

Mark Chen

From: NVBA Board of Directors <announcements@nvba.org>
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Dear Mark:

We play bridge because it's fun and It's more fun the better you play! One way to improve your game is through formal instruction. NVBA has a cleaned-up and up-to-date local [Bridge Teachers page](#), listing [17 Bridge teachers](#) in alphabetical order. There are lots of different teachers for all levels.

- Some of these teachers are also listed in ACBL's [Find a Teacher](#) list, which may have more information about them.
- Contact the [NVBA Webmaster](#) if you want your name on the local list.
- Contact [Blakely Meyers](#) if you want your name in the ACBL Teacher database.

Get a lesson from these teachers and then try out your new skills in the upcoming [NVBA Fall Sectional](#) from October 12-15! There will be lots of events for players of all levels. See the [Fall Sectional Flyer](#) and the [ACBL tournament web page](#) for the schedule and tournament policies (***Please note: The flyer and tournament info are correct except that Entry Express will **not** be available for advance entry purchase.*** If you need a partner, please email Jason Carter at [NVBA Partnership Desk](#). If you have other questions, please contact Tournament Co-Chair [Amy Brisson](#) (703-517-1745).



North American Pairs

- [District 6 Finals](#) for Flight B (0-2500 MP) were held on the BBO platform on Saturday and Sunday.
 - Congratulations to our Flight B Winners – Tom and Janet McGlynn and 2nd place went to Nadejda Drenska and Jim Dickson
 - For complete detailed results for all competitors, see semifinals (Sat, sessions 1 & 2) and finals (Sun, Sessions 3 & 4) [here](#).
- [District 6 Finals](#) for Flight C (NLM) were held on the BBO platform on Sunday
 - Congratulations to our NLM (Flight C) Winners – Elliot Bernold and Jacob Baron and 2nd place went to Mark Valavanis and Robert Robinson
 - For complete detailed results for all competitors, see finals (Sun, Sessions 1 & 2) [here](#).
- District 6 Finals for Open Flight (face-to-face) will be held November 11-12, 2023 in Wheaton MD, see [here](#) for details. **Pre-registration must be complete by Nov 2.**

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 10/05/23 Club Appreciation Pairs

- If you need a partner or teammates 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.
- WBL is also hosting an in-person 7:30PM Club Appreciation Pairs, according to their [website](#).
- **PLAN AHEAD** -- The [NVBA Unit Game](#) will be In-Person at Beth El Thursdays at 7PM each week.
 - 10/12/23 - [NVBA Fall Sectional](#)
 - 10/19/23 - Club Appreciation Teams
 - 10/26/23 - [Stratiflighted](#) Club Championship
 - 11/2/23 - [Stratiflighted](#) Club Championship
 - See the NVBA Website for the rest of the [4th Quarter Unit Game Schedule](#) and [Unit Game Results](#).

NVBA Board Meeting 10/8/23 9:30AM

How will we improve attendance at Thursday Evening Unit Games to include a regular Limited section (upper limit 499, 199, or lower)? If lack of attendance prevents NVBA from resuming a Newcomer Game, how do we serve the Bridge-related needs of our beginner-level players? If we are not providing an online Unit Game on BBO, how does NVBA meet the bridge-related needs of our homebound players? Your NVBA Board will be discussing these and other items at our next Board meeting, next Sunday morning at 9:30AM. Email the [NVBA Board](#) with your thoughts, or virtually attend via the [NVBA Board Meeting Zoom Link](#).

NVBA, ACBL, and District Six News

- [Bull Run Bridge Club](#) is experimenting with a new sanctioned Saturday game, to be held only once or twice a month at the [Hampton Inn in Gainesville](#) (right off I-66). The first game (Saturday 9/30/23) drew seven tables. The next game will be on 10/21/23 at 1PM, and then a game on Saturday 11/11/23 at 10AM. Entry fee is \$10; for the game on 11/11 (Veteran's Day) military veterans get \$5 off. If you're interested, contact [Brenda Egeland](#). If you are already on RSVP, you may see a Join button on your "My Clubs" tab.
- There are 16 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.
- Check out [Swan Games](#), an online bridge platform where you can play bridge and win ACBL masterpoints. The main difference between this and BBO is the [integrated sound and video](#) to emphasize the social aspects of bridge.

Upcoming Sectional, Regional, and National Tournaments

- [Richmond Fall Sectional](#) - Friday 10/6 to Sunday 10/8
- [NVBA Fall Sectional](#) - Thursday 10/12 to Sunday 10/15
- [Virginia Beach Fall Sectional](#) - Friday 10/20 to Sunday 10/22
- [Lancaster Fall Regional](#) - Monday 10/30 to Sunday 11/5
- [Atlanta ACBL Fall NABC](#) - Thursday 11/23 to Sunday 12/3

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

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