



Denver Fall NABC Daily Bulletin

Schedule of Events & Meeting Notices (Issue 0)



Welcome to the Denver North American Bridge Championships! The American Contract Bridge League and District 17 want to be the first to wish you good luck.

On Friday, Nov. 27, join us after the evening session for a night of fun, food, drinks and dancing at the **NABC Opening Reception**. The **Deja Blu Band** wants you to create their play list! Check out the song list at <http://dejabluband.com/song-list/> and email your requests to band@dejabluband.com. We'll celebrate the Fall NABC and dance the night away in the Grand Ballroom!



All events will be played at the **Sheraton Denver Downtown**. Please note the Sheraton has two buildings: **Tower** and **Plaza**. You can cross between the buildings on the concourse level and the second level.

- **NABC+ and NABC events:** Plaza Ballroom (Plaza Concourse)
 - **Regional KOs (1 & 7:30 p.m.):** Plaza Exhibit (Plaza Concourse)
 - **Regional pairs (1 & 7:30 p.m.):** Governor's Square (Plaza Concourse)
 - **Regional events (10 a.m. & 3 p.m.):** Grand Ballroom (Tower Building, Majestic level)
 - **Intermediate/Newcomer events:** Majestic Ballroom (Tower Building, Majestic level)
- Registration, partnership and information desks are located on the Plaza Concourse level.

The complete tournament schedule is included in the Restaurant Guide which can be picked up at the Registration Desk.

See you at the bridge table!

Robert Hartman
ACBL Chief Executive Officer

Pre-registration required for Senior KO

Entries for the Baze Senior Knockout Teams are required before 11 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 27.

Entries may be purchased in the Plaza Ballroom in the Plaza Building, Concourse Level.

Playing in an NABC+ pairs game? Buy your entry early!

In an effort to speed up the start of all NABC+ pairs events – which requires time to allow for proper seeding – the ACBL asks participants to please buy their entries **at least 15 minutes before game time**. This is especially true if you expect to be a seeded pair.

Free Internet!

Free wireless connections are available in hotel rooms at the Sheraton.

Check Cashing

Check cashing is available in the Plaza Concourse at these times:

- **Thursday, Nov. 26** from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
- **Friday, Nov. 27** from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- **Saturday, Nov. 28 through Saturday, Dec. 5** from noon to 1 p.m.

Electronic Device Policy

The electronic device policy at NABCs allows players to bring electronic devices such as cell phones into the playing area provided that such devices are **turned off**. Further, any such equipment **must not be visible** during the session.

A violation of the policy will result in an **automatic disciplinary penalty** of one full board (or 12 IMPs at that form of scoring) for the first offense. A second offense will result in disqualification from the event.

DENVER 2015 NABC SCHEDULE

Thursday, Nov. 26, 1 p.m. All Thursday events in Plaza Ballroom

Event	Session	Entry/player/session	
		ACBL members*	Others
International Fund Stratified Open Pairs <i>Part of the Thursday-Friday Side Game Series</i>	1st single	\$16	\$20
International Fund Stratified Swiss Teams	single	\$15	\$19
International Fund Stratified 299er Pairs	single	\$15	\$19

Thursday, Nov. 26, 7:30 p.m. All Thursday events in Plaza Ballroom

Educational Foundation Bracketed KO Teams <i>Continues Friday-Saturday at 9 a.m.</i>	1st	\$20	\$20
Educational Foundation Stratified Open Pairs <i>Part of the Thursday-Friday Side Game Series</i>	2nd single	\$20	\$20
Educational Foundation Stratified 299er Pairs	single	\$20	\$20

Friday, November 27, 9 a.m.

Denver Unit 361 Day

*0-5 Newcomer Pairs are free today!**

Educational Foundation Bracketed KO Teams	2nd	\$16	\$20
Friday-Saturday Morning Compact KO Teams	1-2	\$16	\$20
Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series	1st single	\$16	\$20

Friday, November 27, 10 a.m.

299er/199er/99er/49er Pairs	single	\$15	\$19
0-20 Pairs	single	\$15	\$15
0-5 Newcomer Pairs*	single	Free	Free

Friday, November 27, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Stratified Daylight Open Pairs	1-2	\$16	\$20
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Friday, November 27, 1 p.m.

Thursday-Friday Side Game Series	3rd single	\$16	\$20
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Friday, November 27, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

NAIL LIFE MASTER OPEN PAIRS	1-2 Q	\$20**	—
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2 qualifying & 2 final sessions. See waiver notice on next page.

BAZE SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round 1	\$20**	—
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Pre-registration req. by 11 a.m. Players must have been born by Jan. 1, 1959. One match per day until complete.

Stratified Open Pairs	1-2	\$16	\$20
Friday-Saturday Bracketed Knockout Teams	1-2	\$16	\$20

Friday, November 27, 3 p.m.

299er/199er/99er & 49er Pairs	single	\$15	\$19
0-20 Pairs	single	\$15	\$15
0-5 Newcomer Pairs*	single	Free	Free

DENVER 2015 NABC SCHEDULE

Friday, November 27, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday-Friday Side Game Series	4th single	\$16	\$20
Stratified Side Swiss Teams	single	\$15	\$19
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	\$15	\$19
299er/199er/99er & 49er Pairs	single	\$15	\$19
0-20 Pairs	single	\$15	\$15
0-5 Newcomer Pairs*	single	Free	Free

Friday, November 27, 11:30 p.m.

