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NVBA Board of Directors <announcements@nvba.org> Monday, September 4, 2023 7:01 AM mark chen@cox.net NVBA E-News - Make your plans to play in the NVBA Fall Sectional

Dear Mark:

Join us for face-to-face bridge at the NVBA Fall Sectional from October 12-15! This is your opportunity this fall to play competitive bridge against your friends and peers in a socially fun environment. The kick-off session will be held Thursday night October 12 at BOTH Unit Game sites. The tournament will



continue at the Fairfax Elks Lodge Friday-Sunday, with pairs events Friday afternoon; and both the Triple Nickel Swiss and based on input from you to increase the range, a 750 pairs Friday night. For just \$1 more per session, Saturday's events will be regionally rated, which offers lots of extra silver points at both sessions for players of all levels! The tournament concludes with a Flight A Swiss and Bracketed B Teams on Sunday. Hospitality is provided at every session, and Intermediate/Newcomer players should plan to come early Friday afternoon for a lecture specifically for them! For additional details, see the bulleted items below:

- See the Fall Sectional Flyer and the ACBL tournament web page for the schedule and tournament policies.
- If you need a partner, please email Jason Carter at NVBA Partnership Desk.
- Entry Express (EE)! The technology to skip the lines by buying your pairs/team entry in advance will be available at NVBA Fall Sectional - Entries beginning two weeks in advance. When using EE, you must buy your entry no later than midnight the night before you want to play. See Entry Express - Players Will Ask if you need any other assistance with EE.
- If you have other questions, please contact Tournament Co-Chair Amy Brisson (703-527-1745). •

Thursday Night Unit Games Schedule

The NVBA Board has decided that the Thursday Night Unit Game will be in-person every week. For now, we have paused the Thursday Night online unit game.

- This week Thursday, 9/7/23 Stratiflighted Club Championship
 - o If you need a partner for the unit game at Beth El, please email Jason Carter at the NVBA Partnership Desk.
 - Please use the RSVP Bridge Reservation System for the Thursday Night Unit Games at Beth El. RSVP Bridge helps bridge clubs manage reservations. All you need to get started is your Username and Password. Email Jim Gerding to get your unique RSVP Bridge Username and then click here to set your password. Pick the date of the game and choose your partner. Check out the RSVP Bridge YouTube videos for additional details.
 - There is no online BBO unit game.
 - WBL is hosting an in-person 7:30PM Grand National Teams Club Qualifier.
- PLAN AHEAD -- The NVBA Unit Game will be In-Person at Beth El Thursdays at 7PM each week.
 - o 9/14/23 Grand National Teams Club Qualifier
 - o 9/21/23 Stratiflighted Club Championship

- 9/28/23 <u>Stratiflighted</u> Club Championship
- See the NVBA Website for the rest of the <u>Third Quarter Unit Game schedule</u> and <u>Unit Game</u> <u>Results</u>.

Al Duncker Memorial Service

Our bridge brother <u>Al Duncker</u> passed away on 8/14/23. He was loved and adored by many. His memorial service will be held Friday, September 8 at 11AM at <u>National Presbyterian Church</u> in Washington, DC. There will be refreshments after the service. See <u>Al Duncker obituary</u> for additional details.

World Bridge Championships

The <u>World Bridge Championships</u> in Marrakech Morocco ended on 9/2/23. Congratulations to the <u>winners</u>, in particular USA1 Seniors (2nd), USA2 Seniors (3rd), and USA2 Mixed (1st). See lots of other great content on the <u>World Championships website</u> such as <u>Daily Bulletins</u>, <u>Results</u>, <u>Match Scorecards</u>, and <u>Expert Convention</u> <u>Cards</u>.

NVBA, ACBL, and District Six News

- The <u>District 5/District 6 Fall 2023 Online IMP League</u> starts on 9/13/23. Matches are on Wednesday nights until 11/15/23. **The registration deadline is 9/6/23**, click <u>here</u> to register.
- Interested in joining the ranks of the volunteers at the Thomas Jefferson High Bridge Club? If so, please email <u>Catherine Bardsley</u> or call 703-819-9795. Thank you to all who are a part of the ACBL's efforts to <u>Grow the Future of Bridge</u>.
- Fairfax County <u>Parktakes</u> (p. 119) is offering bridge classes. <u>Register</u> by searching for 'bridge'. Classes start in mid-September.
- 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

- <u>NVBA Fall Sectional</u> Thursday 10/12 to Sunday 10/15
- <u>Virginia Beach Fall Sectional</u> Friday 10/20 to Sunday 10/22
- Lancaster Fall Regional Monday 10/30 to Sunday 11/5

See you at the tables and hope you are having a happy Labor Day Holiday!

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