



# Reno Spring NABC Daily Bulletin

Schedule of Events & Meeting Notices (Issue 0)

Welcome to the Reno Spring North American Bridge Championships! The ACBL and District 21 want to be the first to wish you good luck at the tournament.

Here are the event locations beginning Friday, March 11:

<u>EVENT TYPE</u>	<u>HOTEL</u>	<u>ROOM LOCATION</u>
NABC+ and NABC Events	Silver Legacy	Reno Ballroom (exit Silver Legacy or Eldorado on the casino level and cross Virginia Street)
Regional Events (10 a.m. & 3 p.m.)	Silver Legacy	Silver Baron Ballroom AB (mezzanine level, across from Café Central)
Regional KOs (1 & 7:30 p.m.)	Silver Legacy	Grand Exposition Hall (lower level, down from the casino level)
Regional Pairs (1 & 7:30 p.m.)	Circus Circus	Mandalay Ballroom (lower level)
Intermediate/ Newcomer Events	Eldorado	Convention Center (lower level, formerly Crystal Ballroom)

Events on Thursday, March 10, will be held at Circus Circus in the Mandalay Ballroom, except for North American Pairs, which will be in the Silver Baron Ballroom in Silver Legacy.

Registration, Team partnerships and vendors are located on the Silver Legacy exposition level. Pair partnerships are located at Circus Circus outside of the Mandalay Ballroom.

The complete tournament schedule is included in the Restaurant Guide which is available at the Registration Desk. Maps are available to help navigate between the three hotels. See you at the bridge table!

Robert Hartman  
Chief Executive Officer



## Opening Reception

On Friday, March 11, join us after the evening session for a night of fun, food, drinks and dancing as ACBL welcomes you to the 2016 Spring NABC.

The festivities will be in the Silver Baron Ballroom in the Silver Legacy, mezzanine level.

## Team event fees

Entry fees for multi-session team events are *per person per session*.

Teams are charged the base price of the event times the *number of persons* on the team.

For example, an event with a base price of \$16 is \$64 for a team of four, \$80 for a team of five, or \$96 for a team of six.

See Friday's Daily Bulletin for a Board decision on whether this applies to Swiss Team events.

## Playing in an NABC+ pairs game? Buy your entry early!

In an effort to speed up the start of all NABC+ pairs events – which requires time to allow for proper seeding – the ACBL asks participants to please buy their entries at least 15 minutes before game time. This is especially true if you expect to be a seeded pair.

## Pre-registration required for Vanderbilt and 0–10,000 KOs

Registration for the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams is required by **6 p.m.**, Sunday, March 13.

For the 0–10,000 KO Teams, the registration deadline is 10 a.m., Monday, March 14.

Entries may be purchased in the Reno Ballroom in Silver Legacy.

## SCHEDULE

Event	Session	Entry/player/session Members*	Others
Wednesday, March 9, 1 & 7:30 p.m.			
<b>NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS, FLIGHT A</b>	1-2 Qual.	No fee	—
<i>Pre-qualification required. Two-session final on Thursday.</i>			
Silver Baron Ballroom AB, Silver Legacy (mezzanine level)			
Thursday, March 10, 1 p.m.			
International Fund Stratified Open Pairs	single	\$15	\$19
Int'l Fund Stratified 299er/199er/99er/49er Pairs	single	\$15	\$19
Int'l Fund Stratified 0–20 & 0–5 Pairs	single	\$15	\$15
Mandalay Ballroom, Circus Circus			
Thursday, March 10, 1 & 7:30 p.m.			
<b>NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS, FLIGHT A</b>	1-2 Final	No fee	—
Silver Baron Ballroom AB, Silver Legacy (mezzanine level)			
Thursday, March 10, 7:30 p.m.			
Educational Foundation Bracketed KO Teams	1st	\$20	\$20
<i>Continues Friday–Saturday at 9 a.m.</i>			
Educational Foundation Stratified Open Pairs	single	\$20	\$20
Educational Foundation Stratified 299er Pairs	single	\$20	\$20
Mandalay Ballroom, Circus Circus			
Friday, March 11, 9 a.m.			
<b>0–5 Newcomer Pairs play free today!</b>			
Educational Foundation Bracketed KO Teams	2nd	\$16	\$20
Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series	single	\$16	\$20
Friday, March 11, 10 a.m.			
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	\$15	\$19
0–20 Pairs	single	\$15	\$15
0–5 Pairs	single	Free	Free
Friday, March 11, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.			
Strati-flighted Daylight A/B/C Open Pairs	1–2	\$16	\$20
Daylight Gold Rush 750/500/200 Pairs	1–2	\$16	\$20

\* ACBL Members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.

\*\* For NABC+ events, \$1.50 per person per session benefits the International Fund.

**BOLD, UPPER CASE** = NABC+ events (Platinum/Gold)

UPPER CASE = NABC events (Platinum/Gold/Red)

Green = Regional events (Gold & Red points)

Blue = Gold Rush Pairs (Gold & Red points)

Red = Intermediate/Newcomer events (Red points)

Friday, March 11, 1 p.m.

Friday-Saturday Side Game Series	single	\$16	\$20
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Friday, March 11, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

<b>KAY PLATINUM PAIRS</b>	1–2 Qual.	\$20**	—
<i>2 qualifying, 2 semifinal and 2 final sessions. Pre-qualification required in one of three ways: players must have earned at least 50 Platinum points in the last three years OR must have earned at least 200 Platinum points lifetime OR must be a Platinum or Grand Life Master.</i>			
<b>LEBHAR IMP PAIRS</b>	1–2 Qual.	\$20**	—
<i>2 qualifying, 2 final sessions</i>			
<b>0–10,000 SWISS TEAMS</b>	1–2 Qual.	\$17	—
<i>2 qualifying, 2 final sessions. No player with more than 10,000 MPs. 10% Platinum points for overall placings (10 Platinum points maximum).</i>			
Stratified Open Pairs/3000/1500)	1–2	\$16	\$20
Friday-Saturday Bracketed KO Teams	1–2	\$16	\$20

Friday, March 11, 3 p.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	\$15	\$19
0–20 Pairs	single	\$15	\$15
0–5 Pairs	single	Free	Free

Friday, March 11, 7:30 p.m.

