



NVBA Newsletter

January–March 2015

Northern Virginia Bridge Association

Holiday Party - Awards and Recognition

The Holiday Party is when the NVBA presents the Dave Murray award to a player who exhibits good will and good sportsmanship at all times at the bridge table as well as skill in playing the game. The 2014 winner was Vonnie Lavender. Please congratulate her if you see her at a local club game.

The Sara Goodwin award, which goes to the player(s) who played in the most

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Of Special Interest

WBL Sectional, Jan 8-11
Charlottesville REGIONAL, Jan 12-18
Bridge & Bowling, Jan 24
Wilmington, NC REGIONAL, Jan 26-Feb 1
ACBL-wide Intl Fund Game Jan 31
D6 Flt A GNT Finals, Feb 7-8, 21-22
D6 & Unit 190 STaC Feb 9-15
NVBA Sectional Feb 19-22
Wilkes-Barre REGIONAL Mar 2-8
D6 GNT Open/B/C Finals Mar 7-8
New Orleans NABC Mar 13-22

THE NVBA LOVES NEW PLAYERS!

By Ron Kral, NVBA President



"In January and February 2015 any player with less than 200 masterpoints can play in the 199er game at Beth El for just \$1!"

Are you a newer player? The Northern Virginia Bridge Association (NVBA) runs a special game for you every Thursday night at 7 PM at Beth El Congregation, 3830 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22304. If you've never played there before (or even if you have!) we'd love to see you. To encourage you to try us out, we're offering "Dollar Days" in January and February 2015. Play any Thursday night in the NVBA 199er game for ONLY ONE DOLLAR! Same masterpoints! It's a friendly game and all newer players are welcome. We'll even find you a partner! Each game is preceded by a bridge-related lecture at 6:30 PM.

The only exception to these "Dollar Days" is Feb 19, 2015, the first day of an NVBA Sectional tournament. If you play that day, you'll get a 1/2 price coupon to play in another event of that sectional from February 20-22..

Put these dates on your calendar NOW.

Hope to see you then.

-Ron

There's a new game in town!

When: Selected Fridays at 2:00 PM to 4:30 PM

Where: Shouse Community Center - 1432 Towlston Road, Vienna, VA 22182 (Near Wolftrap Performing arts center)

Who: The focus is on newer players

What: 12-15 boards with detailed analysis of several boards afterwards about bidding, play and defense

Why: Improve your game!

Ron Kral is restarting his Friday teaching game at a new location. Cost is \$15 per person per session. Bring a new person and you both play for only \$1.00. Play 5 times and you're 6th game is FREE!

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Upcoming NVBA Games & Special Events

Jan 1	CLOSED	7:00	New Year's Day
Jan 8	Beth El	7:00	WBL Sectional - Stratiflighted Pairs
Jan 15	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Unit Championship
Jan 22	Beth El	7:00	Junior Fund Game Stratiflighted Pairs
Jan 29	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Grand National Swiss Teams
Feb 5	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted Unit Championship
Feb 12	Beth El	7:00	District 6 STaC Stratified Pairs
Feb 19	Beth El	7:00	NVBA Sectional—Stratiflighted Pairs
Feb 26	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Grand National Swiss Teams
Mar 5	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Unit Championship
Mar 12	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Unit Championship
Mar 19	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted Unit Championship
Mar 26	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted Unit Championship

Stratification Limits:

All NVBA Unit Games include a separate Stratified 199er game.
 New Players and ACBL Members with 0-5 MPs play free every Thursday in all scheduled events.
Stratiflighted limits are A/X: Unlimited/3000 and B/C: 2000/500.
STaC: Unlimited/ 1500/500
 For the GNT qualifiers, the stratification is: 0-500 (NLM), 0-2500, Unlimited

Upcoming Sectionals

N V B A	February 19-22, 2015	W B L	January 8-11, 2015
	April 23-26, 2015		April 9-12, 2015
	September 24-27, 2015		July 30—August 2, 2015
	October 22-25, 2015		October 8-11, 2015

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The Jack of Hearts

by Marshall Kushner

Providence is a misnomer. The name implies an element of blessedness and founding father Roger Williams clearly thought it appropriate. I, however, beg to differ. True, I didn't get to see much of the city, and it may well be a lovely place, but it has at least one thing in common with West Texas: the wind never stops blowing. Never. By my third day there I began to suspect that Providence was the Narragansett word for wind-chill. Not only was the wind relentless but whichever direction you walked, you were walking into it. Fortunately for us, bridge is played indoors and the Rhode Island Convention Center (RICC), which housed the Fall National, was quite a nice venue. As always, the national events got the prime real estate in the ballrooms, but the exhibit halls, where the regional events were played, were also carpeted and well-lit. Hospitality was plentiful and acceptable, but some nights were better than others. Pretzel and popcorn night ranked far behind the mini-taco and ice cream sundae nights. Then there was Taste of Rhode Island night, featuring clam chowder, which was quite good, and Rhode Island stuffies, a local "delicacy" consisting of a clam and breading mixture served in a shell. Many of these found resting places in nearby waste bins. Providence has a number of good to very good restaurants, many of them located within a few blocks SE of the RICC. Since my hotel was in the same direction, I had a very limited view of the city. I missed the "world famous" Waterfire show the first Saturday. This takes place in the Providence river which runs through the heart of downtown and consists of 100 bonfires burning in braziers set in the water. I would have named it Firewater, but what do I know?



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Now—how did we do in those national events? Well, Now—how did we do in those national events? Well, NVBA members didn't win any of them, but we did have some decent showings. Margot Hennings and Cecily Kohler were 6th in the 10K Swiss while Ron Kral had the same finish in the 0-5000 Blue Ribbon Pairs. Others with national overalls were Robert Brady (LM Pairs, Open BAM, and Mini-Blues), Ai-Tai Lo (Open BAM), Monique Smith (Mini-Blues and 10K Swiss), Annie Schwartz, Margot, Cecily, Al Duncker with Ann Lindley, and Jim Wakefield with Helene Bauman (Senior Mixed Pairs), Les Powell (10K Swiss), and John Miller with Robbie Hopkins (North American Swiss). Regional wins went to Les Powell, Shiang Chen, Robbie Hopkins, Ann Atcheson, Mary Ann Kral, and Marvin Raines. Not bad for a small NABC. Actually, not so small. The final table count of 9573.5 was right on estimates.

By the time you read this it will be too late for Seasons Greetings but not so for best wishes for a happy and successful 2015 from the Jack of Hearts.



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Sources of Masterpoints

Information assembled by Jim Gerding and Kevin O'Brien

There are many various pigmentations of Masterpoints, including black, red, silver, gold, and platinum, and many levels of events in which you can earn them. They are summarized here, and Internet research or a call to ACBL can give you more information on particular events you see listed.

