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Upcoming Regionals!

District 6 has two open regionals coming soon, both with terrific Intermediate/Novice programs:

1. **RESTON, VA**
July 2-8 and
2. **HUNT VALLEY, MD**
August 13-19

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District 6 TableTALK

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

At the recently concluded Spring NABC in Philadelphia, the ACBL reduced the number of pages in its printed Daily Bulletin. Reasons for the change include the fact that results are widely available via ACBL Live on computers or cell phones, and therefore printing results is redundant. In addition, layout, editing, design and printing are labor-intensive, using resources that are more beneficial elsewhere. Last but not least, ACBL recognizes the importance of protecting and conserving our environment.

District 6 continues to move in the direction of using technology more and paper less. We have eliminated the “old way” of printing tens of thousands of pages of Daily Bulletins at our regionals, relying instead on FastResults and ACBL Live to disseminate relevant information. Our Tournament Chairs (TCs) now send a detailed “pre-Bulletin” to a list of likely regional players. TCs also post restaurant guides, Intermediate/Newcomer flyers, and nearby hotels online so that fewer paper copies are needed and ultimately trashed. On top of the environmental savings, not paying for unnecessary paper leaves more funds for player hospitality and new equipment.

Printing and distribution of our District magazine, *TableTALK*, has also undergone a transformation over the last two years. We cut the magazine from six to four issues per year, and in 2017 we agreed to stop mailing each issue at a cost savings of approximately \$8,000 over the past year. Paper copies have been shipped to each Unit for further distribution and have been available at regionals and other events. That said, we have noticed that many of these paper copies are not picked up and are ultimately sent to recycling bins. While there will always be people who prefer to hold paper in their hands, more and more bridge players are familiar with online resources and are fully comfortable finding event information through various websites.

At the District 6 meetings this summer, the Board will decide the future of our magazine. The options seem to be to: 1) maintain the status quo of a printed publication, or 2) to put our resources into an expanded website that could include dedicated sections for all

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players plus links to what is happening in bridge around the ACBL. Option 2 would include a quarterly mailing of a District 6 single page calendar listing the events that are currently covered in the back of the *TableTALK* magazine.

Please give some thought to what information or features you would like to see on the District 6 website or in printed publications and email me at shstringer@aol.com with your suggestions.

Shawn Stringer,
D6 President

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Printed copies of TableTALK will be available at District 6 events.

KO'S WITH NATURAL BRACKETS OF FEWER THAN 9 TEAMS MAY BE PLAYED IN ROUND ROBIN FORMAT AS PART OF ACBL TRIAL - DETAILS ON DISTRICT 6 WEBSITE

MONDAY, AUGUST 13

Kickoff KO 1:30 & 7:30
CONTINUES 10:30 & 3 TUESDAY

Open Pairs 1500/3000/3000+ . . . 1:30 & 7:30

Racehorse **Gold Rush** Pairs . . . 1:30 & 7:30

Fox Hunt Side Series (1st, 2nd of 4) 1:30 / 7:30

I/N Pairs 5/20/50 & 100/300/500 1:30 / 7:30

Charity Swiss Teams 7:30

AFTERNOON GAMES BENEFIT ACBL ED. FOUNDATION

EVENING GAMES BENEFIT LOCAL CHARITY

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14

0-5 MP PLAYERS **FREE** TODAY

Terrapin KO 10:30 & 3
CONTINUES 10:30 & 3 WEDNESDAY

Open Pairs 1500/3000/3000+ . . . 10:30 & 3

Steeplechase **Gold Rush** Pairs . . 10:30 & 3

Fox Hunt Side Series (3rd, 4th of 4) 10:30 / 3

I/N Pairs 10:30/ 3 /7:30

Stratified Swiss Teams 3

Evening Side Fast Pairs Series (1st of 4) 7:30

ZIP Swiss Teams 7:30

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15

Maryland KO 10:30 & 3
CONTINUES 10:30 & 3 THURSDAY

A/X Pairs 0-5000/5000+ 10:30 & 3

Mid-flight Pairs 0-1500/3000 . . . 10:30 & 3

Pimlico **Gold Rush** Pairs 10:30 & 3

Hunt Valley Side Series (1st, 2nd of 4) 10:30 / 3

I/N Pairs 10:30/ 3 /7:30

Stratified Swiss Teams 3

Evening Side Fast Pairs Series (2nd of 4) 7:30

ZIP Swiss Teams 7:30

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16

Open Swiss 0-5000/5000+ 10:30 & 3

Mid-flight Swiss 0-1500/3000 . . . 10:30 & 3

Gold Rush Swiss 0-300/750 . . . 10:30 & 3

I/N Pairs 10:30/ 3 /7:30

Hunt Valley Side Series (3rd, 4th of 4) 10:30 / 3

Evening Side Fast Pairs Series (3rd of 4) 7:30

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17

Hunt Cup KO 10:30 & 3
CONTINUES 10:30 & 3 SATURDAY

A/X Pairs 0-5000/5000+ 10:30 & 3

Mid-flight Pairs 0-1500/3000 . . . 10:30 & 3

Thoroughbred **Gold Rush** Pairs . 10:30 & 3

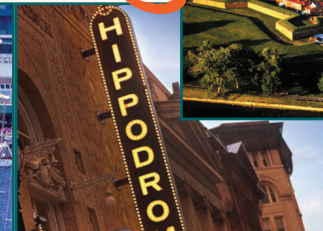


HUNT VALLEY INN

Delta Hotel by Marriott

245 SHAWAN ROAD, HUNT VALLEY, MARYLAND 21031

Picturesque Countryside and the



FRIDAY, continued...

Orioles Side Series (1st, 2nd of 6) 10:30 / 3

I/N Pairs 10:30/ 3 /7:30

Stratified Swiss Teams 3

Evening Side Fast Pairs Series (4th of 4) 7:30

ZIP Swiss Teams 7:30

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

Open Pairs 1500/3000/3000+ . . . 10:30 & 3

Finish Line **Gold Rush** Pairs . . . 10:30 & 3

Orioles Side Series (3rd, 4th of 6) 10:30 / 3

I/N Pairs 10:30/ 3 /7:30

3-Session Saturday KO . . . 11:30 & 3 & 7:30

FEWER BOARDS & SHORTER SESSIONS
- DETAILS ON DISTRICT 6 WEBSITE

Stratified Swiss Teams 3

ZIP Swiss Teams 7:30

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

SEVEN 7-BOARD MATCHES WITH SHORT LUNCH BREAK

A/XY Swiss 4000/6000/6000+ . . . 10 & TBA

Bracketed B Teams 0-3000 10 & TBA

8 TEAMS PER BRACKET; 3 IN EACH BRACKET WIN GOLD

Orioles Side Series (5th, 6th of 6) . . . 10 / 2

• ALL KNOCKOUT (KO) EVENTS ARE BRACKETED, RANDOM DRAW & INCLUDE 0-300 PLAYERS; ONE- & TWO-BRACKET KOs ARE HANDICAPPED; NO PLAYBACKS BELOW TOP BRACKET IF POSSIBLE • STRATS DETERMINED BY MP AVERAGES, BUT NO PLAYER MAY EXCEED EVENT LIMIT; I/N EVENTS STRATIFIED BASED ON ATTENDANCE • ZIP SWISS (AKA TRIPLE NICKEL) IS 5 ROUNDS OF 5 BOARDS AND 5 MINUTES PER BOARD

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- New KO formats aim to keep teams in brackets competing against their peers

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Tuesday through Saturday

♦ FAMOUS Panel Show

Friday at 2pm

♥ Renowned I/N program

♠ Hunt Valley Hospitality

♣ Six days of GOLD RUSH

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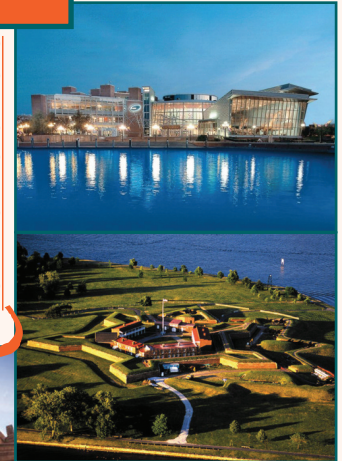
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• OPEN EVENTS & SIDE SERIES STRATIFIED 0-750/750-3000/3000+, UNLESS NOTED
• **GOLD RUSH** PAIRS (0-300/300-750) AWARD GOLD POINTS TO OVERALL WINNERS & 0-750 SECTION TOPS; RED POINTS TO 0-300 STRAT • **ACBL MEMBER NUMBER REQUIRED TO PLAY**—ONE-MONTH AND ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS EASILY AVAILABLE IN ADVANCE AND ONSITE.

www.districtsixbridge.org FOR MORE INFORMATION

Charm of Baltimore



Garden City Labor Day Regional



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(706) 722-8900 • Room rate: \$108, call or book online at www.marriott.com/agsmc

Parking \$7/day

The planned tech growth downtown reflects a growing cybersecurity boom in the Augusta area. Augusta University broke ground in June for the Georgia Cyber Innovation and Training Center. Fort Gordon is home to the Army's Cyber Center of Excellence, which operates the U.S. military's largest communications and cybersecurity training centers. By 2020 the fort is expected to be the new home of the Army's Cyber Command, now located at Ft. Belvoir, VA.

