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Dear Mark:

Return of the In-Person NVBA Sectional and Unit Game(!):



- The in-person NVBA Sectional we know and love will be from Thursday 5/12/2022 to Sunday 5/15/2022! The schedule will be similar to past sectionals (Saturday Pairs, Sunday Swiss, etc.). There will be some important changes to policies and procedures, including a request for you to pre-register your vaccination status and when you will play. We will post further details in the next newsletter, but meanwhile check out [NVBA Tournaments](#) later this week and pick up a flyer when you play face-to-face in the "Royal" STaC this week.
- Every Thursday evening, beginning 4/28/2022, one Unit will host an in-person game at their club site and the other Unit will host an online game on BBO. Members of both units are welcome to play in either game.
- Starting on Thursday 4/28 NVBA will host the in-person games at the Beth El Hebrew Congregation every other week. **As of now, the [Beth El Mask Policy](#) states masks are optional. However, any pair may set masking rules for their table. Please bring a mask and “mask-up” if requested.** NVBA will be allowed to bring in food and drinks to the Beth El unit game as was done previously.
- To play in the NVBA-hosted games, you will need to provide proof of vaccination. There are no exceptions. You will only need to do this once as NVBA will keep a list of those vaccinated.
- Starting on Thursday 5/5, WBL will host the in-person games at the Ohr Kodesh Congregation every other week.
- To play in the WBL-hosted games, you must be fully vaccinated (including a booster) for COVID-19 unless you have a documented medical exemption from vaccination. Documentary evidence of vaccination or medical exemption is required to enter the OKC building. For more information, please visit the WBL web site [Unit 147, Washington Bridge Unit](#).

District Six and ACBL Events:

- Congratulations to the Bao team on winning the [District Six GNT Flight A tournament](#)! Good luck in the Providence NABC this summer.
- The [“Royal” STaC](#) from 4/11/2022 to 4/17/2022 operates just like previous STaCs: Players play at face-to-face games at any [participating club](#) and section awards are won at each club while overalls are awarded across all participating clubs. To increase the overall awards, three other Districts are co-sponsoring this event with District Six. The “Royal” part refers to the color of the masterpoints. For this STaC, all points are 25% gold, 25% silver, 25% red, and 25% black. Never before has the ACBL offered such a smorgasbord of pigmented points at one time and place!
- The next monthly [District Six Wide Online Pair Game](#) is on Wednesday 4/20/2022, open to all members of the district and their guests. As before, the 199er game will start at 7:05 pm, the 999er at 7:10, and the Open at 7:15.

- April is Charity Month for the ACBL Charity Foundation, an organization dedicated to supporting local communities in all 25 districts. All in-person games played in April can be designated by the director as a charity game with upgraded black points.

Thursday's Unit Games:

- This Thursday, NVBA and WBL will have their normal weekly joint unit games on BBO with Open, Flight B (under 2500), 499er, 199er, and 0-20 sections. Congrats to those who did well in last week's [Open](#), [0-2500](#), and [499er](#) unit games!
- Pregame Lesson - Bridge pro Jeff Roman answers questions and gives online lessons each week before the Unit Games. It's a great opportunity for NVBAers to get his insight and advice! Join [Jeff Roman's Zoom Lesson](#) at 6PM!
- Jeff Roman, Alan Schwartz, and many others participate in a postgame discussion after the Unit Games. Join the [Unit Game Zoom Postgame Discussion](#) right after the Open Unit Game is over. If you need technical help with Zoom, email [Joe Hertz](#).

Miscellaneous:

- On Monday, May 2, the [Rehoboth Beach Regional](#) begins five days of in-person tournament bridge play as gold points and red points are awarded at the Rehoboth Beach Convention Center.
- Congrats to the NVBA members who recently achieved [ACBL Rank Changes](#)!
- All games listed with times in green on the [Clubs](#) page of the NVBA web site are holding in-person games that day! Anyone who is interested in an in-person game should contact the director listed in advance to confirm the game is on and to make a reservation.
- Here is the current schedule for [NVBA online games](#) on BBO.
- The NVBA Newsletter for April - June 2022 is available now [online](#).

Have fun, do your best, and let the Card Gods do the rest!

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