



2019 SUMMER NABC DAILY BULLETIN Schedule of Events & Meetings Issue 0

Welcome to the Las Vegas NABC! The American Contract Bridge League and District 17 want to be the first to wish you good luck at the tournament.

Join us for the Opening Reception on Friday, July 19. See right for details.

Please check the Daily Bulletin (online or in print) for the most up-to-date schedule information. All events, including meetings and lessons, are at The Cosmopolitan, with all bridge play on the third and fourth floors.

On Wednesday, July 17, all bridge play will be in the Gracia Ballroom, Level 3. On Thursday, July 18, play will be in the Gracia, Brera and Nolita ballrooms.

Here is an overview of event locations beginning Friday, July 19:

- NABC+ and NABC Events - Gracia Ballroom, Level 3
Regional Teams (1 & 7:30 p.m.) - Belmont 2, Level 4
Regional Pairs (1 & 7:30 p.m.) - Belmont 3, Level 4
Regional Events (10 a.m. & 3 p.m.) - Nolita Ballroom, Level 4
Daylight Gold Rush Events (10 a.m. & 3 p.m.) - Belmont 5, Level 4
Intermediate/Newcomer Events (I/N) - Brera 2, Level 3

The complete tournament schedule is included in the Restaurant Guide, which is available at the Welcome Desk. The Welcome, Prizes and Information desks, as well as the vendors, are located on the fourth floor. The Partnership Desk is on the third floor.



See you at the bridge table!



Joseph Jones Executive Director



On Friday, July 19, join us after the evening session for a night of fun, food, drinks and dancing. It will be on the fourth floor of The Cosmopolitan in the Belmont Commons.

The Sergeant Peppers Beatles Tribute Band will entertain us with an unforgettable fun time and very entertaining show. Dance the night away with Beatles music all night long.

HOSPITALITY

Please enjoy late night hospitality after evening sessions July 20-27, from refreshing ice cream to favorite treats that everyone will enjoy. Check the Daily Bulletin for details.

MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED

A valid ACBL player number is required to play in all events at the NABC. Along with one-year and three-year memberships, 30-day trial memberships are available to new members for \$7.99.

Temporary and regular memberships can be purchased from Tournament Operations on Level 4 or the Check-Cashing Desk.

PRE-REGISTRATION

REQUIRED FOR SPINGOLD, MINI-SPINGOLD KOs

Registration for the Spingold KO Teams is required by 5 p.m. Sunday, July 21. For the Mini-Spingolds, the deadline is 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 23. Entries may be purchased in the Gracia Ballroom on Level 3.

PARKING

Parking is free for registered guests at The Cosmopolitan. For others, parking is \$15 per day for self-parking or \$20 per day for valet, or \$10 and \$15 for up to four hours. At Planet Hollywood, parking is free for everyone.

## Wednesday, July 17

All Wednesday events are in the Gracia Ballroom, Level 3.

### 1 & 7:30 p.m.

#### EVENT

#### SESSION

Entry/player/ session	
Current members*	Inactive members

EVENT	SESSION	Current members*	Inactive members
<b>MOREHEAD GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS (CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT)</b>	1-2 Q	\$30**	—
Goldman Grand National Teams (Flight A)	1-2 Q	NA	—
Sheinwold Grand National Teams (Flight B)	1-2 Q	NA	—
Mac Nab Grand National Teams (Flight C)	1-2 Q	NA	—

*All GNTs: Two-session Swiss qualifying, followed by all-day KO matches. Pre-qualification required.*

## Thursday, July 18

Most Thursday events are in the Gracia Ballroom, Level 3. All GNTs are in the Nolita Ballroom, Level 4. All 299er events are in Brera 2, Level 3.

