Mark Chen

From: Sent: To: Subject: NVBA Board of Directors <announcements@nvba.org> Monday, June 12, 2023 8:17 AM mark_chen@cox.net NVBA E-News - We look forward to seeing you in Reston!

Dear Mark:

The <u>National Capital 4th of July Regional</u> is occurring July 3-9! See the schedule on the flier <u>here</u>. We have a great location in <u>Reston Town Center</u> – walk to many restaurants and shops, and a fine host hotel (<u>Hyatt Regency</u>). **Rooms are still available at the special \$117 bridge rate**, see the <u>Reston Regional flier</u> for hotel reservation details.



See the <u>4th of July Regional Welcome Back Letter</u> for detailed information on the following topics:

- Who's who at this Tournament?
- Health and Safety Guidelines
- Get Your Results
- Parking Nearby parking will be subsidized courtesy of tournament sponsor Krauss Investment Group.
 - Those participating in Bridge University and playing Monday afternoon will be reimbursed for the entire day.
- Partnerships
- Hospitality
- Bridge University ACBL District 6 is offering free bridge Lessons. <u>Bridge University</u> will be held on Monday July 3rd with up to four (of 12) free lessons and then a FREE intermediate/Novice 199er game. Make your plans to attend and take advantage of this free offer. See this <u>flyer</u> for more information. Commuters parking for the entire day will be fully reimbursed (see <u>parking</u>).
- Intermediate/Newcomer Lecture Series There are lots of Intermediate/Newcomer Events.
- Entries <u>ACBL Entry Express</u> has been activated to buy entries for this tournament in advance.
- ZERO Tolerance
- Prizes
- Electronic Device Policy
- Smoking and Scents Policy

If you have any questions about the Reston regional, email Tournament co-chair <u>Georgette Weiss</u> or call at 202-441-1182.

Thursday Night Unit Games

- This week Thursday, 6/15:
 - NVBA will be hosting an in-person 7PM Sectional Tournament at Clubs (<u>STaC</u>) game at <u>Beth El</u>.
 Play in the normal unit game but you can win silver points!
 - If you need a partner for the unit game at Beth El, please email Jason Carter at the <u>NVBA</u> <u>Partnership Desk</u>.

- If you are an ACBL member with fewer than 5 ACBL Masterpoints[®] or a first-time player to the NVBA Unit Game, you only pay the security fee. The game fee is waived. For more details, see the <u>NVBA Unit Game</u> page.
- WBL will be hosting the BBO online game.
- Next week Thursday, 6/22:
 - NVBA will host an in-person 7PM Longest Day[®] Game, Black Masterpoints[®] at 63.6% Sectional Rate unit game at <u>Beth El</u>. There is \$FREE entry and \$FREE security to support <u>The Longest Day</u>. Everything contributed by check, cash, or credit card goes directly to Alzheimer's Association through the <u>Bridge Heroes team</u>. As of Saturday morning, our team is in ninth place among all <u>ACBL teams</u>.
 - WBL is hosting an in-person Stratiflighted Unit Championship, so there is no BBO online game.
- <u>PLAN AHEAD</u> -- The <u>NVBA Unit Game</u> will be In-Person at Beth El all five June Thursdays at 7PM each week.
 - o June 15 -- Sectional Tournament at Clubs (STaC), Silver Masterpoints[®] at 81.8% Sectional Rate
 - June 22 -- The Longest Day[®], Black Masterpoints[®] at 63.6% Sectional Rate, see below
 - June 29 -- North American Pairs Club Qualifier, half Red/half Black Masterpoints[®] at 81.8% Sectional Rate

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- Click <u>here</u> to contribute to the <u>Bridge Heroes 2023 team</u> Alzheimer's Association/ACBL annual The Longest Day[®] fund-raising campaign. Thanks to many who have made advance contributions, we are already at 17% of our goal. Bridge-related events for this campaign will be held from Sunday June 18 through Sunday June 25.
- The ACBL Educational Foundation is hosting an <u>Online Charity Auction for Spark(!)</u>, bidding opened on 6/1/23. Bid on an amazing array of world champions, bridge celebrities, authors and legends to partner YOU in a 20-board online Pro-Am game on 7/10/23! The event is to raise revenue which will be dedicated to "Spark!" the ACBL young adult (age 17-31) initiative. This fund will use these dollars exclusively to provide grants for projects and programs which promote bridge in that age group
- See the <u>NVBA Winner's Circle</u> for the NVBA players who won masterpoints in recent regionals and sectionals.
- Congratulations to the players who achieved <u>ACBL Rank Changes</u> in May.
- There are 17 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. <u>Gene Schuyler's Wednesday Morning 10:30AM game</u> and the <u>Reston Duplicate Bridge Club</u> recently reopened. 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 <u>NVBA Online Games</u> on BBO.

Upcoming Sectional, Regional, and National Tournaments

- WBL Spring Sectional Results Thursday 6/8 to Sunday 6/11
- National Capital July 4th Regional Monday 7/3 to Sunday 7/9
- Chicago Summer NABC Thursday 7/13 to Sunday 7/23
- <u>WBL Summer Sectional</u>, Thursday 8/3 to Sunday 8/6
- <u>Baltimore Regional</u> Monday 8/21 to Sunday 8/27
- <u>NVBA Fall Sectional</u> Thursday 10/12 to Sunday 10/15

Play well, have fun, and see you at the tables!

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