You are notified monthly in the ACBL Bulletin of any increases in your masterpoint totals in the various pigmentations as reported to the ACBL by club managers and tournament directors. You can also track them on your individual My ACBL page at <http://www.acbl.org>. Masterpoints earned in tournaments (Sectionals, Regionals, Sectional Tournament at Clubs/STaCs, North American Bridge Championships/NABCs) are posted as soon as the event Director-in-Charge reports them to ACBL. Masterpoints earned in games at clubs (except STaCs) are reported to ACBL by Club Directors or Managers once a month, and are all updated at ACBL by a computer run on the 6th of the month -- so if the Director or Manager (usually the same person here in NVBA-land) of each club where you won Masterpoints submitted the Club's Monthly Report in a timely fashion, all your January Masterpoints will appear on your My ACBL page on February 7, your February Masterpoints on March 7, and so on, but occasionally these reports are delayed and you won't see those points listed until the following month.

Want to know about the various pigmented points? Check out <http://www.acbl.org/masterpoints-results/masterpoint-awards-chart/>. This article does contain one omission -- you can also win Platinum Points at 0-10,000 MP events at NABCs. The Masterpoint FAQ page at <http://www.acbl.org/masterpoints-results/masterpoint-faq/> has some additional information.

Want to know where you stand among ACBL's 169,000 members? See <https://web3.acbl.org/mpholdings>, where you learn that if you have as few as FIVE Masterpoints, you rank above 23,000+ other members. Let's get closer to home, and see about the games at Sectionals and Clubs and how they award masterpoints. The ACBL formula for awarding points changed effective January 1, 2015.

The basic club game awards **Black Masterpoints**, at the Club rate.

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NVBA-sponsored events from December 2013-November 2014, went to Ken Davis and Duncan Wainwright. The NVBA greatly appreciates the support these players give to the NVBA Unit Game and Sectionals.

The NVBA wants to thank Jim Gerding for organizing the delivery of pizzas and salads from Ledo's Pizza this year, and we thank all the players who brought wonderful side dishes and desserts to accompany the pizza meal.

Happy New Year from the NVBA!



Vonnie Lavender
2014 Dave Murray
Award Winner



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Under the new masterpoint formula, the following rating system will be used:

Club Special Games - Group One = 7
Club Special Games - Group Two = 9
Unit Championships = 7
Sectionals = 11
Stacs = 9
Regionals = 14
Nationals = 22.5

The overall effect of this change is that awards at full sectionals will increase by 10% and the awards for Stacs will decrease by 10%. This was deemed necessary due to the controlled atmosphere at a true sectional with the use of duplicated boards and an ACBL TD employee. Certain club games will also be affected. The following list of club special games has been decreased from full sectional rating to 90% sectional rating:

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Climbing the Ladder

New Junior Masters

Sheila Zadd
 Betsy C Cooke
 James A Deckant
 Sharon A Douaire
 Joanne B Eakin
 Edward B Eisen
 Sondra Eisen
 George S Fleeson
 Robert A Fleming
 Brenda McCormick
 Nancy J Prolman
 James R Rank
 Margo W Tate
 Cathy Walton
 Dr Phyllis M Woodring
 Suryun Yoo

New Club Masters

James N Bexfield
 David C Butow
 Virginia Gray-Roddy
 Dawn B Jones
 Jack D McCalman
 Thomas R Moffett
 Nancy S Morrow
 Nadia Pardo
 Tami Reitan
 Barbara J Show
 Noi West

New Sectional Masters

Thomas G Bauer
 Enrica M Frost
 Ann K Hunter
 Claude M Rosenthal
 Toni Sandler

New Regional Masters

Shiang Chen
 Eleanor Linde
 Francesca E Mazarella
 John H Schoeberlein
 Julie Schoeberlein
 Lyudmila Shuller
 Nancy G Thomas
 Barbara P Walton
 Kathryn Ward-Johnson
 D M Woodworth

New NABC Masters

Dean Baird
 Marilyn K Batra
 Randolph Elkins
 John E Henderson
 Kathleen LaMarre
 Mark H Levine
 Alice C Ling

New Advanced NABC Masters

Donna Hickling
 Sharon Suttan

New Life Masters

Dr Michael E Canes
 Chieko T Franck
 Douglas P Grove
 James R Wade

New Bronze Life Masters

Stephen A Gold
 Douglas P Grove
 Dr Art Hartstein
 Hal W Jones Jr
 William E Offutt III
 Penelope B Paddock

New Silver Life Masters

Edward A Heberg
 Sara Hilgartner
 Thomas P Jennings
 Eva T Klivington
 Jean H Schoepe
 Dr Dennis K Sponholtz
 Raman H Srivastav
 Dr Joyce Wiley

New Gold Life Masters

Aquil Ahmed

Hail and Farewell

We would like to welcome the following new members into our Unit:

Susan E Austin
Amy R Brisson
Alice J Burin
Dewey Calderwood
Kendrea E Delauter
David J Delzingaro
Edna Dougherty
Gordana Earp
Carol Egan
Carol M Fink
Philip J Gloss
Pearl M Hicks
Karen Z Hoffman
Michele R Janka
Elizabeth Klass
Kathy L'Hommedien
Dr Michael J Mahar
Janice B Paty
Mary E Poole
Craig L Pritzker
Nancy S Smagala
Maureen Taylor
Frank J Wheaton

We would like to welcome the following transfers into our Unit:

Eleanor Cannon
Marian Kent
Robert C Kerr
Robert L Kutz
Evie Lichter
Hussein Ali Maarouf
Ernestine A Mahar
Jane E Marsh
Brian Martin
Aleta E McTamany
Mary D Meadows
Dr W A Metler
Wenyang Qi
Patricia A Reno
Alexander Salpeter
Gary E Scavongelli
Stephen P Silvius
Paul L Spoltore
Theresa A Tull
William H Zietz

We give our regards to the following people who have transferred out of our Unit:

Barbara L Babbitt
John Carlson
Marilyn Carlson
Joanne B Eakin
Joan S Flippin
Don F Hemenway Jr
Herb Jaffe
Nancy Linser
Geraldine Macdonald
Steven G Peglow
Andrea T Phaneuf
Sven Pride
Joanna K Rieth
Rodney G Severson
David S Shue
Brian K Sims
Margaret M Spagnuolo

We are sorry to note the passing of two of our members:

Joel Goodman
Ramsey Bordcosh

Parade of Winners

WBL NLM Sectional September 11-14, 2014

NLM Pairs @ Rockville (42 Pairs)

1 1 Toni Sandler - Eleanor Linde

Sat AM Pairs (49 Pairs)

1 Donna Hickling - Michael Corrigan

Sat Aft Pairs (40 Pairs)

2 Toni Sandler - Eleanor Linde

Sunday Swiss (21 Teams)

