

Grand National Teams fight for right to compete in NABCs

After hard fought battles, the District 13 2022/2023 Grand National Teams winners triumphed, winning the right to represent the district in the prestigious North American Bridge Championships finals this summer in Chicago.

A total of 25 teams competed in the four flights, which took place at the Chicago Glenview Suites, Glenview. GNT Coordinator Stan Subeck said, "I think everyone had a good time. It felt like things are getting back to normal." After four sessions, the team winning the Championship Flight (shown below) were, left to right, Brian Platnick, Jack Oest, Oren Kriegel, and Ron Smith. Players in the flight had an unlimited number of masterpoints.



Winners in Flight A (fewer than 6,000 points) were, above left to right, Marc Passman, Betsy Downs, Kendra Bridges, Geoff Bridges, and Tom Fogarty (not shown).



Winners in Flight B (fewer than 2,500 points) were, Chuck Alexander, Blake Harrop, Mark Stein, and Bill Anspach.



It is not too early to start making plans to attend the North American Bridge Championships, which will be held in our great city. The NABC offer a thrilling place to join thousands of bridge fans from around the world to play, learn, make friends and win masterpoints. No matter your skill level, there are games for you.



Flight C winners (NLM with fewer than 500 points) were left to right, Robert Smith, Bob Kell, Gregory Smith, Patricia Kosinski.

Feeling under the weather, Please Stay Home

Grand National Teams was very successful this year. Attendance was up 44%.

The new venue, the Renaissance Glenview Suites on Milwaukee Avenue, worked perfectly. The lighting was exactly what was necessary for card play. The space was more than adequate. Everything went smoothly.

While everyone had a wonderful time playing and socializing with friends, there was a fly in the ointment: 13 cases of Covid-19 in the week following the game!

Sadly, Covid happens because players feeling poorly still venture out to participate. As bridge enthusiasts, we need to be more vigilant about staying home when we feel sick.

Several in attendance at GNTs were elderly with serious risk factors. Some did their best to protect themselves by wearing masks. But it isn't always enough.

We should consider this a lesson learned. We should be grateful that no one was seriously harmed.



Going forward, on behalf of your CCBA Board of Directors, please, please for your protection and the protection of others, do not attend face-to-face games when you are feeling under the weather.

Please self-test before venturing out. We miss you and we want to see you... but we need to be safe. We need to keep others safe.

Please be mindful.
Thank you!



Good News! There is still time for your club to honor someone special by sponsoring an event at the NABC.

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GNT

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Players recall past NABCs, eagerly anticipate Chicago national

By Jamie Rubenstein

For all stripes of duplicate players – pros, intermediates or newcomers – the big NABC this July 13-23 in downtown Chicago is creating excitement and hopeful expectations for masterpoint gains as many also revisit fond memories of past Nationals.

L. James Phillips

Take L. James Phillips, a Chicago platinum pro, who is looking forward to the Windy City's NABC to meet up and play with old friends and competitors, while also pursuing something high on his bucket list, winning a national championship.



L. James Phillips

"One challenge," he said, "is that you can't tell which opponents are world class, but it is always more fun with tougher competition."

With just under 15,000 MPs, Jim, a past president of CCBA and a ACBL Certified Bridge Instructor since 1998, said he has placed first in many regionally rated events held at Nationals with such partners as Jim Jacoby, an old college friend; Amalya Kearse, U.S. Appeals Court Judge in New York; Lois Wiley, an expert player who happens to be blind; and Alan Truscott, a former New York Times bridge columnist.

Jim recalled one night at New York's Cavendish Club playing rubber bridge with the pro, Benito Garozzo, whom many considered at the time the world's number one player and getting "extremely lucky in one session in which he got to make all the key decisions."

"It ended with me declaring six spades redoubled after a bidding misunderstanding," remembered Jim.

"I had to bring in the trump suit with NO losers holding Axx opposite QT9xx. I played the ace and - lo and behold - the singleton king appeared on my left. It was now easy to pick up Jxx in front of QT9 and make the slam. And then Garozzo instructed me to go home and

pack your bags. I want to take you around the world with me playing rubber bridge," smiled Jim, recalling the compliment.

Jim, a former Sears Catalog sales manager and buyer, learned bridge in the 1950s while attending Oberlin College. "Two college juniors mentored six freshmen from a copy of *Goren Unabridged*."

