

# District 6 Reston Regional



# July 1-July 6th, 2024 The Hyatt Regency at Reston Town Center 1800 President's Street, Reston Virginia 20190 877-803-7534

# Welcome Back to the Reston Regional

We look forward to seeing you in Reston for this regional tournament. If you have any questions, or need help with anything please, just ask and we will do our best to help. You can reach us by email or text or a call to our cell phones.

Marty and Ross Bley

### Who's who at this Tournament?

Tournament Chairs

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Director in Charge - Rui Marques

# Health and Safety Guidelines

Effective May 13, 2024, the ACBL protocols for Covid and other communicable diseases are:

- 1. Vaccination not required by ACBL or District 6.
- 2. Players who are sick with a communicable disease should not play.
- 3. Masks are not required. If a masked pair asks their opponents to wear masks while at their table, the unmasked players are encouraged but not required to comply. Masked partnerships that make the request are expected to furnish the masks.
- 4. The ACBL policy does not countermand any ordinance or law in effect at the site.

We ask that if you have symptoms of any contagious illness, please wait until you are symptom free before you join us. If you are a member of a vulnerable population, please take precautionary measures that best suit your situation.

### Get Your Results

The Reston Regional uses Fast Results for our Daily Bulletin. Results will be sent to your device by ACBL LIVE shortly after the end of the event. To receive an email with a direct link to your personal results and your daily bulletin, send an email to <u>FastResultsHelpDesk@gmail.com</u> with your ACBL Number in the subject line. There is no need to put anything in the message body, just click send.

### Parking

The Hyatt Regency has free parking for those staying in the hotel.

Players who are commuting will have parking costs reimbursed, courtesy of a generous donation by Rusty Krauss and the Krauss Investment Group of Janney Montgomery Scott.

#### Details:

Reimbursement applies to parking in Reston Town Center (RTC) garages. It does not apply to parking in the Hyatt Hotel garage.

- -Parking in the RTC garages is free on July 4<sup>th</sup>, on weekends and after 5pm. -Everyone parking there will be reimbursed \$4 on Monday, when we start playing in the afternoon, and \$8 on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday.
- -3 ways to pay: garage pay station, the ParkRTC App, or by phone.
- -To pay using the app: download the app, register with phone or email, and once verified, you're ready to start parking.
- -To pay by phone, call 571-485-7790.

-Garage locations can be found at https:www.restontowncenter.com/parking Bring a receipt/proof of parking to the Information Desk to receive reimbursement.

# Hospitality

The tournament will offer complimentary coffee and tea Tuesday through Friday from 9:45 until it is gone. This is thanks to local business Appliance Connection owner and Mark Tonnesen. We will also provide lunch between sessions on Saturday. There are many fun places to eat in Reston and meals at other times will be on your own this year. You can find a list of local eateries at the information table - or just ask!

### **Partnerships**

Ann Atcheson is the Partnership Chair - contact her via email at <u>annatcheson@gmail.com</u> or cell 703-975-2484. If you want to arrange a partnership prior to the tournament, include your name, contact information, days/sessions you wish to play, approximate master point holding and type of system you wish to play. If you wait until the tournament, please show up at the partnership desk 60 minutes BEFORE game time, fill out a slip and then check the bulletin board to see if someone is there who might fit with you. Ann and her volunteers will help you make a match.

#### Lecture Series

Tuesday through Friday, at 2:15, there will be a lecture by a local bridge player. Everyone is welcome to attend. The lectures will be located in the main playing area, look for the mike and people sitting in a group.

2:15 on Tuesday July 2 - Fred King Speaking on Defensive Signaling
2:15 on Wednesday July 3 - HANDS ON with HANK MEYER - Play of the Hand in No Trump
2:15 on Thursday July 4 - Ron Kral - New Minor Forcing and Fourth Suit Forcing
2:15 on Friday July 5 - HANDS ON with HANK MEYER - When to Draw Trump

#### Intermediate/Newcomer Desk

I/N Coordinators Marty or Ross Bley will be available at the I/N desk in the ballroom foyer for 50 minutes each day before the first session (Monday- Saturday) to answer questions.

### Entries

Entry fee is \$16.00 per person per session. 0-20 MPs play free on Tuesday. Full-time students ages 22 and under (not playing as a pro) pay \$11.00. (Tell the director when you purchase entry.)

#### CREDIT CARDS ONLY - NO CASH

# ZERO Tolerance

The ACBL Zero Tolerance (ZT) Policy is in effect throughout the tournament. All players and participants are expected to behave in accordance with this policy at all times towards their partner, opponents, directors, caddies, tournament officials, and hotel staff. Call the director to handle any breaches of ZT, the rules, or code of ethics while in the playing area. Examples of commendable behavior under ZT include being a good host and guest at the table, calling "Director, PLEASE!" or "Caddie, PLEASE"; making sure all trash is removed from the table where you are sitting when the game is over. UNACCEPTABLE Behaviors include: Badgering, rudeness, intimidation, profanity, threats, or violence; negative comments about the opponents bidding or play; gratuitous lessons or analysis of partner or opponents play or bidding; gloating or whining about results; arguing with the directors; and last but not least a ringing, buzzing, noisy cell phone (full details below.) Recorder forms are available from a director to submit a record of unacceptable behavior.

