#### **Mark Chen**

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#### **Dear Mark:**

#### **Thursday Night Unit Games:**

# This week - Thursday, 1/12:

- NVBA will be hosting the Junior Fund Charity Games on BBO with Northern Virginia Bridge Association Open, Flight B (under 2500), 499er, and 199er games. The 499er and 199er games start promptly at 7:05pm. The other two Open and Flight B begin at 7:15pm. Black masterpoints will be awarded at twice the regular rate.
- We will have the **Zoom Postgame Discussion** after the online play.
- WBL will be hosting an in-person Stratiflighted Unit Championship. Please visit the <u>WBL Home</u>
  <u>Page</u> for additional information concerning their in-person Unit game policies, procedures, and partnership opportunities.

## Next week - Thursday, 1/19:

- NVBA will be hosting an in-person Stratiflighted Unit Championship at Beth El.
- o If you have been considering playing an in-person game, please remember that NVBA has a standing policy that any ACBL member with fewer than 5 ACBL masterpoints plays free (no game fee) in any NVBA event (unit games and sectional tournaments). In addition, the first time you play at our unit game, you get a free play (no game fee) regardless of your masterpoint total.
- If you have not played an in-person NVBA Unit Game since January 2020, the NVBA Board has recently decided to allow you a free play (no game fee) for your first in-person NVBA Unit Game.
- As noted in <u>The NVBA Unit Game</u> web page, there are two fees collected for Unit games game fees and security fees. Waiver of the game fee does not affect the security fee unless specificaly stated.
- Jason Carter is running the NVBA Partnership Desk for the Stratiflighted Unit Championship. For more information, please visit <u>NVBA Partnership Desk</u> on the NVBA website.

### **NVBA**, District 6, and ACBL News:

- This Monday evening, 1/9, the Bridge Club of Northern Virginia (BCNV) regular BBO game at 6:40 pm will support the ACBL Junior Fund and offer double club rate black ACBL Masterpoints. Entry fee is BB\$6. However, if twenty pairs (10 tables) register by 6:35 pm, it will be \$FREE for all who play. Tell your bridge friends to join you and play at the most popular of all prices. Please contact <a href="Kevin O'Brien">Kevin O'Brien</a> for more information.
- NVBA has issued the <u>Tournament Flyer</u> for the NVBA Winter Sectional Thursday, 2/16, thru Sunday, 2/19.

- NVBA has published the NVBA/WBL Thursday Unit Game Schedule for the first quarter of 2023 on their website. Please see the 2023 Unit Game Schedule, January – March for more information.
- The January March 2023 NVBA Newsletter is available at Current NVBA Newsletter.
- The deadline for registering for the District 6 GNT District finals for Flight A (0-6000), Flight B (0-2500), and Flight C (NLM, 0-500) is Thursday, 1/26. Please visit the <u>District 6 Bridge GNT News Item</u> on their website for the latest information and the <u>Conditions of Contest</u> web page and the <u>Frequently Asked</u> <u>Questions</u> web page.
- The Fairfax County Park System is offering bridge lessons at various sites starting in January 2023. Click
  <u>Activities Search</u> to search for classes. On the page, type bridge in the Search Text box and then click
  the Search Activities button.
- There are 14 in-person club games listed with times in green on the updated <u>Clubs</u> 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.

## **Upcoming Sectional and Regional Tournaments:**

- Richmond Winter Sectional Friday, 1/13, thru Sunday, 1/15 See the <u>Tournament Flyer</u> and the ACBL web page at Richmond Winter Sectional.
- Virginia Beach Winter Sectional Friday, 1/27, thru Sunday, 1/29 See the ACBL web page at <u>Virginia</u> Beach Winter Sectional.
- Baltimore Sectional Friday, 2/10, thru Sunday, 2/12 See the **Tournament Flyer** and the ACBL web page at **Baltimore Sectional**.
- NVBA Winter Sectional Thursday, 2/16, thru Sunday, 2/19 See the <u>Tournament Flyer</u> and the ACBL web page at <u>NVBA Winter Sectional</u>.
- Jefferson Bridge Sectional Friday, 3/3, thru Sunday, 3/5 See the ACBL web page at <u>Jefferson Bridge Sectional</u>.
- NVBA Spring Sectional Thursday, 3/30, thru Sunday, 4/2 See the ACBL web page at NVBA Spring Sectional.

Stay safe, play well and have fun!

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