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**Dear Mark:**

We had 10 tables at [last week's GNT Qualifier Unit Game](#). Congratulations to Robert Gookin, Sarah Anne Cressy, David Rodney and Rusty Krauss who were the winning team! Tonight, we are having our normal [Stratiflighted Club Championship](#) at [Beth El](#) (3830 Seminary Rd, about a mile east of I-395) at 7PM. Please arrive at least ten minutes before game time. If you need a partner or teammates for the unit game at Beth El, please email Jason Carter at the [NVBA Partnership Desk](#) or use the [RSVP Bridge](#) Reservation System to assist you in finding a partner.



In the near future the board members are going to reach out to Unit 218 members with a phone call inviting lapsed members back and inquiring why they no longer play F2F regularly or at all. Please give us a few minutes of your time when we call. We represent you and want to make sure we have your best interests at heart. You can also provide feedback by emailing [NVBA President Georgette Weiss](#).

### District Five/Six Winter 2024 Online IMP League

Register by 1/15 for the [District 5/District 6 Winter 2024 Online IMP League](#). Play is on most Wednesday nights from 1/24 through 4/24. If you've never played in this event, why not? It's great fun if you like team games. Teams of 4-6 players are bracketed and play a 9-session competition against teams with similar masterpoints. Where else can you play a bridge competition from the comfort of your home, and play with teammates who might live in a different city? And the concept provides competition and masterpoints for all experience levels. They have a great [Vichill League website](#) and it is really neat how all teams in the bracket play the same hands in the [match recaps](#) (click on a team name). See the [Conditions of Contest](#) for further details.

### NVBA, ACBL, and District Six News

- **Please check your ACBL membership to make sure it has not expired.** ACBL dues for a one-year membership will be increasing to \$59 on January 1, 2024. This is the first price increase since 2017. **When you renew before December 31, 2023, you can lock in the current membership dues fee of \$49 US – even if your membership isn't expiring yet!** That's a savings of 17%. PLUS save even MORE when you renew for three years, just \$117 (price will increase to \$147 starting January 1, 2024).
- 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.

### Upcoming Sectional, Regional, and National Tournaments

- [WBL Winter Sectional](#) - Thursday 1/18 to Sunday 1/21

- [NVBA Winter Sectional](#) - Thursday 2/15 to Sunday 2/18
- [Williamsburg Regional](#) - Monday 2/26 to Friday 3/1
- The NVBA website now includes all [2024 tournaments of interest](#).

This will be the last e-newsletter of the year. As we reflect on the past year, we are saddened by the [loss of some of our beloved members](#) such as [Al Duncker](#), [Ann Lindley](#), and [Jim Dick](#). Please join us in remembering and celebrating the lives of those who have passed away in 2023.

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