To: Club Managers
From: Patty Johnson
Re: Silverpoint Sectional (STAC),
Date: December 3-9, 2012
Participating districts/units: Unit 128
Sanction # ST **1212030**
Hand Records: (yes/no) Yes

STAC Conditions of Contest
IMPORTANT

Club Managers must pre-register at the ACBL website prior to conducting a Stac Game. The website will only accept the ACBL number of the club manager.

A. Types of Games Allowed

1. Stratified Open Pairs — combined for overall awards (see masterpoint limits below).

2. Stratified Swiss Teams — Swiss Team overall awards are based only on the entry at each individual site.

3. Novice, 99er, 199er or 299er Games or any Intermediate Novice Game.

4. Invitational Games – use same limits as for open pairs, will be combined for overall ranking **.**

B. Participating Club Rules

1. Any club within the area of participation noted above may hold a STAC game in lieu of its regularly scheduled club game. Additional games may be held, as noted above.

2. The ACBL General Convention Chart will be used. Conventions and systems not allowed by the General Convention Chart will not be allowed.

3. Invitational games will be scored and ranked as sectionally rated Championship events with 1 restriction unless these games are opened to all players and advertised as such.

4. Limited masterpoint games will be scored and ranked alone unless a like limited masterpoint game is held at one or more other STAC sites. In this case, these games will be scored together for overall rankings and masterpoint awards.

5. Non-playing directors are encouraged but not required for games with no more than one section of 17 tables or less. **Non-playing directors are required in games larger than 17 tables or with two or more sections.**

6. If hand records are used you must download them from ACBL's web site.

7. Each club must report its results to the DIC, **within 24** hours from the end of the game (12 hours for the final session).

NOTE: PLEASE READ THIS: Club games not reported within the 24 hour time limit will be scored, ranked, and issued masterpoints as a sectionally rated side game and will not be included in the Overall Awards. Any game not reported within 12 hours of the final session will be returned to the club to be rescored as a club game.

A club must post a copy of the recap for inspection at the end of each session.

Reporting will be by e-mail attachment of the game file. Reporting procedures are as follows:
If you are using ACBLSCOR, copy your file to a disk or flash drive (stick) and email your results by paper clipping the file to your email to the director in charge.

Only send ACM, ACA, or ACE files.
No LZH , TXT. Or HTM files please.
Include your club number in the subject line
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GAME SETUP

Use Club Mode for STaCs. In defining the specific parameters of your game:

Set up as usual until you get to event rating.
Choose Option (9) the (1) Sectional Tournaments at Clubs for game rating.
Associate with club (y)
Number of strata (3) (use strat limits below)
Choose proper event restrictions.
Choose the proper status (1=Championships)
Played sessions (1) (unless setting up a two session swiss)
Enter strat limits (list below)
Multi site (Y) (unless swiss team event)
Enter tournament data
Use the sanction number above
Enter the EVENT CODE. From the list below

Strat Limits:	**Open Games**	**Non Masters**
A=	**2000+**	**A = 300-500**
B=	**750-2000**	**B = 100-300**
C=	**0-750**	**C = 0 -100**

Event Codes:
Morning (start prior to noon)
Afternoon (start prior to 6 PM)
Evening (start after 6 PM)

Day	Date	Event Code Morning	Event Code Afternoon	Event Code Evening
Mon	12/3	**01OP**	**02OP**	**03OP**
Tues	12/4	**04OP**	**05OP**	**06OP**
Wed	12/5	**07OP**	**08OP**	**09OP**
Thurs	12/6	**10OP**	**11OP**	**12OP**
Fri	12/7	**13OP**	**14OP**	**15OP**
Sat	12/8	**16OP**	**17OP**	**18OP**
Sun	12/9	**19OP**	**20OP**	**21OP**
Use the letters OP for open pairs, IP for invitational pairs, LP for limited pairs, T1 for a one session swiss and T2 for a two session swiss. Any other game use XX				

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The per table sanction fee of $6.00 made out to Unit 128 is to be remitted within 24 hours of the conclusion of the tournament to:

Adrienne Muslin
4510 W. Fig St. Unit E
Tampa, Florida 33609

MOVEMENTS WITH HAND RECORDS

# TABLES	BDS PER RD	HOWTO START THE GAME
5	6	Move boards down one table & Move East/West up one table
6	5	Move boards down one table (Skip after round 3)
* 7	4	Move boards down one table & Move East/West up one table
8	4	Move boards down one table (Skip after round 4)
* 9	3	Move boards down one table & Move East/West up one table
10	3	Move boards down one table (Skip after round 5)
11	3	Move boards down two tables
12	3	Move boards down one table (Skip after round 6)
* 13	2	Move boards down one table & Move East/West up one table
14	2	Move boards down one table (Skip after round 7)
15	2	Move boards down two tables
16	2	Move boards down two tables (Skip after round 7)
17	2	Move boards down two tables
18	2	Move boards down two tables (Skip after round 7)

* These asterisked movements only allow you to play 24 boards unless you prepare the boards ahead of time

ALWAYS PLAY YOUR NORMAL NUMBER OF BOARDS EXCEPT WHEN LIMITED BY THE NUMBER OF TABLES STARRED ABOVE IF YOU DUPLICATE YOUR BOARDS AHEAD OF TIME, YOU CAN RUN ANY MOVEMENT YOU WISH, MITCHELL OR HOWELL

If you expect less than 5 tables you should make up your boards ahead of time so that they can play the optimum number of hands and opponents

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General Conditions of Contest and Guidelines for
Sectional Tournaments at Clubs (StaCs)

Sectional Tournaments at Clubs (STaCs) provide bridge players with the opportunity to win Silver Points at their local clubs. All of the ACBL's rules, regulations, and procedures for running a Sectional tournament apply to the organization and management of a STaC. ACBL's current STaC guidelines and fees will apply.

Sponsoring organizations may, with ACBL approval only, amend these conditions for a specific event. Such amendments should appear in all printed tournament schedules and be posted prior to the start of event.

The Director in Charge shall make the final decision on any item in these conditions. Furthermore, the Director in Charge will resolve any issue not specifically covered.

SPONSORING UNIT

1. A STaC may be scheduled for up to seven consecutive days, but may include only one weekend -- however, Management may grant an exception to the weekend requirement for cause. A sanction application must be sent to the appropriate District Tournament Coordinator at least 12 months prior to the scheduled tournament date. The ACBL may sanction a STaC when it receives the sanction application with fewer than 12 months advance notice if there are no scheduling conflicts and the STaC can be advertised in "The Bulletin" calendar schedule at least one month prior.

2. While only Units may apply for a sanction to hold a STaC there is no objection to a Unit nominating a District or Districts to conduct the tournament. In District-wide STaCs all clubs within the District(s) must be offered the opportunity to participate. Participation is at the club level when sponsored by a District. If a Unit outside of the sponsoring District wants to participate, all clubs within that Unit must be invited to participate (The unit must receive approval from it's district coordinator).

3. A sponsor may schedule morning, afternoon and/or evening sessions. For the purpose of determining in which session a club should participate use the standard club session designations. The local sponsor must designate the sessions to be scheduled. As an example: Morning games would be those starting prior to 12:00 local time, afternoon games start prior to 18:00 local time, and evening games 18:00 and later. Morning and afternoon games may not be combined as day games nor may afternoon and evening games be combined..

4. STaC sessions may be scheduled at any participating club for any session that the club has a regularly sanctioned game at that club. Additional games may be held at the option of the sanctioned club. However, when a scheduling conflict exists, preference shall be granted to the club that holds a regularly scheduled game (within a 25 mile radius) at the time in question. The STaC sponsor has the final decision.

5. Each Sponsor must develop a schedule of games and Conditions of Contest. This schedule and the CoC will be posted on ACBL's web site. Open and limited Stratified Pair and Swiss team events may be scheduled. All pair events are single-session events. Team games shall be stand-alone events at the site played.

6. All masterpoints awarded are silver and sectionally rated. Overall awards are based on the total entry in each event except that Swiss Team overall awards are based only on the entry at each individual

site. Open events do not receive credit for other concurrent events.

7. The use of hand records is encouraged but not required. For a STaC using hand records, games at sites not using hand records will be entered as a side game for ranking and masterpoint awards (65% of sectional rating).