1 Joseph Lebaron - Adam Gann -
Blake Schwartzbach - Norman Kittrell
2/3 2 John Blackwell - Francesca Ma-
zarella - Alex Salpeter - Michael Corri-
gan

NVBA September Sensations Sectional September 18-21, 2014

Thurs AM Open Pairs (29 Pairs)

1 Betty Bursey - Candy Kuschner
2 Mike Zane - Angelo Zuccaro
1 Joan Mitchum - John Miles
2 Neal McKinney - Phillip Tseng

Thurs AM NLM Pairs (17 Pairs)

1 Kathleen Zellmer - Brian Brunsvold
2 1 Randolph Elkins - Curtis Sandler
2 Alice Ling - Nancy Thomas

Thurs Eve A/X Pairs (64 Pairs)

2 Sarah Anne Cressy - Sumner Steinfeldt
1 Susan Miskura - Dennis Schwanz

Thurs Eve B/C Pairs (48 Pairs)

2 Mary Ann Kral - Linda Burton
Mark Jones - Jay Simon
Rick Bingham - Dean Baird

Thurs 199er Pairs @ NVBA (12 Pairs)

1/2 1 Patricia Greason - Rebecca
Sekse
1/2 John Holt - Joseph Drodge
2 Susan Gruskiewicz - Patricia
Fitzgibbons

Fri AM Open Pairs (28 Pairs)

1 Ron Kral - Rebecca Duty
2 1 Jean Valentine - Janet Breed
2 Amanda Carter - Wayne
Bardsley
1 Yuen de Anda - Ron Sutter
2 Elizabeth Settle - Larry Settle

Fri AM 499er Pairs (26 Pairs)

2 Ike Oren - James Wade
2 1 Gail Wollenberg - Diane Woodworth
2 Sharon Perryman - Richard Padgett

Fri Aft A/X Pairs (25 Pairs)

2 John Miller - Robert Hopkins Jr
1 Salam Saidi - Kamel Tabbar
2 Betty Bursey - David Loken

Fri Aft B/C Pairs (26 Pairs)

2 Paul Stygar - Willis Paley Hume
2 Ramsey Bordcosh - Gretta Bordcosh

Fri Aft 499er Pairs (31 Pairs)

1 1 Pat Kibler - Donald Smith
2 2 Virginia Ivin - James Mentzer
1 Eleanor Linde - Arlene Lanter

Fri Eve Triple Nickel Swiss (24 Teams)

1/3 1 1 Daniel Morgan - John Bodgett - Joy
Oliver - David Marshall
1/3 Stephen Drodge - William Cole -
Sylvia Shi - Alexander Prairie
1/3 Helene Bauman - Richard Ferrin -
Vincent Wilmot Jr - Eugene Kales
2 2 Joe Hertz - Kimberly Ferguson -
Jerry Nolte - Elizabeth Nolte

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Fri Eve 499er Pairs (15 Pairs)

- 2 Sharon Rosendhal - Bushra Shamma

Sat AM A/X Pairs (14 Pairs)

- 2 2 Mickey Hughes - Andre L'Heureux

Sat AM 499er Pairs (20 Pairs)

- 1 1 1 James Bexfield - Ray Bostow
- 2 2 2 Janice Scavongelli - Gary Scavongelli

Sat AM 49er Pairs (6 Pairs)

- 1 Douglas Cotter - Jack McCalman
- 2 Duncan Wainwright - Joyce Wainwright

Sat Aft/Eve A/X Pairs (36 Pairs)

- 2 Helene Bauman - Jim Wakefield
- 2 Hailong Ao - Jian-Jian Wang

Sat Aft B/C Pairs (32 Pairs)

- 1 Al Sitterson - Peter Harrington

Sat Aft Side Game (14 Pairs)

- 1 1 Mickey Hughes - Andre L'Heureux
- 2 Marcia Stein - Vonnie Lavender
- 2 Robert Poriss - Eric Poskanzer

Sat Aft 499er Pairs (36 Pairs)

- 1 1 Joe Lebaron - Norman Kittrell
- 2 2 Tina Hogan - Francine Fairfax
- 1 Sandra Harding - Anita Lancaster
- 2 Susan Gruskiewicz - Patricia Fitzgibbons

Sat Aft 49er Pairs (12 Pairs)

- 2 Kathleen Parkins - Mignon Williams
- 2 Kathy Sullivan - Rebecca Pick

Sat Eve B/C Pairs (10 Pairs)

- 1 Al Sitterson - Peter Harrington
- 2 Dan Feldman - Adam Gann
- 1 Matthew Glassman - Daniel Morgan
- 2 Andrea Stanley-Miller - Eleanor Schwartz

Sat Eve 499er Pairs (12 Pairs)

- 1 Rochelle Hilton - Rachel Stadoff
- 2 1 Sandy Habertin - John Habertin
- 2 Patricia Greason - Rebecca Sekse

Sun A/X Swiss (18 Teams)

- 1 Alan Schwartz- Ai-Tai Lo - William Pettis - Alan Tenenbaum
- 2 1 John Miller - Stephen Drodge - Sylvia Shi - Alex Prairie
- 2 David Rodney - Avril Rodney - Barbara Ames - Ralph Hoffman

Sun Flt B Bkt 1 (8 Teams)

- 1 Al Stolpe - Julia Brown - Dean Baird - Carolyn Baird
- 2 Jim Gerding - Sidney Graves - Ross Bley - Martha Bley

Sun Flt B Bkt 2 (8 Teams)

- 1 Benazir Ghaussy - Bernice Hacke - Ron Sutter - Yuen De Anda
- 2 Gary Hinson - Asim Mandal - Bruce Kasold - Tom Jennings

Sun Flt B Bkt 3 (8 Teams)

- 1 Alex Salpeter - Eva Klivington - Sharon Suttin - Donna Hickling
- 2 Glenn Terrell - Dottie Terrell - Paul Setzer - Donna Setzer

Sun AM 499er Swiss (12 Teams)

- 1 1 Jeff Yutzler - David Lindley - Norman Kittrell - Eric Cassel
- 2 Jenny Shaefer - Marcia Goggans - Alice Ling - Eleanor Linde
- 2 1 Yaeko Perera - Julie Marquette - Judy Retchin - Barbara Gifford
- 2 Anita Lancaster - Sandra Harding - Carol Goldstone - Nadia Pardo

Sun Aft 499er Swiss (7 Teams)

- 1 Pat Kibler - Donald Smith - John Cook - Pat Cook

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2 Jenny Shaefer - Marcia Goggans - Alice Ling - Eleanor Linde
 1 Patricia Greason - Rebecca Sekse - Elfreda Baptist - Mary Jane Garner
 2 Cathy Walton - Howard Stevens - Brian Lamm - Joan O'Connor

