

## **District Director's Report – March 2015**

### **New Orleans NABC**

The Spring NABC was held at the New Orleans Marriott in New Orleans LA. Final table count was 11,402, which is about 900 tables above the pre-tournament estimate. I extend our thanks to the District 10 local hosts who provided excellent evening hospitality. Several players commented about cramped conditions especially for the Vanderbilt, which was held in playing space many believe is not acceptable for our premier event. Others complained that the playing areas were at times very cold and there were also numerous complaints about the distance to bathrooms. Otherwise, most who attended had a good time.

### **TOP 10 FINISHERS IN NABC EVENTS – DISTRICT 25**

#### **NAP - FLIGHT A**

Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA  
Shome Mukerjee, Randolph MA **1**

Adam Grossack, Newton MA  
James Streisand, Sudbury MA **5**

#### **WOMEN'S PAIRS**

Yiji Starr, Wayland MA **1**

#### **0 – 10,000 SWISS**

Andrew Chesterton, Winchester MA  
Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA **5**

#### **MIXED PAIRS**

Sheila Gabay, Newton MA  
Lloyd Arvedon, Woburn MA **2**

#### **0 – 10,000 KO TEAMS**

Arthur Crystal, Fairfield CT  
Cenk Tuncok, Amesbury, MA **5/8**

#### **FAST PAIRS**

Lewis Gamerman, Randolph MA **7**

#### **WOMEN'S SWISS TEAMS**

Karen McCallum, Exeter, NH **1**

Phyllis Fireman, Chestnut Hill MA **4**

#### **JACOBY SWISS TEAMS**

Allan Graves, Saint Johnsbury VT **1**



For complete details on Board actions, please refer to the minutes of the Board meeting on the ACBL website (ACBL.org). These will be posted within the next two weeks.

### **Top 25 Masterpoint Winners – New Orleans NABC**

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Platinum</u>
1	Allan Graves, Saint Johnsbury VT	189.89	130.00
2	Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA	133.82	108.62
3	Shome Mukherjee, Randolph MA	131.99	105.82
4	Yiji Starr, Wayland MA	125.60	100.00
5	Lloyd Arvedon, Woburn MA	106.68	103.49
6	Karen McCallum, Exeer NH	106.64	47.94
7	Franklin Merblum, Bloomfield CT	82.71	81.58
8	Lewis Gamerman, Randolph MA	81.84	37.56
9	Sheila Gabay, Newton MA	76.30	76.30
10	Cenk Tuncok, Amesbury MA	62.61	20.27
11	Adam Grossack, Newton MA	52.71	46.19
12	James Keegan, Cambridge MA	47.71	3.64
13	Susan Glasspiegel, Simsbury CT	46.18	
14	Phyllis Fireman, Chestnut Hill MA	45.69	43.98
15	Paul Harris, Waltham MA	45.44	3.64
16	John Hrones Jr, Needham MA	42.88	4.68
17	Zachary Grossack, Newton MA	42.73	21.57
18	Douglas Doub, West Hartford CT	41.13	41.13
19	Tim Joder, Lanesboro MA	40.43	40.43
20	Nathan Glasser, Somerville MA	40.10	3.37
21	James Streisand, Sudbury MA	40.00	40.00
22	Joe DeGaetano, Delray Beach FL	38.40	21.35
23	Arthur Crystal, Fairfield CT	36.98	1.71
24	Timothy Pettus, Northborough MA	36.90	
25	Stewart Rubenstein, Newton MA	35.14	
	Christina Parker, Newton Center	35.14	

The Summer NABC will be held at Hilton Chicago Hotel in Chicago, Illinois from August 6 to August 16. I suggest you plan to get your rooms early because I have already heard complaints from players who say they are having great difficulty getting rooms. I'm also led to believe many of the rooms have two bathrooms instead of one and there is also an additional \$25 per night charge should you be required to use one of these rooms. Both of these situations are unacceptable to me. I do not recall any mention being made of an extra \$25 nightly charge when the contract was presented to the ACBL Board several years ago and I continue to be concerned that for at least the last three NABCs, players being are advised there are no rooms available for part of their stay many, almost immediately after the rooms first become available.

The Fall NABC will be held at the Sheraton Denver Downtown in Denver CO from November 26 through December 6. Room rates are a very reasonable \$131 per night with complimentary Internet and the view is supposed to be spectacular.

Rich DeMartino  
District Director