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Dear Mark:

Please use the <u>RSVP Bridge</u> Reservation System for the Thursday Night Unit Games at Beth El. <u>RSVP Bridge</u> helps bridge clubs manage reservations and provides electronic scoring at the table. All you need to get started is your Username and Password. Email <u>Jim Gerding</u> to get your unique RSVP Bridge



Username and then click <u>here</u> to set your password. Pick the date of the game and choose your partner. Check out the <u>RSVP Bridge YouTube videos</u> for additional details.

It was nice seeing many of you at the WBL Summer Sectional. Congratulations to those who did well and appear out at <u>WBL Sectional Masterpoint Winners</u>. Check out the <u>NVBA Winner's Circle</u> later in the week to see the NVBA players who won masterpoints at the WBL Sectional. Want to play more tournament bridge after the WBL Summer Sectional? Make your plans to play 8/21/23 to 8/27/23 in the **Baltimore Regional**! Check out the 9-page <u>Baltimore Regional Day 1 Bulletin</u> for everything you need to know about the tournament.

Thursday Night Unit Games Schedule

Continued thanks to <u>Rusty Krauss</u> for bringing free wine and cheese to the Thursday Night in-person Unit Game! We are going to offer free wine and cheese for the next few <u>Unit Games</u>.

- This week Thursday, 8/10:
 - NVBA will host an in-person 7PM <u>Stratiflighted</u> 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. 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. This week (Aug 7-13), all Virtual ACBL Club games award Silver Masterpoints at 150% of Club Rate.
 - WBL is hosting an in-person 7:30PM 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.
 - o 8/17/23 North American Pairs Club Qualifier
 - o 8/24/23 No game due to the Baltimore Regional
 - 8/31/23 <u>Stratiflighted</u> Club Championship

- 9/7/23 <u>Stratiflighted</u> Club Championship
- See the NVBA Website for the rest of the online <u>Third Quarter Unit Game schedule</u> and <u>Unit</u> <u>Game Results</u>.
- The WBL board of directors has decided to resume running weekly face-to-face unit games starting Thursday, August 10, 2023. The WBL bi-weekly online game will be <u>discontinued</u> after that date.

NVBA, ACBL, and District Six News

- 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.
- Fairfax County <u>Parktakes</u> (p. 119) is offering bridge classes. <u>Register</u> (search for 'bridge') by 8/11/23 to save \$8 on each class. NVBA member James Connor teaches the sessions at South Run Park in Burke VA, at least 15 current NVBA members learned bridge at South Run.
- Check out the new <u>BridgeBee Hands</u> link in the Learn About Bridge section of the <u>NVBA</u> website.
- Check out this read on <u>ACBL's Rock Star Bronia Jenkins in the Chicago NABC limelight</u>! There are a lot of interesting pictures out at <u>Chicago NABC Gallery 1</u> and <u>Chicago NABC Gallery 2</u>.
- Thank you to all who contributed to the \$30,516 raised by the <u>Bridge Heroes 2023</u> team. They ranked <u>seventh</u> among all ACBL teams in the ACBL The Longest Day fundraiser!
- There are 16 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 <u>NVBA Online Games</u> on BBO.

Upcoming Sectional, Regional, and National Tournaments

- WBL Summer Sectional Results Thursday 8/3 to Sunday 8/6
- <u>Baltimore Regional</u> 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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