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Pittsburgh Pre-Bulletin

Welcome to the PNC 2005 Spring North American Bridge Championships in Pittsburgh PA. Here's a look at tournament events and activities taking place Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. All events will be played at the David Lawrence Convention Center here in Pittsburgh.

* Strat breaks for all stratified events are: A (1500+), B (500-1500), C (0-500).

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

Wednesday, March 9, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

			Entry/player/ses	sion				
Event	Session	Sold	ACBL members**	Others				
Baldwin North American Pairs – Flight A	1–2	Rooms 319 – 321	\$16.50	N/A				
Pre-Qualification Required — continues Thursday								
Thursday, March 10, 1 p.m.								
International Fund Stratified Open Pairs	single	Rooms 319 – 321	\$14	\$16				
International Fund 299er Stratified Pairs	single	Rooms 319 – 321	\$14	\$16				
Thursday, March 10, 1 & 7:30 p.m.								
Baldwin North American Pairs – Flight A	3–4	Rooms 319 – 321	\$16.50	N/A				
Thursday, March 10, 7:30 p.m.								
ACBL Educational Foundation	-	_						
Bracketed KO Teams	1st	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$20	\$20				
(continues Fri–Sat–Sun @ 9 a.m.)								
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Stratified Open Pairs	single	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$20	\$20				
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299er Stratified Pairs	single	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$20	\$20				
Friday, March 11, 9 a.m. – → Peter Mollemet Day								
ACBL Educational Foundation								
Bracketed KO Teams	2nd	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$14	\$16				
Jim Shaw Morning Side Game Series I	single	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$14	\$16				
(continues Sat & Sun @ 9 a.m.)								
The Grille on Seventh Stratified 299er Pairs	single	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$13	\$15				
Friday, March 11, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.								
Stratified Senior Pairs	1–2	Rooms 408 – 412	\$14	\$16				

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Friday, March 11, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

			Entry/player/session					
Event	Session	Sold	ACBL members**	Others				
Silodor Open Pairs I	1–2 Q	Rooms 301 – 318	\$16.50	N/A				
(2 Qualifying, 2 Final Sessions)								
Pittsburgh Pirates Stratified Open Pairs	1–2	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$14	\$16				
Howard Lebow Bracketed KO Teams I (continues Saturday)	1–2	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$14	\$16				
Friday-Saturday Side Game Series	1st single session	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$14	\$16				
Len Picone 299er, 199er, 99er and 49er Pairs	single	Rooms 319 – 321	\$13	\$15				
Len Picone 0–20 Pairs	single	Rooms 319 – 321	\$13	\$13				
Len Picone 0–5 Newcomer Pairs	single	Rooms 319 – 321	Free!	Free!				
Friday, March 11, 7:30 p.m.								
Dave Shenefiel Swiss Teams	single	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$13	\$15				
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Rooms 319 – 321	\$13	\$15				
Friday-Saturday Side Game Series	2nd single session	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$14	\$16				
Len Picone 299er, 199er, 99er and 49er Pairs	single	Rooms 319 – 321	\$13	\$15				
Len Picone 0–20 Pairs	single	Rooms 319 – 321	\$13	\$13				
Len Picone 0–5 Newcomer Pairs	single	Rooms 319 – 321	Free!	Free!				
Friday, March 11, 11:30 p.m.								
Peter Mollemet Zip Swiss Teams	single	Rooms 319 – 321	\$13	\$15				

Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Schedule

Thursday, March 10	6:45 p.m.	John Herrmann	Weak Two Bids	3rd Floor Ballroom
Friday, March 11	12:15 p.m.	Jerry Helms	Jerry-isms	Rooms 319 – 321
	6:45 p.m.	Larry Cohen	The Real Deal	Rooms 319 – 321

Defenders, 2004 Spring NABC

Baldwin North American Pairs, Flight A

Henry Lortz, Wayne Ohlrich

Golder North American Pairs, Flight B

Jim Alison, Dayn Beam

President's Cup North American Pairs, Flight C

Daniel Wilderman, Ryan Connors

Silodor Open Pairs I

Larry Cohen, David Berkowitz

Lebhar IMP Pairs

Jiang Gu, Nikolay Demirev

Whitehead Women's Pairs

Amalya Kearse, Jacqui Mitchell

Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs

Joe Godefrin, Ed Schulte

Bean Red Ribbon Pairs

Jacob Morgan, Marty Harris

Rockwell Mixed Pairs

Peggy Kaplan, Bill Kent

Jacoby Open Swiss Teams

Jacek Pszczola, Michal Kwiecien,

Piotr Gawrys, Sam Lev,

Michael Polowan, Chris Willenken

Vanderbilt Knockout Teams

George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin

Machlin Women's Swiss Teams

JoAnn Sprung, Kathleen Sulgrove, Peggy Sutherlin, Karen Allison

NABC 49er Pairs

Candace Carlton, Terry Carlton

Mott-Smith Trophy

Fulvio Fantoni, Claudio Nunes

Entries

All North American championships with no upper masterpoint limitation — \$16.50 (Note: only ACBL members are eligible to play in NABC+ events.)

