



2023 ACBL District and Unit Races... Results Are In !

The ACBL keeps a database of the performance of all its members. It updates the database monthly (usually on the 6th of the following month) and uses a computer program to keep track of how each member qualifies for mention in three races: the Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs, the Mini-McKenney, and the Ace of Virtual Clubs.

♣ The Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs tallies how many masterpoints are won by each individual when playing F2F games at a club level.

♦ The Mini-McKenney tracks how many points are won by an individual when playing F2F games at a club and at tournaments.

♥ The Ace of Virtual Clubs tallies how many points are won by an individual when playing in any online club game.

♠ The data for 2023 is now online and can be found at: myACBL, District/Unit Races, for those who want to see the complete data.

*On the next few pages we celebrate KDBC members
who have shone with distinction.*

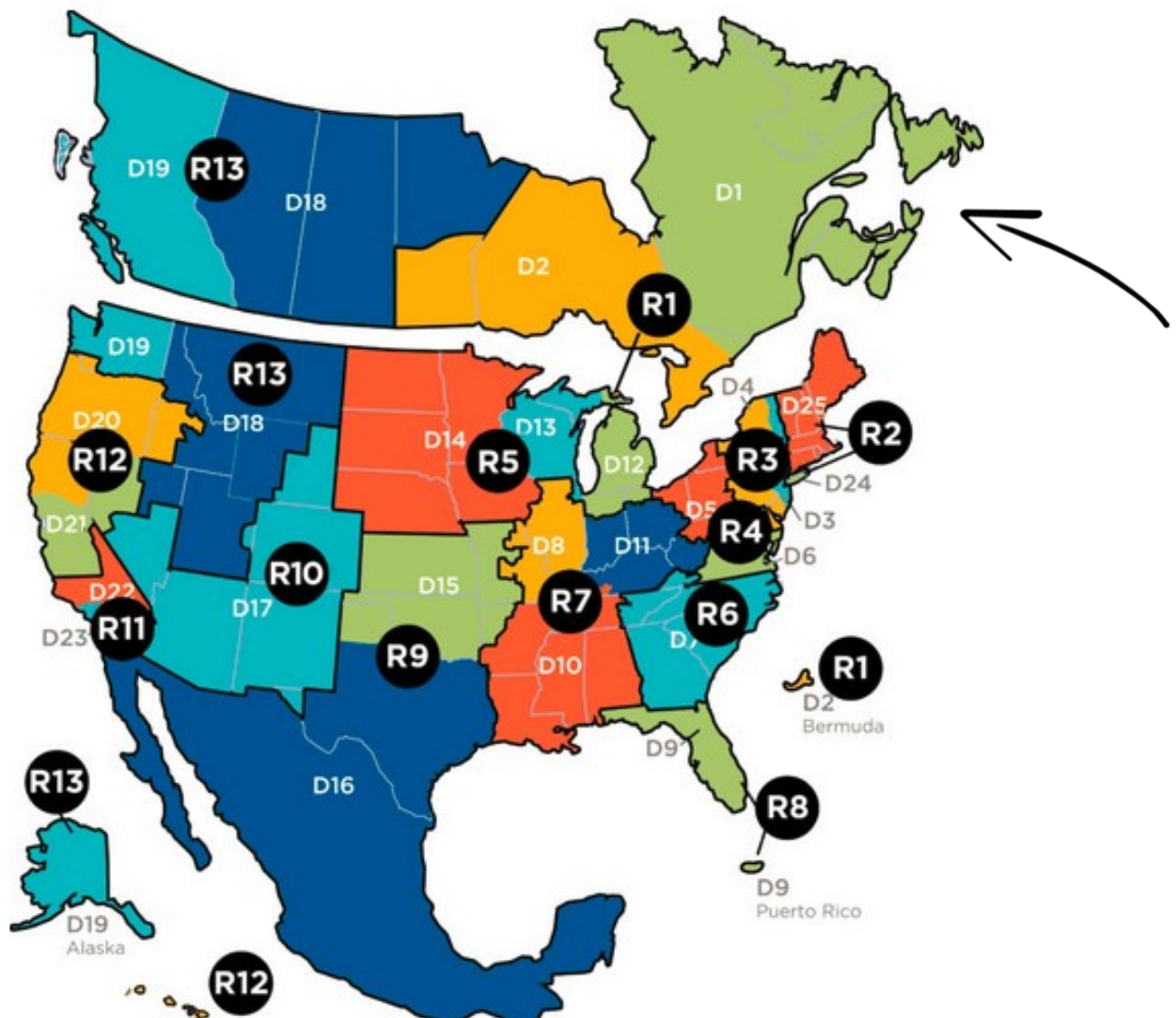
Congratulations!

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How Do They Work ?

Each ACBL member starts the year in a masterpoint category, and then their Masterpoint winnings for the entire year are tracked. At the end of the year, their winnings are compared with all the other players who started the year in the same masterpoint category. The scores are broken down further so that members of a particular District or members of a particular Unit are compared.

KDBC is in District 1 (comprising all of eastern Canada and shown in pale green on the upper right of the map below—it's a huge District!) and is part of Unit 192 (which covers south-eastern Ontario and Gatineau, Quebec) within District 1.



