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NVBA E-News - Fairfax sectional is September 24-27

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Dear Ronald:

The unit game last week was a team game with 11 teams. Congratulations to winners **Vincent Wilmot, Jr. - Carole Banks - Robert Graves - David Genne**. [Full results here](#). This week's game will be a STaC (Sectional Tournament at Clubs) so masterpoint awards will be silver. If possible, please preregister at [RSVP Bridge](#).



The **NVBA Fall Sectional** is coming up on September 24-27. For details, see the [tournament flyer](#). Preregistration using [RSVP Bridge](#) is optional but strongly encouraged. Instructions are on the flyer. If you need help preregistering, email [Marty Bley](#).

Congratulations to these NVBA members who [advanced in rank](#) in August: new silver life master **Archana Rathnakar**; new bronze life master **Fanjun Kong**; new advanced NABC master **Luke Brezak**; new sectional master **Carol Rentz**; and new club masters **David Gottlieb** and **Brian Siebel**. All these players will receive an email with a **free play at the unit game** in recognition of their accomplishment.

Thank you to these NVBA members who have volunteered in the past month to be mentors for less experienced players: **Kimberly Ferguson, Rochelle Hilton, John Huffman, Kathleen LaMarre, Ravi Mani, and Jonathan Rodney**. See the NVBA website for more information about the [NVBA mentorship program](#), including how to sign up either as a mentor or as a mentee.

Improvements to the NVBA website continue, including a collection of links to articles about bridge and brain health (see the "Why Play Bridge?" tile on the [homepage](#)); an article on how bridge "[could save us from over-reliance on AI](#)"; and an update to the [new member welcome booklet](#). Explore the site and see what else you can find. Webmaster [Ron Kral](#) welcomes your feedback.

Club News

- Starting this week, September 15, the **99er section of the Tuesday evening game at the Army-Navy Country Club** will start at 7pm, the same as the open section. When you sign up on RSVP, please make sure you are registering for the correct section. You do not have to be a member of the country club to play in this game.
- Note to NVBA club managers:** If you would like your closures, location changes, team games, holiday parties, or other special events announced in this space, please either contact NVBA club liaison [Samriti Malik](#) or reply to this email.

Selected Upcoming Tournaments

- [NVBA Fall Sectional \(Fairfax\)](#) - Thu Sep 24 to Sun Sep 27
- [Williamsburg Sectional](#) - Thu Oct 1 to Sat Oct 3
- [Richmond Sectional](#) - Fri Oct 9 to Sun Oct 11

- [Silver Spring Sectional](#) - Thu Oct 15 to Sun Oct 18
- [Lancaster \(Manheim\) Regional](#) - Mon Oct 26 to Sat Oct 31
- [Virginia Beach Regional](#) - Mon Nov 9 to Sat Nov 14
- The NVBA website has a list of other [tournaments of interest](#)

Useful Links

Link of the week: The ACBL livestreams some of the major NABC events, with commentary, on YouTube. Past streams are [archived here](#). (Suggested by **Mark Chen**.) Please reply to this email to suggest future links of the week!

The NVBA website includes more information about the [unit game](#), listings of local [clubs](#) and [tournaments](#), help with [finding a partner](#), our [mentorship program](#), and much more. Webmaster [Ron Kral](#) welcomes your feedback and suggestions.

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

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