8. Masterpoint levels and strat limits will be set by the STaC sponsor. The strat levels will be the same for all open pair games and for like limited pair games. Swiss team events are at club option.

9. The sponsor is responsible for notifying all club managers to register for the upcoming STaC. An e-mail blast may be requested for those managers with an address on file. Snail mail notification will need to note that they must register online and submit results by e-mail to participate.

10. The organization receiving the sanction (sponsoring organization – 'SO') is responsible for the collection of any fees due from a participating ACBL sanctioned game. Each participating club is responsible for submitting all fees to the sponsoring organization in a timely manner. The 'SO' is also responsible for ensuring that all fees due the ACBL are remitted in a timely manner. Should a participating club owe a debt to a unit, district, conference or ACBL, the 'SO' may ask Management for assistance in collection as permitted by ACBL regulations.

PARTICIPATING CLUBS

1. Any club within the area of the participating Unit may hold a STaC game in lieu of its regularly scheduled club game. Additional games may be held, as noted above.

2. The ACBL General Convention Chart will be used unless the sponsor specifies and advertises otherwise.

3. A minimum section size of 10 pairs is needed to be included in the Championship session. Sections with fewer than 10 pairs may be reported, combined, and included as a separate Sectionally rated Championship event. This restriction may be modified or waived, prior to the start of the tournament, at sponsor option.

4. Invitational (not masterpoint limited) games will be scored and ranked as stand alone sectionally rated Championship event with 1 restriction (80% sectional rating) unless these games are opened to all players and advertised as such. Invitational clubs will use the same limits as the open event and will be combined for overall ranking.

5. Limited masterpoint games will be scored and ranked alone unless a like limited masterpoint game is held at one or more other STaC sites. In this case, these games will be scored together for overall rankings and masterpoint awards.

6. Playing directors may not duplicate the boards in games using hand records. The club director of such a game may play only with the consent, in advance, of the DIC of the STaC.

7. Non-playing directors are encouraged but not required for games with no more than one section of 17 tables or fewer. Non-playing directors are required in games larger than 17 tables or with two or more sections. Club Directors who are eligible to play will receive masterpoints.

8. Each club must report its results to the (DIC) within the designated time limit. The time limit is 24 hours from the end of its game unless the sponsor specifies an earlier time limit. In no case may this time limit be less than 12 hours from the end of the game. Club games not reported within the time limit will be scored, ranked, and issued masterpoints as a sectionally rated side game if received prior to the final reporting period.

9. Reporting will be by e-mail attachment of the gamefile. At sponsor option, special reporting arrangements may be made for games with fewer than 17 tables. Reporting procedures will be posted with the sponsor's STaC Conditions of Contest.

10. The final reporting period for the STaC ends 12 hours after the last event ends. Later reports will be returned to the club, to be reported as a regularly scheduled club session.

11. The correction period at each club is the same as the reporting time limit. A club must post a copy of the recap for inspection at the end of each session.

12. The club manager must register for all sessions to be held using the registration process available on ACBL's web site at least two days prior to the start date of the STaC. Late registrations are at the discretion of the DIC.

13. The club must notify the STaC DIC of any scheduled session that is canceled within one hour of the start time for the session.

14. The STaC sponsor may require clubs to download hand record files from ACBL's web site.

15. In order to be eligible for overall awards in a STaC, or any event that is scored across more than one club, the minimum number of boards played is set at 20.

Director-in-Charge

1. The DiC of a STaC must be an ACBL Tournament Director or higher rank.

2. The DiC of a STaC, and the sponsor, will develop reporting guidelines and specific conditions of contest to be posted on ACBL's web site at least six weeks prior to the start of the STaC..

3. The DIC of a STaC will label hand records when used.

4. The DiC will organize and provide results to participating clubs for each session after the deadline for reporting the game results.

5. The DiC will create reports at the end of the STaC as requested by the sponsor.

6. The DiC will provide standard Sectional tournament reports.

7. In addition to the expected functions of a DIC, the DIC may be asked to perform a variety of additional tasks. Typical tasks may include distribution of hand record printouts, pre-tournament advertising, or a post-tournament bulletin. The DIC and the sponsor will determine the time and fees for these tasks.