2023 Mini-McKenney* Race

MPs Earned in Club and Tournament Play

FIRST PLACE IN THEIR CATEGORY IN UNIT 192

Paddy Allan (5,000 – 7,500)	Anne Herfst (300-500)	Don Kersey (10,000+)
Anne Lamarche (100-200)	Keith Prytulka (200-300)	George Yon (50-100)

TOP TEN IN THEIR CATEGORY IN UNIT 192

Amar Banerjee	Chris Caswell	Bob Fowkes
Carol Harries	Keith Jackson	Kathy McDonald
Elaine McDougall	Mary-Jean McIntyre	George McKeever
Greg McKellar	Bill Mitchell	Gaylia Ohlman
Paul Peloquin	Mary Reid	Hamish Taylor
Glenn Torrie	Doris Waddell	Marlo Whitehead
Marlene Young		

FIRST PLACE IN THEIR CATEGORY IN DISTRICT 1

Paddy Allan (5,000 – 7,500)	Anne Lamarche (100-200)
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TOP 25 IN THEIR CATEGORY IN DISTRICT 1

Amar Banerjee	Chris Caswell	Bob Fowkes
Anne Herfst	Keith Jackson	Don Kersey
Kathy McDonald	Elaine McDougall	Mary-Jean McIntyre
Greg McKellar	Bill Mitchell	Gaylia Ohlman
Paul Peloquin	Keith Prytulka	Mary Reid
Hamish Taylor	Glenn Torrie	George Yon

*In 1974, the ACBL Board of Directors voted to recognize the masterpoint achievements of all players and the Mini-McKenney races were established. The overall winners at each level of achievement are recognized by the ACBL each year in the April issue of the Bridge Bulletin and at the district and unit levels. (source: ACBL)

2023 Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs* Race

MPs Earned in F2F Club Play

FIRST PLACE IN THEIR CATEGORY IN UNIT 192

Don Kersey
(10,000+)

Greg McKellar
(5,000—7,500)

Paul Peloquin
(5—20)

TOP TEN IN THEIR CATEGORY IN UNIT 192

Paddy Allan

Amar Banerjee

Anne Herfst

Keith Jackson

Anne Lamarche

Mary-Jean McIntyre

Julie Plante

Keith Prytulka

Gaylia Ohlman

Mary Reid

George Yon

Marlene Young

FIRST PLACE IN THEIR CATEGORY IN DISTRICT 1

Don Kersey (10,000+)

TOP 25 IN THEIR CATEGORY IN DISTRICT 1

Paddy Allan

Greg McKellar

Mary-Jean McIntyre

George Yon

*Most ACBL members play in local club games. To recognize achievement at the club level, the Ace of Clubs competition was created in 1984. These club champions are recognized at the unit level and ACBL-wide. All points won at the club level are counted in this contest with the exception of those won in STaCs. This award was renamed in 2011 in honor of Grand Life Master Helen Shanbrom of Tamarac FL. Shanbrom was one of the most active players in the ACBL for decades and won the top category of the Ace of Clubs more times than any other member in ACBL history. (source: ACBL)

**District One Top 30 masterpoint holders
(from the ACBL list of District 1 players with the greatest
total points as of January 6, 2024)**

#13: DON KERSEY with 12,327 masterpoints

2023 Ace of Virtual Clubs* Race

MPs Earned Online in a Club Game

FIRST PLACE IN THEIR CATEGORY IN UNIT 192

Paddy Allan (5,000—7,500)	Marvin Baer (2,500—3,500)	Don Kersey (10,000 +)
Keith Prytulka (200—300)	Marlo Whitehead (0-5)	

TOP TEN IN THEIR CATEGORY IN UNIT 192

Sharon Boal	Pat Briggs	Chris Caswell	Martie Cervenko
John Eady	John Finucan	Michael Fobert	Bob Fowkes
Carol Harries	Keith Jackson	Patricia Lennie	Brenda Loughlin
Kathy McDonald	Mary-Jean McIntyre	George McKeever	Christopher Paul
Lois Rausch	Mary Reid	Joan Renzoni	Maureen Rush
Frances Szewczuk	Sandra Theriault	Glenn Torrie	Doris Waddell
George Yon			

FIRST PLACE IN THEIR CATEGORY IN DISTRICT 1

Paddy Allan (5,000— 7,500)	Marvin Baer (2,500-3,500)	Don Kersey (10,000+)
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TOP 25 IN THEIR CATEGORY IN DISTRICT 1

Sharon Boal	Pat Briggs	Lorne Campbell	Martie Cervenko
Conrad Debarros	Terry Demers	John Dundas	John Eady
John Finucan	Michael Fobert	Bob Fowkes	Assunta Gerretsen
John Gerretsen	Doug Graham	Marlene Gryspeerdt	
Carol Harries	Anne Herfst	Keith Jackson	Brenda Laughlin
June Leach	Patricia Lennie	Kathy McDonald	Mary-Jean McIntyre
George McKeever	Wilfrid Menninga	Sylvia Moreau	Christopher Paul
Keith Prytulka	Lois Rausch	Mary Reid	Joan Renzoni
Maureen Rush	Anne Sherlock	Carol Sirman	Gerarda Smith
Frances Szewczuk	Sandra Theriault	Glenn Torrie	Charles Waddell
Doris Waddell	Marlo Whitehead	George Yon	

*Beginning in January of 2023, all sanctioned games held at ACBL Virtual Clubs (VACB), are to be counted in the Ace of Virtual Clubs Masterpoint Races at Unit, District and ACBL-wide levels, and are not to be counted in the Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs. (source: ACBL)