WBL Sectional October 9-12, 2014

Thurs AM 0-1000 Pairs (22 Pairs)
 1 Joe Lentz - Rama Kapur

Thurs Eve Open Pairs (62 Pairs)
 2 Sumner Steinfeldt - Sarah Anne Cressy
 2 Deb Dhar - Kiyomi Shiba

Thurs Eve B/C/D Pairs (48 Pairs)
 2 Dan Feldman - Robert Rovner
 2 Tony Robson - Larry Taylor
 2 Ken Kimball - Tamara Vetter

Thurs Eve 0-200 Pairs @ NVBA (10 Pairs)
 1 1 1 John Peterson - Richard Poznanski
 2 Thomas Keslin - Carol Goldstone
 2 2 Betsy Deering - June Gladding

Fri AM A/X Pairs (10 Pairs)
 2 Silas Wasserstrom - Michael Gottesman

Fri AM B/C/D Pairs (16 Pairs)
 1 1 Barbara Hodges - Phillip Tseng

Fri Aft A/X Pairs (22 Pairs)
 2 Robert Hopkins Jr - Richard Wegman
 2 Catherine Bardsley - Fred Gramlich

Fri Eve Triple Nickel Swiss (18 Teams)

1 1 Howard Grunin - John Lowe III - Clayton Eisinger - Susie Eisinger
 2 Robert Hopkins Jr - Barry Falgout - Brad Theurer - Mark Chen
 2 Eva Klivington - Hal Jones Jr - Shiang Chen - Alexander Salpeter

Fri Eve NLM Pairs (6 Pairs)
 1/2 Robert Fleming - Michael Miyazaki

Sat AM A/X Pairs (34 Pairs)
 2 Robert Brady - Alex Prairie

Sat AM B/C/D Pairs (28 Pairs)
 2 Jeff Yutzler - Norman Kittrell

Sat Aft B/C/D Pairs (20 Pairs)
 2 Duncan Thompson - Terry Klein

Sat Aft I/N Pairs (28 Pairs)
 2 Tamara Vetter - Ken Kimball
 2/3 Anita Lancaster - Sandra Harding

Sun Eynon Trophy Teams (A/X) (15 Teams)

1 Leo LaSota - Brad Theurer - Lyle Poe Jr - David Milton - Stan Schenker
 2 Ai-Tai Lo - William Pettis - Fred King - Richard Wegman
 1 Mark Chen - Michael Gill - Noble Shore - Alex Prairie
 2 Larry Kahn - H John Edmonds - Deb Dhar - Mita Banerjee - Barbara Ames

Sun Swiss Bkt 2 (13 Teams)
 1 Joe Hertz - Peter Van Zijl - Richard Wissing - Murat Berk

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Sun AM 299er Swiss (7 Teams)

1 1 1 Alexander Salpeter - Francesca Mazarella - John Peterson - Richard Poznanski
2/3 Thomas Keslin - Eleanor Linde - Alice Ling - M Leighton

Sun Aft I/N Swiss (5 Teams)

1 1 Thomas Keslin - Eleanor Linde - Alice Ling - M Leighton

NVBA Fall Sectional October 23-26, 2014

Thurs AM Open Pairs (36 Pairs)

1 Ron Spieker - Stephen Swearingen
2 Bob Kerchner - Enid Hughes
1 John Hornbeck - Dave Tonnesen
2 Steve Rothman - John Miles
1 Benazir Ghaussy - Parwin Mahmud
2 Gretta Bordcosh - Ramsey Bordcosh

Thurs AM 499er Pairs (21 Pairs)

2 Toni Sandler - Eleanor Linde

Thurs Eve A/X Pairs (56 Pairs)

2 Jay Kelkar - Mohsin Chandna

Thurs Eve B/C Pairs (57 Pairs)

1 1 Tony Robson - Larry Taylor

Thurs 199er Pairs @ NVBA (12 Pairs)

1 1 Cordellia Scruggs - Arlene Schettler
2 Toni Sandler - Alice Ling
2 Duncan Wainwright - James Connor
1 Janice Scavongelli - Gary Scavongelli
2 Cynthia Larre - Dewey Calder-

wood

Fri AM Open Pairs (34 Pairs)

1 Bob Kerchner - Enid Hughes
2 Kevin O'Brien - Angelo Zuccaro
1 John Miles - Salam Saidi
2/3 Wayne Bardsley - Herb Schulken
2 Roy Robson - James Augustine

Fri AM NLM Pairs (28 Pairs)

1 1 1 Gordon Soper - William Lowry
2 2 Deanna Shuman - Helen Hyman
2 Susan McCarthy - Kathryn Ward-Johnson

Fri Aft A/X Pairs (32 Pairs)

2 Monique Smith - Linda Marshall
2 Shiang Chen - Dave Tonnesen

Fri Aft B/C Pairs (26 Pairs)

1 Clifford Feldman - Emerita Hayward
2 1 John Gauss - Al Stolpe
2 Tobi Bear - Susan Klaber

Fri Aft 499er Pairs (44 Pairs)

1 1 Reiko Lynch - Mary Edge
2 2 Eileen Street - David Street
1 Gordon Soper - William Lowry
2 Patti Cooksey - Betsy Rock

Fri Eve Triple Nickel Swiss (22 Teams)

1 1 Dennis Schwanz - Susan Miskura - Ross Bley - Martha Bley
2 Ken Davis - Bruce Houston - Linda Marshall - Monique Smith
2 Jerry Nolte - Elizabeth Nolte - Tony Robson - Georgette Weiss
1 Jim Gerding - Sidney Graves - David Marshall - Joy Oliver

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Fri Eve 499er Pairs (13 Pairs)

- 1 1 Eileen Street - David Street
- 2 2 1 Phyllis Schultze - Joan O'Neill
- 2 Joyce Farley - Nora Klein

Sat AM A/X Pairs (20 Pairs)

- 2 Steve Rothman - Alan Breed

Sat AM B/C Pairs (28 Pairs)

- 1 Ed Brennan - Joe Carlomagno

Sat AM 499er Pairs (24 Pairs)

- 1 Randolph Elkins - Donna Sinrud
- 2 1 Marge Amey - David Amey
- 2 Gale Rogers - Kathy Dunkerley
- 1 June Gladding - Jon Guyton

Sat AM 49er Pairs (12 Pairs)

- 1 1 Donna Sherrard - Kendrea DeLauter
- 2 2 Anita Lancaster - Nancy Oday

Sat Aft A/X Pairs (38 Pairs)

- 1 Mark Chen - Donna Rogall
- 2 Martha Lackey - Angelo Zuccaro
- Joan Mitchum - John Miles
- 2/3 Monique Smith - Merril Hirsh
- 2/3 Emerita Hayward - Kevin O'Brien

Sat Aft B/C Pairs (40 Pairs)

- 1 Nancy Hoye - Jean Marx
- 2 1 John Gauss - Carolyn Baird
- 2 Margie Mastran - Kay Rogers

