



Newsletter

October–December 2023

President's Message



Hello everyone,

It is definitely starting to feel like Fall! I hope the damp rainy weather will have ended by the time you read this letter. The good news is you don't have to be bored, there is always a bridge game somewhere or online.

Attendance has been steadily increasing at the NVBA Unit Game. This might have had something to do with Rusty Krauss's generous donation of wine every week. I hope that's not the only reason though. This week we will be serving pizza starting at 6:30 courtesy of Rusty. If you

are interested in playing, you can register on RSVPbridge.com or contact [Jason Carter](#), our Partnership Chair.

If you have been playing online, you've probably noticed there are no more restrictions on what game you can play in. Neither NVBA nor WBL are hosting an online game anymore. Both units play face-to-face weekly on Thursday nights.

Our next NVBA Board meeting is Sunday, October 8, if you would like to attend. We will meet over Zoom. [Send Joe Hertz an email to get the link.](#)

NVBA is holding a sectional October 12-15 at the Fairfax Elks Lodge. I hope everyone is making plans to attend. The Sectional starts on Thursday evening at Beth El and continues on Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Elks Lodge. We will be selling sandwiches on Saturday between the first and second sessions and on Sunday halfway through the team game. As

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Parade of Winners

Chicago, IL NABC
July 12-23, 2023

SHEINWOLD GNT Flight A

3/4 Huailin Chen – Jim Zhong – Weizhong Bao – Jian-Ping Chen

Sun Top Flight Swiss Teams (84 Teams)

2/3 Huailin Chen – Jim Zhong – Weizhong Bao – Jian-Ping Chen

Sun Fast Pairs (60 Pairs)

2 Ken Hopke – Phil Feldman

Sun Aft 299er Pairs (26 Pairs)

1 Susan Austin – Micky Goldstein

George Jacob Bracketed Teams Bkt #5 (9 Teams)

1 Colin Schloss – Alan Munro – David Goldfrank – Terry Jones

Mon Open Pairs (109 Pairs)

2 Harry Potter – James Mosley

Zeke Jabbour Memorial 0-3000 Bracketed Teams Bkt 7 (7 Teams)

2 Robert Ives – Robert Robinson – Harry Potter – James Mosley

Zeke Jabbour Memorial 0-3000 Bracketed Teams Bkt 8 (7 Teams)

2 Jason Carter – John Huffman – Jichong Chai – R Mani

Ginny and Jeff Schuett 0-3000 Bracketed Teams Bkt 5 (7 Teams)

1 Jason Carter – John Huffman – Lucy Ballard – Peter Monroe

0-6000 Mini-Spangold Teams (21 Teams)

2 Ryan Connors – Randi Adelman – Marc Sylvester – David Yoon

Thurs Fast Pairs (32 Pairs)

1 1 1 Harry Potter – James Mosley

Thurs Eve Side Game (33 Pairs)

2 2 1 Edwin Lu – Aaron Igra

Burt Lewis Bracketed Round Robin Teams Bkt #2 (7 Teams)

2 Amy Brisson – Hal Hindman – Clyde Kruskal – Rolf Swenson

Burt Lewis Bracketed Round Robin Teams Bkt #8 (9 Teams)

1 Edwin Lu – Aaron Igra – Charles Holmes – Arjan Chakravarthy

Parade of Winners (cont'd)

Baron Barclay National Youth Open Pairs (20 Pairs)

1 Jeffrey Lin – Claire Cao

Fri Gold Rush Pairs (28 Pairs)

1/2 1/2 Sheila Selker – Nancy Hunt

Paul Hamper 0-3000 Bracketed Teams Bkt 3 (7 Teams)

1 Deepak Abbhi – Ritambhar Burman – John Huffman – Jichong Chai – R Mani

WBL 91st Annual DC Championship Sectional August 3-6, 2023

Thurs AM 999er Pairs (19 Pairs)

1 1 Dee Ann Gretz – Isabelle de Zamaroczy
2 Mohammad Zaidi – Stephen Collier

Thurs Eve A/X Pairs (39 Pairs)

1 Daniel Morgan – Patrick Herbst
2 Sven Pride – David Genne

Thurs Eve B/C Pairs (18 Pairs)

1 1 1 James Mosley – Harry Potter

Fri AM A/X Pairs (17 Pairs)

2 Robbie Hopkins – Joan Lewis

Fri AM B/C/D Pairs (20 Pairs)

1 1 James Mosley – Harry Potter

Fri Aft 0-750 Pairs (14 Pairs)