Stratified Side Swiss Teams	single	\$15	\$19
Friday-Saturday Side Game Series	single	\$16	\$20
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	\$15	\$19
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	\$15	\$19
0–20 Pairs	single	\$15	\$15
0–5 Pairs	single	Free	Free

**Entry Fees**

Players must be ACBL members whose service fees or dues are current in order to compete in any of the following NABC+ events: **Kay Platinum Pairs, Lebhar IMP Pairs, Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs, Vanderbilt Knockout Teams, Rockwell Mixed Pairs, Silodor Open Pairs, Smith Life Master Women’s Pairs, NABC+ Fast Pairs, Jacoby Open Swiss Teams and the Machlin Women’s Swiss Teams.**

The entry fees for these contests are \$20 per player per session. (NOTE: This means \$80 per team per session for four-person teams, \$100 per team per session for five-person teams, and \$120 per team per session for six-person teams.)

For NABC+ events where screens are in use, the entry fee is \$30 per player per session. *\$1.50 per person per session benefits the International Fund.*

Players must also be current ACBL members to play in the **0–10,000 Swiss Teams** and the **0–10,000 Knockout Teams**. The entry fee is \$17 per player per session. For the KO, this means \$68 per team per session for teams of four, \$85 per team per session for teams of five, and \$102 per team per session for teams of six. For the Swiss, fee policy is pending.

See Friday’s Daily Bulletin for a Board decision on whether the per-player fee applies to Swiss Team events.

Regional championships are \$16 per player per session for ACBL members, \$20 for non-members. For multi-session team events, the entry fee is \$64, \$80 or \$96 for teams of four, five or six, respectively.

Other events are \$15 per player per session for ACBL members, \$19 for non-members. (There is no entry fee for any flight of North American Pairs.)

## Welcome Intermediate/Newcomer Players to Reno!

Intermediate/Newcomer (I/N) games will begin at 10 a.m., 3 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. on most days. All I/N games will be held at the **Eldorado Convention Center**.

The **I/N Partnership Desk** will guarantee you a partner if you sign up one hour prior to game time.

Don't forget to pick up your **registration gift**.

**Celebrity bridge speakers** will give free mini-lessons at 9:15 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. on most days in the Eldorado Convention Center.

On Friday, March 11, Bridge Bulletin columnist Jerry Helms will present "Splinter Raises" at 9:15. At 6:45, Audrey Grant, one of the best known teachers in the world, will present "The Oldest Maxim."

Players with 0–5 masterpoints can play **free** in the 0–5 Newcomer games on Friday, March 11.

Don't miss the **free two-hour lessons** by renowned ACBL teachers (**10 a.m. to noon**) in the **Silver Baron Ballroom CDE** (mezzanine level) in **Silver Legacy**:

- Saturday, March 12 Jerry Helms
- Sunday, March 13 Audrey Grant

**Learn Bridge in a Day?** Yes! Let Patty Tucker show you how on Sunday, March 13, from 1–6 p.m. Fee: \$20. In the **Silver Baron Ballroom CDE** in **Silver Legacy**.

**Entry fee special:** Players with 0–100 MPs who buy a regular-price entry March 11–13 will receive a half-priced entry for games held March 18–20.

### Seminars & Meetings in Reno

#### Club & Cruise Director Course

Tuesday, March 8 1–10 p.m.  
Wednesday, March 9 9 a.m.–10 p.m.  
Thursday, March 10 9 a.m.–noon

**Baron 6, Silver Legacy**

#### Club and Teacher Reception

A thank-you reception for all ACBL club managers, teachers and club directors.  
Friday, March 11 4:30–6:30 p.m.  
**Silver Baron Ballroom CDE**

#### Teacher Accreditation Program

Thursday, March 10 1–5 p.m.  
Friday, March 11 8:30 a.m.–noon  
Saturday, March 12 8:30 a.m.–noon

**Baron 4, Silver Legacy**

### Electronic device policy

The electronic device policy at NABCs allows players to bring electronic devices such as cell phones into the playing area provided that such devices are **turned off**. Further, any such equipment **must not be visible** during the session.

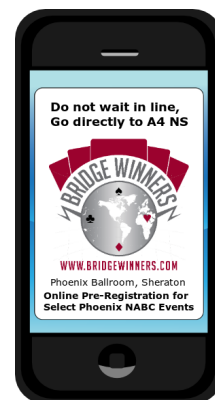
A violation of the policy will result in an **automatic disciplinary penalty** of one full board (or 12 IMPs at that form of scoring) for the first offense. A second offense will result in disqualification from the event.

### Buy your NABC entry online

Don't wait in line! Buy your entries in advance for all national-level events in Reno at **www.BridgeWinners.com**.

Entries must be purchased by 10 a.m. the day of the event **EXCEPT** for events that require pre-registration, in which case the ACBL deadline applies.

A nice feature: You can buy entries in advance and be charged for the total number of sessions played *after* the event is over.



### Senior events notice

To be eligible to play in Senior events, players must have been born before Jan. 1, 1959.

### Non-members pay more

The entry fee for non-members is \$4 more *per session* compared to current ACBL members (except in 0–20 events). Join now!