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Reno NABC

The Spring National Bridge Tournament in Reno will be held March 10 to 20, 2022. This will be the second NABC held since the pandemic. With the waning of the Omicron variant, we are hopeful that attendance will be strong, although not likely up to pre-pandemic numbers. Early room reservations are very encouraging. Many of the social and educational events that were not held in Austin at the fall NABC because of the virus will be held for the first time in Reno.

The most frequently asked question about the NABC has to do with the wearing of masks while playing. The current policy is that any tournament staffed by the ACBL must require masking of players, staff and volunteers unless community transmission rate is below “substantial” (as determined by the CDC or a similar metric from a health agency) a week before the start date of the tournament.

Reno is still not at a level to think that masks won't be required, but that could change by the time that you read this message.

Regional Tournaments in District 4

District 4 will return to a full regional tournament schedule in 2022, kicking off with the first regional tournament of the year to be held in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, from May 2 to May 6 of 2022. You might notice that there is something different about those dates – the new regional is five days long, replacing the old seven-day regional. In the near future, this is the direction that our regionals will be taking. Monday to Friday have traditionally been the most popular days for tournament attendance and holding the tournament for only those days will allow the tournaments to be more financially feasible as we transition back to F2F bridge.

In June we can look forward to the King of Prussia regional tournament, in August the Rochester regional tournament and in October the Lancaster Regional tournament. Save the dates on your calendar. It will be wonderful to be together again, F2F, playing competitive bridge.

Stay well and please contact me anytime with any questions or concerns: joannglasson@msn.com

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