♣ Section top and overall prizes ♦ Seven two-session **GOLD RUSH** events for 0-750 MP players ♥ Daily hospitality ♠ 0-5 MP players play free Wed ♣ Renowned District 7 Non-Life Master program offers expert lectures at 12:15 & 6:15 Wed-Sun

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*STRATS DETERMINED BY MP AVERAGES,
BUT NO INDIVIDUAL MAY EXCEED THE EVENT'S LIMIT*

TUESDAY, AUG 28

Flowering Peach Knockout 1:00 & 7:00

CONTINUES 1:00 & 7:00 WEDNESDAY

Tuesday Open Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Azalea **GOLD RUSH** Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

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

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

Stratified Swiss Teams 7:00

*AFT. PAIR GAMES BENEFIT ACBL EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION
EVE. PAIR GAMES BENEFIT RALEIGH JUNIOR BRIDGE*

WEDNESDAY, AUG 29

0-5 MP PLAYERS FREE ALL DAY

Carolina Cherry Compact Knockout 9:00

Two 12-board matches, concludes 9:00 am Thu

Yellow Jasmine Side Series (1st of 5) 9:00

Morning Non-LM 49er and 499er Pairs 9:00

Top-Down Bracketed Teams 1:00 & 7:00

7 TO 9 TEAMS PER BRACKET, 3 OR 4 WIN GOLD

Wednesday A/X Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Wednesday Mid-Flight Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Chinese Fir **GOLD RUSH** Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

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

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

Stratified Swiss Teams 7:00

THURSDAY, AUG 30

Golden Bell Open Swiss Teams (two sess) ... 9:00

GOLD RUSH Swiss Teams (two sessions) ... 9:00

SWISSES CONTINUE 9:00 AM FRIDAY

Yellow Jasmine Side Series (2nd of 5) 9:00

Morning Non-LM 49er and 499er Pairs 9:00

Pink Dogwood Knockout 1:00 & 7:00

CONTINUES 1:00 & 7:00 FRIDAY

Thursday A/X Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Thursday Mid-Flight Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Firethorn **GOLD RUSH** Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

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

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

Stratified Board-a-Match Teams 7:00

• ALL KOs ARE BRACKETED, RANDOM DRAW WITH NO PLAYBACKS UNTIL UNAVOIDABLE. 1- & 2-BRACKET KOs ARE HANDICAPPED.

• ONE SESSION OPEN EVENTS, INCLUDING SIDE SERIES, ARE STRATIFIED 0-750, 750-3000, 3000+

• TWO-SESSION OPEN EVENTS STRATIFIED 0-1500, 1500-3000, 3000+

FRIDAY, AUG 31—GOODWILL DAY

Sratified Swiss Teams 9:00

Yellow Jasmine Side Series (3rd of 5) 9:00

Morning Non-LM 49er and 499er Pairs 9:00

Friday Open Swiss Teams 1:00 & 7:00

GOLD RUSH Swiss Teams 1:00 & 7:00

Open Pairs (750/3000/3000+) 1:00 & 7:00

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

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

Stratified Swiss Teams 7:00

SATURDAY, SEPT 1

Camelia Open Swiss Teams (two sess) 9:00

GOLD RUSH Swiss Teams (two sess) 9:00

SWISSES CONTINUE 9:00 AM SUNDAY

Yellow Jasmine Side Series (4th of 5) 9:00

Morning Non-LM 49er and 499er Pairs 9:00

White Dogwood Knockout 1:00 & 7:00

CONTINUES 1:00 & 7:00 SUNDAY

Saturday A/X Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Saturday Mid-Flight Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Nandina **GOLD RUSH** Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

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

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

Stratified Swiss Teams 7:00

SUNDAY, SEPT 2

Stratified Swiss Teams 9:00

Yellow Jasmine Side Series (5th of 5) 9:00

Morning Non-LM 49er and 499er Pairs 9:00

Top-Down Bracketed Teams 1:00 & 7:00

7 TO 9 TEAMS PER BRACKET, 3 OR 4 WIN GOLD

Sunday Open Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Holly **GOLD RUSH** Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Pampas Side Series (3rd, 4th of 5) 1:00 / 7:00

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

Stratified Swiss Teams 7:00

MONDAY, SEPT 3

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

Labor Day Flight B Bracketed Teams .10:00 & TBA

*NO ONE OVER 3000 MP, 35-40% WIN **GOLD***

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

49er and 499er Pairs 10:00

• UNDER 500 MP GAMES STRATIFIED AT DIRECTOR'S DISCRETION

• A/X/Y STRATS: 0-4000, 4000-6000, 6000+

• A/X STRATS: 0-5000, 5000+

• MID-FLIGHT STRATS: 0-1500, 1500-3000

• GOLD RUSH STRATS: 0-300, 300-750 (GOLD POINTS FOR 750 OVERALLS AND SECTION TOPS)

GOLD RUSH!



Come Mine for Gold!!!!

Sponsored by District 6
—and Hosted by Unit 110—

NON-LIFE MASTER GOLD RUSH REGIONAL

DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON:

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No player may have more than 750 masterpoints. Life Masters are ineligible.

FRIDAY, September 28

Gold Rush Pairs.....	10:00 & 2:30	Two-Session Event
Stratified Side Pairs [#]	10:00 / 2:30	Single Sessions
49er Pairs (0-5/5-20/20-49) Pairs.....	10:00	Single Session

SATURDAY, September 29

Gold Rush Pairs.....	10:00 & 2:30	Two Sessions
Stratified Side Pairs [#]	10:00 / 2:30	Single Sessions
49er Pairs (0-5/5-20/20-49) Pairs.....	10:00	Single Session

SUNDAY, September 30

Gold Rush Swiss Teams.....	10:00 & TBA	Two-Session Event
199er Stratified Swiss Teams.....	10:00 / 2:30	Single Sessions

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

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

Masterpoint Awards

Gold Rush Winners & Section Tops: 1/3 Gold, 2/3 Red⁺
[#]Side Pairs Overall & Section Tops: 1/3 Gold, 2/3 Red⁺
 (To win Gold, must play at least two single sessions)
 49er Pairs award Red points

⁺ Pending approval by the ACBL Board in August, 2018

NLM Regional Event Entry Fees: \$12 — ACBL Member number is required*

* Temporary one-month \$7.99 membership or Permanent membership with annual fee of \$49 may be purchased at the Volunteer Membership Desk near the entry sales desk. Inactive members will be charged an extra \$4 fee per session; inactive members with 0 - 20 MPs or who are ABA members are excluded from this fee.

Hosted by Unit 110, this NLM Gold Rush Regional is being held concurrently with the Unit 110 Sectional. See p.18 for full Sectional/Silver Point schedule.

Tournament Features

- ♣ Renowned Williamsburg hospitality—free snacks, coffee & soft drinks!
Free Sunday Lunch!
- ♦ Guest speakers at 9:15 each morning with handouts!
- ♥ Registration gifts, prize drawings, Section Tops, D6 Regional Free Plays for Overall wins!

visit District 6 at:
districtsixbridge.org

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SHENANDOAH VALLEY SECTIONAL

WARREN COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION

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FRIDAY, MAY 18

11:00AM and 4:30 PM

Stratified Open Pairs (*single sessions*)
(Unlim/1000/300)

299er Pairs (*single sessions*)
(if enough pairs available)

SATURDAY, MAY 19

10:30AM and 3:30 PM

Stratified Open Pairs (*single sessions*)
(Unlim/2000/750)

299er Pairs (*single sessions*)
(if enough pairs available)

SUNDAY, MAY 20

10:30 AM Stratified Swiss Teams
(By Team Average: Unlim/1250/500)

Strata may be adjusted at director's discretion based on attendance.

