • GOLD RUSH STRATS: 300/750 (GOLD POINTS FOR 750 STRAT OVERALLS AND SECTION TOPS) • STRATI-FLIGHTED EVENTS: A/B/C 3000/5000/5000+ SEPARATE FROM D/E/F 500/1000/2000 • NON-LIFE MASTER 49ER & 499ER GAMES STRATIFIED AT DIRECTOR'S DISCRETION • SINGLE-SESSION PAIRS ALWAYS ACCOMMODATED

Strati-flighted Swiss Teams	2:30
Morill Hall Two-night Open Swiss	
<i>(1500/3000/3000+)</i>	
Two-night GOLD RUSH Swiss Teams (0-750)	7:30
<i>Two-night events continue 7:30 Sunday</i>	
Evening Side Game Series (4th of 5)	7:30
Non-Life Master 499er Swiss Teams	7:30

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Bracketed Swiss Teams	10:00 & 2:30
A/X Pairs	10:00 & 2:30
Mid-flight Pairs (0-3000)	10:00 & 2:30
GOLD RUSH Pairs (0-750)	10:00 & 2:30
Peachtree Side Series (3rd, 4th of 6)	10:00 / 2:30
Non-Life Master 49er and 499er Pairs	10:00 / 2:30
Strati-flighted Swiss Teams	2:30
Evening Side Game Series (5th of 5)	7:30
Non-Life Master 49er and 499er Pairs	7:30

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

A/X Swiss Teams	10:00 & TBA
Mid-Flight Swiss Teams (0-3000)	10:00 & TBA
GOLD RUSH Swiss Teams (0-750)	10:00 & TBA
Peachtree Side Series (5th, 6th of 6)	10:00 / 2:00
Non-Life Master 49er and 499er Pairs	10:00 / 2:00

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FRIDAY, October 6

Gold Rush Pairs.....	2:30 & 7:30	Two-Session Event
NLM Stratified Side Pairs*	2:30 / 7:30	Single Sessions
NLM 49er (0-20/20-50) Pairs	2:30	Single Session

SATURDAY, October 7

Gold Rush Pairs.....	10:30 & 3	Two-Session Event
NLM Stratified Side Pairs*	10:30 / 3	Single Sessions
NLM 49er (0-20/20-50) Pairs	10:30	Single Session

SUNDAY, October 8

Gold Rush Swiss Teams.....	10 & TBA	Two-Session Event
199er Stratified Swiss Teams.....	10 / 2:15	Single Sessions

Stratifications are based on average MP holdings—but no player may have more than 750. Strats may change based on attendance.

Gold Rush Pairs/Teams: A = 300 – 750 NLM; B = 100 – 300; C = 0 – 100

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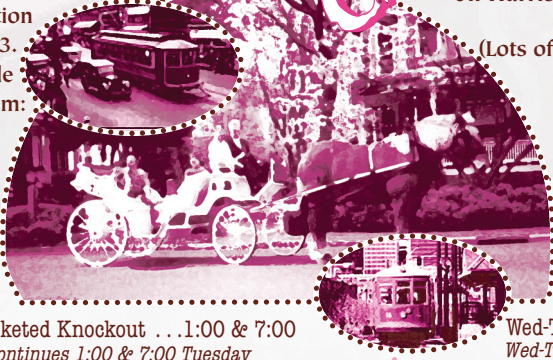
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Witches Bracketed Knockout ... 1:00 & 7:00
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Open Pairs (1500/3000/3000+) 1:00 & 7:00

GOLD RUSH Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Panthers Side Series (1st, 2nd of 4) 1:00 / 7:00

Non-LM 49er & 499er Pairs 1:00 / 7:00

Stratified Swiss Teams 7:00

Non-LM 499er Swiss Teams 7:00

*Aft. pair games benefit ACBL Ed. Foundation
 Eve. pair games benefit Loaves and Fishes*

TUESDAY, OCT. 24 0-5 MP players play free today

Tues-Wed Compact Knockout 9:00
Continues 9:00 Wednesday

Lake Norman Side Series (1st of 5) 9:00

Sunrise 49er & 499er Pairs 9:00

Goblins Bracketed Knockout 1:00 & 7:00
Continues 1:00 & 7:00 Wednesday

A/X Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Mid-Flight Pairs (0-3000) 1:00 & 7:00

GOLD RUSH Pairs (0-750) 1:00 & 7:00

Panthers Side Series (3rd, 4th of 4) ... 1:00 / 7:00

Non-LM 49er & 499er Pairs ... 1:00 / 7:00

Stratified Board-a-Match Teams ... 7:00

Non-LM 499er Swiss Teams 7:00

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WEDNESDAY, OCT. 25

Wed-Thu Open Swiss
 (1500/3000/3000+) 9:00

Wed-Thu **GOLD RUSH** Swiss Teams ... 9:00
Wed-Thu Swisses continue at 9:00 Thursday

Lake Norman Side Series (2nd of 5) 9:00

Sunrise NLM 49er & 499er Pairs 9:00

Ghosts Bracketed Knockout 1:00 & 7:00
Continues 1:00 & 7:00 Thursday

A/X Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Mid-Flight Pairs (0-3000) 1:00 & 7:00

GOLD RUSH Pairs (0-750) 1:00 & 7:00

Hornets Side Series (1st, 2nd of 4) 1:00 / 7:00

Non-LM 49er & 499er Pairs 1:00 / 7:00

Stratified Swiss Teams 7:00

Non-LM 499er Swiss Teams 7:00

THURSDAY, OCT. 26

Thur-Fri Compact Knockout 9:00
Continues 9:00 Friday

Lake Norman Side Series (3rd of 5) 9:00

Sunrise NLM 49er & 499er Pairs 9:00

A/X Swiss Teams 1:00 & 7:00

Mid-flight Swiss Teams
 (0-3000) 1:00 & 7:00

GOLD RUSH Swiss Teams ... 1:00 & 7:00

Stratified Open Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Hornets Side Series (3rd, 4th of 4) ... 1:00 / 7:00

Non-LM 49er & 499er Pairs 1:00 / 7:00

Stratified Swiss Teams 7:00



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- A/X STRATS: 5000/5000+
- MID-FLIGHT: 1500/3000 (NO PLAYER OVER 3000)

FRIDAY, OCT. 27 - GOODWILL DAY

Fri-Sat Open Swiss (1500/3000/3000+) 9:00

Fri-Sat **GOLD RUSH** Swiss Teams 9:00
Fri-Sat Swisses continue at 9:00 Saturday

Lake Norman Side Series (4th of 5) 9:00

Sunrise NLM 49er & 499er Pairs 9:00

Zombies Bracketed Knockout 1:00 & 7:00
Continues 1:00 & 7:00 Saturday

A/X Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Mid-Flight Pairs (0-3000) 1:00 & 7:00

GOLD RUSH Pairs (0-750) 1:00 & 7:00

Knights Side Series (1st, 2nd of 5) 1:00 / 7:00

Non-LM 49er & 499er Pairs 1:00 / 7:00

Stratified Swiss Teams 7:00

Non-LM 499er Swiss Teams 7:00
Evening pair games benefit ACBL Ed. Foundation

SATURDAY, OCT. 28

Lake Norman Side Series (5th of 5) 9:00

Sunrise NLM 49er & 499er Pairs 9:00

Stratified Swiss Teams 1:00 & 7:00

Open Pairs (1500/3000/3000+) ... 1:00 & 7:00

GOLD RUSH Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Knights Side Series
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Non-LM 49er & 499er Pairs ... 1:00 / 7:00

SUNDAY, OCT. 29

A/X/Y Swiss Teams 10:00 & TBA

Bracketed Flight B Teams
 (0-3000) 10:00 & TBA

Knights Side Series (5th of 5) 10:00

Non-LM 49er & 499er Pairs 10:00

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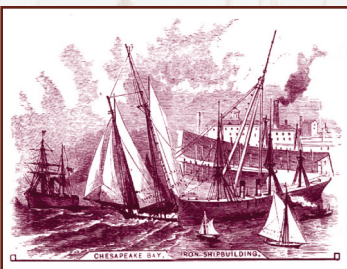
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Evening games benefit local charity*

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(0-5 players play FREE today)

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- No player over 3000 MPs; 8 teams per bracket;
3 teams in each bracket win gold*
- Easton Side Series (3rd, 4th of 4)10 / 2

Wednesday, November 15

- Nanticoke Compact KO9
- Two 12-board matches, cont. 9 am Thurs.*

- Baltimore Side Series (2nd of 5)9
- I/N Pairs 5/20/50 & 100/200/3009 / 1 / 7
- A/X Pairs 0-5000/5000+1 & 7
- Mid-flight Pairs 0-1500/30001 & 7
- Blue Crab *Gold Rush* Pairs1 & 7
- Currituck Lighthouse KO1 & 7

