

Mark Chen

From: NVBA Board of Directors <announcements@nvba.org>
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 7:42 AM
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Subject: NVBA E-News - Hope you all had fun at the NVBA Fall Sectional

Dear Mark:

The [NVBA Fall Sectional](#) was a success, with 191.5 tables in play and 300+ players turning out across the four days of play. Saturday and Sunday the entire Elks Lodge upstairs playing area was full of bridge players, a really great sight! We are getting more players for each sectional - be sure you are among them for the next [NVBA Winter Sectional](#) next February.

It was great to see lots of bridge players of all skill levels at the sectional. We want players of all levels to come to the Unit Game also. NVBA will be hosting a [0-499 game](#) every Thursday night 7PM at [Beth El](#) (3830 Seminary Road, Alexandria) starting October 26th (providing we have 3 tables). **There is no entry fee for 0-49ers** (\$2.00 Security fee still required). The free bridge for 0-49ers is a limited time offer through the end of the year. For questions contact [Kevin O'Brien](#) at Obrien.bridge@gmail.com.

Thursday Night Unit Games Schedule

The NVBA Board has decided that the Thursday Night Unit Game will be in-person every week.



- This week - Thursday 10/19/23 Club Appreciation Teams (5% Gold)
 - If you need a partner or teammates for the unit game at Beth El, please email Jason Carter at the [NVBA Partnership Desk](#).
 - Please use the [RSVP Bridge](#) Reservation System for the Thursday Night Unit Games at Beth El. [RSVP Bridge](#) helps bridge clubs manage reservations. All you need to get started is your Username and Password. Email [Jim Gerding](#) to get your unique RSVP Bridge Username and then click [here](#) to set your password. Pick the date of the game and choose your partner. Check out the [RSVP Bridge YouTube videos](#) for additional details.
 - WBL is hosting an in-person 7:30PM [Stratiflighted](#) Club Championship.
- **PLAN AHEAD** -- The [NVBA Unit Game](#) will be In-Person at Beth El Thursdays at 7PM each week.
 - 10/26/23 - [Stratiflighted](#) Club Championship and [0-499er game with no entry fee for 0-49ers](#).
 - 11/2/23 - [Stratiflighted](#) Club Championship
 - 11/9/23 - [Stratiflighted](#) Club Championship
 - 11/16/23 - [Grand National Teams](#) Club Qualifier
 - See the NVBA Website for the rest of the [4th Quarter Unit Game Schedule](#) and [Unit Game Results](#).

NVBA, ACBL, and District Six News

- Play against the best in District Six from the comfort of your couch! Our next **monthly District Six online pair game will be Wednesday 10/18/23** with game times of 7:05 PM for 0-199, 7:10 PM for 0-999, and 7:15 PM for the Open Game. The entry fee is only \$5 and the game is held on the third

Wednesday of each month. If you have any problems registering, please send a BBO chat message to the VACB139840 account — that will reach the director of the game who will be able to address the situation for you.

- The [NVBA 2023 4th Quarter Newsletter](#) is available on the website. See [NVBA Quarterly Newsletter Repository](#) for all past newsletters.
- Congratulations to the NVBA players who achieved [ACBL Rank Changes](#) this past month. Kamel Tabbara achieved Diamond Life Master (5000 MPs), Dean Baird achieved Gold Life Master (2500 MPs) and David Goldfrank achieved Gold Life Master!
- The Wednesday night game at the Reston Duplicate Bridge Club (DBC) is reopening this Wednesday 10/18/23 7PM! The game is at the [Northern Virginia Hebrew Congregation](#) (behind St. Thomas a Becket Catholic Church) in the main social hall. See the [Reston DBC ACBL Page](#) or contact [Marshall Kuschner](#) for additional details.
- [Bull Run Bridge Club](#) is experimenting with a new sanctioned Saturday game, to be held only once or twice a month at the [Hampton Inn in Gainesville](#) (right off I-66). The first game (Saturday 9/30/23) drew seven tables. The next game will be on 10/21/23 at 1PM, and then a game on Saturday 11/11/23 at 10AM. Entry fee is \$10; for the game on 11/11 (Veteran’s Day) military veterans get \$5 off. If you’re interested, contact [Brenda Egeland](#). If you are already on RSVP, you may see a Join button on your “My Clubs” tab.
- There are 16 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.
- Check out [Swan Games](#), an online bridge platform where you can play bridge and win ACBL masterpoints. The main difference between this and BBO is the [integrated sound and video](#) to emphasize the social aspects of bridge.

Upcoming Sectional, Regional, and National Tournaments

- [NVBA Fall Sectional Results](#) - Thursday 10/12 to Sunday 10/15
- [Virginia Beach Fall Sectional](#) - Friday 10/20 to Sunday 10/22
- [Lancaster Fall Regional](#) - Monday 10/30 to Sunday 11/5
- [Williamsburg Fall Sectional](#) - Thursday 11/2 to Saturday 11/4
- [Atlanta ACBL Fall NABC](#) - Thursday 11/23 to Sunday 12/3

Play well, have fun, and thank you for attending our NVBA Fall Sectional.

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