Sat Aft 499er Pairs (37 Pairs)

- 1 1 William Perkey - Kermit Quick
- 1 David Lindley - Tim Rauen

Sat Aft 49er Pairs (12 Pairs)

- 2 2 Michael Beaghen - Ken Brammer
- 1 Pamela Yood - Cynthia Larre
- 2 Debra Graham - Jonathan Holland

Sat Eve Open Pairs (22 Pairs)

- 2 Richard Popper - John Miller
- Craig Olson - Michael Lawrence
- Kevin O'Brien - Shiang Chen
- 1 Adam Gann - Joe Hertz
- 2 Catherine Bardsley - Fred Gramlich

Sat Eve 499er (10 Pairs)

- 1 1 Sheila Ellis - Charles Ellis
- 2 2 Margie Mastran - Kay Rogers
- 1 Patricia Greason - Rebecca Sekse

Sun A/X Swiss (20 Teams)

- 1 Ai-Tai Lo - William Pettis - Fred King - Robert Bell
- 2 Ann Lindley - Al Duncker - Steve Schatzow - Andy Gofreed
- 2 Steve Reed - Hal Hindman - Mark Dahl - Robert Asher

Sun Flt B Bkt 1 (8 Teams)

- 1 George Parkins - Paul Block - Ann Atcheson - M. David Jackson
- 2 Carolyn Baird - Donald Brown - Julia Brown - Dave Tonnesen

Sun Flt B Bkt 2 (10 Teams)

- 1 Alan Munro - Bud Morgan - Leon Fastovsky - Bill Murphy
- 2 Lynne Beresford - Eleanor Schwartz - Cathy McGarrigan - Georgette Weiss

Sun AM 499er Swiss (14 Teams)

- 1 1 1 Michael Eidi - Jean Barquin
- Sarah Watson - Samir Haddad

Sun Aft 499er Swiss (10 Teams)

- 1 Mary Krenytzky - William Leishear - Armanda Henderson - John Henderson
- 2 1 Jenny Shaefer - Eleanor Linde - M Leighton - Alice Ling

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Parade of Winners

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Mon Eve Side Game (42 Pairs)

2 Nancy Loomis - Cathy McGarrigan

Tues-Wed KO Bkt 2 (15 Teams)

1 Donald Freedman - Kim Martin - Steve Barsby - William Leishear

Wed Open Pairs (28 Pairs)

1 John Glynn - Larry O'Maley

Wed Aft Side Game (45 Pairs)

1 Lynne Beresford - Cathy McGarrigan

Wed Eve Side Game (37 Pairs)

1 1 Wayne Bardsley - Steve Reed
1 Nancy Loomis - Cathy McGarrigan

Thurs A/X Swiss (20 Teams)

2 Chuck Pecarro - Steve Rothman - Dave Tonnesen - Kevin Wilson - Mark Lavine

Thurs Flt B Swiss Bkt 4 (8 Teams)

2 Nancy Loomis - Cathy McGarrigan - Lynne Beresford - Jackie Jones

Thurs Flt B Swiss Bkt 6 (8 Teams)

2 James Gerding - Leo Rogers - Donna Hickling - Francesca Mazarella

Thurs Flt B Swiss Bkt 8 (8 Teams)

1 Patricia Preziosi - Peter Pecori - Pat Tylander - George Jones

Thurs Flt B Swiss Bkt 9 (8 Teams)

2 Donald Freedman - Carolyn Landis - Schiela Weir - William Leishear

Thurs-Fri AM Comp KO Bkt 2 (14 Teams)

1 Eleanor Schwartz - Marguerite Salah - Ruth Woods - Ann Seeboth

Fri A/X Pairs (32 Pairs)

2 John Glynn - Ellen Glynn

Fri 300/750 Gold Rush Prs (42 Pairs)

1 Donna Hickling - Francesca Mazarella

Fri Aft 299er Pairs (16 Pairs)

2 Patricia Cook - John Cook

Fri Eve Swiss (20 Teams)

2 David Zimmer - Beth Reshefsky - Jay Cherlow - Hadi Abushakra

Fri-Sat AM Comp KO Bkt 2 (9 Teams)

2 Calvin Konner - Geri Elias - Garry Grossman - Art Hartstein

Fri-Sat AM Comp KO Bkt 3 (10 Teams)

2 Judith Passerini - Teresa Hawley - Dottie Terrell - Glenn Terrell

Fri-Sat KO Bkt 1 (9 Teams)

2 Annie Schwartz - Alan Schwartz - Judy Fox - James Fox

Fri-Sat KO Bkt 2 (11 Teams)

2 John McCormick - Shiang Chen - Richard Ferrin - James Geist

Fri-Sat KO Bkt 3 (12 Teams)

1 Wayne Bardsley - Steve Reed - Catherine Bardsley - Fred Gramlich

Sat AM Swiss (17 Teams)

2 2 David Zimmer - Beth Reshefsky - Jay Cherlow - Hadi Abushakra

Sat AM 299er Pairs (12 Pairs)

2 Pat Kibler - Donald Smith

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Sat Open Pairs (28 Pairs)

- 1 Margot Hennings - Ron Spieker
- 2 Robert Brady - Dori Byrnes

Sat Gold Rush Pairs (42 Pairs)

- 2 Patricia Cook - John Cook

Sat Aft Side Game (36 Pairs)

- 2 Leo Cardillo - Kevin O'Brien

Sat Eve Swiss (16 Teams)

- 1 1 1 Melanie Manfield - Katherine Rabenstein - Eleanor Schwartz - Marguerite Salah
- 2 Dennis Sponholtz - Gerald Botkin - Ann Atcheson - George Parkins

Sun AM Side Game (8 Pairs)

- 1 Art Hartstein - Geri Elias

Sun Flt B Swiss Bkt 2 (8 Teams)

- 2/3 Wayne Bardsley - Steve Reed - Catherine Bardsley - Fred Gramlich

Sun Flt B Swiss Bkt 3 (8 Teams)

- 1 James Gerding - Francesca Mazarella - Jan Baisden - Donna Hickling

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ACBL Sanctioned with masterpoints awarded. Guaranteed partners provided.

If you wish to be notified via email, send an email to RonKral@gmail.com.
NOTE: ONLY SELECTED FRIDAYS.

The first session is January 23, 2015. Check the ACBL website under CLUBS for specific dates. The Shouse Community Center is beautiful and easy to get to from Route 7. Plenty of free parking.