Continues 1 & 7 Thursday

- Annapolis Side Series (5th, 6th of 6)1 / 7
- Stratified Swiss Teams7

Thursday, November 16

- Potomac Compact KO9
- Two 12-board matches, continues 9 am Friday*
- Baltimore Side Series (3rd of 5)9
- I/N Pairs 5/20/50 & 100/200/3009 / 1 / 7
- Ralph White Open Swiss 0-5000/5000+1 & 7
- Mid-flight Swiss 0-1500/30001 & 7
- Chesapeake *Gold Rush* Swiss1 & 7
- Kent Island Side Series (1st, 2nd of 4) 1 & 7

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➤ GOLD RUSH EVENTS (0-300/300-750) AWARD GOLD POINTS TO OVERALL WINNERS AND 0-750 SECTION TOPS; RED POINTS TO 0-300 STRAT

➤ ALL KOs ARE BRACKETED, RANDOM DRAW: 1- & 2-BRACKET KOs HANDICAPPED; NO PLAYBACKS BELOW TOP BRACKET IF POSSIBLE

➤ TO BE SEEDED, PAIRS MUST BUY ENTRIES NO LATER THAN 15 MINUTES PRIOR TO GAME TIME

➤ OPEN EVENTS AND SIDE SERIES, ARE STRATIFIED 0-750/750-3000/3000+ UNLESS NOTED

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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 27

Beach Welcome Knockout . . . 1 & 7
CONTINUES 1 & 7 THU
Open Pairs (1500/3000/3000+) 1 & 7
GOLD RUSH Pairs 1 & 7
Wahoo Side Series (1st, 2nd of 4) 1 / 7
Non-LM 49er & 499er Pairs . . . 1 / 7
Stratified Swiss Teams 7
Non-LM 499er Swiss Teams 7
AFT. PAIR GAMES BENEFIT ACBL ED FOUNDATION
EVE. PAIR GAMES BENEFIT A LOCAL CHARITY

THURSDAY, DEC. 28

0-5 MP player play free today

Sea Trout Compact Knockout .9 am
TWO 12-BOARD MATCHES, CONTINUES 9 AM FRI
Sunrise 49er & 499er Pairs9 am
Sandy Morning Side Series
(1st of 5) 9 am
Tidewater Knockout 1 & 7
CONTINUES 1 & 7 FRI
A/X Pairs 1 & 7
Mid-Flight Pairs 1 & 7
GOLD RUSH Pairs 1 & 7
Wahoo Side Series (3rd, 4th of 4) 1 / 7
Non-LM 49er and 499er Pairs . . 1 / 7
Stratified Board-a-Match Teams . . . 7
Non-LM 499er Swiss Teams 7

FRIDAY, DEC. 29

Fri-Sat Open Swiss Teams
(1500/3000/+) 9 am
Fri-Sat GOLD RUSH Swiss Teams 9 am
FRI-SAT SWISSES CONCLUDE 9 AM SAT
Sunrise 49er & 499er Pairs9 am
Sandy Morning Side Series
(2nd of 5) 9 am
Flounder Knockout 1 & 7
CONTINUES 1 & 7 SAT
A/X Pairs 1 & 7
Mid-Flight Pairs 1 & 7
GOLD RUSH Pairs 1 & 7
Porpoise Side Series
(1st, 2nd of 4) 1 / 7
Non-LM 49er and 499er Pairs . . 1 / 7
Stratified Swiss Teams 7
Non-LM 499er Swiss Teams 7

SATURDAY, DEC. 30

Seaside Compact Knockout . . .9 am
TWO 12-BOARD MATCHES, CONT. 9 AM SUN
Sunrise 49er & 499er Pairs9 am
Sandy Morning Side Series
(3rd of 5) 9 am
Battleship NC Knockout 1 & 7
CONTINUES 1 & 7:30 SUN

A/X Pairs 1 & 7
Mid-Flight Pairs 1 & 7
GOLD RUSH Pairs 1 & 7
Porpoise Side Series
(3rd, 4th of 4) 1 / 7
Non-LM 49er & 499er Pairs . . . 1 / 7
Stratified Swiss Teams 7
Non-LM 499er Swiss Teams 7

SUNDAY, DEC. 31

NOTE EVENING GAMES START AT 7:30 TODAY
Sun-Mon Open Swiss Teams
(1500/3000/+) 9 am
Sun-Mon GOLD RUSH
Swiss Teams 9 am
SUN-MON SWISSES CONCLUDE 9 AM MON
Sunrise 49er & 499er Pairs9 am
Sandy Morning Side Series
(4th of 5) 9 am
Conch Knockout 1 & 7:30
CONTINUES 1 & 7 MON



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SUNDAY, continued...

Open Pairs
(1500/3000/3000+) 1 & 7:30
GOLD RUSH Pairs 1 & 7:30
Dolphin Side Series
(1st, 2nd of 5) 1 / 7:30
Non-LM 49er & 499er Pairs . 1 / 7:30
Stratified Swiss Teams 7:30
Non-LM 499er Swiss Teams . . . 7:30

• **New Year's Eve Party** •

MONDAY, JAN. 1

Sunrise 49er & 499er Pairs9 am
Sandy Morning Side Series
(4th of 5) 9 am

**Inaugural South Carolina State
Championship:**

A/X/Y Board-a-Match Teams
(3000/6000/6000+) 1 & 7
Flight B Swiss (500/1000/2000) 1 & 7
Open Pairs
(1500/3000/3000+) 1 & 7
Dolphin Side Series
(3rd, 4th of 5) 1 / 7
Non-LM 49er and 499er Pairs . . 1 / 7
Stratified Swiss Teams 7
Non-LM 499er Swiss Teams 7

TUESDAY, JAN. 2

A/X/Y Swiss
(4000/6000/6000+) 10 am & TBA
Bracketed Flight B
Swiss Teams 10 am & TBA
0-3000 MP; 7 OR 8 TEAMS PER BRACKET
THREE TEAMS IN EACH BRACKET WIN GOLD
Dolphin Side Series (5th of 5) 10 am
Non-LM 49er & 499er Pairs . . 10 am

• ALL KOs ARE BRACKETED, RANDOM DRAW WITH NO PLAYBACKS UNTIL UNAVOIDABLE. ONE- AND TWO-BRACKET KNOCKOUTS ARE HANDICAPPED. • OPEN EVENTS, INCLUDING SIDE SERIES, ARE STRATIFIED 0-750, 750-3000, 3000+, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. • A/X STRATS: 5000/5000+ • MID-FLIGHT: 1500/3000 (NO PLAYER OVER 3000) • GOLD RUSH STRATS: 300/750 (GOLD POINTS FOR 750 STRAT OVERALLS AND SECTION TOPS) • NON-LIFE MASTER 49ER AND 499ER GAMES STRATIFIED AT DIRECTOR'S DISCRETION • SINGLE-SESSION PAIRS ALWAYS ACCOMMODATED.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Kickoff KO1 & 7
CONTINUES 1 & 7 TUESDAY
Open Pairs 1500/3000/3000+1 & 7
Colonial GOLD RUSH Pairs1 & 7
I/N Pairs 5/20/50 & 100/300/500 ..1/7
Williamsburg Side Series
(1st , 2nd of 6)1/7
Stratified Swiss Teams7
AFTERNOON GAMES BENEFIT ACBL Ed.
FOUNDATION; EVENING GAMES BENEFIT
WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Fort Story Compact KO9
TWO 12-BOARD MATCHES; CONTINUES 9 AM WED
Jamestown Morning Side Series
(1st of 5)9
I/N Pairs 5/20/50 & 100/300/500...9/1/7
0-5 MP PLAYERS FREE TODAY
Open Pairs 1500/3000/3000+1 & 7
Colonial II GOLD RUSH Pairs.....1 & 7
Fort Eustis KO1 & 7
CONTINUES 1 & 7 WEDNESDAY

Williamsburg Side Series
(3rd, 4th of 6)1/7
Stratified Swiss Teams7

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Early Bird Open Swiss
1500/3000/3000+9
TWO SESSIONS; CONTINUES 9 AM THURSDAY
Early Bird GOLD RUSH Swiss9
TWO SESSIONS; CONTINUES 9 AM THURSDAY
Jamestown Morning Side Series
(2nd of 5)9
I/N Pairs 5/20/50 & 100/300/500..9/1/7
A/X Pairs 0-5000/5000+1 & 7
Colonial III GOLD RUSH Pairs.....1 & 7
Langley KO.....1 & 7
CONTINUES 1 & 7 THURSDAY

WEDNESDAY, continued...

