



WELCOME TO TORONTO

Welcome to the Summer NABC! The American Contract Bridge League and District 2 want to be the first to wish you good luck at the tournament.

Please check the Daily Bulletin online daily for the most up-to-date schedule and game location information.

All bridge play will be held at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, north building. Note that the ground level is the second floor.

On Wednesday, July 17, the Grand National Teams will be held in Exhibit Hall B on the upper level, moving to Constitution Hall 106 on the lower level on Thursday and Room 202D, ground level, on Friday. On Thursday, July 18, all regional events will be held in Exhibit Hall B on the upper level.

Here is an overview of event locations beginning Friday, July 19.

NABC+ and NABC Events – Constitution Hall 105–107, lower level

Events with screens – Room 202D, ground level

Regional Pairs – Exhibit Hall B East, upper level

Regional Teams – Exhibit Hall B South, upper level

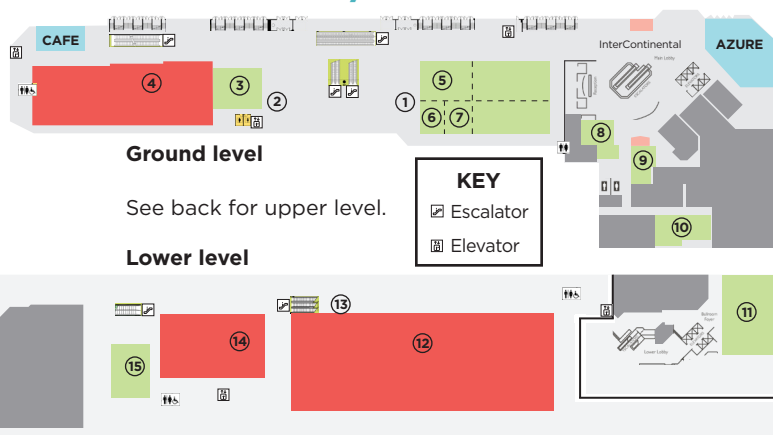
Gold Rush & Intermediate/Newcomer Events – Exhibit Hall B West, upper level



The complete tournament schedule is included in the Restaurant Guide which is available at the Welcome Desk. The Welcome, Prizes and Information desks are located on the east side of the lobby. The Partnership Desk is on the west side. Vendors are at the top of the escalators outside Exhibit Hall B.

CONVENTION CENTRE/HOTEL MAP

The Convention Centre and the InterContinental are connected on the ground level only, not the lower level.



EVENING ENTERTAINMENT

Two nights of fun evening entertainment are planned. These events will be held in the Kingsway, Halton, Wentworth and Wellington rooms on the lobby level of the InterContinental. Light food and cash bar at both.

SUNDAY, JULY 21

Beyond Bridge: Karaoke, board games, foosball, photo booth, etc. 8:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

Bridge Mania: Jeopardy, Family Feud and other bridge-themed games. 8:30 p.m.

PATRON LOUNGE

The ACBL invites all Patron Members to visit the Patron Lounge in Room 204 on the ground floor of the Convention Centre for light lunch and coffee from 1 to 3 p.m. from Friday, July 19, to Friday, July 26.

Convention Centre, ground level

- 1 Welcome/Prizes/Information Desks
- 2 Partnership Desk
- 3 204 – Patron Lounge
- 4 202D – NABC+ events with screens
- 5 205B – Collegiate events
- 6 205A – Daily Bulletin
- 7 205C – Tournament Operations

InterContinental, lobby level

- 8 Kingsway, Wentworth – social events
- 9 Halton, Wellington – social events
- 10 Oakville, Caledon – ABTA

InterContinental, lower level

- 11 Ballroom – receptions

Convention Centre, lower level

- 12 Constitution Hall – NABC+ events
- 13 Help Desk, selling stations
- 14 104 – lessons, Youth NABC
- 15 103 – seminars

Wednesday, July 17

All Wednesday events are in Exhibit Hall B, upper level. All prices are Canadian dollars.

EVENT	SESSION	Entry/player/session*			
		Members with CBF discount	Members with host discount	Members without discount	
noon & 6 p.m.					
MOREHEAD GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS (CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT)	1–2 Q	Exhibit Hall B	\$50	\$54	\$64
GOLDMAN GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS (Flight A)	1–2 Q	Exhibit Hall B	Free	Free	Free
SHEINWOLD GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS (Flight B)	1–2 Q	Exhibit Hall B	Free	Free	Free
MACNAB GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS (Flight C)	1–2 Q	Exhibit Hall B	Free	Free	Free
<i>All GNTs: Two-session Swiss qualifying, followed by all-day KO matches. Pre-qualification required.</i>					

Thursday, July 18

All Thursday events are in Exhibit Hall B, upper level, except the GNTs, which are in Constitution Hall 106, lower level.