#### Prizes

Coming in FIRST overall in a two-session event earns you D6 Prize coupons (two for pair events and 4 for team events.) These coupons are good for a Free Entry in any D6 Regional. You can get your coupons from Shawn Stringer beginning on WEDNESDAY, July 3rd between 2:00 and 2:55. Thursday through Saturday you can also pick up these coupons from Shawn 55 minutes before the first session at the I/N Desk. Shawn will be in the ballroom for 15 minutes after Saturday's final events. Please designate one person for your pair or team to pick up coupons and provide the day and name of the event you won. *No prize coupons will be mailed*.

# **Electronic Device Policy**



The ACBL's electronic device policy allows players to bring cell phones into the playing area provided that such devices are kept in silent mode. Players may not use or interact with their devices while play is occurring at your table, including when dummy. When between rounds or sitting out, use is permitted, provided it is inaudible.

A violation of the policy will result in an automatic disciplinary penalty of one-eighth of a board (or 1.5 IMPs) for a noise violation or one-half board (or 6 IMPs) for a use violation for the first offense. Penalties are doubled for each subsequent offense.

"I didn't know" or "No announcement was made" is not a valid excuse or defense.

# Smoking and Scents Policy

Smoking is absolutely prohibited in all locations inside the hotel and or playing area, including any rooms, restrooms, elevators and hallways. All smoking must be done at LEAST 25 feet from any building entrance (OR IN A Specific location if the site so designates.) Directors are authorized to assess penalties for lateness to any player who delays the start of a round or match due to a 'smoke break'. The Reston Regional is a fragrance free zone. Players MUST refrain from wearing any of the following: Cologne, aftershave lotion, perfume, perfumed hand lotion, fragranced hair products, and/or similar products when participating in our tournament. These fragrances can cause serious health issues for migraine sufferers, and people with breathing related problems. Thank you for adhering to this policy!

Bring your bridge sense but leave all other scents at home!

### **Bulletin Photos**

If you come in FIRST in any Strata, become a Life Master, or achieve a new Life Master Rank, Marty or Ross Bley will take your picture for the daily bulletin. Make sure you have signed up for Fast Results (instructions listed previously) so you can see your smiling face in the morning.



#### ALERT!

The temperature in hotel ballrooms can be unpredictable. Consider dressing in layers and carrying a jacket to best control your own comfort level!





#### Reston, Virginia

July 1 - July 6, 2024



#### Monday, July 1

Open Pairs1:30 &	£7
Washington GOLD RUSH Pairs1:30	è 7

Early games benefit ACBL Grass Roots Fund Evening games benefit local charity

#### Tuesday, July 2

Arlington Bracketed Teams	10:30 & 3
Open Pairs	10:30 & 3
Adams GOLD RUSH Pairs	10:30 & 3
0-99 Pairs	10:30 / 3
* 0-20 in person players Fl	REE today *
Online Open & Gold Rush Pa	airs7:30
(2-session even	t)
(continues Wednesday	evening)

#### Wednesday, July 3

Vienna Bracketed Teams	10:30 &	3
A/X Pairs	10:30 &	3
Mid-flight Pairs	10:30 &	3
Lincoln GOLD RUSH Pairs	10:30 &	3
Online Open & Gold Rush Pai	rs7:3	30

#### Thursday, July 4

Potomac Bracketed Teams	10:30 & 3
A/X Pairs	10:30 & 3
Mid-flight Pairs	10:30 & 3
Kennedy GOLD RUSH Pairs	10:30 & 3

#### Friday, July 5

Tysons Bracketed Teams	10:30 & 3
Open Pairs	10:30 & 3
Carter GOLD RUSH Pairs	10:30 & 3

#### Saturday, July 6 NOTE 10 am start

WolfTrapA/X Swiss	10&TBA
Bracketed Flight B Teams	10&TBA
No player over 300	00 MPs;

Short lunch break after 3 or 4 matches

\*Single session pairs are welcome in all pair events\*

Stratification Information:

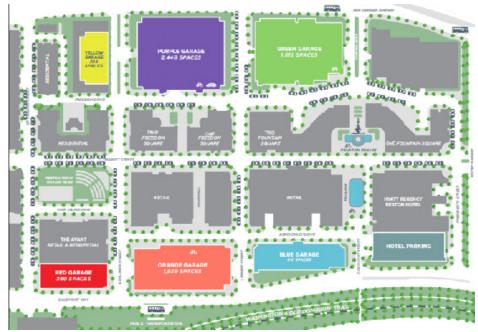
- Two-session open events: 3000+/3000/1500
- A/X: 5000+/5000
- Mid-flight: 3000/1500
- Gold Rush events: 750/300/100 (gold points to 750 strat overall winners & section tops; red to 300 strat)
- NOTE: With stratified events, players are grouped with their peers for scoring purposes
- Strats determined by MP averages, but no player may exceed event limit;
- Pairs expecting to be seeded should buy entries 15+ minutes prior to game time
- Lower strats may be adjusted based on attendance

#### Bracketing:

Bracketed Team Events usually have 7 to 9 teams per bracket. Top or bottom bracket may be played as Swiss. Any team may choose to play in the top bracket.

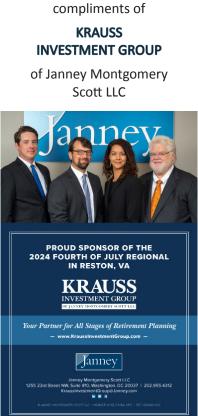
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# **4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY REGIONAL - RESTON, VIRGINIA**



Sponsored parking available in Reston Town Center garages -GREEN, BLUE, PURPLE, YELLOW, RED & ORANGE - on the map above.

Commuters: do NOT park in the hotel garage. This is for hotel guests ONLY.



**FREE PARKING** 



# Reston 4<sup>th</sup> of July Regional July 1 – July 6, 2024

### Intermediate/Newcomer Events



Monday, July 1 Washington <i>GOLD RUSH</i> Pairs	1:30 & 7	Friday, July 5 Carter <i>GOLD RUSH</i> Pairs Tysons Bracketed Teams	10:30 & 3 10:30 & 3
Tuesday, July 20-20 MP Players play FREE today!0-99 Pairs10:30 / 3Adams GOLD RUSH Pairs10:30 & 3Arlington Bracketed Teams10:30 & 3Online Gold Rush Pairs7:30 PM(2 Session event continues Wednesday night)(How to register for Online? Go to D6 website)		Saturday, July 6Wolf Trap A/X Swiss10 & TBABracketed Flight B Teams10 & TBAFlight B – No player over 3000 MPs(reporting your MPs accurately gets the games going on time)Short lunch break after 3 or 4 matches	
Wednesday, July 3 Lincoln <i>GOLD RUSH</i> Pairs Vienna Bracketed Teams Online Gold Rush Pairs (continued from Tuesday ev Thursday, July 4 Kennedy <i>GOLD RUSH</i> Pairs Potomac Bracketed Teams	10:30 & 3	<ul> <li>GOLD RUSH events (750/300/100) award GOLD points to overall winners and red points to 0-100 and 100 300 strats.</li> <li>All bracketed team games include brackets for intermediate and novice players.</li> <li>Single session pairs are welcome in the two-session pair games in either session.</li> </ul>	
Thursday, July 4	C,	intermediate and novice players. - Single session pairs are welcome in	



#### and don't forget.....

Bridge experts will lecture Tuesday-Friday at 2:15 prior to the afternoon session. Come early and improve your game!

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### Upcoming D6 Events



#### Baltimore Regional August 21 - 27



The Hilton Inner Harbor (855-672-1138) is in a vibrant area with famous local food and entertainment. For sports fans, there will be a number of exciting baseball games at Camden Yards during our regional. Marty and Ross Bley will be back as TC's (<u>campspringsduplicatebc@gmail.com</u>) and once again Rusty Krauss and Krauss Investment Group will sponsor this regional.

#### District Six North American Pairs, Fall, 2024

It's time to be planning for the 2024 North American Pairs! This event will be conducted in the usual three flights: Flight A = Open; Flight B = 0-2500; Flight C = Non-LM (<500). Masterpoints are as of the June cycle.

Club qualification is required. Both face-to-face and online clubs may schedule NAP qualifying sessions during June, July, and August. Check with your favorite clubs now and make plans to attend these qualifying sessions, which pay higher-rated masterpoints that are 50% red.

The District 6 Grass Roots Committee is working hard to choose the best format for this premier local competition. The District Finals will be held this fall. Details, including preregistration deadlines, will be published on the District website shortly. The leading pairs in each flight will represent our District at the NABC in Memphis, TN in March 2025.

#### District Six Grand National Teams, Winter 2025

Only a little bit farther down the road is the 2024-2025 Grand National Teams! This event will be conducted in the usual four flights: Championship Flight = Open; Flight A = 0-6000; Flight B = 0-2500; Flight C = Non-LM (<500). Masterpoints are as of the September cycle.

The District level GNT competition will be held during the winter months of 2025. The details for each flight will be published on the District website shortly. The leading teams in each flight will represent our District at the NABC in Philadelphia, PA in July 2025.