Williamsburg Side Series
(5th, 6th of 6)1/7
Stratified Swiss Teams7

THURSDAY, MARCH 1

Jamestown Morning Side Series
(3rd of 5)9
I/N Pairs 5/20/50
& 100/300/5009/1/7
A/X Swiss 0-5000/5000+1 & 7
Bracketed Flight B Swiss 0-3000 ..1 & 7
NO PLAYER OVER 3000 MPs; 8 TEAMS PER
BRACKET; 3 IN EACH WIN GOLD
Lafayette Side Series (1st, 2nd of 4) 1 & 7

FRIDAY, MARCH 2

Camp Peary Compact KO9
TWO 12-BOARD MATCHES; CONTINUES 9 AM SAT.
Jamestown Morning Side Series
(4th of 5)9
I/N Pairs 5/20/50 & 100/300/500 9/1/7
A/X Pairs 0-5000/5000+1 & 7
Mid-flight Pairs 0-1500/30001 & 7
Colonial IV GOLD RUSH Pairs1 & 7

• STRATS DETERMINED BY MP AVERAGES, BUT NO PLAYER MAY EXCEED EVENT LIMIT; <500 MP EVENT STRATS BASED ON ATTENDANCE

• OPEN EVENTS AND SIDE SERIES ARE STRATIFIED 0-750/750-3000/3000+, UNLESS NOTED

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• TO BE SEEDED, PAIRS MUST BUY ENTRY NO LATER THAN 15 MIN. PRIOR TO GAME TIME

Join us in historic Williamsburg!

FRIDAY, continued...

Naval Weapons KO1 & 7
CONTINUES 1 & 7 SATURDAY
Lafayette Side Series (3rd, 4th of 4) ..1/7
Stratified Swiss Teams7

SATURDAY, MARCH 3

Jamestown Morning Side Series
(5th of 5)9
I/N Pairs 5/20/50 & 100/300/500..9/1/7
Stratified Swiss Teams9
Open Pairs 1500/3000/3000+1 & 7
Colonial V GOLD RUSH Pairs1 & 7
Fort Monroe KO1 & 7
CONTINUES 10 AM & TBA SUNDAY
Yorktown Side Series (1st, 2nd of 4) ..1/7
Stratified Swiss Teams7

SUNDAY, MARCH 4

A/X/Y Swiss
4000/6000/6000+10 & TBA
Bracketed Flight B Swiss
0-3000.....10 & TBA
NO PLAYER OVER 3000 MPs; 8 TEAMS PER
BRACKET; 3 IN EACH WIN GOLD
Yorktown Side Series (3rd, 4th of 4) ...10/2
I/N Pairs 5/20/50 & 100/300/500...10/2



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Saturday, August 19 (Lecture/Workshop between sessions; Lunch served)

Stratified Pairs (0-50, 50-200, 200-NLM up to 500)10:30 AM
Stratified Pairs (0-50, 50-200, 200-NLM up to 500):2:30 PM

Sunday, August 20 (Lunch served)

Stratified Swiss Teams (0-100, 100-200, 200-NLM up to 500)10:30 AM
(Play-through with 1/2 hour break for meal)

—Stratification based on partnership/team average may be adjusted at director's discretion, based on attendance.—

Tournament Chair:

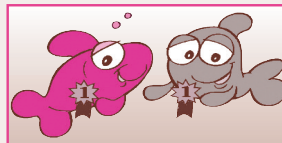
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Additional \$3 for unpaid or non-ACBL members

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District Six Honor Roll: **Kansas City Spring NABC,** **March 10-19, 2017**

TOP TEN LISTS

District Six Members

1	242.14	Daniel Korbel
2	181.72	Chen Zhao
3	153.56	Mark Dahl
4	145.20	Sylvia Shi
5	121.41	Peter Boyd
6	101.66	Li Yiting
7	100.00	Steve Robinson
8	96.28	Fred King
9	76.09	Michael Gill
	76.09	Noble Shore

District Six Members with 0-3000 MPs

1	51.54	Ann Atcheson
	51.54	George Parkins
3	42.53	John McAllister
4	27.88	Thomas Suter
	27.88	Robert Suter
6	24.90	Eric Gettleman
7	24.16	Marvin Raines
8	23.50	Robert Rovner
	23.50	Thomas Peters
10	22.48	Kent Goulding

District Six Members with 0-750 MPs

1	27.88	Robert Suter
	27.88	Thomas Suter
3	23.50	Robert Rovner
4	21.81	Bruce Roberts
5	19.56	James Barnes
6	16.00	Michael Haddox-Schatz
	16.00	William Vandyke
8	14.63	Mi Kyeong Ham
9	12.74	Carole Stringer
	12.74	Robbie Lloyd

District Six Members with 0-300 MPs

1	27.88	Robert Suter
2	16.00	William Vandyke
3	12.74	Robbie Lloyd
	12.74	Carole Stringer
5	9.08	Stanca Ciupe
6	4.37	Theresa Raines
	4.37	Kathleen Parkins
8	4.31	Randall Stephens
9	3.83	Charlotte Cohn
10	2.73	Gordon Prager

**OVERALL PLACINGS
IN NATIONALLY RATED EVENTS**

Special congratulations to our
1st place overall winners:

Peter Boyd and **Steve Robinson** in the
Baldwin Flight A North American Pairs

Chen Zhao
in the **Lebhar IMP Pairs**

Sylvia Shi
in the **Smith Life Master Women's Pairs**

Mark Dahl
in the **NABC Fast Pairs**

Li Yiting
in the **Machlin Women's Swiss Teams**

**BALDWIN FLIGHT A NORTH AMERICAN
PAIRS**

- 1 **Peter Boyd**, Darnestown MD;
Steve Robinson, Arlington VA
- 2 Michael Gill, Columbia MD;
Noble Shore, Germantown MD
- 6 Sylvia Shi - Daniel Korbel,
Rockville MD

NABC 0-10000 SWISS TEAMS

- 3 Cecily Kohler, Washington DC

LEBHAR IMP PAIRS

- 1 **Chen Zhao**, College Park MD
- 2 Fred King, Mc Lean VA;
Barry Bragin, Prospect CT

LEVENTRITT SILVER RIBBON PAIRS

- 17 Robin Taylor, Gaithersburg MD;
Mickie Kivel, Potomac Falls VA
- 46 Mark Shaw, Columbia MD;
Martin Graf, Chevy Chase MD

**GOLDER FLIGHT B NORTH AMERICAN
PAIRS**

- 9 Bruce Roberts, Bethesda MD;
James Key, Brookeville MD
- 20 Thomas Peters, Dayton MD;
Robert Rovner, Chevy Chase MD

**PRESIDENT'S CUP FLIGHT C NORTH
AMERICAN PAIRS**

- 5 Michael Haddox-Schatz, Newport
News VA; William Vandyke,
Poquoson VA

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♣ **Silver Spring, MD** ♦ **AUGUST 24-27, 2017** ♥

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

- ♣ StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/2000) & B/C/D (1000/500/300) Pairs . . . 11:15am
Rockville Duplicate Bridge Club, 301-503-3348 (Mark Lavine) **NO ENTRY TILL 11AM**
St. James Episcopal Church, 11815 Seven Locks Rd., Rockville
- ♦ StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/3000) & B/C (2000/750) Pairs (*both sites*),
0-20 Pairs (*both sites*), Intermediate/Novice Pairs (500/300/100) (*Ohr Kodesh only*) & Stratified 199er (200/100/50) Swiss Teams (*K of C Hall only*)
Note Site Change: K of C Hall, 5115 Little Falls Rd., Arlington . . . 7:00pm
Ohr Kodesh Congregation, 8300 Meadowbrook Ln., Chevy Chase 7:30pm
I-495 to Connecticut Ave. S. 4th light left E-W Hwy 410. Left Meadowbrook Ln.
1st left Freyman Dr. Parking lot on left. **No outside food allowed.**

NOTE DAYTIME START TIMES FRI. & SAT.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

- ♣ *StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/3000) & B/C Pairs (2000/750) (single sessions) **11:00am, 3:00pm**
- ♦ **Relaxed & Fun Stratified IMP Pairs/Teams** (unlim/2000/750) 7:30pm
—2 Chances to Win!— This innovative & experimental game moves like a pair game & scores the better of your IMP pair & team game. Come as a team of 4 or as a pair & we'll find you teammates.
- ♠ Intermediate/Novice Pairs (500/300/100) & 49er Pairs (50/20/5) (single sessions) **11am, 3pm, 7:30pm**

—Lunch available for purchase—

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

Win upgraded (more) masterpoints today! \$1 additional fee supports Grass Roots events.

- ♣ **14th Annual: Washington Bridge League Trophy Pairs**
awarding the **Steve Robinson Trophy** **11:00am & 3:30pm**
Two session Open Pairs (unlim/3000), qualifying and final. Single first session (11 am) entries available.
- ♦ *StrataFlighted B/C Pairs (2000/750) **11:00am**
- ♥ *StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/3000) & B/C Pairs (2000/750) (single session) **3:30pm**
- ♦ Intermediate/Novice Pairs (500/300/100) & 49er Pairs (50/20/5) (single sessions) **11:00am, 3:30pm**

—Lunch available for purchase—

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

- ♠ Flights A/X (unlim/5000) Board-A-Match Teams (*2 session playthrough w/break*) 11:00am & TBA
- ♣ Bracketed Flight B Teams (no single player >3000) (*2 session playthrough w/break*) . . 11:00am & TBA
B Teams Bracketed by total team masterpoints; three overall places in each.
- ♦ 500/300/100 Swiss Teams, VPs (single sessions) 11:00am, 3:00pm
- ♣ **Lots of Intermediate & Novice Events w/ Silver Points! ♥ 0-5 MP play FREE! ♠**
Separate I/N events & strata as advertised as attendance allows. (Director's discretion.)