NVBA Club Websites

Director	Game	Website/Contact Info
Jim Dick	Beth El—Sunday 1:00 PM	http://clubresults.acbl.org/ getClubs.php
Gene Schuyler	KOCH—Monday 10:30 AM St. Andrew's Episcopal Church - Wednesday, 10:30 AM KOCH—Friday 10:00 AM	http://www.geneschuyler.com/
Kevin O'Brien	Montebello - Monday, 7:00 PM	http://clubresults.acbl.org/ getClubs.php
Livingston Johnson	Salvation Army Fairfax—Tuesday, 10:30 AM, Open and NLM	http://clubresults.acbl.org/ getClubs.php
Candy and Marshall Kuschner	KOCH - Tuesday, 10:30 AM, Open and NLM Reston - Wednesday, 7:00 PM, Open and 299er	http://clubresults.acbl.org/ getClubs.php
Bernie Oetjen	KOCH - Monday, 7:00 PM, Open and NLM KOCH - Saturday, 1:00 PM	http://clubresults.acbl.org/ getClubs.php
Norma Pierzchala	KOCH - Thursday, 10:30 AM, 0-1500 KOCH - Saturday, 9:00 AM	http://clubresults.acbl.org/ getClubs.php
Louise Sellers	JCC of No. VA - Wednesday, 11:00 AM Vienna DBC - Thursday, 10:30 AM	http://clubresults.acbl.org/ getClubs.php
Lenore Ward	Cascade Seniors - Monday, 11:00 AM Thursday, 1:00 PM	http://clubresults.acbl.org/ getClubs.php
Yvonne Markell	Leesburg Senior Center — Friday 12:45 PM	http://clubresults.acbl.org/ getClubs.php
Clubs with No Websites		
Marilyn Golias	Bridge Club of Northern Virginia - Saturday, 7:00 PM, Sunday, 1:30 PM	Various locations in the Northern Virginia area; Tel: 703-629-8932; Email: double7nt@aol.com

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Club Appreciation Team/Pair Games
Club Membership Games
Upgraded Club Championships
Instant Matchpoint Games
NAP/GNT Club Games
ACBL-Wide Charity/Fund/Senior Pairs
World Wide Bridge Contest
GNT Fund/NABC Promotional Games

The following club special games will now be 70% of sectional rating:
Club Championships
Junior/Charity/Grass Roots/International/Education Fund Games

Where the ACBL charges clubs more to run these NAP/GNT qualifiers, worldwide games and Fund games, most clubs pass the charges on in the form of increased entry fees.

Club Appreciation **Pairs** games are held by participating clubs once in October each year and award Black Masterpoints. Club Appreciation **Team** games are held by participating clubs once in October each year, and five percent of the player's award (up to a maximum of 0.25 Masterpoints) is **GOLD Masterpoints**; the remaining 95% is **Black Masterpoints**.

District 6 (D6) NABC Fund Games are held to support the NABC during the two years prior and in the year of an NABC being held here in Washington. D6 is holding an NABC in the Nation's Capital in the summer of 2016. D6 NABC Fund games in 2015 will be held at participating clubs the week of June 22-28.

Club Membership Games are games where only ACBL members can win masterpoints (each club may run one once per year).

Upgraded Club Championships are awarded to a club when the club has recruited ten new ACBL members (no matter how long it takes).

Clubs may hold North American Pairs Club Qualifier games in June, July, and August. The masterpoints awarded at these games are **half Red** and **half Black**.

Clubs may hold Grand National Teams Club Qualifier games from September through April. The masterpoints awarded at these games are **half Red** and **half Black**.

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There are other "Special Games" held on specific dates that vary from year to year. When a club participates in such a game, they award more masterpoints, depending on the game. There's a 2015 schedule at http://www.acbl.org/clubs_page/special-events/special-events-information-for-club-managers/. Curious as to exactly how many masterpoints you can win in each of these game types? ACBL lets you know; check http://www.acbl.org/clubs_page/club-administration/resources-and-forms/masterpoint-awards-chart/ for the various Masterpoint Awards Charts.

Club Master: 20 (at least 5 black)

Sectional Master: 50 (at least 10 black and 5 silver)

Regional Master: 100 (at least 15 black, 15 silver, and 5 red or gold/platinum)

NABC Master: 200 (at least 20 black, 25 silver, and 20 red or gold/platinum, of which at least 5 must be gold/platinum)

Advanced NABC Master: 300 (at least 50 black, 50 silver, 50 red or gold/platinum, of which at least 25 must be gold/platinum)

Life Master 500: (at least 75 black, 75 silver, 100 red or gold/platinum, of which at least 50 must be gold/platinum)

Silver Life Master: A Life Master with 1000 (at least 200 silver, red, gold or platinum)**

Gold Life Master: A Life Master with 2500 (at least 500 silver, red, gold or platinum)**

Diamond Life Master: A Life Master with 5000 (at least 1000 silver, red, gold or platinum, of which at least 250 must be gold or platinum)**

Emerald Life Master: A Life Master with 7500 (at least 1500 silver, red, gold or platinum, of which at least 500 must be gold or platinum)**

Platinum Life Master: A Life Master with 10000 (at least 2000 silver, red,

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gold or platinum, of which at least 750 must be gold or platinum, with a minimum of 100 platinum)**

Grand Life Master: A Life Master with 10000 (at least 2000 silver, red, gold or platinum, of which at least 750 must be gold or platinum, with a minimum of 100 platinum)*

*This is the highest rank in the ACBL. It requires 10,000 masterpoints and one victory in a North American Bridge Championship with no upper masterpoint restriction or an Open Team Trials or its equivalent, or a Women's Team Trials or its equivalent, or any of the following WBF events: Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup, Rosenblum Cup, McConnell Cup, Open Pairs, Women's Pairs, Olympiad, Women's Team Olympiad, WBF Senior Pairs event, WBF World Swiss Teams, WBF World Mixed Teams, and WBF Senior Teams

**Each player who has attained the rank of Life Master as of December 31, 2011, will not have to fulfill the pigmented point requirements for their next rank advancement. After attaining their first rank after January 1, 2012, all players will be required to fulfill the pigmented point requirements for subsequent rank advancement. For example, a Diamond Life Master on 12/31/2011 will not have to fulfill the pigmented point requirements to attain the rank of Emerald Life Master. They would have to satisfy the pigmented point requirements for Platinum Life Master.

ACBL also recognizes outstanding performance each calendar year for holders of each rank at the beginning of the year -- see <https://web3.acbl.org/mpraces/> for a look at each of these Masterpoint races; if you have played a lot and excel among your peers, you may be on one of these lists and eligible to win the Mini-McKenney award or the Ace of Clubs award for your category of masterpoints in District 6 and/or in our Unit 218 (NVBA).

NVBA recognizes NVBA members who are Mini-McKenney and Ace of Clubs masterpoint leaders in each masterpoint category annually, and has other special awards and trophies presented to players in various categories for masterpoints accumulated in NVBA-specific events, as well as for participation and partnership/sportsmanship skills. See <http://www.nvba.org/html/awards.html> for a list of these NVBA Awards and Trophies and some of the past winners.