Sears, where he worked for 30 years, is also where he met his wife, Mary Ann. "I was recruited to play on the Sears Bridge Team, and when Sears played Montgomery Ward, Mary Ann was on the Ward Team and that's how we met 35 years ago." They have two children.

Daniel Zagorin

Another seasoned Chicago player making plans for the July NABC, Daniel Zagorin, said he loves the challenge of trying to beat the very best players.

With just under 7,000 MPs, Dan has participated in 35-50 Nationals, where he had a great time competing, and where he developed "some of the best and long-term friendships in my life."



Daniel Zagorin

Some of those friendships were made at the 1998 NABC in Chicago when he was 26 years old. Most of those new friendships were with players from overseas.

"Most NABCs have been very enjoyable but, of course, there were some where the results made it hard to enjoy," he laughed.

Dan, who teaches weekly club patrons at Jeremiah Temple in Northfield, expects his wife, Layne, his mother and maybe a few cousins will play in the Chicago NABC.

"We all enjoy what the game has given us," said Dan, adding that his parents and grandparents played at home when he was growing up in Skokie. Dan said he did not really learn the game until he attended the University of Iowa.



Dan was a commodity trader for 25 years before switching to real estate residential development in Lincoln Park with his wife.

Kenneth Tatz

Kenneth Tatz of Highland Park, a Sapphire Life Master, said, "For me, the Nationals have been a great opportunity to meet people from around the country and world."

"In fact, I met one of my early bridge mentors and partners at the Dallas Nationals, the recently deceased and highly accomplished bridge educator with the ABA, Sam Graham," he said.



"I also enjoyed and benefited from attending the expert lessons that are offered at the Nationals. I strongly recommend players from all levels take advantage of those lessons."

Ken came to the bridge table later than many.

"My bridge career was triggered in the late 1980s when, as a trader, after the market closed, I would play hearts in the First Op lounge while many other traders were playing bridge," he said.

"After reading and studying the game of bridge, I attended the ACBL National Bridge tournament games held at the Hilton in downtown Chicago in 1989, a short walk from the CBOE.

"I played with a pick-up partner in the 0-5 bracket and took home two very nice looking first place trophies."

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**2023 Grand National
Team Bridge
Tournament**

*Photos by
Stan Subeck*



Schuetts explain that Texas Transfer Bids are made over NT

The Texas transfer is a bid over an opening 1NT or 2NT, very similar to the Jacoby transfer bid, except it operates at the four level. But there is really a lot to it. The Texas transfer may be used to describe a hand with a 6-card or longer major suit with appropriate values for game or, rarely, for slam. Since responder always knows the opening 1NT contains at least two spades, a 6+ card major guarantees the partnership has at least an eight-card major suit fit for game. Responder bids 4♦ to show ♥ and bids 4♥ to show ♠. Opener has no option but to bid the next higher suit and responder will typically pass. For example:

♠ KQ10765 ♥ 54 ♦ A7 ♣ 862	1NT - 4♥ - 4♠ - P	Typical hand
♠ - ♥ K1098654 ♦ 10972 ♣ 86	1NT - 4♦ - 4♥ - P	Good gamble, you might even shut out their spades
♠ A5 ♥ AQ10954 ♦ 87 ♣ 542	1NT - 4♦ - 4♥ - P	Typical hand
♠ AQ10765 ♥ 8 ♦ K93 ♣ J52	1NT - 4♥ - 4 - P	Typical hand
♠ KQ107652 ♥ - ♦ 97 ♣ 9862	1NT - 4♥ - 4♠ - P	Typical hand

Some question why you should play both Jacoby transfers and Texas transfers. There are at least two good reasons – it gives you valuable options for slam auctions and it prevents a lead directing bid at the two or three level by the fourth hand. Consider these auctions:

Opener	Responder	Opener	Responder
1NT	4♥(Texas)	1NT	2♥(Jacoby)
4♠	Pass	2♠	4♠

In both cases, the partnerships get to the same contract. In both cases, the responder promises a 6+-card spade suit. Experts have decided it makes sense for the first auction to show a hand with exactly game values or, rarely, responder can carry on with 4NT as RKC for spades. In the second case (use Jacoby and raise to 4♠), responder is inviting slam if opener has a maximum and reasonable spade fit. This also allows two ways to bid 4NT – transfer at the four level and using 4NT on the second bid is Blackwood/RKC (whatever variety you play), and transfer at the two level and using 4NT is invitational to slam (15-16 HCP) with exactly a five-card major, so invitational in the major or NT.