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**StrataFlighted if attendance warrants—otherwise combined into Stratified Pairs (unlim/2000/500) Stratification by avg. masterpoints of the team or pair. No individual may exceed the event's upper limit.*

Directions to the Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center, 1000 Forest Glen Rd, Silver Spring, MD: I-495 to Georgia Avenue North (toward Wheaton). 1st light right on Forest Glen Rd. The Center is .7 mile on right.

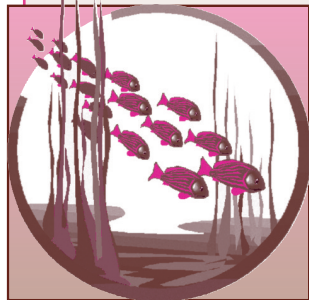
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Mid-chart allowed in all events except I/N

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Fri & Sat PM games regionally rated—extra points, no extra money.

Friday, September 8

(Light lunch served between sessions)

Stratified Pairs (single sessions)10:30 AM & 2:30 PM
(0-750, 750-1500, 1500+ MPs)
Novice Pairs (single sessions) . .10:30 AM & 2:30 PM
(0-100, 100-200, 200-NLM up to 500)

Saturday, September 9

(Light lunch served between sessions)

Stratified Pairs (0-750, 750-1500, 1500+ MPs) 10:30 AM
Novice Pairs10:30 AM
(0-100, 100-200, 200-NLM up to 500)
Bracketed Pairs/Board-A-Match Teams2:30 PM
(Play in a stratified pairs game. At the same time, each pair is teamed according to MP (highest to lowest). *Two chances to win!*)

Sunday, September 10

Stratified Swiss Teams (0-750, 750-1500, 1500+ MPs)10:30 AM & TBA
Novice Stratified Swiss Teams (0-100, 100-200, 200-NLM up to 500) . .10:30 AM & TBA

Entries: \$10 per person per pairs session; \$84 per team (includes meal between sessions for 4 team members). Additional \$3 for unpaid or non-ACBL members.

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Kansas City Overalls, cont. from p 9

VANDERBILT KO TEAMS

2 Daniel Korbel, Rockville MD
9/16 Chen Zhao, College Park MD

ROCKWELL MIXED PAIRS

9 Greg Humphreys, Charlottesville VA
17 Sylvia Shi, Rockville MD

SILODOR OPEN PAIRS

5 Ai-Tai Lo, Reston VA
17 Mark Dahl, Richmond VA
24 Marty Nelson, Annapolis MD;
Gil Cohen, Ashburn VA
36 Fred King, Mc Lean VA;
Richard Wegman, Bethesda MD

SMITH LIFE MASTER WOMEN'S PAIRS

1 Sylvia Shi, Rockville MD
5 Li Yiting, Herndon VA

NABC+ FAST PAIRS

1 Mark Dahl, Richmond VA
20 Gil Cohen, Ashburn VA;
Marty Nelson, Annapolis MD
22 Marshall Kuschner, Reston VA
23 Greg Humphreys, Charlottesville VA
28 Ronald Kral, Reston VA;
Kenneth Davis, Alexandria VA
31 Martin Graf, Chevy Chase MD;
Mark Shaw, Columbia MD

JACOBY SWISS TEAMS

25 Kent Goulding, Germantown MD;
Robert Hopkins Jr, Arlington VA

MACHLIN WOMEN'S SWISS

1 Li Yiting, Herndon VA

From Kansas City to Toronto —In-between and Beyond...

**—REPORT FROM DISTRICT
DIRECTOR MARGOT HENNINGS,**

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As you all are aware, District 6 (D6) no longer mails the quarterly *TableTALK* publication to every District member, but does print copies that are available through every unit, at clubs, and at D6 sectionals and regionals. This has changed publication dates, and in the case of my report following the Spring NABC in Kansas City, means that this report

is coming to you very late, just as the tournament in Toronto—the site of the Summer NABC—is starting. I have, therefore, tried to make the news actually “new” and “newsworthy” and non-duplicative of information contained elsewhere in this or previous *TableTALK* publications.

Special Happenings in Our District

The names Bob Heller and Jay Whipple are known to many bridge players in our District. In his eighth year on the ACBL Board of Directors (BOD), Bob is this year's ACBL President and long-time activist in bridge administration in District 7, our neighbor to the south and partner in the Mid-Atlantic Bridge Conference (MABC). Jay is the District 9 (Florida) representative to the BOD but is likely better known to more of you as the creator of Fast Results and The Common Game.

At my invitation, both Bob and Jay attended the Richmond Regional to give their insights into current ACBL strategy and policies, and to advocate for the inclusion of online events at regionals as an innovative way of expanding tournament attendance and enticing players who otherwise would not attend to play in a D6 regional tournament.

Online events are being tried at numerous regionals throughout ACBL-land this year with Jay at the helm—31 tables (30 of which were online and one of which was onsite at the Convention Center) played in an early-morning Fast Pairs on the first day of the Gatlinburg Regional in April, for example—and your D6 Board will vote at its next meeting in Hunt Valley on holding such an event during the fall Regional in Cambridge, MD.

We Have a New CEO!

After six years at the helm, Robert Hartman stepped down as ACBL CEO on July 1, and Bahar Gidwani stepped into that role. Robert inherited an organization plagued by an outdated technology infrastructure and failing software, a lack of vision on how to train tournament directors, a haphazard marketing strategy, and a rash of high-profile cheating scandals. To mention just a few of the things he has dealt with since late 2011. Many improvements have been made, including a much

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Saturday, September 9

NLM StrataFlighted Pairs (500/200/100 & separate 50/20/10)10:30 am

NLM StrataFlighted Pairs (500/200/100 & separate 50/20/10)3:00 pm

Sunday, September 10

NLM StrataFlighted Pairs (500/200/100 & separate 50/20/10)12:30 pm

—All events are stratified by average masterpoints. Strata may be adjusted according to attendance.—

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Baltimore Beltway to Reisterstown Road exit. Go south. Turn right on Old Court Road. Take the first left on Bedford Road. Go one block. Turn left into shopping center. Bridge Club is on the left.



Fairfax, VA ♣ SEPTEMBER 14-17, 2017 ♦

AN EXCITING NEW SCHEDULE! GIVE US YOUR FEEDBACK!

NORTHERN VIRGINIA BRIDGE ASSOCIATION SEPTEMBER SENSATIONS SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

**NEW
DAYTIME
START TIMES**

The Arlington/Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188; 703-560-2188
8421 Arlington Boulevard, Fairfax, VA

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

STRATIFIED OPEN (2000+/2000/750) or 500/300/100 PAIRS10:30 a.m.

Norma's Game: K of C Hall, 5115 Little Falls Rd., Arlington, VA, 703-892-1292

Evening games at: NVBA: Beth El Hebrew Congregation, 3830 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA and

WBL: Ohr Kodesh Congregation, 8300 Meadowbrook Ln, Chevy Chase, MD **NVBA (Beth El) WBL**

Intermediate/Newcomer Lecture6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

STRATAFLIGHTED OPEN PAIRS (A/X=3000+/3000; B/C=2000/750)7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.

NVBA 199ER SWISS TEAMS (200/100/50); WBL 499ER PAIRS (500/300/100) ..7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.

NEWCOMER PAIRS (0-20)7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Gene's Friday Morning Game at KOCH:9:30 a.m.

STRATIFIED OPEN (2000+/2000/750) or 500/300/100 PAIRS (NLMs only)

...REST OF TOURNAMENT AT ELKS LODGE...

Intermediate/Newcomer Lecture1:45 p.m.

STRATAFLIGHTED A/X (3000+/3000) or B/C (2000/750) ..2:30 p.m.

I/N (500/300/100) or 99ER (100/50) or 0-20 PAIRS2:30 p.m.

TRIPLE NICKEL SWISS—5 rounds, 5 boards, 5 minutes a board ..7:30 p.m.

I/N (500/300/100) PAIRS7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

FLIGHT A/X PAIRS (3000+/3000; 2-session Play-thru event) **10:30 a.m. & 3 p.m.**

STRATIFIED B/C PAIRS (2000/750)10:30 a.m. / 3 p.m.

STRATIFIED SIDE GAME (3000+/3000)10:30 a.m. / 3 p.m.

I/N (500/300/100), 49ER (50/20) or NEWCOMER (0-5) ..10:30 a.m. / 3 p.m.

Intermediate/Newcomer Lecture2:15 p.m.

****ALL events on Sat. morning & afternoon award REGIONALLY RATED SILVER POINTS—an additional \$1 will be added to your entry fee to support Grass Roots events in our local area!****

STRATIFIED (2000+/2000/750) PAIRS7:30 p.m.