Grand National Teams 2014-2015

You can still qualify to win a partially subsidized trip to Chicago, Illinois at the Summer 2015 NABC. If you win, you will represent District 6 in the national finals of this grassroots competition.

The club/unit game qualification period began on September 1, 2014 and will continue until March 7, 2015. Make sure you qualify. You can go out and play as often as you want with whomever you want.

Once again, the competition contains four flights at the District level. In the Open flight all players may enter. Flight A is limited to players with 0-6000 masterpoints. Flight B is limited to players with 0-2500 masterpoints. Flight C is limited to Non-Life Masters with fewer than 500 masterpoints. Masterpoint eligibility is determined by the ACBL as of September 1, 2014. At the club level, the Open and A flights are combined.

At the District level competition, the match awards are red and the overall awards are gold (Flight C awards are 25% gold and 75% red).

You must pre-register to play in the District finals. Pre-registration ends Midnight on the Thursday, nine days before the event. We will be holding the first weekend of the District finals of Flights B and C at one northern and one southern site.

Cost of pre-registration per team is \$100. This pays for the first day (two sessions). Make checks payable to District 6 and send them to D6 GNT Coordinator: Lynn Jones, 10 Tenby Court, Timonium, MD 21093. Along with the check, please send the names of all members of your team and their ACBL numbers, your Flight, and a contact e-mail address for your team's Captain.

Any questions, please contact Lynn Jones at 410-560-3244 or bridgelynn@comcast.net.

You can find Conditions of Contest, directions to sites, and games where you can compete to qualify at www.districtsix.org.

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A Bracket (0-6000 MP)

First Weekend:

Saturday February 7, 12 Noon
 White Oak Community Center
 Sunday, February 8, 11 A.M.
 White Oak Community Center

Second Weekend

Saturday, February 21, 11 A.M.
 NVBA Sectional - Ffx Elks Lodge
 Sunday, February 22, 11A.M.
 Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge

B Bracket (0-2500MP)

First Weekend: Northern Site

Saturday, March 7, 12 Noon
 White Oak Community Center
 Sunday, March 8, 11AM
 White Oak Community Center

First Weekend: Southern Site

Charlottesville, VA
 Saturday March 7, 12 Noon
 Cavalier Inn

Sunday March 8, 11 AM
 Cavalier Inn

Second Weekend:

For all teams who have qualified

Saturday, May 2, 12 Noon
 Laurel Bridge Club

Finals

Sunday, May 3, 11AM
 Laurel Bridge Club

Open Bracket

First Weekend:

Saturday, March 7, 12Noon
 White Oak Comm. Center
 Sunday, March 8, 11A.M.
 White Oak Comm. Center

Second Weekend

Saturday, May 2, 12Noon
 Laurel Bridge Club
 Sunday, May 3, 11A.M.
 Laurel Bridge Club

C Bracket (0-500 MP)

First Weekend: North

Saturday, March 7, 12Noon
 White Oak Comm. Center

First Weekend: South

Charlottesville, VA
 Saturday, March 7, 12Noon
 Cavalier Inn

Sunday, May 3, 11AM
 Laurel Bridge Club

KENSINGTON, MD: JANUARY 8-11, 2015

NOTE! Check Start Times carefully—Some have changed!

53rd Annual

~ PRESIDENTIAL TOURNAMENT ~

at the **KENSINGTON TOWN HALL/ARMORY**
3710 Mitchell St, Kensington, MD - (except where noted)



THURSDAY, JANUARY 8

- ◆ Stratified Open (unlim/2000) or 1000/500/300 Pairs 11:15am
Rockville Duplicate Bridge Club, 301-503-3348 (Mark Lantne) NO ENTRY
St. James Episcopal Church, 11815 Seven Locks Rd., Rockville TILL 11AM
- ◆ Stratified Open Pairs (AX unlim/3000, B/C/D Separate 2000/1000/500)
(both sites); Stratified NLM Pairs (NLM/100/50) & 0-20 Pairs (Kensington
Armory only); Stratified 199er Pairs (Beth El only)
Beth El Congregation, 3830 Seminary Rd, Alexandria 7:00pm
Kensington Town Hall/Armory 7:30pm

2015...
**Cheers to a
New Year &
a New Deal!**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9

- ◆ *Stratified AX (unlim/3000) & B/C/D Pairs (2000/1000/500) (single sessions) 10:00am, 2:00pm
- ◆ **Stratified Triple Nickel Swiss Teams** (unlim/2000/750) ... **Post-Game Party!** ... 7:15pm
—5 rounds, 5 boards a round, 5 minutes a board. **with beer, wine & desserts**
- ◆ Intermediate/Notice Pairs (300/200/100/50/20) (single sessions) 10:00am, 2:00pm, 7:15pm

Panel & Party Show **SATURDAY, JANUARY 10**
to Honor New Life Masters between sessions

- Win upgraded (more) masterpoints today! \$1 additional fee supports Grass Roots events.*
- ◆ **Special! JOINT ARA/ACBL** *Stratified AX (unlim/3000) or B/C/D Pairs (2000/1000/500) 10:00am
 - ◆ *Stratified AX (unlim/3000) or B/C/D Pairs (2000/1000/500) 3:00pm
 - ◆ Intermediate/Notice Pairs (300/200/100) or Newcomer Pairs (50/20/5) (single sessions) 10:00am, 3:00pm

TEAMDAY, JANUARY 11

WBL Trophy Race Winners' Presentation

- ◆ **Bracketed Teams**, (2 session playthru w/break—**lunch available for purchase**) 11:00am & TBA
Check out this format! Each bracket of eight teams (by average masterpoints) plays all of the other
teams in its bracket! The top bracket will hold an unlimited number of teams and will play a Swiss for-
mat. Your team may choose to play up—but only into the top bracket.
 - ◆ 300/100/50 Swiss Teams, VPs (single sessions) 11:00am, 3:00pm
- ◆ **Lots of Intermediate & Notice Events with Silver Points!** ♥
Separate LN events & strata as advertised as attendance allows. (Director's discretion.)

Hospitality includes snacks, drinks, & Friday lunch & evening party. Sunday lunch available for purchase.
Chair: **Steve Schatzow**, 202-332-3729, sschatzow@tjts.com. Volunteer Coordinator: **Barbara Summers**,
301-598-5838, ljmbarb1184@aol.com; Hospitality Chair: **Mike Zane**, 301-653-1215, Mikezane@msn.com;
H.C. Emeritus: **Kitty Coltried**; Partnerships: **Barbara Doran**, 301-608-0347, barb.doran@verizon.net
*Stratified by attendance warrants—otherwise combined into Stratified Pairs (unlim/2000/500)
Stratification by avg. masterpoints of the team or pair. No individual may exceed the event's upper limit.
Directions to the Kensington Town Hall/Armory: 495 Beltway Exit 33, Connecticut Avenue North (Rt.
185N—to Kensington). 1.5 miles, right at light—Knowles Ave. 1st right at stop—Armory Ave. 1st left at
stop—to 3710 Mitchell St. & parking lot on right. Additional parking in nearby lots—see website maps.