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HOSPITALITY: Coffee, soda, water, snacks available all sessions. Box lunch available Sunday: \$7.50.

District Six Honor Roll: Philadelphia, PA NABC, Spring, 2018

TOP TEN LISTS

District Six Members

1	192.83	Alan Sontag
2	138.49	Chen Zhao
3	109.67	Mark Dahl
4	100.00	John McAllister
5	93.40	Brad Theurer
6	80.70	Andrew Gofreed
7	75.10	Jian-Jian Wang
	75.10	Li Yiting
9	75.00	Leo LaSota
10	72.70	Muh-Sha Crawford

District Six Members with 0-3000 MPs

1	100.00	John McAllister
2	43.46	Shiang Chen
3	36.88	Steven Fox
4	35.35	George Parkins
5	33.89	Hal Jones Jr
6	27.80	Kenneth Hopke
7	26.21	Stanley Barg
8	25.88	Janet McGlynn
9	25.43	Peter Haglich
10	24.64	Barbara Devaney

District Six Members with 0-750 MPs

1	43.46	Shiang Chen
2	26.21	Stanley Barg
3	25.88	Janet McGlynn
4	24.64	Barbara Devaney
5	22.47	Robert Suter
	22.47	Thomas Suter
7	22.03	Thomas McGlynn
8	21.99	Shihong You
	21.99	David Dong
10	20.98	Cate Frezza
	20.98	Kim Gandy

District Six Members with 0-300 MPs

1	25.88	Janet McGlynn
2	24.64	Barbara Devaney
3	22.47	Robert Suter
4	22.03	Thomas McGlynn
5	21.99	Shihong You
6	20.98	Cate Frezza
	20.98	Kim Gandy
8	15.87	Alexander Stille
9	12.38	Anne Weismann
	12.38	Karen Sandler

**PHILLY NABC OVERALL PLACINGS
IN NATIONALLY RATED EVENTS**

*Special congratulations to our
1st place overall winner:*

**Mark Dahl in the
NABC+ Fast Pairs**

BALDWIN NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS

FLIGHT A

- 17 Robin Taylor - Alan Sontag,
Gaithersburg MD

GOLDER NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS

FLIGHT B

- 8 Joe Siqueira - Peter Haglich,
Virginia Beach VA
11 Michael Lieberman, Somerville MA;
Reid Barton, Arlington MA
22 Jim Gaarder, Columbia MD;
Jimmy Ritzenberg, Bethesda MD

LEBHAR IMP PAIRS

- 12 Richard Wegman, Bethesda MD
20 Harry Gellis, Midlothian VA;
Dewayne Jones, Sandston VA

0-10,000 SWISS TEAMS

- 11 Gene Kuehneman - Adrienne
Kuehneman, Bethesda MD;
Margot Hennings, Annandale VA
16 Barry Ko, Arlington VA

LEVENTRITT SILVER RIBBON PAIRS

- 8 Barry Falgout, Silver Spring MD;
Lyle Poe Jr, Ellicott City, MD
9 Harry Gellis, Midlothian VA;
Dewayne Jones, Sandston VA
10 Cecily Kohler, Washington DC
24 Marty Nelson, Annapolis MD;
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34 Brad Theurer, Gaithersburg MD
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Arlington VA

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**Non Life Master
Sectional**

NEWPORT MILL MIDDLE SCHOOL

11311 Newport Mill Road, Kensington, MD 20895

Maryland Hospitality

Lunch & refreshments included Sat. & Sun.!

Play for Silver!

NLMs with fewer than 500 MPs

Saturday, May 19

Free ½ hour lesson before afternoon game, by Leslie Shafer, ACBL Teacher of the Year!

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

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

Sunday, May 20 (All day playthrough with lunch break)

Stratified Swiss Teams (500/200/100)10:30 am

—All events are stratified by average masterpoints, but no individual's masterpoint total may exceed the event's upper limit. Strata may be adjusted according to attendance.—

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DIRECTIONS to Newport Mill Middle School: Take the Beltway (I-495) to the Georgia Ave exit (Exit 31A, MD 97) North (towards Wheaton). Go 1.6 miles then bear left onto Viers Mill Rd. Go 1.0 miles then turn left onto Newport Mill Rd. Go 1/4 mile to school on left.

♣ Halethorpe, MD ♦ JUNE 1-3, 2018 ♥

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—presents—

Baltimore's
Summer Sectional

at the

AMERICAN LEGION POST 109

1610 Sulphur Springs Rd., Halethorpe, MD 21227

Our Schedule!

Including free coffee, soft drinks and refreshments and a Lecture with Game Analysis after the Saturday Morning Game! For the Sunday Swiss, sandwiches are available for purchase (partially subsidized by the Maryland Bridge Assc.).

—All pair events are single session—

FRIDAY, June 1

Stratified Grass Roots Pairs (0-1500/3000/3000+ MPs)1 pm
(The entry fee for this game is \$1 additional. 40% more masterpoints awarded!
Helps fund the GNTS and NAPs)

Non-Life Master 499er Pairs (0-100/200/500 MPs)1 pm
Triple Nickel Swiss: (5 rounds, 5 boards, 5 minutes a board)7 pm

SATURDAY, June 2

Stratified Pairs (0-1500/3000/3000+ MPs) (single sessions)10 am & 3 pm

Non-Life Master 499er Pairs (0-100/200/500 MPs) (single sessions)10 am & 3 pm

SUNDAY, June 3

Stratified Swiss Teams Stratified by average of total MPs10 am - Playthru

I/N Swiss Teams (0-5/20/50 & 100/200/500 MPs) 2 single session events10 am & 2 pm

DIRECTIONS: See www.americanlegionpost109.org for detailed directions and map. Please note that there are two Sulphur Spring Roads here and do NOT turn onto Dewitt. If you're lost, call 410-242-5781.



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SilverPoints!



Philadelphia Overalls, cont. from p 7

ROCKWELL MIXED PAIRS

- 4 Rebecca Duty, Richmond VA;
Fred King, Mc Lean VA
- 5 Greg Humphreys, Charlottesville VA
- 6 Muh-Sha Crawford, Virginia Beach VA;
Andrew Gofreed, LaPlata MD
- 22 Mary Tenenbaum - Alan Tenenbaum,
Rockville MD
- 27 Alan Schwartz - Annie Schwartz,
Fairfax VA
- 30 Linda Marshall, Bethesda MD;
David Ruderman, Burtonsville MD

SILODOR OPEN PAIRS

- 20 Ai-Tai Lo, Reston VA;
Beth Palmer, Chevy Chase MD
- 22 Kenton Schoen, Alexandria VA;
Mickie Kivel, Potomac Falls VA
- 43 William Pettis, Chevy Chase MD

SMITH LIFE MASTER WOMEN'S PAIRS

- 11 Margot Hennings, Annandale VA;
Shawn Stringer, Silver Spring MD

NABC FAST PAIRS

- 1 Mark Dahl, Richmond VA
- 2 Leo LaSota, Glen Burnie MD;
Brad Theurer, Gaithersburg MD
- 14 Ed Lazarus, Baltimore MD
- 26 Harry Gellis, Midlothian VA;
Dwayne Jones, Sandston VA
- 29 Helene Bauman, Arlington VA;
Jim Wakefield, Fairfax Sta VA

JACOBY SWISS TEAMS

- 4 Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD
- 26 Steve Robinson, Arlington VA;
Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD
- 30 Li Yiting, Herndon VA;
Jian-Jian Wang, Clarksville MD
- 31 Ai-Tai Lo, Reston VA
- 40 Chen Zhao, College Park MD
- 41 James Fox - Judy Fox,
Virginia Beach VA

VANDERBILT KNOCKOUT TEAMS

- 5/8 Chen Zhao, College Park MD
- 9/16 Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD
- 9/16 John McAllister, Keswick VA

Phabulous Philadelphia

—REPORT FROM DISTRICT
DIRECTOR MARGOT HENNINGS,

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Another Great NABC: Following on the heels of Toronto and San Diego would have been a hard act for any city, but our neighbors to the north in Philadelphia did a tremendous job in another good venue. The snow that fell at the beginning of the Spring NABC in March did little to dampen players' enthusiasm for playing, and the final total table count ended up about 500 above estimate at 10,317½. The regional event playing site was at the Convention Center, with the shortest distance to where the games were played not easily accessible through the connecting walkway, but even that did not stop large numbers of attendees from playing in the pairs and team/KO events held there.

