

# **District 11 Grand National Team 2017 Finals (GNT) Miami Valley Bridge Ctr 4701 Presidential Way Dayton, OH 45429**

**DIRECTIONS: Cincinnati & South:** I-75N to I-675 Exit 43 N (Columbus), to Exit 4B Kettering. Merge right onto 48/Far Hills Ave. Travel 0.9 miles to Whipp Rd.. Turn Right on Whipp, proceed 0.6 miles to Marshall Rd. Turn Left, travel 1.6 miles to E. David Rd. Turn Right on David, after 0.2 miles turn Right on Presidential Way to 4701.

**Columbus:** I 70W to Exit 44; I-675 South to Exit 7 for Wilmington Pike. Turn Right onto Wilmington and travel 1.8 miles to E. David Rd. Turn Left, then 0.7 miles to Hempstead Station Rd; Turn left, then 0.3 miles to Presidential Way. Turn Right onto Presidential Way to 4701 immediately on your left.

**Indianapolis:** I-70 E to Exit 44, I-675 South to Exit 7. (Follow above directions from Exit 7 onto Wilmington Pike).

**Motel: Holiday Inn Express** (breakfast incl): 5655 Wilmington Pike, Centerville, OH. 937-424-5757. Off Exit 7, I-675. Ask for Special Rate Code: IL6XR Bridge Strategy.

**Sat Feb 25, 2017 1:00 PM & TBA**

**All Teams Play Both Sessions Saturday**

**Sun Feb 26, 2017 10:00 AM & TBA**

**Lavish Dayton/MVBC Hospitality plus**

**Complimentary Buffet between Sessions Sunday**

**For questions, contact:**

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**& read the flyer: GNT – How It Works in District 11**

# **GNT (Grand National Teams)**

## **How it Works... in District 11**

**The GNT is an ACBL Wide “grass roots” competition that starts at the District level for Teams of 4, 5, or 6 members in 4 separate categories that will qualify to determine a National Champion in each of these categories, the Finals being held at the Summer Nationals each year:**

**Championship Flight.... Open to anyone**

**Flight A.... For team members who have < 6,000 MP's, each player**

**Flight B.... For team members who have <2,500 MP's, each player**

**Flight C.... For team members who are Non LM's with <500 MP's, each**

**(For the 2017 competition, eligibility for each Flight is based on the Master Point holding of players as of the ACBL August 2016 listing).**

**Each of the 25 Districts in ACBL will send Teams from each of the 4 Flights to compete in the National Finals at the Summer Nationals.**

**In District 11 (Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, West Virginia), the selection process for the winner in each Flight will be determined in a competition conducted at Miami Valley Bridge Center (Dayton) on February 25 & 26, 2017. Teams of 4, 5, or 6 members will face off against Teams in their own Flight to determine a winner in each Flight to represent the District at the NABC Summer Nationals, August 2017.**

**District 11 subsidizes expenses for the District 11 winners in each flight for the National competition, \$500, plus \$500.00 to each team provided the Team's home Unit matches the amount. When the home Unit commits to matching this amount, the qualifying Team(s) are thus guaranteed \$1,500.00 for expenses to the GNT National Finals. (Over)**

**The specific Conditions of Contest for the District 11 Finals in Dayton are on the [D 11 Website](#). Team selection in each Flight will be determined by a knockout (KO) format after a preliminary Round Robin, or Swiss competition. The preliminary round will be held Saturday February 25, and the KOs will be held February 26.**

**The winning Team in each Flight from the Dayton Dist 11 Finals will advance to the National Final event in Toronto, July 2017. At the Summer NABC, a preliminary Swiss Team event for the 25 Teams in each Flight will be conducted to qualify 16 Teams to play in a KO format to determine the winner (s), and National Champion, in each of the Four Flights.**

**Tom Coyle 1-17-17**