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## NVBA E-News - Stay at the host hotel for the Reston Regional!

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### Dear Ronald:

The [Reston Regional](#) starts on Monday 7/1 and runs through Saturday 7/6, less than one month away! See the [Reston Regional Day One Bulletin](#) for everything you need to know about the tournament. For those of you who are not local (or even if you are local), spend some nights at the host hotel!



- Turn it into a mini-vacation and enjoy two nights at the hotel and three days of bridge
- Enjoy meals out at a multitude of [Reston Town Center restaurants](#) and skip grocery shopping, cooking, and dishes
- Hang out with friends at our hospitality suite after the game is over
- Make your [reservation](#) before 6/7/24 to guarantee the block rate of \$124/night
- You would be helping District Six as we are really down in the number of rooms we need to book in order to meet our block commitments

### Let's Create a 0-20 Section at the Reston Regional

Are you a novice player, or do you know a novice player, who might like to play in a 0-20 masterpoint section at the [Reston Regional](#)? They would play for free and park in Town Center garages for free! There are few opportunities for those studying and/or playing beginning bridge to play face-to-face duplicate bridge against their peers. Novice players can try duplicate bridge while experiencing the excitement of a popular regional tournament! If we know in advance that enough players are willing to participate, the Reston Regional will have 0-20 sections within the 0-99 games on 7/2/24. If you are an interested player or you know of potential participants, please let Susan Miskura know at [smiskura@aol.com](mailto:smiskura@aol.com) or 703-447-3036. See the [Reston Regional Day One Bulletin](#) for everything new players need to know about the tournament.

### Thursday Night NVBA Unit Game

- Thank you to those who played in [last week's NVBA Unit Game](#) Grass Roots Fund game. Congratulations to Sumner Steinfeldt/Hal Hindman and Michael Miale/Pamela Yood for being the section top winners.
- This Thursday's Unit Game will be a [stratified](#) 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 [Jason Carter](#) 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.
- NVBA's [The Longest Day](#) game is at Beth El on Thursday 6/20/24 7PM. As in the past, NVBA covers entry fees and security fees. We will be collecting donations to the Alzheimer's Association (ALZ),

please be generous as you have been in the previous 12 years of the event. Everything you donate reaches ALZ through the [Bridge Heroes 2024 Team](#).

- 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

- Learn how to play bridge at the [WBL Educational Foundation bridge classes](#). In-person classes start on 6/22/24.
- Learn how to play bridge at the [ACBL Intro to Bridge](#), a new interactive online course from the American Contract Bridge League. [Online classes start on 6/10/24](#).
- Supervised Play continues to be available at [Beth El](#) on Thursday evenings! We had enough players for a full table last week where we had fun slowly going through boards and answering everyone's questions. How much fun, you ask? All said they will return this week on 6/6/24! Supervised Play is especially for
  - players moving from online-only play or informal play
  - or returning to in-person play after a long break
  - or completing a beginning-level Bridge course
  - or recommended to try supervised play by your current or most recent Bridge Teacher.
  - You are welcome to Supervised Play no matter how many Masterpoints you have. Our goal is that you leave feeling more relaxed and comfortable about the game than when you entered. We guarantee to not start any new board after 8:50PM for those who expect to finish by about 9PM. We will play on if we have at least three players who want to continue.
- Check out the 0-49 game at [SwanGames.com](#), 7:30PM Monday evenings.
- 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

- The NVBA held their most recent [Board Meeting](#) on 6/2/24. The next meeting is Sunday 7/14/24 9:30AM. For more information, contact [Joe Hertz](#).
- NVBA wants YOU! As a volunteer organization, we are seeking members who have some time to assist in the many areas we work in; some are one-time tasks, some are repeating tasks. Contact NVBA President [Georgette Weiss](#) to let her know what you have to offer, and she can direct you to where we can use you. Thanks so much for your support!
- Good luck to the NVBA players who have entered the [Washington Bridge League Round Robin league](#).
- For Black ACBL Masterpoints, and occasionally other pigments (Silver, Red, Gold), play at the [SE Carolina Club of Clubs](#). This benefits NVBA as we are a member club. [We get two dollars for each NVBA player buying an entry to this club game](#). Last month we made \$400 from our NVBA players. 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.
- There are 16 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

- [Richmond Sectional](#) - Friday 6/7 to Sunday 6/9
- [Baltimore Sectional](#) - Friday 6/7 to Sunday 6/9

- [Reston Regional](#) - Monday 7/1 to Saturday 7/6. See also the [Reston Regional Day One Bulletin](#).
- [Baltimore Regional](#) - Monday 8/19 to Sunday 8/25
- The NVBA website includes all [2024 tournaments of interest](#).

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

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