Overall, temperatures in the playing rooms were more moderate than usual, events got started within reasonable parameters, hospitality was creative—including the most-appreciated registration gift of a \$5 discount card to any of the fabulous food stalls in the Reading Market, conveniently located right across the street; an Atlantic-City-style Boardwalk one night with cotton candy, funnel cakes, hot dogs, balloons, arcade games and photo booths all lending a festive air; and three performances by a terrific a cappella group from the University of Pennsylvania.

One final note: In addition to the traditional sessions of duplicate bridge play that we all go to the NABCs for, there was a free rubber bridge room where many top players stopped by to play a few hands with anyone at the tournament or from local clubs. This could become a standard feature at our NABCs as we search for ways to expand the visibility of duplicate bridge and encourage rubber bridge play-

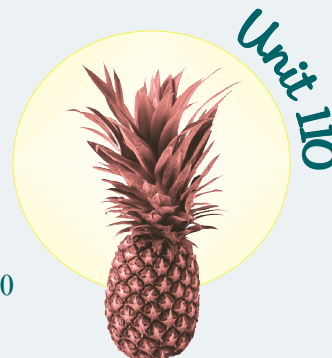
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♠ Williamsburg, VA ♣ JUNE 1-3, 2018 ♦

Williamsburg Spring Sectional

DOUBLETREE BY HILTON

50 Kingsmill Road • 757-220-2500



Friday, June 1

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, June 2

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, June 3—Including lunch!

Swiss Teams10:00 am & TBA

Entry Fees: \$10 per person per session; \$88 (*includes lunch*) per Swiss Team
\$4 additional/person/session for unpaid ACBL members

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Williamsburg Hospitality!

Directions: Located off Rt. 60, east of Colonial Williamsburg.

♠ **Blacksburg, VA** ♣ **JUNE 1-3, 2018** ♦

Southwest Virginia ♦ Unit 231 ♦ Sectional

*0-99 pair games Friday and Saturday
Cash prizes ♦ Lunch provided each day
Snacks, coffee, soft drinks during all sessions*

❖ Schedule ❖

Friday, June 1

- ❖ Stratified Pairs10 am & 2 pm
(0-300, 300-1250, 1250+ MPs)
(single sessions)
- ❖ 99er Pairs.....10 am & 2 pm
(single sessions) (if attendance warrants)

Saturday, June 2

- ❖ Stratified Pairs10 am
(0-300, 300-1250, 1250+ MPs)
- ❖ 99er Pairs.....10 am
- ❖ Bracketed Pairs/Board-A-Match Teams2 pm
(Play in a stratified pairs game. At the same time, each pair is teamed according to MP, highest with lowest, etc. *Two chances to win!*)

Sunday, June 3

- ❖ Stratified Swiss Teams ...10 am & TBA

BLACKSBURG RECREATION CENTER

725 Patrick Henry Dr.,
Blacksburg, VA 24060

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Entry Fees

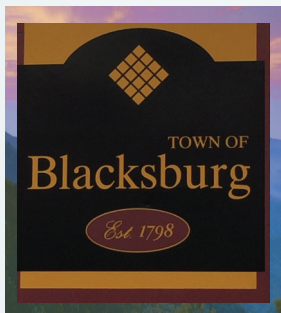
\$10 per person, per session. \$96 per Swiss Team. (\$4.00 additional per person per session for unpaid ACBL members.)

Host Hotel:

Holiday Inn Express & Suites, Blacksburg

1020 Plantation Road, Blacksburg, VA; 540-552-5636

❖ **Special Bridge Rate** ❖
of \$92 per night includes breakfast



Philadelphia Report, cont. from p 9

ers to try duplicate. Together with the fine bridge play by those named below as well as the many local players who took advantage of the proximity of this venue and who did well in regional events, this made for a memorable NABC experience.

D6 Successes at the Spring NABC: Kudos to Mark Dahl who won the nationally rated ***Fast Pairs***—noteworthy in and of itself, but even more-so in that it is the second year in a row that he has won this same event, and with the same partner. Less than 6 matchpoints behind in 2nd were Leo Lasota and Brad Theurer, who led for the first two sessions only to be overtaken by Mark in the third and fourth—a hard-fought four-session battle between D6 pairs. Ed Lazarus was 14th, Harry Gellis and Dewayne Jones 26th, Helene Bauman and Jim Wakefield 29th, and Marshall Kuschner 40th. Chen Zhou scored an impressive 5/8 finish in the Vanderbilt, the premier team event in the Spring NABC. Also finishing in the Top Ten of an event were Fred King and Becky Duty, who scored a 4th place finish in the ***Mixed Pairs***, with Greg

DISTRICT 6 STAC

(Sectional Tournament at Clubs)

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(Balt U135 & D4), Nov 12-18 & Dec 10-16**

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- ♣ District 6 STaC Coordinator:
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ACCA Temple: 1712 Bellevue Avenue

Separate Friendly Bridge 0-300 games Fri. & Sat.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8 *Newcomer Lecture*9:00 AM
RBA Friendly Bridge 0-300 game10:00 AM / 3:00 PM
Stratified Open Pairs (750/2000/2000+)10:00 AM
Stratified Open Pairs (750/2000/2000+)3:00 PM

SATURDAY, JUNE 9 *Newcomer Lecture*9:00 AM
RBA Friendly Bridge 0-300 game10:00 AM
Stratified Open Pairs (750/2000/2000+)10:00 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!!

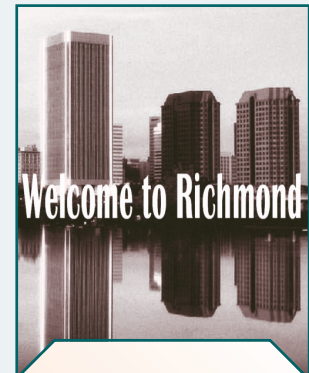
SUNDAY, JUNE 10—*lunch provided*
Free coffee, bagels and donuts at 9:30 AM
Bracketed Swiss Teams10:00 AM
 8 teams in each bracket, seven rounds, play through

DIRECTIONS TO ACCA TEMPLE SHRINE, 1712 Bellevue Ave.:
From the West – take I-64 East to I-95 North. Take first exit (Exit 80 Hermitage/Lakeside). Stay straight on the ramp to the light. Turn left onto Hermitage Road. Go .2 of a mile and then turn right onto Bellevue Ave. Turn right into the parking lot. From the North – Take I-95 South to Exit 82 onto Route 301 towards Chamberlayne Ave. Go 1.4 miles and turn right onto Westwood Avenue. Go .9 miles and turn left onto Hermitage Road. Go .2 mile and turn right onto Bellevue. From the South – Take I-95 North. Merge with I-64 West and I-95 North. Stay on I-95 north towards Washington. Take Exit 80 (see above). From the East – Take I-64 West. Merge with I-95 N. Stay on I-95 north towards Washington and take Exit 80 (see above).

Humphreys in 5th and Muh-sha Crawford and Andy Gofreed in 6th close behind. Mary and Alan Tenenbaum ended up 22nd, Annie and Alan Schwartz 27th, and Linda Marshall and David Ruderman 30th. D6 players were also well-represented in the **Silver Ribbon Pairs**: within just 2 matchpoints of each other, Barry Falgout and Lyle Poe finished 8th, Harry Gellis and Dewayne Jones 9th, and Cecily Kohler 10th. Marty Nelson and Gil Cohen (24th), Brad Theurer, with Barry Bragin—until recently, a long-time D6 member (34th), Marty Graf and Mark Shaw (39th), Lou Reich (41st), Alan Tenenbaum and Andy Gofreed (48th) and Joan Lewis and Robbie Hopkins (49th) rounded out the many D6 players who achieved Silver Ribbon overalls. 12th in the **IMP Pairs** was Dick Wegman, with Harry Gellis and Dewayne Jones placing 20th. Others with national overalls were John McAllister with a notable 5th in the two-day **Jacoby Swiss**, with Steve Robinson and Peter Boyd coming in 26th, Li Yitang and Jian Jian Wang 30th, Ai-Tai Lo 31st, Chen Zhou 40th and Jim and Judy Fox 41st. The Silodor Open Pairs also boasted numerous D6 overalls, with Ai-Tai Lo and Beth Palmer 19th, Kenton Schoen and Mickie Kivel 22nd, and Bill Pettis 44th. Adrienne and Gene Kuehneman and Margot Hennings were 11th in the **10K Swiss**, with Barry Ko coming in 16th. Margot Hennings and Shawn Stringer were 11th in the **Women's Pairs**. And, last but not least, of the nine total pairs who went to the Philly NABC to compete in the **NAP Finals**, D6 was well-represented with Robin Taylor 27th in **Flight A** (with Alan Sontag, who is a District 24 member but also a long-time resident in D6), and Joe Siqueira and Peter Haglich 8th and Jim Gaarder and Jimmy Ritzenberg 22nd in **Flight B**.

