

**District Director, Joann Glasson**  
**May 2019**

## **Memphis Board Meetings**

Fees for NABCs were raised to \$30 per session/per player for NABC+ events, \$22 per session/per player for other NABC events. In addition an additional \$5 per player per session will be added when screens are introduced into these events.

Regional events were raised from \$16 to \$20. This is the first time regional event fees have been raised in ten years.

NABC events were designed to generate about \$500K per year of income to the ACBL. That money was used to provide services to the bulk of our membership. Times have changed and with the advent of Airbb and other cheaper alternatives to ACBL housing (which had been used to play for playing space), NABCs are becoming a financial drain on the rest of the ACBL membership. Since we are powerless to reverse the housing trend, we must find a solution to make NABCs pay for themselves in the future. Clubs and non-NABC players cannot be expected to subsidize the cost of NABCs.

Scheduling of NAP and GNT finals has become a little easier since Districts are permitted to schedule opposite the team trials, open, women's and senior's. Districts are encouraged to try to avoid these dates but the prohibition has been lifted.

The table fees for clubs holding short games (12 to 17 boards) increase from \$0.55 to \$0.58.

Players who have won a GrandLife Master qualifying event will receive the equivalent of 10,000 masterpoints for the purpose of bracketing and stratification at regional events. They will also not be permitted to compete in masterpoint limited events at NABCs.

**Sectionals with an upper masterpoint limit of 500 masterpoints or fewer may be run non-rated by directors who are not ACBL employees. Such directors must be certified club directors.**

**With management approval, a sponsoring organization may run a limited sectional with a maximum of 750 masterpoints using directors who are not ACBL employees.**

If ACBL hand records are used, the normal charge applies. If an ACBL employee submits results to Live or provides any other support, the tournament will be charged a fee of \$50 over and above all other fees and charges.

**Rating of Session Awards for Flight C NAP District Finals be adjusted from 50% of Regional rating to 62.5%**

**District 4 Winners at the Memphis NABC in National Events**

Baldwin North American Pairs - Flight A: 10 - Meyer Kotkin, Jay Apfelbaum

Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs: 13 - Martin de Bruin, David Hoffner; 44 - Richard Popper

0-10,000 Swiss Teams: 10 - Bharat Rao

Kay Platinum Pairs: 26 - Connie Goldberg

Lebhar IMP Pairs: 20 - Richard Popper; 45 - Philip Goulding, David Hoffner; 47 - Dan Boye, Larry Sunser; 55 - Joann and Bob Glasson

**District 4 Top 10 Winners in Regional Events**

Thursday Open Pairs: 2 - Marty Seligman

Educational Foundation KO Bracket 1: 2 - Benito Garozzo

Friday Gold Rush Pairs: 3 - Michael Minoff, Glenn Fuhrman

Friday-Saturday KO Bracket 2: 2 - Alison Shoemaker, Lisa Mita, Deborah Crisfield, Helen Walker

Saturday Afternoon 299er Pairs: 3 - Patricia Estadt, Ron Price

Saturday Morning 299er Pairs: 4 - Patricia Estadt, Ron Price

Saturday Compact KO Bracket 1: 1 - Benito Garozzo

Saturday B/C/D Swiss: 1 - Michael Minoff, Glenn Fuhrman

Resnick Open Pairs: 9 - Randall Berseth, Anne Taylor

Monday Open Pairs: 1 - Bharat Rao

Monday-Tuesday KO 3: 1 - Lisa Mita, Alison Shoemaker

Tuesday Side Pairs: 3 - Wayne Rosenberger, Andrew Rosenberg

Saturday Swiss Teams: 4/5 - Mitchell Snyder, Susan Morse, John Dickenson

Saturday Compact KO Bracket 1: 2 - Marty Seligman

Sunday Side Pairs: 3/4 - Dennis Wick

Sunday A/X/Y Swiss - X: 4/5 - Ala Hamilton-Day, James Carroll

Sunday Side Pairs: 2 - Caroline Hughes, Thomas Hughes

Sunday Bracketed Flight B Teams 2: 2 - Deborah Crisfield, Lisa Mita, Helen Walker, Alison Shoemaker

Sunday A/B/C Swiss Teams: 5/6 - Marty Seligman

Sunday Evening Swiss Teams: 1 - James Carroll, Ala Hamilton-Day