1 1 1 Anne Carter – Jennifer Maggio
2 R Mani – Max Gonson

Fri AM 499er Pairs (8 Pairs)

1 1 Luanne Beutel - Nicole Swain
2 R Mani – Max Gonson

Parade of Winners (cont'd)

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Sat AM B/C/D Pairs (24 Pairs)

- 2 2 Jessie Brinkley – David Espo
- 1 James Reynolds – Charles Dunn
- 2 Michael Miale – Pam Yood

Sat AM 499er Pairs (9 Pairs)

- 1 1 1 Tim Bezanson – Ken Weems
- 2 2 2 Luanne Beutel - Nicole Swain

Sat Aft A/X Pairs (22 Pairs)

- 1/2 Stan Schenker – Greg Bright

Sat Aft B/C/D Pairs (27 Pairs)

- 2 Angela Boggs – David Rubin

Sun A/X Swiss (15 Teams)

- 2 Weizhong Bao – Hailong Ao – Bob Bell – Fred King
- 1 Rick Bingham – Mel Yudkin – Peter Van Zijl – Rolf Swenson
- 2 Rick Uhrig – Dan Koch – Ben Brill – James Berry

Sun Ft B Bkt 1 (6 Teams)

- 1 Alan Munro – Bud Morgan – Steven Fox – Stone Marc

Sun Ft B Bkt 2 (7 Teams)

- 1 Michael Miale – Pam Yood – Randolph Elkins – Harriet Lewit
- 2 Anne Carter – Jennifer Maggio – Edith Berman – Sylvia Hall

Baltimore Regional August 21-27, 2023

Mon Open Pairs (34 Pairs)

- 2 Ron Kral – Val Kovachev

Mon Gold Rush Pairs (19 Pairs)

- 2 Anne Carter – Jennifer Maggio

Chesapeake Bracketed Teams Bkt #2 (7 Teams)

- 1 Martha Bley – Ross Bley – Phyllis Morgan – Jack Smuck

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always, we need volunteers. If you would like to help at the sectional, [let Amy Brisson know](#). If you are interested in helping at next year's Reston regional [contact Marty Bley](#).

Lastly, we are planning our annual holiday party in December. The date has not yet been approved by the board, but it is tentatively set for December 14, 2023. Please plan on attending.

Just a friendly reminder, there are quite a few NVBA players who need to renew their memberships with ACBL. If you have forgotten to renew, please do so ASAP. We wouldn't want you to miss out on any of your hard earned points.

Georgette Weiss



District 6 Grand National Teams Event 2023-2024

Dates of the GNT District Finals are:

Open:

1st weekend: January 6-7, 2024 at
Viers Mill Park Building
4425 Garrett Park Rd.
Wheaton, MD 20906

2nd weekend: February 17-18, 2024 at NVBA Sectional site (Elks Lodge, Fairfax, VA)

Flight B (0-2500) On BBO

1st weekend: February 3-4, 2024

February 3: 10:45 AM on BBO

February 4: 10:45 AM on BBO

2nd weekend: March 9-10, 2024 on BBO

March 9: 10:45 AM on BBO

March 10: 10:45 AM on BBO

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District 6 Grand National Teams (GNT) Competition for 2023-2024 cont'd

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NLM Flight (0-500) on BBO

1st weekend: February 4, 2024 on BBO starting at 11 AM

2nd weekend: March 10, 2024 on BBO starting at 11 AM

The Flight A (0-6000) finals will be held online. Details are still being finalized.

Flight A (0-6000) finals on BBO

1st Weekend, March 2-3, 2024

2nd Weekend, April 13-14 2024

Winners will represent District 6 at the 2024 Summer NABC in Toronto, Canada.



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Chesapeake Bracketed Teams Bkt #4 (12 Teams)

2 Jennifer Maggio – Nancy Harrington – Sylvia Hall – Edith Berman

Choptank Bracketed Teams Bkt #1 (12 Teams)

2 Rusty Krauss – Mark Labovitz – Mark Chen – Brad Theurer

Choptank Bracketed Teams Bkt #2 (8 Teams)

1 Martha Bley – Ross Bley – Phyllis Morgan – Jack Smuck

Wed A/X Pairs (20 Pairs)

1 David Goldfrank – Raman Srivastav

Wed Mid-Flight Pairs (22 Pairs)

1 Rich Ardini – Gwen Chen

1 Jason Carter – John Huffman

Wed Gold Rush Pairs (20 Pairs)