Zip Knockout Teams	single	\$12 / team / match
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Stratified events: A (unlimited), B (750-2500), C (0-750). Stratification based on the average for the pair/team.

Three-flight events: A/X (unlimited/5000); B/C (2500/1500); Gold Rush (750/300).

Two-flight events: A/X/Y (unlimited/5000/3000); B/C/D (2500/1500/500) if no Gold Rush;

A/B/C (unlimited/2500/1500); Gold Rush (750/300/100).

BOLD, UPPER CASE = NABC+ events (Platinum points)

UPPER CASE = NABC events (Gold & Red points)

Green = Regional events (Gold & Red points)

Blue = Gold Rush events (Gold & Red points)

Red = Intermediate/Newcomer events

*Members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.

** \$1.50 per person per session benefits the International Fund.

Entry Fees

Players must be ACBL members whose service fees or dues are current in order to compete in any of the following nationally ranked events: **Nail Life Master Open Pairs (see notice below), Whitehead Women's Pairs, Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams, Keohane North American Swiss Teams, Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs, Mitchell Open Board-a-Match Teams, Marsha May Sternberg Women's Board-a-Match Teams, Senior Mixed Pairs, Super Senior Pairs and Baze Senior Knockout Teams.** The entry fees for these contests are **\$20** per player per session. *Note: \$1.50 per person per session benefits the International Fund.*

Players must also be current ACBL members to play in the **0-5000 Mini-Blue Ribbon Pairs**, the **0-10,000 Swiss Teams**, the **0-10,000 IMP Pairs** and the **0-10,000 Fast Pairs**. The entry fee is **\$17** per player per session.

Regional championships are **\$16** per player per session for ACBL members, **\$20** for non-members. All other events are **\$15** per player per session for ACBL members, **\$19** for non-members.

Notice to players who reside outside North America

Participation in the Nail Life Master Open Pair is limited to ACBL members who have achieved the rank of Life Master. Players who reside outside North America and who do not meet this criteria, but feel they are otherwise eligible to participate, must receive a waiver prior to the commencement of the contest.

For waiver information, please arrive early and see the Director-in-Charge at the selling site. Please note that players who have been waived into previous Life Master Pairs do not have to re-apply.



Welcome, Intermediate/ Newcomer Players, to Denver!

Games for those with fewer than 300 masterpoints will begin at 10 a.m., 3 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. on most days. All Intermediate/Newcomer events will be held in the **Majestic Ballroom** in the **Tower Building, Majestic Level**.

The **I/N Partnership Desk** will guarantee you a partner if you sign up one hour prior to game time.

Don't forget to pick up your **registration gift**.

Celebrity bridge speakers will give free mini-lessons at 9:15 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. (on most days). The first speaker (Friday, Nov. 27, at 9:15 a.m.) is Jerry Helms on "Splinter Raises."

Players with 0-5 masterpoints can play **free** in the Newcomer Pairs on Friday, Nov. 27.

Don't miss the **free two-hour lessons** by renowned ACBL teachers (**10 a.m. to noon**):

- Saturday, Nov. 28 Jerry Helms
- Sunday, Nov. 29 Audrey Grant
- Monday, Nov. 30 Jerry Helms

Entry fee special! Players with 0-100 MPs who buy a regular-price entry Nov. 27-29 will receive a half-priced entry for games held Dec. 4-6.

Buy Your NABC Entry Online

Don't wait in line! Buy your entries in advance for all national-level events in Denver at **www.BridgeWinners.com**.

Entries must be purchased by 10 a.m. the day of the event EXCEPT for events that require pre-registration, in which case the ACBL deadline time applies.

A nice feature: You can buy entries in advance and be charged for the total number of sessions played *after* the event is over.

Note: Players who wish to redeem ACBL coupons, free plays or Bridge Bucks may not purchase entries online.



NABC Results by Email/Text

Want to be notified when results and the Daily Bulletins from the NABC are posted online? Want to see your results in the events you played in? ACBL Live does just that.

With the ACBL Live notification system, you will receive emails and/or text messages after each session with links that go directly to the information you're looking for.

The email/text message will contain your score for the session and a link to your results. (These results will also be available on your MyResults page at MyACBL.)

Players will also receive a notification to indicate when the Daily Bulletin for that day is available.

This service is automatic for members unless they have specifically opted out. To receive text messages, go to MyACBL at acbl.org and select Update My Information to enter your email address and/or cell phone number.

Also at MyACBL, visit the Privacy Settings tab to make sure you've selected the Subscribe setting for General Email Communication and Cell Phone Text Communication to receive these notifications.

Denver Seminars & Meetings

Club & Cruise Director Course

Monday, Nov. 23 1 - 10 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 24 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Wed., Nov. 25 9 a.m. - Noon

Room: Century (Tower Bldg., Majestic Lvl)

Mgmt. Technology Committee

Members are invited to hear updates on ACBL tech projects.

Friday, Nov. 27 4 - 6 p.m.

Room: Vail (Tower Bldg., Majestic Level)

Teacher Accreditation Program

Friday, Nov. 27 8:30 a.m. - Noon

*Continues Saturday and Sunday
from 8:30 a.m. to Noon each day*

Room: Savoy (Tower Bldg., Majestic Level)