### 1 p.m.

International Fund Stratified Open Pairs <i>(unl./3000/750)</i>	single	\$20	\$24
International Fund Stratified Swiss Teams <i>(unl./3000/750)</i>	single	\$20	\$24
International Fund Stratified 299er Pairs	single	\$15	\$19

### 1 & 7:30 p.m.

<b>MOREHEAD GNT (CHAMP. FLIGHT)</b>	Rd. 2	\$30**	—
Grand National Teams (Flights A, B & C)	Rd. 2	NA	—
<i>All GNTs: Knockout matches continue through Sunday.</i>			
A/X Open Pairs <i>(unl./6000)</i>	1-2	\$20	\$24
B/C Open Pairs <i>(3000/1500)</i>	1-2	\$20	\$24
Gold Rush Pairs <i>(750/300/200)</i>	1-2	\$20	\$24

### 7:30 p.m.

<b>Educational Foundation KO Teams</b>	1st	\$20	\$20
<i>Continues Friday at 1 &amp; 7:30 p.m.</i>			
Educational Foundation Open Pairs <i>(unl./3000/750)</i>	single	\$20	\$20
Educational Foundation Stratified 299er Pairs	single	\$20	\$20

*Stratification is based on averaging the MPs of a pair or team except in any event or flight with an upper limit, when no single player's MP total may exceed that limit. Eligibility for limited events is based on the MP total for the highest player.*

**BOLD, UPPER CASE** = NABC+ events (platinum points)  
**UPPER CASE** = NABC events (gold and/or red points)  
Green = Regional events (gold and/or red points)  
Blue = Gold Rush Pairs (gold and/or red points)  
Red = Intermediate/Newcomer events (red points)

\* ACBL members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.  
 \*\* \$1.50 per person per session benefits the International Fund.  
 \*\*\* Plus \$20 per team per session for screens.

**Friday, July 19** *0-5 Newcomer Pairs events free today!*

**9 a.m.**

Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series ( <i>unl./3000/750</i> )	1st single	\$20	\$24
Friday-Saturday Morning Compact KO Teams	1-2	\$20	\$24

**10 a.m.**

299er/199er/99er & 49er Pairs	single	\$15	\$19
0-20 Pairs	single	\$15	\$15
0-5 Newcomer Pairs	single	Free	Free

**10 a.m. & 3 p.m.**

Daylight Open Pairs ( <i>unl./3000/1500</i> )	1-2	\$20	\$24
Daylight Gold Rush Pairs ( <i>750/300/200</i> )	1-2	\$20	\$24

**Noon & 7 p.m.**

<b>MOREHEAD GNT (CHAMP. FLIGHT)</b>	Rd. 3	\$30***	—
Grand National Teams (Flights A, B & C)	Rd. 3	\$22***	—

**1 p.m.**

Friday-Sunday Side Game Series ( <i>unl./3000/750</i> )	3rd single	\$20	\$24
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**1 & 7:30 p.m.**

<b>VON ZEDTWITZ LIFE MASTER PAIRS</b>	1-2 Q	\$30**	—
Bruce LM-6000 Pairs	1-2 Q	\$22	—
Young 0-2500 Pairs	1-2 Q	\$22	—
<i>All events above: 2 qualifying, 2 semifinal &amp; 2 final sessions</i>			
Open Pairs ( <i>unl./3000/1500</i> )	1-2	\$20	\$24
Gold Rush Pairs ( <i>750/500/200</i> )	1-2	\$20	\$24
Educational Foundation Bracketed KO Teams	SF-F	\$20	\$24
Friday-Saturday KO Teams	1-2	\$20	\$24

**3 p.m.**

299er/199er/99er & 49er Pairs	single	\$15	\$19
0-20 Pairs	single	\$15	\$15
0-5 Newcomer Pairs	single	Free	Free

**7:30 p.m.**

Evening Side Swiss Teams ( <i>unl./3000/750</i> )	single	\$20	\$24
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series ( <i>unl./3000/750</i> )	4th single	\$20	\$24
299er/199er/99er & 49 Pairs	single	\$15	\$19
0-20 Pairs	single	\$15	\$15
0-5 Newcomer Pairs	single	Free	Free

**11:30 p.m.**

Zip Knockout Teams	single	\$16 / team / match	
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## ► ENTRY FEES

A valid ACBL player number is required to play in all events at the NABC.