I/N (500/300/100) or 49ER (50/20/5) PAIRS7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

FLIGHTS A/X (6000+/6000) SWISS TEAMS10 a.m. & TBA

BRACKETED FLIGHT B TEAMS (no single player >3000) ..10 a.m. & TBA

B Teams Bracketed by Total Team Masterpoints: three overall places in each.

A/X Swiss & B Teams: 2-session events, a brief break & food available on-site.

I/N (500/300/100) SWISS TEAMS10 a.m. / 2:15 p.m.

Mini-lesson: You, too, can learn to love Swiss!10 a.m.

*—Followed by—*49ER (50/20/5) SWISS TEAMS (18 boards)

SINGLE SESSION EVENTS are indicated by a slash (/) separating the start times.

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Next NVBA Sectional Oct 5-8 at Arlington/Fairfax Elks Lodge (Thurs at Beth El)
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Kansas City Report, cont. from p 11

more modern approach to infrastructure, new ACBLscore “modules”, a Tournament Director University (TDU), and the creation of a permanent Anti-Cheating Commission; however, success on all fronts is not ensured—numerous problems and challenges to the future of the ACBL persist. Bahar has tremendous energy, working tirelessly since his hire date as a consultant in mid-June to get up-to-speed on “all things ACBL,” and Robert will continue as a consultant until July 31 to help manage the transition. The BOD is energized to continue its progress on more efficient and better governance and looks forward to working with Bahar. You can read more about Bahar at <http://www.acbl.org/gidwani-accepts-position-as-acbls-top-executive/>.

Congratulations to D6 Members on Top NABC Event Finishes in Kansas City!

KC D6 winners were congratulated in the May/June/July issue of *TableTALK* and more complete lists of all finishers in NABC events are on pages 9 and 10 of this issue.

Kansas City as a Tournament Venue

Reviews were primarily good if somewhat mixed due to the long hike—but all indoors through a glass-enclosed walkway—between the two tournament sites, and the inherent confusion that reigns, regardless of good signage, when two sites are needed. In addition to the tournament hospitality, which was offered at both tournament sites, there were several nearby restaurants and a downtown tram that offered access to many more just a short ride away. In the end game, players were for the most part able to find affordable accommodations fairly close by to compensate for the early shortage of rooms at the two host hotels—limited more than usual by two Big 12 Basketball Championships. This NABC experience also featured long-awaited responses to repeated requests for cleaner bid box inserts and playing cards, as well as board vulnerability inserts. I expect the “trend” started in KC will continue for future NABCs.

Board Governance and Strategic Thinking—A Refreshing New Approach

Last fall, the BOD enacted several new changes

Richmond, VA
Regional Winners
May 23-29, 2017

TOP POINT WINNERS

District 6 Players

- 1 87.61 William Cole
- 2 48.73 Brad Theurer
48.73 Lyle Poe Jr
- 4 48.57 Brian Schoenfeld
- 5 47.19 William Pettis
- 6 46.72 Peter Lesnik
- 7 45.71 Kenneth Davis
- 8 44.40 Fred King
- 9 43.17 Barry Falgout
- 10 43.05 Andrew Gofreed
43.05 Muh-Sha Crawford

District 6 Players <3000 MPs

- 1 39.92 Jean Oakey
38.92 Dean Baird
- 3 38.75 Francis Terminella
- 4 38.46 Nicolas Karamaoun
- 5 37.47 Betsy Eliot
37.47 Julia Brown
- 7 37.25 Jack Spooner
37.25 Donnie Walsh
- 9 36.76 George Parkins
36.76 Hal Jones Jr

District 6 Players <750 MPs

- 1 37.25 Jack Spooner
37.25 Donnie Walsh
- 3 30.56 Richard Rio
- 4 29.17 Mark Sonder
- 5 27.94 Nitin Shah
- 6 24.14 Amy Brisson
- 7 23.95 Daria Snider
- 8 23.57 Richard Nuckols
- 9 23.42 Mi Kyeong Ham
- 10 22.60 Thomas Kasvin

District 6 Players <300 MPs

- 1 37.25 Jack Spooner
- 2 29.17 Mark Sonder
- 3 24.14 Amy Brisson
- 4 17.11 Jane Riddle
- 5 16.56 Heather Harper
- 6 15.26 Jerome Tepper
- 7 14.59 Virginia Cenedella
- 8 14.36 Scott Belleman
- 9 13.48 Michael Edwards
13.48 Donna Edwards



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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

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 Stratified Open Pairs10:30 A.M.

Expert Lecture2:30 P.M.
 Stratified Open Pairs3:00 P.M.

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Williamsburg Fall Sectional

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Friday, September 29

Stratified Pairs 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
(0-300, 300-1250, 1250+ MPs—Average points) *(single sessions)*

Newcomer/99er Pairs *(single sessions) (if attendance warrants)* 10:00 am & 2:30 pm

Saturday, September 30

Stratified Pairs (0-300, 300-1250, 1250+ MPs —Average points) 10:00 am

Newcomer/99er Pairs *(if attendance warrants)* 10:00 am

Stratified Pairs/Board-A-Match Teams—*Two chances to win!* 2:30 pm
(0-300, 300-1250, 1250+) Stratified pairs game. At the same time, each pair is teamed according to masterpoints for a BAM.

Sunday, October 1—Including lunch!

Bracketed Swiss Teams 10:00 am & TBA
(Bracketed by average points. 7 rounds of 7 boards)

Entry Fees: \$10 per person per session; \$88 *(includes lunch)* per Swiss Team
\$3 additional/person/session for non or unpaid ACBL members

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Williamsburg Hospitality!

Directions: I-64 to Rte. 199, exit 242A (Busch Gardens). Turn right onto Rt. 60 East, turn right into Kingsmill on the James, the DoubleTree is on the right.

to the way the Board had been doing business for so long. We agreed to hold face-to-face meetings for only three days instead of four in the spring, which we did for an approximate cost savings of \$6000 for hotel rooms and per diems for staff and BOD. This summer in Toronto, and again in San Diego this fall (complicated by the intrusion of Thanksgiving into the mix for the latter meeting), we will be meeting for four days but the meetings will not start until the day before the tournament and extend through the first Saturday of the NABC. This means that no Board member may play in an event until Sunday but incurs additional savings of approximately \$18,000 per meeting. In Toronto, the BOD and the CEO will be discussing many options for future process, and the meeting schedule may or may not be changed based on the outcome of those discussions. There are many possible alternatives, all of which include much more extensive advance Committee work and none of which includes returning to the past longer-paid-stay at the NABC site.

Tournaments Task Force

In the Feb/March/April issue of *TableTALK*, I described the President's creation of a Tournament Task Force (TTF) for this calendar year to address a disturbing trend that, unfortunately, I expect many of you have personally experienced—declining tournament attendance. This trend is most visible at regionals where here in the East attendance is rarely “up” and is most often 3 – 15% lower (if not dramatically more-so, as with a sharp 28% decline in Norfolk in the fall of 2016 over 2014, which was the last time a regional was held there) than the same tournament the year before, with sectional attendance across the country holding almost steady from past years.

Bob Heller asked me to select the members of and chair the work of the TTF, and we have been focused since late last fall on defining the problem and hopefully developing a structure that will lead us to numerous potential solutions. Are there too many tournaments? What obligations do units and districts have to offer opportunities for you to win Silver and Red and Gold points? What inducements exist for players to join the ACBL and want to become Life Masters? Are there reasons for many to keep playing after becoming a Life Master?

We are looking both to personal anecdotes from players such as yourself made to “officials” like me

at club games or in a tournament setting—which capture those of you who attend tournaments as well as those of you who don’t—and in your responses to the Fast Results Surveys you fill out after a tournament, which, of course, capture only the comments from tournament-goers—and to detailed analyses of data from regionals and sectionals to help understand exactly what is happening and at what level. Stay tuned for some initial analysis results in my report after Toronto, which should appear in the Nov/Dec/Jan issue of *TableTALK*.

In the meantime, in an effort to provide you with more fall color—Red and Gold, that is!—**D6 has approved its first Non-Life Master (NLM) Regional to be held October 6 – 8** in conjunction with the NVBA Fairfax Fall Sectional at the Arlington/Fairfax Elks Lodge, a tried and true successful tournament location. All of you who are not yet Life Masters but who are striving to be and need Gold and Red points, should plan now to attend! See the ad on page 3 of this issue of *TableTALK*.

Win a National Championship in Toronto without Ever Being There!

“People worry that bridge is a dying game, but then object strongly when anyone tries anything innovative that might draw more players. I’m one of the “young” people the ACBL is in theory trying to draw and without these types of tourneys [robot], I may have stopped playing bridge before I ever got hooked...”

