

ACBL Unit 179 Board Meeting
July 2016 Quarterly Meeting Minutes
Vanderbilt Bridge Club/ Nashville, TN

Date: July 9, 2016

Board Members:

Present: David Birnbaum, Coley McGinnis, Robert Erwin, Jr., Anne Hitt, Betsy Keeling, Jim Bass, Walter Brostrom, Pat Williams, Dianne Sussman, Chris Clark, Tom Cox

Absent: Tommy Boze, Charlynn Foust

Others Present:

Secretary: Alison Gembar

Treasurer: Sue Atwood

Proceedings:

Meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

May 2016 minutes were reviewed and approved.

Sue Atwood: Treasurers Report

- Presented May 2016 tournament financial reports and table count information.
- 357 table count, up from 331.5 from 2 years ago
- ABA was paid 1/3 of proceeds, \$970.
- Longest Day, Alzheimers Fundraiser, expense \$725.

Pat Williams: Regional July 2017 status report

- Reviewed Regional schedule.
 - Discussed the difference between 3 session & 4 session KO. (It makes a difference to players with 1000-3000 mps. They are less likely to participate in 4 session KOs if they have to compete with top players, due to not enough teams participating). Many people are not “clued-in” to the difference. Discussion of master points awarded for 3 session vs 4 session KOs ensued.
 - Discussion about this schedule: there are 5 side series games, 5 Gold pair games (2 sessions ea), 2 4-round KOs, 4 3-round KOs, 2 compact KOs. Also offering pairs games for Sunday, along with Swiss games.

- Board decided:
 - 1st KO as 3 session,
 - 1 compact KO in the evening
 - 3 3-session KOs
 - 2 4-session KOs
 - Remove KO 6
 - Not have compact KO's finishing up same time (night) as other KOs
 - Swiss Sunday, keeping Sunday side game for those who wish only to play 1 game on Sunday.
 - 9:30 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm start times
- Hotel allows us to count the food purchased by attendees as part of our food/beverage commitment
- Flyer will be tentatively published to place at Chattanooga Regional next week.

Anne Hitt: Table Search Committee.

Sample table was presented. Set up time is quicker than 4 leg table. Table is a tad higher than our regular tables. Cost is \$31.62+tax each (34.55 each, \$1727 total). Shipping is free. David suggested we store them in their original boxes. H-frame-type table was approved by the Board to purchase for regional(s).

NEW BUSINESS:

David Birnbaum: Special Regional

Would we like to move toward getting a Regional in 2018? The option is available. Mobile wants the Regional, but they can't do it after March. Mobile has asked Shreveport to change to the summer date so that Mobile can have the January dates. At this time the summer dates are what is available. We can make a bid on those dates for a Regional. We can then have a Regional 2017, 2018, 2019 (between April & Aug). This will require much more manpower. We can apply for this. No guarantee there will be approval. Shreveport could get the tournament. Does the board want to bid for the July 2018 Regional? David would make the request to the oversight committee via email this evening if the board decides to pursue.

Motion to make a Bid for a 2018 Regional presented. Motion approved.

Motion to Adjourn. Motion Approved.
Meeting adjourned 6:30 pm

*NASHVILLE
TENNESSEE*



*FIRECRACKER
REGIONAL*

JULY 3 THRU 9, 2017

- *Gold Rush or Bracketed Team Events EVERY Day*
- *Intermediate/Newcomer Games EVERY Session*
- *Convenient Daylight Schedule for Most Events*
- *Mix of 2, 3 and 4 Session Knock-out Events*
- *Preliminary Schedule on the Back*

Newly Remodeled Sheraton Music City (Airport/McGavock Pike)

\$129 Per Room – Up to Quad Occupancy

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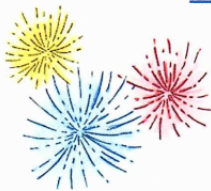
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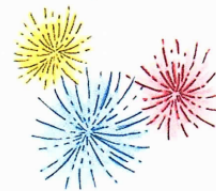
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- *Tournament Chair and Contact Information:*

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**4TH
OR
JULY**



	Morning 9:30	Afternoon 2:00	Evening 7:15		
MON 7/3	PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE	Open Pairs A/B/C Gold Rush Pairs I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Afternoon Pair Series KO1 1/4	Open Pairs A/B/C Gold Rush Pairs I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Evening Pair Series KO1 2/4 KO2 1/3		KO # rounds 1 4 2 3 3 3 4 4 5 3 6 3
TUE 7/4	Open Pairs A/B/C Gold Rush Pairs I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Morning Pair Series KO1 3/4 KO2 2/3	Open Pairs A/B/C Gold Rush Pairs I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Afternoon Pair Series KO1 4/4 KO2 3/3 Single Swiss A/B/C	semiFAST-> Open Pairs A/B/C 1/2 semiFAST-> Gold Rush Pairs 1/2 I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Evening Pair Series KO3 1/3 semi fast about 2.5 hours also mini about 21/22 brds		Two compact
WED 7/5	A/X Swiss B Bracketed Swiss I/N 9er/49er Pairs Morning Pair Series	A/X Swiss B Bracketed Swiss I/N 9er/49er Pairs Afternoon Pair Series	semiFAST-> Open Pairs A/B/C 2/2 semiFAST-> Gold Rush Pairs 2/2 I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Evening Pair Series KO3 2/3 Compact KO1 1/2		
THU 7/6	Open Pairs A/B/C Gold Rush Pairs I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Morning Pair Series KO4 1/4	Open Pairs A/B/C Gold Rush Pairs I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Afternoon Pair Series KO4 2/4 KO5 1/3	Combo Pair-BAM A/B/C I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Evening Pair Series KO3 3/3 Compact KO1 2/2		
FRI 7/7	Open Pairs A/B/C Gold Rush Pairs I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Morning Pair Series KO4 3/4 KO5 2/3	Open Pairs A/B/C Gold Rush Pairs I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Afternoon Pair Series KO4 4/4 KO5 3/3	Open Swiss A/B/C 1/2 Gold Rush Swiss 1/2 I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Evening Pair Series		
SAT 7/8	Open Pairs A/B/C Gold Rush Pairs I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Weekend Pair Series KO6 1/3	Open Pairs A/B/C Gold Rush Pairs I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Weekend Pair Series KO6 2/3 Compact KO2 1/2	Open Swiss A/B/C 1/2 Gold Rush Swiss 1/2 I/N 9er/49er/199er Pairs Weekend Pair Series KO6 3/3 Compact KO2 2/2		
SUN 7/9	A/X Swiss B Bracketed Swiss I/N 9er & 49er Pairs Weekend Pair Series	A/X Swiss B Bracketed Swiss I/N 9er & 49er Pairs Weekend Pair Series			

Stratifications:

Open Pairs/Teams A/B/C	1750/3500/3500+	All events stratified by average masterpoint holdings
A/X Pairs/Teams	5000/5000+	No individual player may have higher than the upper limit of an event
B/C Pairs/Teams	1500/3000	
Gold Rush Pairs/Team	300/500/750	All compact KO's handicapped
B Bracketed Teams	Upper limit = 3000	Open KO top bracket MAY be handicapped
Intermediate/Newcomer (less than 200)	Director discretion	Director discretion
Pair Series A/B/C	1000/2500/2500+	
Single Session Teams A/B/C	1000/2500/2500+	