10 a.m.						
International Fund Pairs	Thu-Sat Side Series	1st single	Exhibit Hall B	\$24	\$28	\$38
International Fund 299er Pairs		single	Exhibit Hall B	\$20	\$24	\$34
10 a.m. & 3 p.m.						
Educational Foundation Open Pairs**	(unl./3000/1500)	1–2	Exhibit Hall B	\$28	\$32	\$42
Educational Foundation Gold Rush Pairs**		1–2	Exhibit Hall B	\$28	\$32	\$42
Educational Foundation Bracketed Round Robin Teams**		1–2	Exhibit Hall B	\$28	\$32	\$42
10 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.						
MOREHEAD GNT (CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT)		Rd. of 16	Constitution Hall 106	\$50	\$54	\$64
GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS (Flights A, B & C)		Rd. of 16	Constitution Hall 106	Free	Free	Free
<i>All GNTs: Knockout matches continue through Sunday.</i>						
3 p.m.						
Educational Foundation Pairs**	Thu-Sat Side Series	2nd single	Exhibit Hall B	\$28	\$32	\$42
Educational Foundation 299er Pairs**		single	Exhibit Hall B	\$24	\$28	\$38

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

UPPER CASE = NABC events (gold and/or red points)

Green = Regional events (gold and/or red points)

Blue = Gold Rush events (gold and/or red points)

Red = Intermediate/Newcomer events (red points)

* For Premier, NABC+ and NABC events, participants must be full ACBL members and up-to-date with their membership dues. For all other events, participants must be ACBL members (or guest members). Inactive members may renew or pay a \$5 upcharge per session.

** \$4 per person per session benefits the ACBL Educational Foundation.

Friday, July 19

O-5 players play free in I/N games today.

			Members with CBF discount	Members with host discount	Members without discount
9:30 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.					
MOREHEAD GNT (CHAMP. FLIGHT)	QF	Room 202D	\$50	\$54	\$64
GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS (Flights A, B & C)	QF	Room 202D	\$30	\$34	\$44

10 a.m.

Friday Morning Side Pairs	3rd single	Ex Hall B East	\$24	\$28	\$38
299er Pairs	single	Ex Hall B West	\$20	\$24	\$34
0-5 players in 299er Pairs			Free	Free	Free

10 a.m. & 3 p.m.

VON ZEDTWITZ LIFE MASTER PAIRS	1-2 Q	Constitution Hall 106	\$50	\$54	\$64
BRUCE LM-6000 PAIRS	1-2 Q	Ex Hall B East	\$30	\$34	\$44
YOUNG 0-2500 PAIRS	1-2 Q	Ex Hall B East	\$30	\$34	\$44
<i>All events above: 2 qualifying, 2 semifinal & 2 final sessions</i>					
Niagara Unit 255 Open Pairs	1-2	Ex Hall B East	\$24	\$28	\$38
Gold Rush Pairs	1-2	Ex Hall B West	\$24	\$28	\$38
Open Bracketed Round Robin Teams	1-2	Ex Hall B South	\$24	\$28	\$38

3 p.m.

Friday Afternoon Side Pairs	4th single	Ex Hall B East	\$24	\$28	\$38
299er Pairs	single	Ex Hall B West	\$20	\$24	\$34
0-5 players in 299er Pairs			Free	Free	Free

7:30 p.m.

Friday Evening Side Pairs	1st single	Ex Hall B East	\$24	\$28	\$28
---------------------------	------------	----------------	------	------	------

Stratification is based on averaging the MPs of a pair or team except in any event or flight with an upper limit. Eligibility for limited events is based on the MP total for the highest player.

Stratification for open regional events is unlimited/2500/750 unless otherwise noted. Stratification for Gold Rush events is 750/400/200.

Regional top-flight and mid-flight pair events play 26 or 27 boards per session. Gold Rush and side pairs play 24 boards per session. Swiss and round robin team events typically play 24 boards per session, depending on the event or bracket size. All regional team events use the 20-point VP scale.

In gold-point events of two or more sessions, overall awards and section tops are paid in gold to any strat that has a maximum of 750 or higher. Side Pairs Series pay gold only to the open strat, and it is necessary to play two or more sessions in the series to earn gold.

I/N events are stratified as appropriate at the discretion of the director. No player may be over 300.

▶ ENTRY EXPRESS & PURCHASE OPTIONS

All monetary transactions are cashless, including entries for NABC and regional games. All major debit/credit cards are accepted wherever entries are sold.

Advance entries for events are available through the ACBL's online Entry Express system. It is necessary for eligible players to use this system in order to receive the host discount of \$10 per session for being a guest of one of the host hotels or resident of the host district. Canadian Bridge Federation members eligible for the Maple Leaf Discount of \$14 per session must also use Entry Express.

To use Entry Express from your own device, go to members.acbl.org/tournaments/2407001/detail or scan the QR code at right. This may be done until midnight the day before the event begins.

Hotel guests are assigned two discount coupons per

night of stay plus one (six nights gets 14 coupons).

For help with Entry Express, visit the Entry Express Help Desk located on both the upper level, on the east side of Exhibit Hall B, and on the lower level, right off the escalator.



Entries may also be purchased at the event location in the hour before the start time. Entries for NABC events are no longer available on Bridge Winners.