The above statement is a quotation from a poster on the Bridgewinners website, about a nationally rated event that the ACBL is holding—an Online Individual—during the Toronto NABC that will pay up to 48 MPs with 1/3 Gold and 2/3 Red. This is a four-day, four-session Bridge Base Online (BBO) robot duplicate event beginning Sunday, July 23, and continuing through Wednesday, July 26, 2017. It is controversial with the pros and cons debated extensively on Bridgewinners, but for those of you not planning to go to Toronto and who enjoy online bridge, please participate in this first-time-ever event and then comment afterwards in response to the survey that will be sent to all participants. Pre-registration is required with discounted entry fee offered if pre-registration is completed by July 19, but available up to the start of the event on July 23. For complete Conditions of Contest, go to <http://web2.acbl.org/coc/NABCOnline.pdf>.

Delmarva 1/N Sectional

~**MAC SENIOR CENTER**~
909 Progress Circle Ste 100
Salisbury, MD 21804

Friday September 29
~Intermediate-Novice Pairs

I/N Stratified Pairs10:00 AM & 2:30 PM
0-50/50-100/100-500 (single sessions)

Saturday September 30
~Intermediate-Novice Pairs

I/N Stratified Pairs10:00 AM & 2:30 PM
0-50/50-100/100-500 (single sessions)

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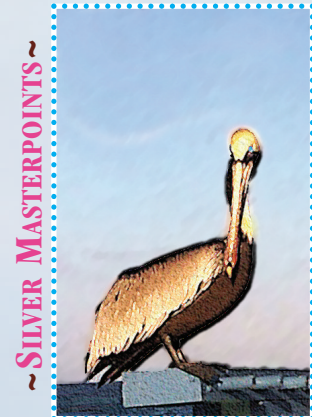
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~From Route 13, turn onto College Avenue (West), then turn right onto Snow Hill Road. The Senior Center will be shortly on your right. Turn onto Progress Circle.

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Key Actions Expected in Toronto

- Joint BOD – CEO discussions and preliminary action plan on strategic processes and tactical procedures to move the organization forward
- In-depth discussion of proposed motions for regulations concerning:
 - Use of the “stop card” (deferred from Kansas City)

—ACBL presence in and financial support of international bridge organizations (also deferred from Kansas City)

—Reconsideration (requested by the Board of Governors) of the requirement **at an NABC only**, for a full entry fee from every member of a KO team even though masterpoints won by players on a five-or-six-person team are pro-rated based on time played

—A substantial re-write of the Code of Disciplinary Regulations (the CDR)

—Approval of the ACBL Elections (Exceptions) to the 2017 edition of *Laws of Duplicate Bridge*

—When and how Tournament Assistants (TAs) can be used by host units/sponsors of sectionals and regionals—a key action for our district where we rely on TAs to supplement our dwindling supply of full-time and part-time Tournament Directors

—Tighter controls over how NABC funds are provided to the local organizations and how regional events are scheduled and Conditions of Contest (CoC) are applied. This is not as ominous as it sounds since NABCs with expected attendance over 10,000 tables (DC is in this category) will still receive the \$11.50 per estimated number of tables, and the regional schedule will require more team games and specifically bracketed Swiss versus Compact KOs at earlier times, e.g., 10 and 3, with number of teams in each bracket and the number of boards played specified in the CoC.

As always, contact me with any questions at margot10bridge@cox.net. Hope to have seen many of you at the Toronto NABC and the Hunt Valley and Chesapeake Regionals!

—Margot

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

Gene's Friday Morning Game at KOCH:9:30 a.m.

STRATIFIED OPEN (2000+/2000/750) or 500/300/100 PAIRS (NLMs only)

...REST OF TOURNAMENT AT ELKS LODGE...

For 0-20/20-50 and 100/300/750 MP players, there are **lots** of opportunities to win Gold and Red Points at your own **concurrent NLM Regional at the Elks**. See p.3 for the full schedule.

STRATAFLIGHTED A/X (3000+/3000) or B/C (2000/1000) .2:30 p.m.

TRIPLE NICKEL SWISS—5 rounds, 5 boards, 5 minutes a board .7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

****ALL events on Sat. morning & afternoon award REGIONALLY RATED SILVER POINTS—an additional \$1 will be added to your entry fee to support Grass Roots events in our local area!****

STRATAFLIGHTED A/X (3000+/3000) PAIRS10:30 a.m. / 3 p.m.

STRATAFLIGHTED B/C (2000/1000) PAIRS10:30 a.m. / 3 p.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

FLIGHTS A/X (6000+/6000) SWISS TEAMS10 a.m. & TBA

FLIGHTS B/C/D (3000/2000/1250) SWISS TEAMS10 a.m. & TBA

B Teams—no single player >3000

A/X Swiss & B Teams: 2-session events, a brief break & food available on-site.

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OCTOBER 13-15, 2017**

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Schedule:

FRIDAY - OCTOBER 13

Open Pairs and 299er Pairs
Single sessions: 1pm & 7pm

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 14

Open Pairs and 299er Pairs
Single sessions: 10am & 2pm
Finishes in time for Barter Theatre

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 15

Open Swiss Teams (masterpoints averaged and stratified)
2 sessions: 10am & tba

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Newcomer Lecture9:30 AM
RBA Friendly Bridge 0-300 game ...10:30 AM / 3:00 PM
Stratified Open Pairs (750/2000/2000+)10:30 AM
Stratified Open Pairs (750/2000/2000+)3:00 PM

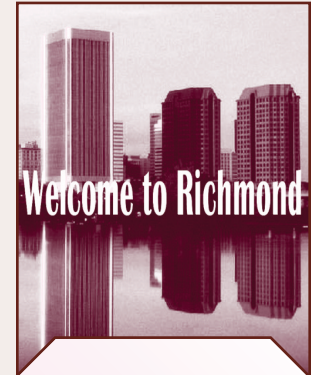
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

Newcomer Lecture9:30 AM
RBA Friendly Bridge 0-300 game10:30 AM
Stratified Open Pairs (750/2000/2000+)10:30 AM
Bracketed Pairs/Board-a-Match Teams3:00 PM
A, B, and C play in sectional pairs game. At the same time, each pair is teamed according to MP (highest to lowest). Two chances to win!!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

Free coffee, bagels and donuts at 9:30 AM
Bracketed Swiss Teams10:30 AM
8 teams in each bracket, seven rounds, play through,
lunch provided

DIRECTIONS: From North and West of Richmond: Take I-95-South to Exit 78/Boulevard, get in left side lane at bottom of exit ramp, turn Left onto N. Boulevard, Hotel is immediately on the right. From South and East of Richmond: Take I-95-North to Exit 78/Boulevard, get in right side lane at bottom of exit ramp, turn Right onto Hermitage Road, Hotel's rear entrance is immediately on the left.



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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

- ♣ StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/2000) & B/C/D (1000/500/300) Pairs11:15 am
Rockville Duplicate Bridge Club, 301-503-3348 (Mark Lavine)
St. James Episcopal Church, 11815 Seven Locks Rd., Rockville **NO ENTRY TILL 11AM**
- ♦ StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/3000) & B/C (2000/750) Pairs (*both sites*), 0-20 Pairs (*both sites*), Intermediate/Novice Pairs (500/300/100) (*Ohr Kodesh only*), & Stratified 199er Pairs (200/100/50) (*Beth El only*)
Beth El Congregation, 3830 Seminary Rd, Alexandria7:00pm
Ohr Kodesh Congregation, 8300 Meadowbrook Ln., Chevy Chase7:30pm
I-495 to Connecticut Ave. S. 4th light left E-W Hwy 410. Left Meadowbrook Ln. 1st left Freyman Dr. Parking lot on left. No outside food allowed.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

- ♣ *StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/3000) & B/C Pairs (2000/750) (single sessions) **11:00am, 3:00pm**
- ♦ **Relaxed & Fun Stratified IMP Pairs/Teams** (unlim/2000/750)7:30pm
—2 Chances to Win!— This innovative & experimental game moves like a pair game & scores the better of your IMP pair & team game. Come as a team of 4 or as a pair & we'll find you teammates.
- ♠ Intermediate/Novice Pairs (500/300/100) & 49er Pairs (50/20/5) (single sessions) **11am, 3pm, 7:30pm**

—Lunch available for purchase—

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

Win upgraded (more) masterpoints today! \$1 additional fee supports Grass Roots events.

- ♣ *StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/3000) & B/C Pairs (2000/750) (single sessions)11:00am, 3:30pm
- ♦ Intermediate/Novice Pairs (500/300/100) & 49er Pairs (50/20/5) (single sessions) 11:00am, 3:30pm
- ♥ **Machlin Sportsmanship Award** Presentationbetween sessions

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

- ♠ **Eynon Trophy**  **—Lunch available for purchase—**
First awarded in 1931— Try to add your name to the famous names inscribed here!
- ♣ Flights A/X (unlim/5000) Eynon Trophy Swiss Teams (*2 session playthrough w/break*) 11:00am & TBA
- ♣ Bracketed Flight B Teams (no single player >3000) (*2 session playthrough w/break*) 11:00am & TBA
B Teams Bracketed by total team masterpoints; three overall places in each.
- ♦ 300/100/50 Swiss Teams, VPs (single sessions)11:00am, 3:00pm
- ♣ **Lots of Intermediate & Novice Events w/ Silver Points! ♥0-5 MP play FREE! ♠**
Separate I/N events & strata as advertised as attendance allows. (Director's discretion.)

