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NVBA E-News - NVBA is starting a weekly Tuesday Night Online 499er Game on 7/23/24 at 7PM

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Dear Ronald:

We are starting a regular online version of an NVBA Hosted 499er game. The first one is this Tuesday July 23 at 7:00PM. This will be run on BBO using the SE Carolina Club of Clubs platform. While the game will be open to any BBO player, we expect the vast majority of players to be NVBA members (other Golden Age 499er players you know so well). [Joe Hertz](#), one of regular 199er Game directors, will be the director of the game. Playing in the game will help support the NVBA -- \$2.00 of the entry fee of each NVBA player will go directly to the NVBA. To those 499ers already playing in ACBL online 499er evening games, come to our game Tuesday night and help us bring back the Golden Age of the 499er game!



What: NVBA and SE Carolina (SEC) host a 499 Game with NVBA Director [Joe Hertz](#), cost is \$5 for 18 Boards

Why: Come play with other NVBA 499ers you know - and also support NVBA as \$2.00 per NVBA participant is shared with NVBA. While this BBO game is open to all BBO members – we anticipate most players will be NVBA 499ers.

When: Tuesday - July 23 @7:00PM

Where: Go to BBO Online: 1) then select “Virtual Clubs”, 2) then “ACBL-North America”, then select 3) “SE Carolina”. It should specify 7:00, 499er Game. You should be able to sign on with your partner. If you don't have a partner, you might be able to get one if there is someone else also looking for a partner (sign on a little earlier if you are looking for a partner).

All can play in any [SE Carolina Club of Clubs](#) game. This benefits NVBA as we are a member club. We get two dollars for each NVBA player buying an entry to this club game. The more people that play online in this game the more money we earn. See their web page at <https://sites.google.com/view/se-club-of-clubs/home> for game schedule, lessons, and more. Each game advertises a 0-750 section, a 0-2500 section, and an Open section.

Toronto NABC

The [Toronto Summer North American Bridge Championships](#) is in full swing this week, good luck to the NVBA players who are playing! For those who are not traveling to the tournament, there are still many ways to enjoy the tournament.

- Check the [NABC Results](#) to see how your friends are doing. See the [ACBL Facebook page](#) for lots of NABC pictures.
- Read the [NABC Daily Bulletins](#).
- Want a free front row seat to watch the greatest players in the world play bridge? Starting on Tuesday 3/19/24, you can watch the [Spingold KO Tournament](#) via BBO Vugraph! If you have never done this before, it looks like [this](#).

- See [Vugraph Schedule](#) for the broadcast times for the Round of 64 all the way through to the finals.
- There are often voice or chat commentators that add nice insight to the play.
- The default view is to kibitz all four hands. If you want to kibitz a certain player, move the cursor over North/South/East/West and hit the right mouse button. Click on the player's name to see that player's profile and convention card. There are lots of interesting world-class bidding and carding methods there!
- Want to test your bridge prognosticating abilities for the Spingold KO Tournament? Check out [Bridge Winners](#) and click on "pre-register for the Fantasy bracket".

Thursday Night NVBA Unit Game

- Congratulations to Debra Graham/James Gerding and Sarah Anne Cressy/Robert Gookin for section tops in [last week's Unit Game](#).
- This Thursday's Unit Game will be a unit championship. The NVBA Unit Game starts at 7PM and is at [Beth El \(3830 Seminary Rd, about a mile east of I-395\)](#). Please arrive at least ten minutes before game time.
- If you need a partner or teammates for any Thursday game at Beth El, please email [Amy Elmore](#) by 4PM Tuesday afternoon for your best chance to obtain a partner. You can also use the [RSVP Bridge Reservation System](#) to assist you in finding a partner.
- Plan ahead for future unit games by viewing the [2024 Unit Game Schedule](#).

Just for New, 0-20, 0-49, 0-199, and 0-499 Players

- Check out the Just for New Players section on p. 5 of the [NABC Daily Bulletins](#).
- **FREE 0-20 Sections at local tournaments**
 - Baltimore Regional, Tuesday Aug 20 -- Lecture at 9:30 am, game at 10 am. more post-game. 0-20 play FREE all day; see [Baltimore Regional Day #1 Bulletin](#) for more details
 - Fairfax (ELKS) Sectional, Saturday Sept 14, morning session. See flier (not yet out) for details but mark your calendar NOW!
- Annual [NVBA Life Master-Non-Life Master \(LM/NLM\) game](#) Thurs Sept 19 at Beth El -- mark your calendars now and sign up [here](#). Much fun, one of the four most popular NVBA Unit Games of the year, have fun, learn a lot, as low-key as you want it to be!
- Check out the 0-49 game at [SwanGames.com](#), 7:30PM Monday evenings.
- ACBL participates in no-Masterpoints Social Bridge games 3-6PM Sundays on the [RealBridge](#) platform.
- [Shark Bridge](#) offers no-Masterpoints games/tournaments on their site daily. You play 12 boards vs. Robots with a Robot partner. Each day's game starts at 12:01AM and ends at 11:59PM EDT. There is no board or round timer, start any time you want.
- ACBL Community Games run on BBO Monday through Friday, advertised at 0-20, 0-50, and 0-99 levels.
- Visit the lower right-hand portion of the [NVBA Home Page](#) for lots of Learn About Bridge resources.

NVBA, ACBL, and District Six News

- A few NVBA members stepped up in response to our last appeal for more volunteers. But there's still room for you as well! Next time you see NVBA President [Georgette Weiss](#), see if you can ask her "Where does NVBA need my help?" before she asks you "Where are you best able to help NVBA?"
- Encourage friends and family to join bridge by pointing them to the latest videos on the [Bridge BFF YouTube channel](#), [Kai's It's Your Call](#), and [College Bridge Online videos](#).
- There are 15 in-person club games on the [Clubs](#) page of the NVBA website. 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

- [Toronto NABC](#) - Wednesday 7/17 to Sunday 7/28
- [ACBL Online Regional](#) - Thursday 8/1 to Sunday 8/4
- [Charlottesville Sectional](#) - Friday 8/9 to Sunday 8/11
- [Baltimore Regional](#) - Monday 8/19 to Sunday 8/25. See the [Baltimore Regional Day #1 Bulletin](#) for lots of tournament information.
- [NVBA September Sensations Sectional](#) - Thursday 9/12 to Sunday 9/15
- The NVBA website includes all [2024 tournaments of interest](#).

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

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