Examples for each auction:

Only game:

1NT - 4♥ - 4♠ - P
♠ AQ10765 ♥ 8 ♦ K93 ♣ J52

Slam Invitation:

1NT - 2♥ - 2♠ - 4♠ - ?? (opener's decision)
♠ AK10765 ♥ A8 ♦ KJ3 ♣ 52

Use RKC Blackwood:

1NT - 4♥ - 4♠ - 4NT
♠ AKJ7652 ♥ A7 ♦ KQ3 ♣ 9

Slam Invitation:

1NT - 2♥ - 2♠ - 4NT - ?? (opener's decision)♠
♠ AK1076 ♥ A8 ♦ K103 ♣ Q92

People who play Texas transfers usually also play them over an opening 2NT bid or if opener starts with 2♣ and rebids 2NT. In all cases, using the Texas transfer at the four level is either exactly game values, or planning to bid 4NT as Blackwood/RKC.

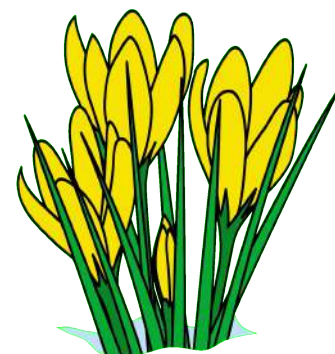


Ginny and Jeff Schuett

If the transfer is at the three level and then raised to four of the major, it is invitation-al to slam with 6+ card suit, and if followed with 4NT is just invitational to slam with exactly a five-card major. Finally, most who play Texas transfers also play them in competition (bid or double) as long as the overcall is through 3♣ only. For example:

North	East	South	West
1NT	2♠	4♦	Pass
Texas transfer showing 6+ hearts and game values, so opener is declarer.			

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Successful defenders pay close attention to the auction

I recently bought an advanced book on Defense. It makes some elementary assumptions about how we view defense that I must embarrassingly confess that I rarely do. Most likely you don't do it either.



Winning with Wimpy by Jim Diebel

I'm going to make a New Year's Resolution (in July) to start doing something on defense that I should have been doing automatically for the last 25+ years.

Train yourself to do this – every time – and I can virtually guarantee that your results are going to improve. It's ridiculously simple, and I know that almost no one (outside of those annoying experts) employs this easy recipe for success.

Listen to the auction. Pay attention to the Declarer's point range. If Declarer opens and makes a minimum rebid, we should assume around 11-14 high card points. 1NT: 15 – 17 hcp. A jump rebid or reverse: 15 – 18 hcp.

On nearly every hand, Declarer's second bid will limit his hand to an expected range.

Try to work out the minimum and maximum values that you can expect from Declarer's hand. You're not finished.

Make your opening lead, and look at the dummy. Count Dummy's high card points. Add the points in your hand and the dummy and then add that number to both and the minimum and maximum points expected in Declarer's hand.

This will usually give you about a three-point range. Let's look at an example:

North	East	South	West
1C	Pass	1NT	Pass
3NT	All pass		

You hold: ♠ 95 ♥ AJ75 ♦ K84 ♣ J832 and guess to lead the ♠ 9. This is what you see:

Dummy
 ♠ AQT
 ♥ QT6
 ♦ AJ3
 ♣ AQT9

You
 ♠ 95
 ♥ AJ75
 ♦ K84
 ♣ J832

Declarer calls for the ♠Q and partner wins the ♠K. Before you do anything else, stop and perform this mental exercise:

Our Hand: 9 pts. Dummy: 19 pts. Declarer: 6 – 10 pts. Range of 34 – 38 pts. This leaves 2 to 6 pts in partner's hand. Partner has already shown up with the ♠K (and presumably the ♠J), so we can only expect, at most, another 2 points from his hand. If it's the ♦Q, declarer can get two hearts (the auction suggests he shouldn't have more than ♥ Kxx), 1 spade, at least 4 clubs and 1 diamond. Based on our assumption of what partner might hold, we may have a chance to beat this contract.

Partner returns the ♥9, and we can see that our only hope is to take the ♥A and return our last spade.

If partner has the hoped for ♠J and ♦Q, we may be able to take 4 spades, 1 heart and 1 diamond before Declarer can come to 9 tricks.

Declarer tries the ♠ 10 but partner wins the ♠J and returns the ♠2 to drive out dummy's ace. What's this? Partner's ♠2, a suit preference signal, says his entry is in clubs and not diamonds. He would have returned his middle spade (♠3) if his entry was in diamonds.

