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Sent: Monday, July 24, 2023 7:01 AM

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Subject: NVBA E-News - Chicago NABC Report

Dear Mark:

Congratulations to the NVBAers who did well at the Chicago NABC! Hal Hindman came third in the <u>Wernher Open Pairs</u>. Jeff Schwartz's team won the <u>Micro Spingold</u>. Terry Jones, Colin Schloss, Alan Munro, and David Goldfrank won George Jacobs Bracketed Teams 5. John Huffman (p.4) made



Bronze Life Master! Check out the <u>NVBA Winner's Circle</u> later in the week to see NVBA players who won masterpoints at the National tournament. Hope those who went to the tournament had fun! For those curious about the tournament, there are some great pictures of <u>Smiling Players p.14</u>, <u>In The Tank p.13</u>, <u>The Comparison p.7</u>, and the <u>Youth NABC p.14</u>. of the <u>NABC Daily Bulletins</u>.

Back here at home we had a good turnout and lots of fun at <u>last week's NVBA Unit Game</u>. Continued thanks to <u>Rusty Krauss</u> for bringing free wine and cheese! We are going to offer free wine and cheese for the next few Unit Games, so come on out and join us this Thursday!

Thursday Night Unit Games Schedule

- This week Thursday, 7/27:
 - o NVBA will host an in-person 7PM Stratiflighted Club Championship.
 - 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>.
 - The NVBA Unit Game now uses the <u>RSVP Bridge</u> reservation system. See this RSVP Bridge YouTube video for details. If you did not get an RSVP Bridge email invitation, please email <u>Jim Gerding</u> and he can add you to the Northern Virginia Unit Game Group. Although walk-ins are always welcome, using the reservation system helps the game start on time and run more smoothly.
 - NVBA is also hosting an online BBO unit game. The 499er game starts at 7:05PM, and the open and flight B games start at 7:15PM.
 - WBL is hosting an in-person North American Pairs Club Qualifier.
- <u>PLAN AHEAD</u> -- The <u>NVBA Unit Game</u> will be In-Person at Beth El all summer Thursdays at 7PM each week.
 - 8/3/23 WBL Summer Sectional Stratiflighted Pairs
 - o 8/10/23 Stratiflighted Club Championship
 - o 8/17/23 North American Pairs Club Qualifier
 - o 8/24/23 No game due to the <u>Baltimore Regional</u>
 - See the NVBA Website for the rest of the online <u>Third Quarter Unit Game schedule</u> and <u>Unit</u> Game Results.

The Longest Day/Bridge Heroes News -- Fund-raising continues through August 31

- ONLINE BRIDGE CLASS -- Improve your Game while helping to #ENDALZ
 "Practice Expert Thinking" -- an 8-week class with 1-2 hours of solo homework and an online (probably Sunday Evening) group review of the results will help you develop the discipline and consistency necessary to improve your results at the online AND In-Person Bridge Tables. Tuition depends on the number of students; to be paid on July 24. 100% of tuition goes to Alzheimer's Association (ALZ) through the Bridge Heroes team. Interested? Contact Kevin O'Brien at OBrien, Bridge+TLD at gmail.
- As of this morning, <u>Bridge Heroes 2023</u> and their \$24,615 raised ranks <u>seventh</u> among all ACBL teams in the event. Although "The Longest Week" ended on 6/25/23, the fundraising campaign continues. Funds raised and reported by 7/31/23 are counted in the campaign for ACBL, and funds raised and reported by 8/31/23 are counted in the Alzheimer's Association's 2023 campaign. You can still make a generous contribution through the <u>Bridge Heroes 2023 team</u> and help them get to their \$26,000 goal. Great job keeping those donations coming! Bridge activities continue through 8/31/23, contact Team Captain <u>Kevin O'Brien</u> for more information.

NVBA, ACBL, and District Six News

- Interested in finding out more about NVBA operations? You are invited to attend the <u>7/30/23 NVBA Board Meeting</u> at 9:30AM via <u>Zoom</u>.
- The club qualifying period for players to compete to play in the <u>North American Pairs</u> District-level Finals and win a subsidized trip to the Spring NABC in Louisville, KY, March 13-24, 2024 is underway. <u>Club qualifier games</u> are being held in Face-To-Face and Online games on BBO until August 2023.
- 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. 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, Regional, and National Tournaments

- Chicago Summer NABC Results Thursday 7/13 to Sunday 7/23
- Virginia Beach Summer Sectional Friday 7/28 to Sunday 7/30
- WBL Summer Sectional, Thursday 8/3 to Sunday 8/6
- Baltimore Regional Monday 8/21 to Sunday 8/27
- NVBA Fall Sectional Thursday 10/12 to Sunday 10/15

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

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