CEO Progress Report: I'm sure you remember hearing and reading about our CEO Bahar Gidwani's Big Ideas last Fall and again this past Winter. In addition to these Big Ideas and in support of many of them, Bahar reported on a number of actions and projects including:

- REACH2—the second gold point regionally-rated pairs event to be held in the clubs,



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THURSDAY, JUNE 14

- ♣ StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/2000) & B/C/D (1000/500/300) Pairs . . . 11:15am
Rockville Duplicate Bridge Club, 301-503-3348 (Mark Lavine)
St. Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd, N. Bethesda, MD
- ♦ StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/4000) & B/C/D (2500/1500/750) Pairs (*both sites*),
Intermediate/Novice Pairs (500/300/100) (*Ohr Kodesh*), Stratified
199er Pairs (200/100/50) (*Beth El*), & 0-20 Pairs (*both sites*)
Beth El Hebrew Congregation, 3830 Seminary Road, Alexandria 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.

FRIDAY, JUNE 15

- ♣ *StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/4000) & B/C/D Pairs (2500/1500/750) (single sessions) 11 am, 3 pm
- ♦ **Relaxed & Fun Stratified IMP Pairs/Teams** (unlim/2500/750) 7:30 pm
—**2 Chances to Win!**— This innovative 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) 11 am, 3 pm, 7:30 pm

—Lunch available for purchase—

SATURDAY, JUNE 16

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

- ♣ **15th Annual: Washington Bridge League Trophy Pairs**
awarding the **Steve Robinson Trophy** 11 am & 3:30 pm
Two session Open Pairs (unlim/4000), qualifying and final. Single session entries available.
- ♦ Stratified B/C/D Pairs (2500/1500/750) 11 am
- ♥ *StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/4000) & B/C/D Pairs (2500/1500/750) 3:30 pm
- ♦ Intermediate/Novice Pairs (500/300/100) & 49er Pairs (50/20/5) (single sessions) . . . 11 am, 3:30 pm

—Lunch available for purchase—

SUNDAY, JUNE 17

- ♠ Flights A/X (unlim/5000) Swiss Teams (*2 session playthrough w/break*) 11 am & TBA
- ♣ Bracketed Flight B Teams (no single player >3000) (*2 session playthrough w/break*) 11 am & TBA
B Teams Bracketed by total team masterpoints; three overall places in each.
- ♦ 500/300/100 Swiss Teams, VPs (single sessions) 11 am, 3 pm
- ♣ **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; **Partnerships: Barbara Doran**, 301-608-0347, barb.doran@verizon.net,

*StrataFlighted if attendance warrants—otherwise combined into Stratified Pairs (unlim/2500/750) 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.



73rd Annual

**POTOMAC
VALLEY
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which ran for six days in 547 clubs with over 3,294 players participating—raised over \$75K for the United States Bridge Federation, the Canadian Bridge Federation and Mexican Bridge and returned \$21K to the districts whose clubs and players participated.

- Online marketing test using key word searches to determine when bridge is searched for—"Improving mental fitness" triggered the biggest response.

- Changing the focus of the Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP) on "how to play bridge" instead of "how to teach bridge." (Doug Grove has been very involved in helping to manage this change in focus.)

- Purple Pass, a program that allows payment of entry fees with credit cards. D6 will be using this in Reston and Hunt Valley as part of this experimental rollout.

- And, on the downside, overall tournament attendance was down 6% in 2017 over 2016, and membership continued its decline, down 1,500 despite 11,000 new Members due to the continuing passing of so many.

Still More HQ Big Ideas: In Philly, the BOD reviewed progress on the Big Ideas that had been thought might bear the most fruit (see above from CEO Report) plus a number of new ones. We continue to strive to align limited staff and money with the most promising Ideas that support our current strategic goals: increasing membership, investing in technology infrastructure to establish the future architecture of ACBLscore, and addressing Volunteer burnout and shortages. A number of Ideas that you may have heard about such as reducing the number of sectionals and actively working to change the way tournaments are staffed and how staff are evaluated were put on hold until after the next meetings. Key actions thought to be high priority by the BOD include:

- Continue testing online ads and club-level promotion and build a back-end to refer leads to teachers and clubs

- Reach out to Groupon, ValPak, Pennysaver, etc., and decide if we can leverage these

media to help grow membership. Look into placing newspaper ads near bridge columns (e.g., the Tribune partnership)

- Finish Phase II of the Customer Relationship Management (CRM) system

- Finish developing the “gateway” between the new masterpoint program (engine) and Club and Tournament files to allow changes and accessibility to masterpoint awards and scoring across the field

- Update the Volunteer Manual and other support documents available on the website

Financial Topics: The preliminary budget was presented at the Fall meeting in San Diego and revisited in Philly for final approval. Passage was not unanimous (21-3 and one abstention), but the overall sentiment was that despite going in the red this year, it was appropriate to use the two \$500K+ surpluses from 2016 and 2017 to fund overdue projects and much needed actions. The primary focus of these expenses is to remove dependency on the outdated AS400 computer systems and move to upgraded cloud-based technology (e.g., the CRM mentioned above as well as the new General Ledger accounting software) that will enable ACBL staff to better access marketing and member service tools. Four new technology positions were funded in conjunction with these updates. In addition, we are making a significant (\$200K) investment in tournament director training. Careful future budgeting with realistic assessments of tournament profits and assignment of tournament directing staff should allow a break-even scenario for 2019.

New Convention Charts: Four new ACBL Convention Charts were unanimously approved. These are the work of two members of the Competitions and Conventions Committee—Danny Sprung and Tom Carmichael—who devoted countless hours to developing charts that will be conducive to different levels of competition and **will replace the old Standard Card and mid-chart and super-flight charts.** Details will be available in upcoming issues of the ACBL Bulletin before these new charts take effect at

♠ Norfolk/Va. Beach, VA ♣ JULY 13-15, 2018 ♦



Norfolk/ Virginia Beach Summer Sectional

Unit 146 Bridge Center

4966 Euclid Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23462

—Stratification based on partnership/team average—

Directions: Take North Witchduck exit off I-264. After 4/10 mile, turn right onto Cleveland Street. After 3/10 mile, turn diagonally right on Euclid Road. The Bridge Center is at 4966 Euclid Road, 3/10 mile on the left, in the U-shaped Pocahontas Office Park.

Nearby Hotels: **Hampton Inn**, 5793 Greenwich Road, Virginia Beach, 757-490-9800
Motel 6, 4760 Euclid Road, Virginia Beach, 757-499-1935

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

Friday, July 13

(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, July 14

(Light lunch served between sessions)

Stratified Pairs (0-750, 750-1500, 1500+ MPs) 10:30 AM

Novice Pairs 10:30 AM

(0-100, 100-200, 200-NLM up to 500)

Bracketed Pairs/Board-A-Match Teams 2:30 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, July 15

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 \$4 for unpaid ACBL members.

Great Hospitality: Includes free snacks, sodas and coffee for all events.

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\$100/team, lunch
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**Unit 139
Board Meeting
BETWEEN SESSIONS
SATURDAY**

...FRIDAY, JULY 20

10:30 AMSTRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS; SEPARATE 199ERS

The entry for this game is \$11.00;

40% more masterpoints awarded helps fund the GNTs & NAPs

3:30 PMSTRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS; SEPARATE 199ERS

...SATURDAY, JULY 21

10:30 AMSTRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS; SEPARATE 199ERS

The entry for this game is \$11.00;

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3:30 PMSTRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS; SEPARATE 199ERS

...SUNDAY, JULY 22

10:30 AM & TBABRACKETED SWISS TEAMS

8 TEAMS IN EACH BRACKET, 7 ROUNDS, PLAY-THROUGH

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TURN LEFT AT THE TRAFFIC ISLAND ONTO INN DRIVE.

