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### Dear Mark:

The end to this summer and the beginning of this fall will be just like the good old days when we had lots of local in-person tournaments! For details, check out the [Tournaments of Interest to NVBA Members](#) page. In particular:



- [Baltimore Regional](#) - 8/22/22 to 8/28/22, see below for new information. Please also note that instead of two-day KOs there will be one-day bracketed team events.
- [NVBA September Sensations Sectional](#) - 9/8/22 to 9/11/22, see below for the schedule.
- [WBL Fall Sectional](#) - 9/29/22 to 10/2/22

### Baltimore Regional:

- The [Baltimore Regional](#) begins two weeks from today at the Baltimore Convention Center. **Entry Express has been activated. This system works very well, we recommend that you prepurchase your entries by doing the following:**
  - Sign into your [MyACBL](#) account.
  - Click "Find-a-Tournament" in the left panel.
  - Click "Tournament Calendar" in the center of the screen.
  - Click "Click Here To See Available Tournaments" in the Entry Express section or click [Entry Express Tournament List](#).
  - Click "[Baltimore Summer Regional](#)". Select events and then prepay.
  - To see additional instructions, see the [ACBL Entry Express](#) help page.
- Stay at the beautiful Baltimore Inner Harbor Hilton! It connects to the Baltimore Convention Center via an enclosed, climate-controlled pedestrian walkway. **The special room rate of \$126 at the Hilton is still available for online reservations!** Go to <https://book.passkey.com/e/50238921> and you will receive the special room rate if it is still available.
- See [Baltimore Regional Update](#) for an 8-page pamphlet with lots of other detailed information such as **Free Parking(!) and Health/Safety Guidelines**.
- Mask wearing (except when drinking) will be mandatory in the playing areas. This is a small price to pay to guard the health of our players.
- New and Intermediate players are very welcome at the Regional. Bridge University will be held on Monday and daily lectures will be given on Tuesday through Friday. More specific information can be found at the [Bridge University and Daily I/N Teachers](#) page on the NVBA website.

## NVBA September Sensations Sectional:

- The NVBA will be holding its September Sensations Sectional from September 8-11. The kick-off session will be held Thursday night September 8 at BOTH Unit Game sites, bringing back the “old” pre-pandemic excitement of competing in your favorite location for lots of silver points, since combined table counts are used to determine overall masterpoints for that night.
- The tournament will continue at the Fairfax Elks Lodge Friday-Sunday, with pairs events Friday afternoon, the Triple Nickel Swiss and a 499er pairs Friday night, a two-session event for 6000+/6000 players Saturday morning and afternoon with multiple stratified single-session games for those under 5000 to enjoy that day as well. The tournament concludes with Bracketed Teams on Sunday.
- The full schedule plus FAQs about Covid safety precautions and other questions you may have will be posted on the NVBA website within the next several days. We hope you come out to play!

## Thursday Night Unit Games:

- Many of us really like having an online unit game as an alternative format to the Thursday night in-person unit game. Others of us prefer to play face-to-face as we did in the “good old days.” We need good attendance in both the in-person game and the online unit game for it to be viable to continue offering both formats on Thursday night. **What is the best way to show your support for the online unit game? Play in the Thursday night in-person game when it is offered!** We look forward to seeing you there!
- This Thursday 8/11, WBL will host an in-person unit game. Please visit the [WBL Home Page](#) for additional information concerning their in-person Unit game policies and procedures.
- For those who wish to play online this Thursday, NVBA will be hosting the weekly joint Unit games on BBO. This Thursday's online game is another BBO NVBA NAP Qualifier, NAP stratifications are Unlimited/2500/500. The 499er game starts promptly at 7:05PM. The other two - Open and Flight B - begin at 7:15PM. You can see the results shortly afterwards out at [NVBA Unit Game Results](#).
- We will have the [Zoom Postgame Discussion](#) after the online play.

## NVBA, District Six, and ACBL News:

- There are 15 in-person club games listed with times in green on the updated [Clubs](#) page of the NVBA website that are scheduled to be held. Anyone who is interested in playing an in-person game should contact the listed director in advance to confirm the game is on and to make a reservation.
- Here is the current schedule for [NVBA online games](#) on BBO.
- District Six-wide Online Pair Games will be held as District 6 NAP Qualifier Games on two Wednesdays in August. Play for increased amounts of red and black masterpoints on 8/17 and 8/31! Games begin at 7:15PM on BBO. NAP stratifications are: Unlimited/2500/500. For more information, go to [NAP - District Six Bridge](#).
- The [Bridge Heroes 2022 team](#) is continuing fund-raising through August 31. If you have any questions, please contact [Kevin O'Brien](#).

See you at the tables, play well and have fun!

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