Is this possible? Our calculations suggested there was no room in partner's hand for a king. Could declarer have bid 1NT on a 5 count? It's possible that partner is hoping to mislead Declarer about the whereabouts of the ♦Q. The whole hand:

Dummy
 ♠ AQT
 ♥ QT6
 ♦ AJ3
 ♣ AQT9

You
 ♠ 95
 ♥ AJ75
 ♦ K84
 ♣ J832

Partner
 ♠ KJ832
 ♥ 984
 ♦ 976
 ♣ K5

♠ 764
 ♥ K32
 ♦ QT52
 ♣ 764

Well, it turns out partner didn't lie after all. Faced with only 1 spade winner and at most 2 heart winners, Declarer needs at least 6 tricks from the minors. Since he cannot hope for more than 4 diamonds, he has no choice but to take the club finesse. When that loses, the defense scores 4 spades, 1 heart and 1 club for minus 2. Note that on a heart lead (very reasonable) Declarer can find his way home to tricks with finesses in both minor suits.

This was not the best example of the value of counting out partner's hand. If you found the spade opening lead, the hand somewhat plays itself. Let's look at a 2nd example where counting out partner's range is integral to finding the winning defense.

North	East	South	West
1C	Pass	1S	Pass
2S	Pass	4S	All pass

You hold: ♠ K94 ♥ JT ♦ J943 ♣ T742 and choose to lead the ♥J for lack of anything better. This is what you see:

Dummy
 ♠ 8762
 ♥ 8765
 ♦ A2
 ♣ AKQ

You
 ♠ K94
 ♥ JT
 ♦ J943
 ♣ T742

Partner overtakes the ♥J with the ♥Q, cashes ♥A and leads the ♥K. Declarer ruffs with the ♠J. Do you overruff and switch to a diamond? What is your plan? (Continued on page 9)

Players recall past NABCs, eagerly anticipate Chicago nation-

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Tatz continued, “I was hooked on the game. (My wife doesn't understand why I no longer win any trophies despite being a much better player now.)”

Ken, a CPA, worked for Price Waterhouse Coopers after attending college in New York. He later attended Boston University Law School.



“In my next career, I accepted a job as a corporate tax attorney on Wall Street. Ironically, a couple of my clients at Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft happened to be stock options and commodities future traders caught by the IRS using tax straddles to defer taxes,” he said.

“My initiation into the trading business ultimately led to my switching careers and moving out to Chicago to become a Registered Market-Maker on the Chicago Board Options Exchange. I remained in that career until the business seemed to leave the trading floor in the late 90s.”

Ready to embark on his fourth career, Kenneth went back to school and completed a Masters Degree in Teaching and Learning from DePaul University in 2001.

“I then took a job teaching elementary school for the next four years before starting my own business, Kenneth W. Tatz Tutoring Inc.

“I began offering several programs including **F**inancial Math for Middle Schoolers and Problem Solving Strategies. I have since tutored mathematics at every level from first grade up to high school.

Betsy Downs
Another Chicagoan, Betsy Downs, a Sapphire Life Master who has played in approximately 28 Nationals, joins others who express their love for the Nationals.



Betsy Downs

She enjoys the challenge of trying to beat the very best players from around the world.

“Also, the Nationals give me the opportunity to step out of my normal life and lose myself in bridge. Playing two or three sessions a day, several days in a row, really helps my bridge thinking,” she said.

She won her first platinum points at the 1995 National in New Orleans, placing 10th in the National Women's Pairs.

Betsy, a retired architect who started playing bridge in 1986, recalls that her first NABC was in St. Louis in 1987, where she met players from across the United States. “I had been playing for just under a year and had no idea what to expect.”

“I played multiple sessions a day, including several midnight Swiss teams games, and also took time off for sightseeing. As an architect, I loved photographing the old and new build-

ings in St. Louis, including several angles of the arch. I was hooked,” she said.

In subsequent years, she and her former husband made the summer Nationals “the linchpin of our annual vacations,” staying at bed and breakfasts and taking long walks in the morning, then joining her husband for bridge in the afternoons and evenings.

Betsy remembers some humorous moments.

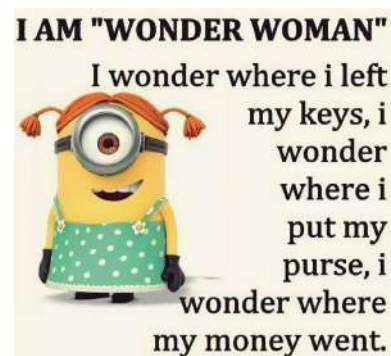


At the San Diego Summer Nationals in 1994, the couple went out one morning on a fishing boat. “The big rolling waves made me seasick, but we still rushed back to play the in the afternoon.