Hospitality includes snacks, drinks, & **Friday lunch & evening desserts.** Sat. & Sun. lunch available for purchase. **Tournament Chair: Brad Theurer, 301-527-8819, batheurer256@gmail.com; Volunteer Coordinator: Barbara Summers, 301-598-5838, jimbarb1184@aol.com; Partnerships: Barbara Doran, 301-608-0347, barb.doran@verizon.net, Online Partnership Desk** available.

*StrataFlighted if attendance warrants—otherwise combined into Stratified Pairs (unlim/2000/500) Stratification by avg. masterpoints of the team or pair. No individual may exceed the event's upper limit.

Directions to the Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center, 1000 Forest Glen Rd, Silver Spring, MD: I-495 to Georgia Avenue North (toward Wheaton). 1st light right on Forest Glen Rd. The Center is .7 mile on right.

2017-18 NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS

**4 Pairs Qualify in the 0-2500
and NLM! (3 in the Open)**

It's time to start thinking about the North American Pairs, a North American Championship that begins in your club and concludes at the Spring 2018 NABC in Philadelphia, PA. Come out and play in a local club qualifier. You've got to play to win!

Club qualifying for the 2017-2018 event continues until the end of August 2017. There are three Flights: Open, 0-2500 and Non-Life Master (with fewer than 500 points). Qualification in a flight qualifies you for all lower flights for which you are eligible. Qualification is by individual (not pair) – including flight eligibility — from any club qualifier in the ACBL directly to the District 6 Final. Flight eligibility is determined by your masterpoint holding on June 1, 2017. All players who play in the District Final must have qualified at the club level and be bona fide members of District 6. **There will be no exceptions.** See the District 6 website (www.districtsixbridge.org) for information on club games in your area.

The District 6 Final for all flights will be held on the weekend of September 23-24, 2017. The Open Flight and 0-2500 Flight Finals will be 4-session events, with roughly half the field qualifying for the second day. The NLM Flight Final will be a 2-session event held on Sunday, September 24.

The Open event and the Northern site for the 0-2500 and NLM competition will be at the White Oak Community Center, 1700 April Lane, Silver Spring, MD. Game time is noon and TBA on Saturday, and 11 and TBA on Sunday.

The 0-2500 and NLM will have a Southern site in Richmond VA, at the Clarion Hotel, 3207 North Boulevard. (Special Bridge Rate: \$59.00! Call 804-359-9441) Game time is 10:30 and TBA both days.

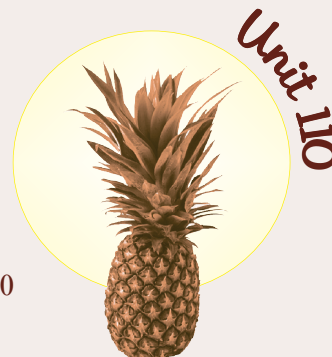
Players with 0-2500 MPs and NLMs with fewer than 500 MPs may play at either site.

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Williamsburg Winter Sectional

DOUBLETREE BY HILTON

50 Kingsmill Road • 757-220-2500



Friday, November 10

Stratified Pairs10:00 am & 2:30 pm
(0-300, 300-1250, 1250+ MPs—Average points) (*single sessions*)

Newcomer/99er Pairs (*single sessions*) (*if attendance warrants*) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm

Saturday, November 11

Stratified Pairs (0-300, 300-1250, 1250+ MPs —Average points)10:00 am

Newcomer/99er Pairs (*if attendance warrants*)10:00 am

Stratified Pairs/Board-A-Match Teams—*Two chances to win!* 2:30 pm
(0-300, 300-1250, 1250+) Stratified pairs game. At the same time, each pair is teamed according to masterpoints for a BAM.

Sunday, November 12—Including lunch!

Bracketed Swiss Teams10:00 am & TBA
(*Bracketed by average points. 7 rounds of 7 boards*)

Entry Fees: \$10 per person per session; \$88 (*includes lunch*) per Swiss Team
\$3 additional/person/session for non or unpaid ACBL members

Tournament Chair

Jane Farthing: jane.farthing@gmail.com, 703-850-9635

Partnership Chair

Ron Alldaffer: ralldaffer@charter.net, 757-279-0230

Williamsburg Hospitality!

Directions: I-64 to Rte. 199, exit 242A (Busch Gardens). Turn right onto Rt. 60 East. Turn right into Kingsmill on the James. The DoubleTree is on the right.

North American Pairs, cont. from p 18

Pre-registration is required in order to play in the District Finals. Pairs must pre-register by Sept. 15, 2017.

To pre-register, send the player names, contact information and player numbers and a check made payable to District 6 in the amount of \$50.00, to cover two (2) sessions of the event. For the NORTH, send it to: District 6, c/o Lucy McCoy, 3353 Taleen Ct., Annandale, VA 22003-1161. Pre-register for the SOUTH by sending a check for \$50.00 along with player information to: Barry Fratkin, 1935 Hickoryridge Road, Richmond, VA 23238. A list of registered pairs will be posted on the District 6 website after registration closes.

Qualifiers who play in the National Final will be subsidized (to various extents) for travel expenses and hotel rooms by the ACBL and/or District 6. Membership dues or Life Master service fee must be current and continuous from the start of the 2016-17 District Final to the completion of the North American Pairs Final at the Philadelphia NABC in order to play in the National Final.

For more information and directions to the playing sites, visit the District 6 website at www.districtsixbridge.org or contact Sylvia Shi at 289-788-0385 or sylviamshi@gmail.com.

DISTRICT 6 STAC

(Sectional Tournament at Clubs)

Dec 11-17 and Jan 9-15

- ♣ Win sectionally rated silver points at your favorite local clubs.
- ♣ Huge overall masterpoint awards ; the more tables in play during any one session, the greater the awards.
- ♣ Clubs in MD, VA, and DE participate. Call any club for details, including entry fees and partnership arrangements.
- ♣ District 6 STaC Coordinator:

Don Berman
don.berman@verizon.net

Shenandoah Valley Winter Sectional



Comfort Inn Monticello

2097 Inn Dr, Charlottesville, VA 22911

Reservations: 434-977-3300

Directions *From I-64 Eastbound:* Exit 124 (Shadwell): Make a right at the light and take an immediate left by the island. Follow the paved driveway to the top of the hill.

From I-64 Westbound: Make a left at the light, pass the overpass and make a left at the island. Follow the paved driveway to the top of the hill.

From Route 29: Take the ramp to 250 East Bypass, drive 5 miles on 250 East Bypass, pass the overpass of I-64, stay on the 250 East Bypass and make a left at the island. Follow the paved driveway to the top of the hill.

Non-Smoking
Tournament with
Hospitality Breaks

Free coffee, soft drinks,
and more ...

Entries

\$10.00/person
for pair games;
\$100.00/team—Includes
light lunch between
sessions; \$3 additional
per person for non or
unpaid ACBL members

Tournament Chairs

Betsy Ruehl
540-942-3667
etruehl@ntelos.net

Steve Rothman
434-296-1714

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

10:30 AM . . .Open Stratified Pairs or 199er Pairs
The entry for these games is \$11. 40% more master-
points awarded helps fund the GNTs & NAPs

3:30 PM . . .Open Stratified Pairs or 199er Pairs

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

10:30 AM . . .Open Stratified Pairs or 199er Pairs
The entry for these games is \$11. 40% more master-
points awarded helps fund the GNTs & NAPs

3:30 PM . . .Open Stratified Pairs or 199er Pairs

Friday and Saturday Stratification Limits

0-750, 750-2000, 2000+ (199er at Director's discretion)
Stratification of pairs by average masterpoints. —No indi-
vidual may exceed the event's upper limit.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

10:30 AM & TBABracketed Swiss Teams
8 teams in each bracket, 7 rounds, play-through

The Mid-Atlantic...