Buying early is especially recommended for NABC+ pairs events. All entries must be purchased at least 15 minutes before game time. Pairs who expect to be seeded should buy at least 30 minutes in advance.



▶ ENTRY FEES

A valid ACBL player number is required to play in all events at the NABC.

All entry fees and discounts are listed in Canadian dollars.

For all daytime events, a discount of **\$10** per player per session is available to registered guests of the host hotel and residents of the host district who purchase entries through Entry Express. Canadian residents who are members of the Canadian Bridge Federation who purchase through Entry Express receive **\$14** off. Only one discount per person.

Players must be ACBL members whose service fees or dues are current in order to compete in any Premier NABC+, NABC+ or NABC events.

Premier NABC+ events are the Grand National Teams (Championship Flight), von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs, Spingold Knockout Teams and the Roth Open Swiss Teams. The undiscounted entry fees for these contests are **\$64** per player per session. For team events, this means \$256 per team per session for four-person teams, \$320 per team per session for five-person teams and \$384 per team per session for six-person teams.

NABC+ events are the NABC+ Open Pairs, Wagar Women's Pairs, Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams, Wernher Open Pairs, Freeman Mixed Board-A-Match Teams and the Oshlag Fast Pairs. The undiscounted entry fees for these contests are **\$58** per person per session. For team events, this means \$232 per team per session for four-person teams, \$290 per team per session for five-person teams and \$348 per team per session for six-person teams.

Note: \$1.50 per person per session benefits the International Fund for all of the above events.

NABC event are the Grand National Teams (Flights A, B & C), the 0-6000 and 0-2500 Mini-Spingold Knockouts, the NABC 0-10,000 Pairs, the 0-10,000 Mixed Swiss Teams, the Bruce LM-6000 Pairs, the Young 0-2500 Pairs and the Bean Red Ribbon Pairs. The undiscounted entry fee for these events is **\$44** per player per session. For the team events, this means \$176 per team per session for teams of four, \$220 per team per session for teams of five and \$264 per team per session for teams of six. (The GNT Flights A, B & C have no fee the first two days of the contest.)

Regional events are **\$38** per player per session for ACBL members, and \$43 for lapsed members. For team events of one or two sessions, the entry fee is \$152 per session. Evening events are **\$28** per session.

Events with a masterpoint limit of 300 or lower are **\$34** per player per session for ACBL members, \$39 for lapsed members. Players with 0-5 masterpoints play free in I/N events on Friday, July 19.

CONVENTION CENTRE MAP

Upper level





When you enter the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, you are on level 2. Escalators to the lower level are along the north (Front Street) edge; escalators to the upper level are in the center. Elevators to the upper level are near the connection to InterContinental.

Elevators to the lower level are near the Patron Lounge.

MTCC, upper level

- 16 Gold Rush & I/N events
- 17 Regional Teams
- 18 Regional Pairs
- 19 Vendors
- 20 Help Desk, selling stations
- 21 Concessions

KEY

-  Escalator
-  Elevator

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

FOR SPINGOLD, MINI-SPINGOLD KOS

Registration for the Spingold Knockout Teams is required by 3:30 p.m. Sunday, July 21. This can be done on Entry Express or on site Sunday.

For the Mini-Spingolds, the deadline is 3:30 p.m. Monday, July 22, for the 0–6000 and 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 23, for the 0–2500. Contingent entries are allowed: May withdraw pending qualification in another event. This can be done on Entry Express.

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 during play. 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.

NEED TO JOIN OR RENEW?

You can renew or reinstate your membership online at acbl.org/join or in the Tournament Operations office (Room 205C, ground level).

ELIGIBILITY POINTS

NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF OTHER NATIONAL BRIDGE ORGANIZATIONS

If you are currently a member of a bridge organization outside of USA, Canada, Mexico or Bermuda, or have been in the past, please be aware that you must have eligibility points assigned to you (or those previously issued to you reviewed, if more than a year ago) prior to participation in any event at this NABC. This is especially important if you intend to enter an event, flight or stratum with a masterpoint limit or a bracketed event. Please visit the Tournament Operations office (Room 205C, ground level) for this purpose.

LIMITED EVENTS ELIGIBILITY

Players who have previously won an NABC+ event are not eligible to participate in any event with an upper masterpoint limit, including 0–10,000 events.

In bracketed events, players with less than 10,000 points who have won an NABC+ event should report their masterpoint total as 10,000 rather than their actual holding.

LM PAIRS WAIVERS

NOTICE TO PLAYERS WHO RESIDE OUTSIDE NORTH AMERICA

Participation in the von Zedtwitz or Bruce Life Master Pairs 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 before entering.

For waiver information, please visit the Tournament Operations office (Room 205C, ground level) at least one hour before the start of the event. Players who have been waived into previous Life Master Pairs do not have to re-apply.

CONVENTION CARDS

Each player must have an ACBL convention card (new or classic format) filled out and on the table. Please note that WBF or other types of convention cards are not acceptable substitutes.