“On dry land, the floor didn't stop rolling throughout the session. And on top of that, we had a rental car, which we had parked and locked, but in the rush forgot to turn off the engine.”

“When we came out for dinner hours later, there was a crowd of people standing around our car. They were trying to open the door with a coat hanger. It was then that we realized the car was still running, with the air conditioning on.”

In all, she observes, “bridge players are a diverse group drawn together by our common love of the game.”



Successful defenders pay attention to auction

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Let's go back and look at what we know. Declarer can't have more than 6 spades, and probably somewhere between 12 and 19 high card points.

Our hand has 5, and dummy has 13. The total points between the 3 hands are between 30 and 37 hcp. That leaves partner between 3 and 10 points. He has shown up with 9, so he can't have more than perhaps one more Jack. It's not the ♦J (we have that one) or the ♠J, so partner has at most the ♣J left. More importantly, Declarer must have the ♠AQ and the ♦KQ. How can we beat this contract?



Realizing that we can't possibly have any heart, diamond, or club winners, we must hope that we can get two trump tricks. If we take the ♠K, that will be our last defensive trick. However, if partner holds the ♠10, our ♠9 could be promoted to a winner.

Confident that there is no other chance to beat the contract, we pitch one of our useless minors. Luck is with us today, as partner shows up with a singleton ♠10.

The whole hand:

Dummy
 ♠ 8762
 ♥ 8765
 ♦ A2
 ♣ AKQ

You
 ♠ K94
 ♥ JT
 ♦ J943
 ♣ T742

Partner
 ♠ T
 ♥ AKQ9
 ♦ T65
 ♣ J983

♠ AQJ53
 ♥ 32
 ♦ KQ87
 ♣ 65

This is a habit you can easily develop. Count the known high card points between your hand and dummy. Add these to the inferred range held by Declarer. Subtract from 40 and you will have an accurate picture of just how many points your partner might hold.

Most of the time, your partner will have fewer points than Declarer, so it will be easier to keep track of his points. One further benefit: When partner is known to be broke - whether at the start of the hand, or later after playing the cards he has been calculated to hold - don't give away any overtricks by finessing yourself. Exit safely, and give Declarer only what he already has.

Don't hand him anything more unless he works for it. Good defense is the cornerstone of great bridge. Your partners will be in awe.

NABC offers, seminars, workshops in Chicago

It is true that the NABC are about having fun and challenging yourself at the bridge table but it can be a learning experience as well. A number of educational programs will be held.



For example, for the inexperienced player, there is **Learn Bridge in A Day?**[®] You'll nail the basics of bridge in this interactive class that has both instruction and coached play. If you're just starting, returning to the game or wanting to test the waters before taking formal lessons, this course is for you. Leave the class and take on a newcomer game! The fee for this five-hour seminar to be held on July 15 is \$20 if you preregister or \$25 at the door. The fee includes a textbook.

For teachers, there is **Learn Bridge in a Day? Instructor Accreditation**. This program will take place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on July 15. The program instructs teachers in methods of administering and presenting LBIAD. A light meal will be provided. The fee is \$75. To register, email Patty Tucker at patty@whirlwindbridge.com

The workshop, **No Trump in a Day**, will be held the afternoon of July 16. The workshop will explore basic notrump bidding and the most common responses, from raises to Stayman and Jacoby transfers. The course includes a student workbook, a presentation and practice hands. The fee is \$20 if you pre-register or \$25 at the door. A textbook is included.

The Best Practices Teacher Workshop on July 14-16 will cover proven techniques that help teachers be more effective in their classroom. The focus is on how, rather than what, to teach. Participants may opt to demonstrate their Best Practices proficiency on Sunday afternoon or Monday morning to earn certification as an ACBL Best Practices teacher. For more information visit acbl.org/bpteacher. The fee is \$125. It is recommended that you preregister.

For the exact location of each session, check the *NABC Daily Bulletin*,



Don't be a robot. Pause, think before playing to opening lead



Rowan Bell

As declarer, pausing after the opening lead is made before robotically playing a card from dummy is sound practice. And every once in a while, playing the wrong card from dummy at trick one can cost you the contract, even if dummy's choice of card doesn't actually impact trick one.