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Mid-chart allowed in all events except LN

♣ **Fairfax, VA** ♦ **FEBRUARY 19-22, 2015** ♥

**NVBA WILLIAM POISSANT
MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT**

The Arlington/Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188
8421 Arlington Boulevard, Fairfax, VA ♦ 703-560-2213

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS (2000+/2000/750) or 500/300/100 PAIRS 10:30 a.m.
Normal's Game: K of C Hall, 5115 Little Falls Rd., Arlington, VA, 703-892-1292
Evening games at: NVBA: Beth El Hebrew Congregation, 3830 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA or
WBL: Ohr Kodesh Congregation, 8300 Meadowbrook Ln, Chevy Chase, MD NVBA (Beth El) WBL
Intermediate/Newcomer Lecture 6:30 p.m.
STRATIFLIGHTED OPEN PAIRS (A/X-3000+/3000; B/C-2000/750) .. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
NVBA 199ER PAIRS (200/100/50/20): WBL NLM PAIRS (NLM/100/50) . 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Gene's Friday Morning Game at KOCH: 9:30 a.m.
STRATIFIED OPEN (2000+/2000/750) or 500/300/100 PAIRS (NLMs only)
...REST OF TOURNAMENT AT ELKS LODGE...
Intermediate/Newcomer Lecture 1:15 p.m.
STRATIFLIGHTED A/X (3000+/3000) or B/C (2000/750) PAIRS 2 p.m.
I/N (500/300/100) or 49ER (50/20/5) PAIRS 2 p.m.
TRIPLE NICKEL SWISS—5 rounds, 5 boards, 5 minutes a board . 7:30 p.m.
I/N (500/300/100) PAIRS 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21

STRATIFLIGHTED A/X (3000+/3000) or B/C (2000/750) PAIRS 9:30 a.m.
I/N (500/300/100), 49ER (50/20) or NEWCOMER (0-5) PAIRS . 9:30 a.m.
Intermediate/Newcomer Lecture 1:15 p.m.
****ALL events on Sat. afternoon & evening award REGIONALLY RATED SILVER POINTS—an additional \$1 will be added to your entry fee to support Grass Roots events in our local area!—Details at www.nvba.org.****
TROPHY EVENT: WILLIAM POISSANT MEMORIAL PAIRS
(2 SESSIONS – Qualifying and Barometer Final) 2 & 7:30 p.m.
STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS (2000+/2000/750; Single session) 2 p.m.
I/N (500/300/100) or 49ER (50/20/5) PAIRS 2 p.m.
STRATIFIED OPEN CONSOLATION (2000+/2000/750) 7:30 p.m.
—Open to Non-Qualifiers and New Entrants.
I/N (500/300/100) PAIRS 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

FLIGHTS A/X (5000+/5000) FLIGHT A/X (5000+/5000) .. 11 a.m. & TBA
BRACKETED FLIGHT B TEAMS (no single player >2000) ... 11 a.m. & TBA
B Teams Bracketed by Total Team Masterpoints: three overall places in each.
BAM & B/C Teams: 2-session events, a brief break & food available on-site.
I/N (500/300/100) SWISS TEAMS (Single sessions) .. 11 a.m. / 3:15 p.m.
49ER (50/20/5) SWISS TEAMS (Single session) 11 a.m.

STRATIFICATION of events is based on average masterpoints of the team or pair. In any event or flight with an upper limit, no individual's total Masterpoints holding may exceed that upper limit.

DIRECTIONS: From Route 50/Arlington Boulevard heading west from DC and Arlington AND from Route 495/Belway: Continue on/Take Route 50 West about one mile outside the Belway, and turn left at Javier Road (the second stoplight after the intersection of 50 and 495). Take an immediate right onto the access road that runs parallel to Route 50. The Elks Lodge will be two buildings down on your left—parking on the side and in the rear. From Fairfax, heading East on Route 50: Pass the intersection of Route 50 and Prosperity Avenue—the Prosperity Medical Center will be on your right. Between the first and second lights after Prosperity, turn right into the access road that runs parallel to Route 50 and look for the Elks Lodge immediately to your right—parking on the far side of the building and in the rear.

Plenty of free parking! On-site snack bar plus lots of free areas! Many great restaurants nearby!

Championship Events and a Full Schedule of 299er Events for Novice and Intermediate Players! Players with 0-5 Masterpoints play FREE in ALL games!

Tournament Chair
Maryon Henning,
703-560-0245

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Mid-Chart Conventions permitted in all A/X Events

Next NVBA Sectional
Apr 23-26 at Arlington/
Fairfax Elks Lodge
(Thurs at Beth El)

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KENSINGTON, MD: MARCH 19-22, 2015



Saturday & Sunday: NEWPORT MILL MIDDLE SCHOOL
11311 Newport Mill Road, Kensington, MD 20895

Maryland Hospitality

Play for Silver!

Lunch & refreshments included Sat. & Sun.!

NLMs with fewer than 500 MPs

Thursday, March 19: OHR KODESH: 8300 Meadowbrook Ln., Silver Spring, MD
NLM Strataflighted Pairs (NLM<500/200/100 and separate 20/10/5) 7:30 pm

Friday, March 20: ROCKVILLE DBC: 11815 Seven Locks Rd., Potomac, MD
NLM Stratified Pairs (500/100/20)11:15 am

Saturday, March 21: Rest of tournament at: NEWPORT MILL MIDDLE SCHOOL
Free ½ hour lesson before each game today, by Leslie Shafer, ACBL Columnist!
NLM Strataflighted Pairs (500/200/100 and separate 50/20/10) ... 10:30 am
NLM Strataflighted Pairs (500/200/100 and separate 50/20/10) ... 2:30 pm

Sunday, March 22 (All day playbrough with lunch break)
Stratified Swiss Teams (500/200/100)10:30 am

—All events are stratified by average masterpoints, but no individual's masterpoint total may exceed the event's upper limit. Strata may be adjusted according to attendance.—

TOURNAMENT CHAIRS:

Leslie Shafer & Julie Marquette, 301-642-9197, jmarq3428@yahoo.com

PARTNERSHIPS: Jill Benson, bensonjdk@aol.com **ENTRY FEE:** \$10/session

DIRECTIONS to Newport Mill Middle School: Take the Beltway (I-495) to the Georgia Ave exit (Exit 31A, MD 97) North (towards Wheaton). Go 1.6 miles then bear left onto Viers Mill Rd. Go 1.0 miles then turn left onto Newport Mill Rd. Go 1/4 mile to school on left.

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