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From: NVBA Board of Directors <announcements@nvba.org>
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Subject: NVBA Newsletter 1/30/2023 - Winter Sectional and Spring Online Imp League

Dear Mark:

The [NVBA Winter Sectional](#) is only a little more than two weeks away (2/16 - 2/19)! Spread the word and encourage your friends to come out and play! On Thursday evening, both NVBA and WBL will host in-person games at their home club. The remainder of the tournament will be held at Arlington / Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188. See [NVBA Winter Sectional Flyer](#) for the full schedule and policies. Entries for the NVBA Winter Sectional will be available at [ACBL Entry Express](#) next week. If you need a partner, please email Jason Carter at [NVBA Partnership Desk](#).



Spring 2023 District 5/6 Online Imp League:

- Register by 2/22/23 for the Wednesday night [District 5/District 6 Spring Online IMP League](#). Play is from 3/1/23 through 5/31/23 with breaks during the ACBL Spring National and the Gatlinburg Regional. Let's get lots of local players in this spring league and show the rest of the district what we can do!
- This is an opportunity to play in a round robin format against people from all over the country. There are opponents at all levels (6-8 brackets total), including national champions in the top bracket!
- See [District 5/6 Winter Online IMP League](#) for the winter results and their great website! The website handles all the match administration and uses the [Big Team Results](#) software to run the matches so that all teams in your bracket play the same hands. Congratulations to the [Bao](#) Team and the [Bingham](#) Team for winning their bracket in the winter league!

Thursday Night Unit Games:

- **This week - Thursday, 2/2:**
 - NVBA will be hosting an in-person Stratiflighted Unit Championship at Beth El.
 - Jay Simon is running the NVBA Partnership Desk for the Stratiflighted Unit Championship. For more information, please visit [NVBA Partnership Desk](#) on the NVBA website.
 - We are offering free plays (no game fee) to the following players who play in any in-person NVBA event (unit games and sectional tournaments)! Those who receive a free play (no game fee) will still need to pay the security fee.
 - Any ACBL member with fewer than 5 ACBL masterpoints
 - Any in-person unit game first-timer, regardless of their masterpoint total.
 - Anyone who has not played at an in-person NVBA Unit Game since January 2020.
 - WBL will be hosting the WBL/NVBA Joint "Unit" Pairs Games on BBO game with 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.
 - We will have the [Zoom Postgame Discussion](#) after the online play.
- **Next week - Thursday, 2/9:**

- NVBA will be hosting the NVBA/WBL Joint "Unit" Pairs Games on BBO with 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.
- We will have the [Zoom Postgame Discussion](#) after the online play.
- WBL will be hosting an in-person Stratiflighted Unit Championship. Please visit the [WBL Home Page](#) for additional information concerning their in-person Unit game policies, procedures, and partnership opportunities.
- See [2023 Unit Game Schedule, January – March](#) and [NVBA Unit Game Results](#) for more information.

NVBA, District 6, and ACBL News:

- AARP is sponsoring the webinar series "Bridge to Brain Health - Learning Bridge: The Game of a Lifetime" on Tuesday mornings. The 3rd of the 5 sessions deals with cardplay basics and will be presented this Tuesday, 1/31. For more information, including recordings and class notes from previous sessions, see [Bridge to Brain Health](#) web page.
- There are 14 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.

Upcoming Sectional and Regional Tournaments:

- Hilton Head Lowcountry Classic Regional - Monday, 2/6, thru Sunday, 2/12 - See the [Tournament Flyer](#) and the ACBL web page at [Hilton Head Lowcountry Classic Regional](#).
- 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 [Tournament Flyer](#) and the ACBL web page at [NVBA Winter Sectional](#).
- Jefferson Bridge Sectional (Charlottesville)- Friday, 3/3, thru Sunday, 3/5 - See the ACBL web page at [Jefferson Bridge Sectional](#).
- St. Patrick's Day Sectional (Fredericksburg) - Friday, 3/10, thru Sunday, 3/12 - See the ACBL web page at [St. Patrick's Day Sectional](#).
- Hagerstown Spring Sectional - Friday, 3/17, thru Sunday, 3/19 - See the [Tournament Flyer](#) and the ACBL web page at [Hagerstown Spring Sectional](#).
- NVBA Spring Sectional - Thursday, 3/30, thru Sunday, 4/2 - See the ACBL web page at [NVBA Spring Sectional](#).

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

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