Players must be ACBL members whose service fees or dues are current in order to compete in any of the following nationally ranked events: Grand National Teams (Championship Flight), von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs, Spingold Knockout Teams, Wagar Women's Pairs, Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams, Wernher Open Pairs, Freeman Mixed Board-A-Match Teams and the Roth Open Swiss Teams. The entry fees for these contests are **\$30** per player per session. For team events, this means \$120 per team per session for four-person teams, \$150 per team per session for five-person teams, and \$180 per team per session for six-person teams. When screens are in use, there is an additional fee of \$10 per pair or \$20 per team per session.

*Note: Only ACBL members are eligible to play in NABC+ events. \$1.50 per person per session benefits the International Fund.*

Players must also be current ACBL members to play in the Grand National Teams (Flights A, B & C), the 0–6000 and 0–2500 Mini-Spingold Knockouts, the 0–10,000 NABC Pairs, the 0–10,000 Mixed Swiss Teams, the Bruce LM–6000 Pairs, the Young 0–2500 Pairs and the Bean Red Ribbon Pairs. The entry fee is **\$22** per player per session. For the team events, this means \$88 per team per session for teams of four, \$110 per team per session for teams of five, and \$132 per team per session for teams of six. (The GNT Flights A, B & C have no fee the first two days of the contest.) When screens are in use, there is an additional fee of \$10 per pair or \$20 per team per session.

Regional events are **\$20** per player per session for ACBL members, and \$24 for lapsed members. For multi-session team events of three sessions or more, the entry fee is \$80, \$100 or \$120 for teams of four, five or six, respectively. For team events of one or two sessions, the entry fee is \$80 per session.

Events with a masterpoint limit of 300 or lower are **\$15** per player per session for ACBL members, \$19 for lapsed members.

## NOTICE TO PLAYERS WHO RESIDE OUTSIDE NORTH AMERICA

Participation in the von Zedtwitz or Bruce Life Master Pairs is limited to ACBL members who have achieved the rank of Life Master.

Players who reside outside North America and who do not meet this criteria, but feel they are otherwise eligible to participate, must receive a waiver prior to the commencement of the contest.

For waiver information, please see the Director-in-Charge at the selling site at least one hour prior to the commencement of the event. Please note that players who have been waived into previous Life Master Pairs do not have to re-apply.

## ► BRIDGE BUCKS, CHECK CASHING

On Thursday, July 18, the Bridge Bucks/Check Cashing Desk will be open from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Level 3 of the Cosmopolitan.

On Friday, July 19, the hours of operation will be 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; check the Daily Bulletin for location.

Players may use VISA, MasterCard, Discover and American Express to purchase Bridge Bucks. There is a \$500 limit daily on check cashing.

## ► CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED

Purchase your entries for all events at the NABC via credit card. All major credit cards are accepted wherever entries are sold. Charges will appear as ACBL Tournament Entry.



## ► WELCOME, INTERMEDIATE/ NEWCOMER PLAYERS, TO LAS VEGAS!

Starting Friday, July 19, Intermediate/Newcomer (I/N) games begin at 10 a.m., 3 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. All I/N events will be held in Brera 2 on Level 3 of The Cosmopolitan, in the Chelsea Tower.

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

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

**Celebrity bridge speakers** will give free mini-lessons at 9:15 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. on most days. On Friday, July 19, Patty Tucker will present "Help-Suit Game Tries" at 9:15. At 6:45, William Bedard will present "Cuebid Limit Raises." Check the Daily Bulletin each day for speakers.

ACBL members with 0–5 masterpoints can play **free** in the Newcomer games on Friday, July 19.

### BRIDGE-PLUS+

Don't miss these **free two-hour lessons** (10 a.m. to noon) by renowned ACBL teachers in Condesa 3 on Level 2:

- Saturday, July 20                      Barbara Seagram
- Sunday, July 21                         Audrey Grant

A special game for 0–20 players will be held immediately following these lectures (14 deals, free!).

### LEARN BRIDGE IN A DAY?

Yes! Let Patty Tucker show you how on Saturday, July 20, from 1-6 p.m. in Condesa 3 on Level 2. Fee: \$25.

### DOUBLES IN A DAY

Learn two useful doubles that come up every time you play in this workshop from Patty Tucker on Sunday, July 21, from 1-5 p.m. in Condesa 3 on Level 2. Fee: \$25.