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the start of the Fall NABC in November.

New Rule for Sectionals Held Concurrently with NLM Regionals (in time for an Upcoming NLM Regional in D6!). More Gold for NLM Regionals and Flight C GNTs and NAPs, and More Masterpoints in District Finals of Grassroots Events:

• Two motions that passed in Philly should help make Non-Life Master Regionals held concurrently with Sectionals an even more attractive tournament alternative than they have been in the past. The first NLM Regional to be held in D6 was in Fairfax, VA last fall and was so successful that its attendance actually matched the concurrent sectional—255½ tables. But, those who played in the sectional received far fewer masterpoints than usual at what was one of the NVBA's usually large 420-450-table sectionals because of the much smaller table count at the sectional. And per then-current regulations, the proportion of Gold was capped at 25% for those participating in the NLM Regional. Following a successful second reading at the NABC in Atlanta this Summer (required for motions that increase masterpoint awards), **2/3 of the tables playing in an NLM Regional during any session of a concurrent sectional will be counted towards the table count of the sectional for the purposes of awarding masterpoints.** And, **the percentage of Gold that will now be offered at an NLM Regional will be 33%.** The former passed 20-4 with one abstention, so there is every reason to think that this will pass easily in Atlanta and be in effect for the upcoming second NLM Regional and concurrent Sectional to be held in Williamsburg September 28-30. The motion increasing the percentage of Gold (not the formula for calculating the number of masterpoints awarded, so no second reading is needed) passed 22-1-2 and became effective April 2.

• One more motion that will require a second reading in Atlanta because it both increases the percentage of Gold awarded and the overall number of masterpoints is one that was proposed in part to create more parity with the gold point awards in the recent REACH experiments held in the local

**Norfolk/
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**2018
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Saturday, August 25 (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 26 (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:

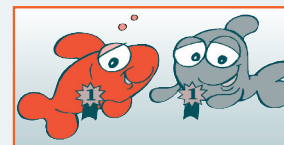
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Additional \$4 for unpaid ACBL members

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clubs. Pending a second reading: 1) *In the finals of District GNT/NAP Flight C events, the percentage of Gold that will be awarded will be increased from 25% to 50%*; and 2) depending on the number of sessions and field size minimum requirements, *the overall masterpoint awards in all flights will be substantially increased* (more than 30%); for example, winners of a four-session Flight A District NAPs would receive 48 MPs instead of the current 36, and winners of a two-session Flight C District Final NAP event would receive 15 MPs instead of the current 10. Like the motions above, this one carried easily 22-3 so the expectation is that it, too, will be in effect immediately following the Atlanta NABC.

Changes to the Spring NABC Schedule and Unsuccessful Changes to NABC Start Times:

- Starting in the Spring of 2019, the *days that the Lebhar IMP Pairs and the Silver Ribbon Pairs are held will be reversed*. This is being done to ensure that players under 60 will have a national event to start play in on the first Sunday—currently this is not the case. This motion carried 21-3-1.

- Also effective in the Spring of 2019, *the Flight B and C National Finals of the NAPs will move to the final weekend of that NABC*. The original idea to hold these NAP finals on the final weekend following the Red Ribbon Pairs when that event was first introduced was well-thought-through, but the Red Ribbon Pairs were moved to the Summer NABC in 2016, thus “stranding” the B and C NAP Finals on the first Sunday and Monday. Moving these Finals responds to suggestions by players in those flights that they would be more likely to attend if these Finals were on a weekend. This change will also have the effect of spreading out attendance across the ten days of the NABC. In addition, the BOD is considering adding a two-day national event on the final Thursday and Friday of the Spring NABC for Flight B and C players so that there is again a good four-day slate of events for these players.

- By one of the closest votes at these recent

Fall
into
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NVBA FALL SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

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

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS (2000+/2000/750) or 500/300/100 PAIRS10:30 a.m.
Kevin's Game: K of C Hall (KOCH), 5115 Little Falls Rd., Arlington, VA, 703-524-4788
Evening games at: NVBA: *Beth El Hebrew Congregation* 3830 Seminary Rd, Alexandria, VA, and
WBL: Ohr Kodesh Congregation, 8300 Meadowbrook Ln, Chevy Chase, MD NVBA (Beth El) WBL
Intermediate/Newcomer Lecture:6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
STRATAFLIGHTED OPEN PAIRS (A/X=4000+/4000; B/C=2500/1500/750) .:7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
NVBA 199ER PAIRS (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 7

Gen'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 Lecture:1:15 p.m.
STRATAFLIGHTED A/X (3000+/3000) or B/C (2000/750) PAIRS 2 p.m.
I/N (500/300/100) or 99ER (100/50/20):2 p.m.
TRIPLE NICKEL SWISS—5 rounds, 5 boards, 5 minutes a board .:7:30 p.m.
I/N (500/300/100) PAIRS:7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

****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!****
A/X PAIRS (3000+/3000):10:30 a.m. & 3 p.m.
2-session Play-thru event (single-session entries accommodated for 10:30 only)
B/C (2000/750), I/N (500/300/100) or 49ER (50/20) PAIRS .:10:30 a.m.
Intermediate/Newcomer Lecture:2:15 p.m.
A/B/C (2000+/2000/750) or I/N (500/300/100) PAIRS:3 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

A/X (6000+/6000) SWISS TEAMS:10:30 a.m. & TBA
BRACKETED B TEAMS (no single player >3000):10:30 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 TEAMS:10:30 a.m. / 2:30 p.m.
49ER (50/20) SWISS TEAMS:10:30 a.m.

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

STRATIFICATION of events is based on average masterpoints of the team or pair. In any event or flight with an upper limit, no individual's total Masterpoint holding may exceed that upper limit. **Games under 500 MP limit will be stratified based on attendance and may vary.**

DIRECTIONS: From Route 50/Arlington Boulevard heading west from Route 495/Beltway: Continue on/Take Route 50 West one mile outside the Beltway, & turn left at Javier Road (the second stoplight after the intersection of 50 and 495). Take an immediate right onto the access road; the Elks Lodge will be on your left—parking on the side & in the rear. From Fairfax, heading East on Route 50: Pass the intersection of Route 50 and Prosperity Avenue & turn right where you see the Elks Lodge #2188 sign.



meetings, a motion that would have changed NABC start times from 1pm and 7:30pm to 1 and 7 failed by a vote of 10-15. Many advocated for the shorter break, but others thought the flexibility to give some players time to go to a restaurant of their choice, and others the chance to grab a quick bite and then rest between sessions, as well as not to rush the wrap-up of one session of play and start the next, plus give directors time to relax a bit, outweighed the benefits of decreasing the break time. Individual NABC organizers can still petition the BOD for an exception to the standard prescribed starting times.

Board of Directors' Attendance at Board of Governors (BOG) meetings and a Task Force to Look into the Roles of the BOD and the BOG:

A motion that would have no longer required BOD members to attend the BOG meetings on the first weekend of each NABC was defeated 1-23 with one member absent. The Board felt that it was important to attend the BOG meetings to watch and listen to the dynamics and reactions to HQ reports and the summaries of the motions we had just voted on. Tied in with this motion was the duration for which BOD hotel nights and per diem would be paid, so the decision to approve or defeat it took on a political twist. As part of the discussion about all this, as Chair of Governance, I suggested that we set up a joint BOD/BOG Task Force to document and update the roles of both Boards and forge a path forward toward better communication and cooperation. The ACBL President, the Board and the BOG Chair Richard Popper agreed, and the Task Force is underway. I will report on its progress after our Atlanta meetings.

Complete details of the above actions plus others involving updates to the Bylaws, Limited NAP Club Games, and Limited and Invitational Games at STaCs and more can be found on the ACBL website under Administration and then Board Minutes. As always, contact me with any questions at margot10bridge@cox.net. Hope to see many of you at the Reston and Hunt Valley Regionals over the summer!

—Margot

Plenty of free parking! On-site snack bar plus lots of free treats! Many great restaurants nearby!

