

## Mark Chen

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**From:** NVBA Board of Directors <announcements@nvba.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 10, 2023 8:07 AM  
**To:** mark\_chen@cox.net  
**Subject:** NVBA E-News - Spring Sectional was a Big Success!

**Dear Mark:**

The recent [NVBA Spring Sectional](#) was a great success, with 201.5 tables in play and 313 players turning out across the four days of play. Saturday and Sunday the entire Elks Lodge upstairs playing area was full of bridge players, a really great sight! We also had a joyous celebration for Al Duncker's Platinum Life Master achievement, with family and many bridge friends showing up to honor him. We are getting more and more players for each post-pandemic sectional - be sure you are among them for the next NVBA Sectional this October.



Congratulations to all the NVBA players who are listed in the [2023 NVBA Spring Sectional Winners Circle](#). Thank you to all the players, the directors, and to the dedicated volunteers who helped make this tournament such a success!

Make plans to join us on Thursday 5/11/23 for complimentary dinner(5:30PM), the NVBA Annual Meeting(6:30PM), and in-person STaC tournament unit game bridge(7PM). NVBA President Georgette Weiss will report on the State of the Unit. Your attendance will help NVBA reach annual meeting quorum so they can conduct an election for all five Board positions. For additional details, click [here](#).

### Thursday Night Unit Games

- **This week - Thursday, 4/13:**
  - NVBA will be hosting in-person ACBL Charity Pairs games at Beth El. Players can earn upgraded masterpoint awards while also raising funds for the ACBL Charity Foundation. There will be A/X Pairs (unlimited/4000), B/C/D Pairs (2500/1500/750), and 199er Pairs (200/100/50) games as long as the three-table minimum required for a section to run is met. All games start promptly at 7:00pm.
  - If you need a partner for these ACBL Charity Pairs games at Beth El, please email Jason Carter at [Jason @ NVBA Partnership Desk](#).
  - 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 [NVBA Unit Game](#) page.
  - For those who wish to play online, WBL will be hosting the weekly joint Unit games on BBO with Open, Flight B (under 2500), 499er, and 199er games. The 499er and 199er games start promptly at 7:05pm. The other two - Open and Flight B - begin at 7:15pm.
  - We will have the [Zoom Postgame Discussion](#) after the online play.
- **Next week - Thursday, 4/20:**
  - NVBA will be hosting the online NVBA/WBL Joint "Unit" Pairs Games on BBO with Open, Flight B (under 2500), 499er, and 199er games. The 499er and 199er games start promptly at 7:05pm. The other two - Open and Flight B - begin at 7:15pm.

- WBL will be hosting the in-person Unit Game.
- See the [2023 Unit Game Schedule, January – June](#) and the [NVBA Unit Game Results](#) for more information.

## NVBA Website New Content

Many thanks to our hard-working NVBA webmaster Ron Kral. There is a lot of new, excellent content!

- Are you confused by the terms used to describe the different types of bridge events played at clubs and tournaments? Check out Ron's new [Tournament Terminology](#) page.
- Want to know NVBA member results in national, regional, and sectional tournaments? Check out the [NVBA Winners Circle](#). Ron recently added Winner's Circle pages for the [NVBA Spring Sectional](#) and the [New Orleans Spring NABC](#).
- Want to know which NVBA members have recently achieved a new ACBL rank? Check out the [NVBA Rank Changes](#) page. Ron recently added February and March 2023 Rank Changes.

## NVBA, District Six, and ACBL News

- April is [ACBL Charity Month](#). Throughout the month, those clubs with in-person games may hold an unlimited number of Charity Games for upgraded black masterpoints. Check with your Club Director for more information. For the Virtual Clubs, Charity Week is Monday 4/10 to Sunday 4/16, with games for double black masterpoints.
- The 2023 WBL Round Robin will begin on Monday 5/8, with two flights - A/X (Open) and B/C (0-3000). The deadline for entries is Sunday 4/30. Contact [Steve Robinson](#) (Open) or [Alex Gretsinger](#) (0-3000) for more information.
- There are 15 in-person club games listed with times in green on the updated [Clubs](#) 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

- [Gatlinburg Regional](#) - Monday 4/17 to Sunday 4/23. See also the [Day One Bulletin](#).
- [Virginia Beach Spring Local Sectional](#) - Friday 4/28 to Sunday 4/30
- [Rehoboth Beach Regional](#) - Monday 5/1 to Friday 5/5
- [Richmond Memorial Day Regional](#) - Monday 5/22 to Friday 5/26
- [WBL Spring Sectional](#) - Thursday 6/8 to Sunday 6/11
- [National Capital July 4th Regional](#) - Monday 7/3 to Sunday 7/9
- [Baltimore Regional](#) - Monday 8/21 to Sunday 8/27

See you at the tables and hope you all had a Happy Holiday!

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