2 2 Ann Lawrence – Rebecca Mandir

Tues-Wed Online Open Pairs (14 Pairs)

1 Weizhong Bao – Jian-Ping Chen

2 1 Nancy Smagala – Phil Articola

2 Ben Sharp – Patrick Herbst

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Hail and Farewell

We welcome the following new members into our Unit:

Badia Ayas
Virginia Bevard
Patrick Boyd
Paul E Casey
Patty Forbes
Ibrahim Hojeij
Westy T Kent
Joan K Ledebur
Ryan McEvoy
Paula J Monks
Jinlei Ni
Nina Nie
Mary Poole
Virginia D Sorkin
Mary Starner
Steven Starner

Richard Stone
Anju Vajja
Saradhi V Vajja
Elisabeth A Wessels
John Zhan

We welcome the following people who have transferred into our Unit:

Emilee G Ahern
Eugene Coppa
Jo Sue Coppa
Timothy T Fitzgibbons
Howard Langenthal
Marcia B McMahon
Pankaj Mody
J Robert Powers
Sheila Selker

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

Elfreda M Baptist
Ellen S Glynn
John N. Hudson
Bonnie W Polk

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

Al Duncker



Climbing the Ladder

New Junior Masters

Kathleen Barbour
Elisabeth Clark
Ellen E Critchfield
Carl R Devore
Elizabeth Dobrenz
Andrew S Jocksow
Edwin Lu
Kelly M McGowan
Rahul Prakash

New Club Masters

Leyla Aru
Linda G Gower
John S Machpherson
Robert H Oakley
Carlo Tomassoni

New Sectional Masters

Cynthia Baskin
Eileen Curtis
Ed Egan

New Regional Master

Phyllis R Bowman

New NABC Masters

Timothy S Bezanson
George Saile
Sharon Saile
Sheila Selker
Jim Zhong

New Life Masters

Huailin Chen
Robert Drosdzal
Susan R Drosdzal
Cathy Walton
New Bronze Life Masters
Arvind G Bhand
Randolph Elkins
John Huffman
Becky A Kilbourne

New Ruby Life Masters

Alan B Munro
Colin Schloss

New Gold Life Master

Jacob G Hornberger
Terry Jones
William I Lowry

New Diamond Life Master

Hal W Jones Jr

New Emerald Life Master

Lucy B McCoy

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Tues-Wed Online Gold Rush Pairs (16 Pairs)

- 2 Tina Doyle – Rekha Arness
- 2 1 Brian Detter – Don Beyer
- 2 Farida Mazhar – Gilda Rotman

Thurs Gold Rush Swiss Teams (16 Teams)

- 1 1 1 Fanjun Kong – Leqin Shi – Li Chen – Lewis Hutchinson
- 2/3 Ann Lawrence – Rebecca Mandir – John Gimblette – Kim Gimblette

Thurs Open Pairs (30 Pairs)

- 2 Mohammad Zaidi – Gene Schuyler

Potomac Bracketed Teams Bkt #4 (7 Teams)

- 1 John Wertman – Joia Hertz – Mark Valavanis – Jim Dickson
- 2 Jane Farthing – Sylvia Saba – Daniel Rodney – Avril Rodney

Fri Gold Rush Pairs (25 Pairs)

- 1 Luanne Beutel - Nicole Swain

Patuxent Bracketed Teams Bkt #1 (14 Teams)

- 2 Alan Schwartz – Bill Cole – Steve Robinson – Peter Boyd

Patuxent Bracketed Teams Bkt #2 (7 Teams)

- 1 Avril Rodney – Margot Hennings – Johnathan Rodney – Daniel Rodney

Patuxent Bracketed Teams Bkt #3 (7 Teams)

- 1 Peter Wise – Linda Dzilagyi – Pat Tylander – Gaye Nelson

Patuxent Bracketed Teams Bkt #4 (10 Teams)

- 2 Jichong Chai – R Mani – Edward Ty Larson – Charles Stewart

Sat Open Pairs (35 Pairs)

- 1 Ron Kral – Val Kovachev

Sun A/X Swiss (26 Teams)

- 1 Mark Chen – Brad Theurer – Michael Gill – Noble Shore
- 2 Ron Kral - Val Kovachev – Jacqueline Chang – Iulian Rotaru
- 1 Jay Chertow – Eric Branfman – Hadi Abushakra – Al Lauber

Sun 0-3000 Bracketed Teams Bkt #2 (10 Teams)

- 2 Jichong Chai – R Mani – Jim Dickson – Mark Valavanis

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