Other North American championships — \$15 (Note: only ACBL members are eligible to play in these events.)

Regional championships — \$14 for ACBL members, \$16 for all others

All other events — \$13 for ACBL members, \$15 for all others

March 10 – 20

NABC SEMINAR SCHEDULE

Tuesday — Thursday, March 8–10

Club Director Course with Priscilla Smith

Comprehensive course that prepares candidates for directing club and bridge cruise games.

Registration is \$100 at the door and includes instruction, study materials and the exam.

Times: 1–10 p.m. Tuesday with a dinner break; 9 a.m.–10 p.m. Wednesday with lunch and dinner breaks; 9 a.m.–noon Thursday followed by lunch break and testing.

Location: Cambria Room, Westin Hotel.

Thursday and Friday, March 10 and 11

Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP) with Donna Compton

The ACBL's popular 10-hour seminar for people interested in learning how to teach bridge successfully. \$125 fee.

Times: 1-5 p.m. and 7-10 p.m. Thursday;

9 a.m.-noon Friday.

Location: Butler Room, Westin Hotel.

Better Bridge Accredited Teacher Course

Teri Atkinson will show you a new way to introduce bridge to the absolute beginner and make your students comfortable at duplicate and Internet games. Earn your Better Bridge Accreditation with this nine-hour course. \$125 fee (\$25 for TAP-accredited teachers).

Times: 2-5 p.m. and 7-10 p.m. Thursday;

9 a.m.-noon Friday.

Location: Rooms 401 – 402, Convention Center.

Friday, March 11

School Bridge Lesson Program

Join Charlotte Blaiss, Director of Junior Activities, and Julie Greenberg, Director of Education, for an informative session on teaching in schools and the school program funded by ACBL and the ACBL Educational Foundation.

Time: 10 a.m.—noon.

Location: Somerset West, Westin Hotel.

Reception for Teachers and Club Officials

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 are welcome, along with club directors, managers and owners.

Time: 4:30—6 p.m.

Location: Westmoreland Room, Westin Hotel.

■ Pittsburgh NABC Hotel Shuttle Service

Thursday, March 10

Departure from the main entrance of the Omni William Penn to the East Lobby entrance of the David Lawrence Convention Center every 15 minutes beginning at 6 p.m. until midnight.

Friday, March 11 - Saturday, March 19

Departure from the main entrance of the Omni William Penn to the East Lobby entrance of the David Lawrence Convention Center every 15 minutes beginning at 8:30 a.m. until 12 midnight. More frequent departures between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Sunday, March 20

Departure from the main entrance of the Omni William Penn to the East Lobby entrance of the David Lawrence Convention Center every 15 minutes from 9 a.m. until 11:30 p.m.

Round trips from/to the Omni William Penn will take 15 minutes or less. Returns from the Convention Center will run every 15 minutes at :10, :25, :40 and :55 past the hour.

■ Parking Information

Convention Center Parking is \$10 daily with no ins and outs. Remember that the Pittsburgh Home and Garden Show will be in the Convention Center through Sunday, March 13, so give yourself plenty of time to find a spot.

Parking in the lot at 11th and Smallman is \$7 a day. 11th is the street just east of the Convention Center. There is a lot at 15th and Smallman, priced at \$5 a day. Your Pittsburgh host committee is providing a parking shuttle from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. and from 4:30 p.m. until midnight each day during the NABC. These lots require payment upon entrance. If you are parking for more than one day, please advise the attendant and pay the entire fee upon entering the lot. The lots are attended until midnight during the week and until 1 a.m. on the weekend. Cars may depart the lot at any time of day.

If you choose to park at the Westin, self-parking is \$20 up to 24 hours with no in/out privileges. Valet parking is \$22 for eight to 24 hours.

■ Pittsburgh NABC Parking Shuttle Service

Shuttle service will be provided from the open air parking lot at 15th and Smallman Streets. Departures every 10 minutes from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. to midnight. Parking shuttle service will also be provided from 6 p.m. to midnight on Thursday, March 10.

Tournament registration hours for Thursday, March 10, are 5 to 7:15 p.m. Registration will be located on the 3rd floor of the Convention Center, near the Grand Ballroom.