## ► ENTRY FEE SPECIAL

Players with 0–100 masterpoints who buy a regular-price entry July 19–21 will receive a half-priced entry for games July 26–28.

## ► SEMINARS & MEETINGS

### CLUB & CRUISE DIRECTOR COURSE

Comprehensive course that prepares candidates for directing club and bridge cruise games. Anyone interested in becoming a club director or a director aboard a cruise ship is invited to participate. Study materials included. **Fee: \$50.**

Tuesday, July 16                      1–10 p.m.  
Wednesday, July 17                 9 a.m.–10 p.m.  
Thursday, July 18                     9 a.m.–noon  
**Brera 1, Level 3**

### BEST PRACTICES TEACHER WORKSHOP

Learn modern teaching techniques in this interactive course which includes hands-on experience. Pre-registration is required at [acbl.org/BPteacher](http://acbl.org/BPteacher) **Fee: \$125.**



Friday, July 19                              1–5 p.m.  
Saturday–Sunday, July 20–21      8 a.m.–noon  
Assessments Monday–Tuesday, July 22–23  
Friday only: **Mont-Royal 1, Level 4**  
All other days: **Condesa 5, Level 2**  
Check Daily Bulletin for latest information.

### CLUB AND TEACHER RECEPTION

This is the ACBL's "thank you" reception for the teachers and club officials who work so hard to recruit and retain our members. All teachers, club directors, managers and owners are welcome. **Free.**

Friday, July 19                              4:30–6 p.m.  
**Condesa 3, Level 2**

## ► HALL OF FAME CEREMONY

Award recipients will be inducted into the ACBL Hall of Fame in a ceremony on Thursday, July 18, at 5 p.m. Advance reservations required. Doors open at 4:30.

**Brera 5, Level 3**



## ▶ GET RESULTS BY EMAIL/TEXT

Want to be notified when results and the Daily Bulletins from the NABC are posted online? Want to see your results in the events you played in? ACBL Live does just that.

With the ACBL Live notification system, you will receive emails and/or text messages after each session with links that go directly to the information you're looking for.

The email/text message will contain your score for the session and a link to your results. (These results are also available on your MyResults page at MyACBL.)

Players will also receive a notification to indicate when the Daily Bulletin for that day is available.

This service is automatic for members unless they have specifically opted out. To receive text messages, go to MyACBL at [acbl.org](http://acbl.org) and select Update My Information to enter your email address and/or cell phone number.

Also at MyACBL, visit the Privacy Settings tab to make sure you've selected the Subscribe setting for General Email Communication and Cell Phone Text Communication to receive these notifications.

## ▶ SENIOR EVENTS NOTICE

To be eligible to play in Senior events, players must be age 60 or older.

## ▶ ALERTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

When using bidding boxes, players must tap the Alert strip and say "Alert" at the same time.

When making an Announcement, use the Announcement word — such as "transfer" — and tap the Alert strip at the same time.

A player who Alerts or Announces a bid should make sure his opponents are aware that an Alert or Announcement has been made.

## ▶ CONVENTION CARDS

Each player must have an ACBL convention card filled out and on the table. Please note that other types of convention cards, such as the WBF convention card or homemade cards that do not sufficiently resemble the ACBL convention card, are not acceptable substitutes.

## ▶ NEED TO JOIN OR RENEW?

Due to laws preventing ACBL staff from manually recording credit card data, we ask that you renew or reinstate your membership online at [acbl.org/join](http://acbl.org/join), or call 800-264-2743.

## ▶ BUY EARLY FOR NABC+ PAIRS

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

## ▶ ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

The ACBL's electronic device policy 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.

## ▶ MONITORING NOTICE

At all North American Bridge Championships, ACBL monitors NABC+ events with visible, real-time cameras. The images will be recorded and will be available for later official inspection and review.

By general monitoring of the session and participants' behavior, ACBL has another source of information that may be useful in determining facts and settling issues arising from some types of ethical and behavioral complaints or actions.

## ▶ BUY YOUR ENTRY ONLINE

Don't wait in line! Buy your entries in advance for all national-level events at **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, or the earlier of the two, 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.