Home to the ACBL's premier Regionals — hosting 33,000 tables during this past year. It's time to check your 2017-18 calendar and plan to play in the biggest and best tournaments of

.....August, 2017

Aug 7-13Hunt Valley, MD REGIONAL

Diane Jaworowsky, 410-461-2083, DianeJaw@verizon.net

● P 8...Aug 19-20 . .Norfolk/Va Beach, VA NLM
Kathleen Haglich, 757-467-4136, kathyvsh@gmail.com

● P 9...Aug 24-27Silver Spring, MD
Brad Theurer, 301-527-8819, batheurer256@gmail.com

● P 2...Aug 29-Sep 4 Atlanta, GA D7 REGIONAL
Jack Feagin, 404-252-9246, jfeagin2@bellsouth.net

.....September, 2017

● P 10...Sep 8-10Norfolk/Va Beach, VA
Jennifer Christman, jchristman8@cox.net

● P 11...Sep 9-10Pikesville, MD NLM
Lynn Jones, 410-560-3244, bridgelynn@comcast.net

● P 12...Sep 14-17Fairfax, VA
Margot Hennings, 703-560-0245,
margot10bridge@cox.net

● P 13...Sep 23Richmond, VA NLM
Ed Kinlaw, 804-744-4870, mekinlaw@yahoo.com

Sep 23-24D6 NAP Finals
Sylvia Shi, 289-788-0385, sylviamshi@gmail.com

● P 14...Sep 29-Oct 1Williamsburg, VA
Jane Farthing, 703-850-9635, jane.farthing@gmail.com

● P 15...Sep 29-30Salisbury, MD NLM
Kim Kvalnes, 410-228-7061 kimruth1@comcast.net

.....October, 2017

● P 16...Oct 5-8Fairfax, VA
Margot Hennings, 703-560-0245, margot10bridge@cox.net

● P 3...Oct 6-8 . . .Fairfax, VA NLM REGIONAL
Margot Hennings, 703-560-0245, margot10bridge@cox.net

● P 17...Oct 13-15Richmond, VA
Barry and Winnie Fratkin, 804-741-6782 (H),
804-837-6782 (C), fratco@mac.com

the year. Mid-Atlantic regionals offer loads of Bracketed Knockouts, exciting Intermediate/Newcomer schedules and

1 Year DISTRICT 6 Calendar OF EVENTS

lectures, and our three favorite words: hospitality, hospitality, hospitality.

.....October, continued...

● **P 17...Oct 13-15**D7 Abingdon, VA
 Auggie de Weerd, 619-886-5139,
 abingdonbridgeclub@yahoo.com

● **P 18...Oct 19-22**Silver Spring, MD
 Brad Theurer, 301-527-8819, batheurer256@gmail.com

● **P 4...Oct 23-29** ..Charlotte, NC **D7 REGIONAL**
 David Smith, davidbsmith@bellsouth.net

Oct 30-Nov 5**D4 REGIONAL**
 John Klinger, dhklinger@epix.net
Lancaster, PA

.....November, 2017

● **P 19...Nov 10-12**Williamsburg, VA
 Jane Farthing, 703-850-9635, jane.farthing@gmail.com

● **P 5...Nov 13-19** ..Cambridge, MD **REGIONAL**
 Shawn Stringer, 301-275-6363, shstringer@aol.com

Nov 23-Dec 3 ..SAN DIEGO, CA **NATIONALS**
 Fall North American Bridge Championships

.....December, 2017

● **P 20...Dec 8-10**Charlottesville, VA
 Betsy Ruehl, 540-942-3667, etruehl@ntelos.net

Dec 11-17D6 & Unit 190 StAc
 Don Berman, 301-776-3581, don.berman@verizon.net

● **P 6...Dec 27-Jan 2** Myrtle Beach **D7 REGIONAL**
 Karen Galleher, 843-318-6391, kgalleher@sc.rr.com

.....January, 2018

Jan 4-7Silver Spring, MD
 Brad Theurer, 301-527-8819, batheurer256@gmail.com

Jan 5-7Norfolk/Va Beach, VA
 Brian Boyce, 757-412-4925, brian@bfboyce.com

Jan 9-15D6 & Unit 190 StAc
 Don Berman, 301-776-3581, don.berman@verizon.net

Jan 20-21GNT Flight A (0-6000)
 1st weekend

.....January, continued...

Jan 26-28Richmond, VA
 Barry and Winnie Fratkin, 804-741-6782 (H) ,
 804-837-6782 (C), fratco@mac.com

.....February, 2018

Feb 2-4Halethorpe, MD
 Ed Rothenheber, 443-280-0828,
 rothenheber_ed@bah.com

Feb 5-11 ..Hilton Head, SC **D7 REGIONAL**
 Ann Grindstaff, annkurt@hargray.com

Feb 15-18Fairfax, VA
 Margot Hennings, 703-560-0245, margot10bridge@cox.net

● **P 7...Feb 26-Mar 4** Williamsburg, VA **REGIONAL**
 Thomas Dow, melindadow1@verizon.net

.....March, 2018

Mar 8-18 ..PHILADELPHIA, PA **NATIONALS**
 Spring North American Bridge Championships

Mar 16-18Fredericksburg, VA
 Paul McGowan, honestjohn714@gmail.com

Mar 19-25 Pine Mountain, GA **D7 REGIONAL**
 Len Perkins, lenperkins@hotmail.com

Mar 23-25Lynchburg, VA
 Anne Barlow, abarlow503@gmail.com

.....April, 2018

Apr 5-8Silver Spring, MD
 Brad Theurer, 301-527-8819, batheurer256@gmail.com

Apr 6-8Norfolk/Va Beach, VA
 Brian Boyce, 757-412-4925, brian@bfboyce.com

Apr 7-8GNT Flight A (0-6000)
 2nd weekend

Apr 14-15GNT Open, Flight B, Flight C
 1st weekend

Apr 16-22 ...Gatlinburg, TN **D7 REGIONAL**
 Julia Misslin, 423-884-3550, jupe60@tds.net

.....April, continued...

Apr 26-29Fairfax, VA
 Margot Hennings, 703-560-0245, margot10bridge@cox.net

Apr 30-May 6 **Wilmington, DE D4 REGIONAL**
 Bruce and Judy Gwaltney, 302-478-2396,
 judygwalt@verizon.net

.....May, 2018

May 5-6GNT Open, Flight B, Flight C
 2nd weekend

May 7-13D6 & Unit 190 StAc
 Don Berman, 301-776-3581, don.berman@verizon.net

May 17-19Cambridge, MD
 Kim Kvalnes, 410-228-7061 kimruth1@comcast.net

May 22-28Raleigh, NC **D7 REGIONAL**
 Audrey Shull, Audrey.shull@imp.com

.....June, 2018

JunSilver Spring, MD
 Brad Theurer, 301-527-8819, batheurer256@gmail.com

JunHalethorpe, MD
 Ed Rothenheber, 443-280-0828,
 rothenheber_ed@bah.com

Jun 11-17D6 & Unit 190 StAc
 Don Berman, 301-776-3581, don.berman@verizon.net

Jun 22-24Richmond, VA
 Barry and Winnie Fratkin, 804-741-6782 (H) ,
 804-837-6782 (C), fratco@mac.com

Jun 25-Jul 1**D4 REGIONAL**
 Meyer Kotkin, King of Prussia, PA
 856-986-5109, guymath@comcast.net

.....July, 2018

Jul 2-8Reston, VA **REGIONAL**
 Amanda Carter, aecarter3@juno.com

Jul 13-15Norfolk/Virginia Beach, VA
 Brian Boyce, 757-434-0792, brian@bfboyce.com

Jul 26-Aug 5ATLANTA, GA **NATIONALS**
 Summer North American Bridge
 Championships



2016-17 Grand National Teams — Open, B & C Bracket Winners!

Seventy-two teams competed in the Grand National Team competition this year. There were many close matches. In the Open bracket of the GNT's, there was a major upset. The perennial winners, the Steve Robinson team, was defeated by the Michael Gill team. Congratulations to the winners! Following are the results of the Open, B & C brackets. (Bracket A winners were published in our previous issue.)

WINNERS: OPEN BRACKET

- 1 Michael Gill, Noble Shore, Bill Pettis, Ai-Tai Lo***
- 2 Steve Robinson, William Cole, Peter Boyd, Beth Palmer, Sylvia Shi
- 3 / 4 —Donna Rogall, Clyde Kruskal, Hal Hindman, Sumner Steinfeldt
—Robert Hopkins Jr, Brad Theurer, Rusty Krauss, Barry Falgout, Joan Lewis, Mark Chen
- 5 / 8 —Marc Warner, Dewayne Jones, Fred King, Richard Wegman, Mark Dahl, David Butler
—Monique Smith, Merril Hirsh, Ronald Zucker, Michael Richey
—Martin Graf, Mark Shaw, David Ruderman, Alan Tenenbaum, Andrew Gofreed
—Sorina Negulescu, Daniela Tunsanu, Radu Tunsanu, Katherine Rabenstein

WINNERS: B BRACKET (0-2500)

- 1 Adam Gann, Matthew Lahut, Alex Prairie, Zachery Madden***
- 2 Ed Kinlaw, James Creech, Govind Narayan, Franklin Price, David Trent
- 3 / 4 —Mel Yudkin, Debnarayan Dhar, Kiyomi Shiba, Carol Crawford
—Michael Berard, David Grabiner, Art McCann, Murat Berk, Richard Wissing, Peter Van Zijl

WINNERS: C BRACKET (0-500 NLM)

- 1 Joseph Lebaron, Myron Goldstein, Carol Stringer, Robbie Lloyd***
- 2 Virginia Cenedella, Betsy Carlson, Janna Gies, Ellen Waff