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Mid-Chart Conventions permitted in all A/X Events

Next NVBA Sectional Oct 25-28 at Arlington/Fairfax Elks Lodge (Thurs at Beth El)

ACBL member number required to play—one month and annual memberships easily available in advance and onsite.

www.nvba.org

**Williamsburg, VA
Regional Winners
Feb 26 - Mar 4, 2018**

TOP POINT WINNERS

District 6 Players

- 1 95.33 Muh-Sha Crawford
- 2 77.00 Harry Gellis
- 3 64.12 Mark Dahl
- 4 64.00 William Pettis
- 5 63.60 Brian Schoenfeld
- 6 61.54 Leah Shao
- 7 60.71 David Butler
- 8 59.21 Shawn Stringer
- 9 58.29 Amy Brisson
- 10 55.70 Dewayne Jones
- 55.70 Marc Warner

District 6 Players <3000 MPs

- 1 61.54 Leah Shao
- 2 58.29 Amy Brisson
- 3 55.70 Marc Warner
- 4 55.16 Joyce Currie
- 5 47.04 Jian-Ping Chen
- 6 39.79 Linda Meade
- 39.79 Joseph Lebaron
- 8 37.45 Jerry Nolte
- 37.45 Betty Nolte
- 10 37.45 Robert Burgess

District 6 Players <750 MPs

- 1 58.29 Amy Brisson
- 2 39.79 Joseph Lebaron
- 39.79 Linda Meade
- 4 34.18 Alice Faintich
- 5 32.71 Christine D Ambra
- 6 27.24 Craig Pritzker
- 7 26.47 Robbie Lloyd
- 26.47 Carole Stringer
- 9 24.48 Karen Crowley
- 24.48 James Crowley

District 6 Players <300 MPs

- 1 39.79 Linda Meade
- 2 27.24 Craig Pritzker
- 3 26.47 Robbie Lloyd
- 26.47 Carole Stringer
- 5 22.31 Barbara Devaney
- 6 21.42 Stephen Parker
- 21.42 Benjamin Sharp
- 8 19.98 Kathleen Fiorenza
- 9 19.32 John Dorson
- 10 19.30 Forrest Swope
- 19.30 Christopher McRae

♠ Norfolk/Va. Beach, VA ♣ SEPTEMBER 14-16, 2018 ♦



**Norfolk/
Virginia Beach
Fall Sectional**

Unit 146 Bridge Center

4966 Euclid Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23462

—Stratification based on partnership/team average—

Directions: Take North Witchduck exit off I-264. After 4/10 mile, turn right onto Cleveland Street. After 3/10 mile, turn diagonally right on Euclid Road. The Bridge Center is at 4966 Euclid Road, 3/10 mile on the left, in the U-shaped Pocahontas Office Park.

Nearby Hotels: **Hampton Inn**, 5793 Greenwich Road, Virginia Beach, 757-490-9800
Motel 6, 4760 Euclid Road, Virginia Beach, 757-499-1935

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

Friday, September 14

(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 15

(Light lunch served between sessions)

Stratified Pairs (0-750, 750-1500, 1500+ MPs) 10:30 AM

Novice Pairs 10:30 AM
(0-100, 100-200, 200-NLM up to 500)

Bracketed Pairs/Board-A-Match Teams 2:30 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 16

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 \$4 for unpaid ACBL members.

Great Hospitality: Includes free snacks, sodas and coffee for all events.

— Strata may be adjusted at director's discretion based on attendance—

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Williamsburg Fall Sectional



DOUBLETREE BY HILTON: 50 Kingsmill Road • 757-220-2500

Special Hotel Rate of \$101.00 Ask for BRI rate

Friday, September 28

Stratified Pairs10:00 am / 2:30 pm
(0-500, 500-1250, 1250+ MPs—Average points) (*single sessions*)

Saturday, September 29

Stratified Pairs (0-500, 500-1250, 1250+ MPs —Average points)10:00 am
Bracketed Pairs/Board-A-Match Teams—*Two chances to win!*2:30 pm
(0-500, 500-1250, 1250+) Stratified pairs game. At the same time, each pair is teamed according to masterpoints for a BAM.

Sunday, September 30

Stratified Swiss Teams (0-500, 500-1250, 1250+ MPs)10:00 am & TBA
Two session event, \$100 per 4-person team—**Includes lunch!**

Entry Fees: \$10 for all sessions except Sunday. **ACBL member number is required¹**

¹Temporary one-month \$7.99 membership or Permanent membership with annual fee of \$49 may be purchased at the Volunteer Membership Desk near the entry sales desk. Inactive members will be charged an extra \$4 fee per session; inactive members with 0 - 20 MPs or who are ABA members are excluded from this fee.

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

Partnership Chair: Dianne Morton, mortondi@aol.com, 757-258-3088

This sectional is held concurrently with a **NLM Gold Rush Regional**. (See p. 5 for details!) Two-thirds of the NLM Regional tables will count toward the Sectional tables for Masterpoint awards.² ²Pending approval by the ACBL Board in August, 2018.

Featuring Williamsburg Hospitality!

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

2018-19 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 2019 NABC in Memphis, TN. Come out and play in a local club qualifier. You've got to play to win!

Club qualifying for the 2018-2019 event continues until the end of August 2018. 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, 2018. 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 November 10-11, 2018. 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, November 11.

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 ACCA Temple, 1712 Bellevue Rd. (Bridge Rate is \$118.00 at the Hampton Inn, Glenside Rd. There are several other hotels nearby.) Game time is 10:30 am and 3:00 pm both days.

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

Pre-registration is required in order to play in the District Finals. Pairs must pre-register by November 2. 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 2018-19 District Final to the completion of the North American Pairs Final at the Memphis NABC in order to play in the National Final.

For more information and directions to the playing sites, visit District 6 at www.districtsixbridge.org or contact Bill Cole at colebridge@aol.com or 301-602-9024.

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88th Annual D.C. CHAMPIONSHIPS

at the **MARGARET SCHWEINHAUT SENIOR CENTER**
1000 Forest Glen Rd, Silver Spring, MD **Friday-Sunday only**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11

- ♣ StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/2000) & B/C/D (1000/500/300) Pairs 11:15 am
Rockville Duplicate Bridge Club, 301-503-3348 (Mark Lavine)
St. Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd, N. Bethesda, MD
- ♦ StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/4000) & B/C/D (2500/1500/750) Pairs (*both sites*), Intermediate/Novice Pairs (500/300/100) (*Obr Kodesh*), Stratified 199er Pairs (200/100/50) (*Beth El*), & 0-20 Pairs (*both sites*)
Beth El Hebrew Congregation, 3830 Seminary Road, Alexandria 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.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12

- ♣ *StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/4000) & B/C/D Pairs (2500/1500/750) (single sessions) 11 am, 3 pm
- ♦ **Relaxed & Fun Stratified IMP Pairs/Teams** (unlim/2500/750) 7:30 pm
—**2 Chances to Win!**— This innovative 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) 11 am, 3 pm, 7:30 pm

—Lunch available for purchase—


SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13

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

- ♣ *StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/4000) & B/C/D Pairs (2500/1500/750) (single sessions) .. 11 am, 3:30 pm
- ♦ Intermediate/Novice Pairs (500/300/100) & 49er Pairs (50/20/5) (single sessions) ... 11 am, 3:30 pm
- ♥ **Machlin Sportsmanship Award** Presentation between sessions

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

♠ Eynon Trophy

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 am & TBA

- ♣ Bracketed Flight B Teams (no single player >3000) (2 session playthrough w/break) ... 11 am & TBA
B Teams Bracketed by total team masterpoints; three overall places in each.
- ♦ 500/300/100 Swiss Teams, VPs (single sessions) 11 am, 3 pm
- ♣ **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; **Partnerships: Barbara Doran**, 301-608-0347, barb.doran@verizon.net,

*StrataFlighted if attendance warrants—otherwise combined into Stratified Pairs (unlim/2500/750) 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.