S AQ72	S J83
H KT8654	H 9732
D A	D 72
C K3	C JT92
	S K964
	H AQJ
	D KQ
	C Q875

Both vulnerable, matchpoints, West as dealer

West	North	East	South
1H	3D	pass	3N
all pass			



After West leads the six of hearts (four best), what should declarer pitch from dummy?

At first glance, it might seem natural to pitch a small club, so as to not weaken the hands' collective position in spades. However, that would actually be fatal on best defense!

After winning the heart, declarer plays a diamond, won by West. At the table West finds the best play at trick 3: the king of clubs. This is an example of a classic card play technique, the Merrimac Coup – leading an unsupported honor in an effort to prematurely remove dummy's entry.

If declarer pitches a club from dummy at trick one, then the Merrimac Coup would defeat the contract. If declarer takes the king with dummy's ace, that would remove dummy's only entry before declarer is able to unblock the diamonds. And if declarer ducks the trick, leaving dummy's club ace as a singleton, West can remove the entry by continuing with a second club.

On the other hand, imagine declarer has pitched a spade from dummy at trick one, leaving dummy with ace-tripleton of clubs.



Now, when declarer ducks the king of clubs West has no winning defense.

In particular, if West persists with a second round of clubs, then declarer can win in the closed hand with the queen, followed by an unblock in diamonds and a club to dummy's ace to run the established diamond suit.

Rowen Bell, a member of Unit 123, is a Gold Life Master, having over 2,500 masterpoints.



USBF Supporting Membership

If you don't want to play in the United States Bridge Federation (USBF) Championships that choose teams to represent the USA in the World Bridge Federation Championships, but do want to aid its events, a Supporting Membership can be the perfect way for you to be involved.

A Supporting Membership is \$25 for one year (\$75 for three years) and your donation will be used to cover inevitable expenses: attorney fees, accounting fees, website support services, tournament directors, insurance, WBF dues, and vugraph operators.

The USBF is an all-volunteer organization. Its meetings are by conference call and at NABCs. Board members and the organization's officers are not compensated for meetings, travel, or hotel expenses. For more information, go to the USBF web site.

Make hotel reservations now for NABC

The Summer North American Bridge Championships will be held for 10 sensational days in Chicago, beginning July 13. The event will be held at the Sheraton Grand Chicago, 300 E. Water St. (\$209+ tax). Also, serving as a host hotel is the nearby Intercontinental Chicago Magnificent Mile, 505 North Michigan Ave. (\$204+tax). To make hotel reservations for the national tournament contact the ACBL at 855-956-0776 or email acbl@conferencedirect.com by June 22 to get the bridge rate. .



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ACBL Club Events

April	All Month	Charity Club Championship Games
	Thursday, April 13/ Any Sessions	Helen Shields Rookie/Master Game (Canada-wide Event)
	Wednesday, April 26/ Afternoon	ACBL-wide Charity Game – 2nd of 2
May	All Month	Grass Roots FUNd Games
June	All Month	North American Pairs Flight A, B and C
	Friday, June 2 Saturday, June 3	The Worldwide Bridge Contest (WBF) <i>Clubs can start The Worldwide Bridge Contest games at any time of the day, Friday and Saturday games are independent.</i>
	Wednesday, June 14/ Afternoon	Olympiad Fund Game Canada-wide Event – 1st of 2
	Sunday-Sunday, June 18-25	The Longest Day Alzheimer Association ACBL-wide event, but not an ACBL-wide game. Clubs may select only one day during this period.
July	All Month	North American Pairs Flight A, B and C
	Monday, July 10/ Afternoon	ACBL-wide Summer IMG (Digital Materials Only)

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10:00 & 3:00 **Open Pairs (0-1500; 1500-3000; 3000+)**
10:00 & 3:00 **Gold Rush Pairs (0-100; 100-300; 300-750)**

Tuesday, April 25

10:00 & 3:00 **Open Pairs (0-1500; 1500-3000; 3000+)**
10:00 & 3:00 **Gold Rush Pairs (0-100; 100-300; 300-750)**

Wednesday, April 26

10:00 & 3:00 **Open Pairs ((0-1500; 1500-3000; 3000+)**
10:00 & 3:00 **Gold Rush Pairs (0-100; 100-300; 300-750)**

Thursday, April 27

10:00 & 3:00 **Single Session Side Games to Benefit the Grass Roots Fund**
10:00 & 3:00 **Bracketed Swiss Teams**

Friday, April 28

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