

## **Organizing your Club Calendar**

When preparing your club calendar for 2015, here are some tips for successful event scheduling.

Use the calendar outline below as a guide for filling out your yearly calendar of events. In addition to the events which are tagged to particular months, club managers can also hold the following events during the year:

### Club Championships

Each regularly scheduled weekly club game is entitled to four Club Championship Games per year. These may be scheduled as four one-session, two one-session and one two-session, or two two-session championships.

Each Club Championship (one or two sessions) must be scheduled in a different quarter of the year and may not be scheduled in conflict with a sectional or higher-rated event in progress within 25 miles of the playing site.

The overall awards for Club Championship Games in open clubs are computed at 65% of sectional rating.

### Membership Games

The number of one-session Membership Games a club is allotted is proportionate to the overall club activity. A club may hold one membership game per year for each regularly sanctioned session. (If a club runs one game a week, it may hold one membership game per year; if a club runs ten games a week, it may hold ten membership games per year.) Only Life Members and paid ACBL members are eligible to win master points in these games.

The point awards for an open game are 100% sectional rating and the session designated for the game must be one for which the club is sanctioned.

## **January**

January is designated as Junior Month. During this month, each sanctioned club game is authorized to run its regularly scheduled sessions as sectionally-rated black-point Junior Fund Games. All clubs may run as many fund games as they have games scheduled. Junior Fund Games may be run in any other month except April May and September. Players earn extra master points while helping the Junior program; for youth up to age 26

[Grand National Teams - Club Qualifying for 2015 continues from January through March.](#)

Bartlesville, OK Sectional - Jan 9 – 11

Hutchinson, KS Sectional – Jan 16-18

ACBL-wide International Fund Game # 1 – Saturday, Jan 31

## **February**

Lawrence, KS Sectional – Feb 20 - 22

Lawton, OK Sectional – Feb 20 – 22

Emporia, KS Sectional – Feb 27 – Mar 1

## **March**

ACBL-wide Senior Pairs – Mar 2

Springfield, MO Sectional – Mar 6 - 8

NABC – New Orleans – Mar 12 – 22

[STaC – KC-NABC 2017 fund raiser – Mar 23 - 29](#)

## **April**

The month of April is designated as Charity Month. During this month, each sanctioned club game is authorized to run its regularly scheduled sessions as sectionally rated black point Charity Games. All clubs may run as many charity

games as they have games scheduled. Charity games may be run in any other month except January, May and September. Charity Club Championship Game awards for open games are computed at 70% of sectional rating.

ACBL-wide Charity Game – April 2 – Thursday morning

Columbia, MO Sectional – Apr 17 – 19

Oklahoma City, OK Regional Apr 27 – May 3

### May

Grass Roots FUNd Month, Masterpoints: 70% sectional rated black

All sanctioned club sessions in May be held as Grass Roots FUNd Games. Grass Roots FUNd Games cannot be held during the months of January, April and September. Funds raised will be returned annually to the individual district in which those funds were raised to help fund Grand National Teams and North American Pairs.

Olathe, KS Sectional - May 15 - 17

District Grand National Teams Finals held at the Olathe Sectional – May 16-17

### June

North American Open Pairs – Club Qualifying – June, July and August

Worldwide Bridge Contest – June 5 and June 6 – two separate events

Wichita, KS Sectional – Jun 5 – 7

STaC D-14 and D-15 – Jun 8 - 14

Tulsa, OK Regional – Jun 15 – 21

### July

Olathe, KS Sectional - July 10 – 12

ACBL-wide International Fund Game #2 – Wednesday evening, July 15

## **August**

NABC – Chicago – Aug 6 - 16

Oklahoma City Sectional - Aug 21 - 23

## **September**

The month of September is designated as International Fund Month. During this month, each sanctioned club game is authorized to run its regularly scheduled sessions as International Fund Games. All clubs may run as many fund games as they have games scheduled. International Fund Games may be run in any other month except January, April and May.

[GNT Club level qualifying begins in September and runs through March 2016](#)

Bella Vista Sectional - Sept. 18 – 20

## **October**

October has been designated as Club Appreciation Month. During this month, club managers may run one Club Appreciation Pair Game and one Club Appreciation Team Game in place of a regularly scheduled session. The pair game pays 100% of sectional rating (all black), and the team game pays sectional Swiss rating with 5% gold. (A player can win a max of .25 gold.)

Salina, KS Sectional – Oct 16 – 18

ACBL-wide Instant Matchpoint Game – Oct 16 (Friday morning)

Oklahoma City Sectional – Oct 23 - 25

Kimberling City, Mo. Sectional - Oct. 30 – Nov 1

[District NAP final will be held at the Kimberling City Sectional – Oct 31 – Nov 1](#)

## **November**

[Wichita, KS Regional – Nov 3 – 8](#)

Topeka, KS Sectional – Nov 13 – 15

Olathe, KS Sectional – Nov 20 - 22

NABC – Denver – Nov 26 – Dec 6

ACBL-wide Charity Game – Nov 30 (Monday evening)

**December**

STaC Week – D-14 and D-15, Dec. 7 - 13

ACBL-wide International Fund Game # 3 Dec 21 (Monday morning)

Overland Park, KS Regional - Dec. 26 - 31