Mid-chart allowed in all events except I/N

Richmond Fall Sectional

—30% Bigger Playing Area—

—Plenty of Free Parking—

—Same Famous Richmond Hospitality—

ACCA Temple: 1712 Bellevue Avenue

Separate Friendly Bridge 0-300 games Fri. & Sat.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12 *Newcomer Lecture* . . .9:00 AM
 RBA Friendly Bridge 0-300 game10:00 AM / 3:00 PM
 Stratified Open Pairs (750/2000/2000+)10:00 AM
 Stratified Open Pairs (750/2000/2000+)3:00 PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13 *Newcomer Lecture* . .9:00 AM
 RBA Friendly Bridge 0-300 game10:00 AM
 Stratified Open Pairs (750/2000/2000+)10:00 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 14—lunch provided
Free coffee, bagels and donuts at 9:30 AM
 Bracketed Swiss Teams10:00 AM
 8 teams in each bracket, seven rounds, play through

DIRECTIONS TO ACCA TEMPLE SHRINE, 1712 Bellevue Ave.:
From the West – take I-64 East to I-95 North. Take first exit (Exit 80 Hermitage/Lakeside). Stay straight on the ramp to the light. Turn left onto Hermitage Road. Go .2 of a mile and then turn right onto Bellevue Ave. Turn right into the parking lot. From the North – Take I-95 South to Exit 82 onto Route 301 towards Chamberlayne Ave. Go 1.4 miles and turn right onto Westwood Avenue. Go .9 miles and turn left onto Hermitage Road. Go .2 mile and turn right onto Bellevue. From the South – Take I-95 North. Merge with I-64 West and I-95 North. Stay on I-95 north towards Washington. Take Exit 80 (see above). From the East – Take I-64 West. Merge with I-95 N. Stay on I-95 north towards Washington and take Exit 80 (see above).



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.....May, 2018

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

May 7-13**D6 StaC**
 Don Berman, 301-776-3581, don.berman@verizon.net

May 17-18**Trappe, MD**
 John & Willie DiLaura, jwdilaura@yahoo.com,
 443-262-8062

● **P 6...May 18-20****Front Royal, VA**
 Gerry O'Malley, 540-550-4410, gerrysdeals@gmail.com

● **P 7...May 19-20****Kensington, MD NLM**
 Murat Berk, mmerk@gmail.com

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

.....June, 2018

● **P 8...Jun 1-3****Halethorpe, MD**
 Ed Rothenheber, 443-280-0828,
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● **P 9...Jun 1-3****Blacksburg, VA**
 Rich Rio, 540-553-6228, richrio428@yahoo.com

● **P 10...Jun 1-3****Williamsburg, VA**
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● **P 11...Jun 8-10****Richmond, VA**
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● **P 12...Jun 7-14 14-17****Silver Spring, MD**
 Brad Theurer, 301-527-8819, batheurer256@gmail.com

Jun 25-Jul 1**D4 REGIONAL**
 Meyer Kotkin, **King of Prussia, PA**
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.....July, 2018

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

Atlantic regionals offer loads of Bracketed Knockouts, exciting Intermediate/ New-comer schedules and lec-

1 Year DISTRICT 6 Calendar OF EVENTS

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

.....January, continued...

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

● **P 14...Jul 20-22 Charlottesville, VA**
Betsy Ruehl, 540-942-3667, etruehl@ntelos.net

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

.....August, 2018

● **P 3...Aug 13-19 Hunt Valley, MD REGIONAL**
Mary Jo Chiesa, quigs8448@aol.com, 410-353-7953 & Stuart Diener, stuarddiener@gmail.com, 443-465-6733

Aug 20-26 . . .D4 & D6 Balt. Unit 135 StAc
Don Berman, 301-776-3581, don.berman@verizon.net

● **P 15...Aug 25-26 Norfolk/Va. Beach, VA NLM**
Kathleen Haglich, 757-467-4136, kathyvsh@gmail.com

● **P 4...Aug 28-Sep 3 Augusta, GA D7 REGIONAL**
Robert Coleman, csrbridge@yahoo.com

.....September, 2018

● **P 16...Sep 6-9 Fairfax, VA**
Margot Hennings, 703-560-0245, margot10bridge@cox.net

● **P 17...Sep 14-16 Norfolk/Va Beach, VA**
Brian Boyce, 757-412-4925, brian@bfboyce.com

Sep 22-Oct 6ORLANDO, FL
15th World Bridge Series

● **P 5...Sep 28-30 . .Williamsburg, VA NLM REGNL**
Jane Farthing, 703-850-9635, jane.farthing@gmail.com

● **P 18...Sep 28-30 Williamsburg, VA**
Jane Farthing, 703-850-9635, jane.farthing@gmail.com

.....October, 2018

● **P 19...Oct 11-14 Silver Spring, MD**
Brad Theurer, 301-527-8819, batheurer256@gmail.com

.....October, continued...

● **P 20...Oct 12-14 Richmond, VA**
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Oct 12-14D7 Abingdon, VA
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Oct 22-28Charlotte, NC D7 REGIONAL
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Oct 25-28Fairfax, VA
Margot Hennings, 703-560-0245, margot10bridge@cox.net

**Oct 29-Nov 4D4 REGIONAL
Lancaster, PA**
John Klingler, dhklingler@epix.net

.....November, 2018

Nov 12-18D6 & Unit 190 StAc
Don Berman, 301-776-3581, don.berman@verizon.net

Nov 10-11D6 NAP Finals

Nov 22-Dec 2 . .HONOLULU, HI NATIONALS
Fall North American Bridge Championships

.....December, 2018

Dec 7-9Charlottesville, VA
Betsy Ruehl, 540-942-3667, etruehl@ntelos.net

Dec 10-16D6 & Unit 190 StAc
Don Berman, 301-776-3581, don.berman@verizon.net

Dec 27-Jan 2 . .Charleston, SC D7 REGIONAL
Karen Galleher, 843-318-6391, kgalleher@sc.rr.com

.....January, 2019

Jan 3-6Silver Spring, MD
Brad Theurer, 301-527-8819, batheurer256@gmail.com

Jan 11-13Richmond, VA
Barry and Winnie Fratkin, 804-741-6782 (H) , 804-837-6782 (C), fratco@mac.com

Jan 19-20GNT Flight A (0-6000)
1st weekend

.....February, 2019

Feb 1-3Halethorpe, MD
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Feb 4-10D6 & Unit 190 StAc
Don Berman, 301-776-3581, don.berman@verizon.net

Feb 11-17Wilmington, NC D7 REGIONAL
Larry Harding, larry.harding57@gmail.com

Feb 16-17GNT Open, Flight B, Flight C
1st weekend

Feb 21-24Fairfax, VA
Margot Hennings, 703-560-0245, margot10bridge@cox.net

Feb 25-Mar 3 . .Chattanooga, TN D7 REGIONAL
Bert Shramko, stdoms48@gmail.com

.....March, 2019

Mar 9-10GNT Open, Flight B, Flight C
2nd weekend

Mar 14-17 . .High Point, NC D7 NLM REGIONAL
Cindy Wright, 336-407-9842, crwbridge@yahoo.com

Mar 15-17Fredericksburg, VA
Deborah Hage, debhage@hotmail.com, 540-659-1321

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

Mar 21-31MEMPHIS, TN NATIONALS
Spring North American Bridge Championships

.....April, 2019

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

Apr 5-7Lynchburg, VA
Anne Barlow, abarlow503@gmail.com

Apr 6-7GNT Flight A (0-6000)
2nd weekend



2017-18 Grand National Teams — District 6 Flight A (0-6000) Winners

The Number Eight Seed Wins 0-6000 GNT's

In the 0-6000 finals, the Warner team from the Richmond, Virginia area defeated the Baltimore-based Laken team by a score of 97-82. In reaching the finals, the Warner team played against another Virginia team - the Virginia Beach Brines team - while the Laken team played the DC area Stringer team. Thanks to all of the teams from throughout the District who came out and played in the event. District 6 will be cheering on our winning team when they compete in the national finals this summer in Atlanta at the North American Bridge Championships that will take place from July 26 through August 5.

1st Place: ***Marc Warner - Joe Wallen - Robert Pustilnik - Franklin Price***

2nd Place: Mark Laken - Barry Ko - Joseph Trapani - Richard Baum

3rd-4th Place: Shawn Stringer - Julian Boyce - Donald Berman - Edward Rothenheber -
Kenneth Hopke

Tracy Brines - Thomas Hirsch - Howard Miller - Richard DePaulo

5th-8th Place: Mike Berard - Murat Berk - Richard Wissing - David Grabiner - Art McCann -
Peter Van Zijl

Ellen Cherniavsky - Robin Taylor - Linda Marshall - Mary Tenenbaum

Adam Gann - Zach Madden - Sven Pride - Vincent Wilmot Jr - Hal Hindman -
David Genne

Sorina Negulescu - Jeffrey Halle - Thomas Peters - Mary Peters