



President's Report

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Last month, I attended the Spring NABC in Louisville. I wasn't sure what to expect, but found this to be a delightful city. The hotel was full with bridge players, and the venue was right next to the river for beautiful views. There were good dining spots in the area, many walkable. I also took an afternoon to enjoy the Kentucky Derby Museum – it's hard to believe the Derby is celebrating 150 years. That's a lot of history!

Our District players did well at this tournament. Here are the Louisville D21 Top 10 Masterpoint Winners:

- 1 267.24 - Andy Goodman, Carmel CA
- 2 132.55 - Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA
- 3 131.44 - Erli Zhou, Sunnyvale CA
- 4 126.20 - Michael Rosenberg, Foster City CA
- 5 106.97 - Ming Sheng, Los Altos CA
- 6 105.56 - John Kranyak, San Francisco CA
- 7 103.26 - Michael Xu, Palo Alto CA
- 8 100.69 - Susan Zhang, Los Altos Hills CA
- 9 100.00 - Chip Martel, Davis CA
- 10 92.62 - Kevin Rosenberg, Millbrae CA

Below is a list of those in D21 placing in the Top 10 of a major NABC event:

Vanderbilt Knockouts Teams: Michael Rosenberg (5/8); John Kranyak (9/16); Chip Martel (9/16)

Silodor Open Pairs: Kit Woolsey (3); Andrew Hoskins (7); Kevin Rosenberg (10)

Jacoby Open Swiss Team: Andy Goodman (1); John Kranyak (4); Chip Martel (5); Michael Rosenberg (8); Mike Rippey (9)

Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs: Richard Reitman (4)

Lebhar IMP Pairs: Erli Zhou (1); Ming Shen and Xin Ge (7)

NABC+ Open Pairs: Kit Woolsey (6)

Women's Open Swiss Teams: Susan Zhang and Sylvia Shi (1); Arti Bhargava (4)



0-10,000 Swiss Teams: Arti Bhargava (2); Kathrine Loh (6)

0-10,000 Knockout Teams: Philip Kuhn, Jennifer Kuhn, Charles Riffle, Douglas Grant (3/4)

0-2500 Swiss Teams: Xin Ge (1); Kai Eckert and Sriram Ganesan (3)

0-2500 Pairs: Douglas Grant and Charles Riffle (5); Rajeev Jog and Niraj Jain (8)

In addition to the above games, North American Pairs were played in Louisville. This event has the winners from our District qualifying games competing against winners from other Districts. Several of our players were on the leaderboard:

Baldwin NAP Pairs: Stephen Tu and Ronald Powell (6); Thomas Stern and Tom Trachuk (7)

Golder NAP Flight B: Gang Zhao and Chin Huang (3)

President's Cup NAP Flight C: Milind Girkar and Shailesh Sampat (3)

Congratulations to all on your great games at this NABC! If I have missed anyone, my apologies.

The District recently held the finals for teams to represent the District in Grand National Teams (GNTs) competition at the Toronto NABC in July. We wish them luck in Toronto.

In other news, the Palo Alto Unit, in partnership with D21, is hosting a Non-Life Master Regional as part of its Annual Firecracker tournament in July. This is a wonderful opportunity for non-life master players with fewer than 750 masterpoints to earn gold and red points.

If you are like me, you plan which tournaments to attend way in advance. As you look ahead at your bridge tournament schedule, **SAVE THE DATE** for the **SAN FRANCISCO NABC** which runs from November 27 – December 7, 2025, at the Marriott Marquis. It will be here before you know it!

Next month is the Sacramento Regional, which starts on Memorial Day, May 27. The Hilton renovation has been completed! Come and play. I'll see you there!