

DAYTONA REGIONAL

November 2 - 8, 2026

The Shores Resort & Spa

2637 S. Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach Shores, FL 32118

Welcome to the 2026 Daytona Regional at The Shores! We are delighted to welcome back returning guests and meet those joining us in Daytona for the first time.

Look forward to a full week of bridge games from Monday through Sunday. Intermediate players can also enjoy our traditional mini-lessons Tuesday through Friday before the morning games. Explore the area's diverse restaurants and amenities to make the week memorable for you and your partner. Visit our website district9acbl.org/daytona for a list of local restaurants and nearby dinner options.

Note: Games begin at 10:30 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Sunday's game begins at 9:30 a.m.

District 9 North American Pairs (NAP) Finals: Open only to District 9 members.

Championship: Open to all; Flight A: 0-6000; Flight B: 0-3000; Flight C: 0-750 and non-Life Masters (as of May 6, 2026). Winners will receive subsidies to represent District 9 at the 2027 Spring NABC in Dallas, Texas.

Enjoy your week in Daytona, challenge your bridge skills, smile often, and may every finesse succeed!



-Betty Sandifer, Tournament Chair (bettys@floridaunit128.org)

NEED A PARTNER? TEAMMATES? NO PROBLEM!!

Come to the Partnership Desk at 9:30am for the morning games and at 2:15pm for the afternoon games. Please come to the desk as early as possible. If you find a partner on your own, after making a request, please have the courtesy to come back to the desk to tell us! A board will be posted for your use. Contact Lynn Ostergaard, Partnership Chair at 708-601-5911 or by email at lynnoplaysbridge@gmail.com.

Hotel Food Options (subject to change) -

- Azure Oceanfront American Kitchen
Open daily. Breakfast 7am-11am, Lunch 11am-2pm, Dinner 5pm-9pm.
- Oceanview Lounge -
Sunday-Thursday 12pm-9pm, Friday & Saturday 12pm-10pm.
- Tiki Hut Barefoot Beach Bar -
Open daily 11am-10pm (weather permitting).
- Marketplace - Opens daily at 7am.
- Concession Stand available in between sessions selling sandwiches, salads, etc.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Monday, November 2nd

10:30 & 2:45 - Mon-Tue Bracketed Knockouts
(continues Tuesday 10:30 & 2:45)
10:30 & 2:45 - Charity A/X/Y Open Pairs
10:30 & 2:45 - Charity Gold Rush Pairs

Tuesday, November 3rd

9:45-10:15 - "New Minor Forcing" - Lynn Berg
10:30 & TBA - Open Bracketed Teams
10:30 & 2:45 - A/X Open Pairs
10:30 & 2:45 - B/C Mid-Flight Pairs
10:30 & 2:45 - Gold Rush Pairs

Wednesday, November 4th

9:45-10:15 - "Defender's Number Rules" - Donna Compton
10:30 & 2:45 - Wed-Thu Bracketed Knockouts
(continues Thursday 10:30 & 2:45)
10:30 & 2:45 - A/X Open Pairs
10:30 & 2:45 - B/C Mid-Flight Pairs
10:30 & 2:45 - Gold Rush Pairs

Thursday, November 5th

9:45-10:15 - "Expert Thinking" - David Caprera
10:30 & 2:45 - Open Bracketed Teams with
Preduplicated Boards
10:30 & 2:45 - A/X/Y Open Pairs
10:30 & 2:45 - Gold Rush Pairs

Friday, November 6th

9:45-10:15 - "Forcing Bids" - Corey Krantz
10:30 & 2:45 - Fri-Sat Bracketed Knockouts
(continues Saturday 10:30 & 2:45)
10:30 & 2:45 - A/X Open Pairs
10:30 & 2:45 - B/C Mid-Flight Pairs
10:30 & 2:45 - Gold Rush Pairs

Saturday, November 7th

10:30 & 2:45 - Open Bracketed Teams
10:30 & 2:45 - A/X/Y Open Pairs
10:30 & 2:45 - Gold Rush Pairs
10:30 & 2:45 - Free Junior Pairs (25 or younger)
10:30 & 2:45 - District 9 NAP Finals - Flight A
10:30 & 2:45 - District 9 NAP Finals - Flight C

Sunday, November 8th

9:30 - A/X/Y Stratified Swiss Teams
(A=7500+, X=5000-7500, Y=0-5000)
9:30 - Bracketed "B" Round Robin Teams
(No player over 3500 masterpoints)
**9:30 & 2:00 - District 9 NAP Finals -
Championship Flight**
9:30 & 2:00 - District 9 NAP Finals - Flight B

STRATS

A/X/Y Open (unless noted):
A=5000+; X=2500-5000; Y=0-2500
A/X Open: A=5000+, X=0-5000
Mid-Flight B/C (no player over 3500 MPs):
B=1500-3500; C=0-1500
Gold Rush (no player over 750 MPs):
A=500-750; B=300-500; C=0-300

All KOs will be a 2-session Round Robin qualifying event with the top 4 teams playing in the semifinals the next day. KOs may be handicapped. The top qualifier will choose between the 3rd or 4th place team as their semi-final opponent. Teams that don't win in the semifinals will play for 3rd place.

All events are subject to attendance.

Single session entries will be accompanied in all pair games.

Entry Fees:

Entries are \$20 per session. All players must be ACBL members to participate. We encourage you to use a Credit Card when buying an entry. All major credits are accepted. Each player can use their own credit card.

Cell Phones:

The use of cell phones and other electronic devices is allowed in-between rounds or sitouts in the playing room. Please silence your phone. Should your cell phone ring, a penalty of 1/8 board will be automatic. If you answer your phone or your phone becomes audible, the penalty will be 1/2 board. Making calls in the playing room or texting during play also carries a 1/2 board penalty.

This is a Zero Tolerance Tournament!

If you have a problem at your table, please call the Director immediately so the situation can be handled. It doesn't help to report the incident after the fact. All Zero Tolerance penalties will be documented and forward to the ACBL National Recorder for further investigation.

HOW DO I GET MY GOLD?

There will be plenty of opportunities for you to earn gold points. However, you must play in an event that lasts two sessions or longer and the event must have an upper limit of at least 750 masterpoints. Here's how:

Bracketed Knockouts -

Bracketed Knockouts are 2-day events. Each bracket will be 5-14 teams. On the first day, all brackets will play a 2-session Swiss qualifying event. The top 4 teams will qualify for the semifinals the next day. The top qualifier in each bracket can select either 3rd or 4th place team as their semifinal opponent. Each match you win in the Qualifying session will earn you red masterpoints.

5 & 6 Person Teams: Each player is required to participate in half of the boards in every session. On the first day of qualifying, which consists of two sessions, each player must play at least half of the boards. If there are seven rounds, each player needs to play in four rounds. If the team advances to the knockout stage on the second day, each player must continue to play half of the boards in each session—half in the morning and half in the afternoon.

Bracketed Round-Robin Teams -

A great way to win gold points. Play is divided into brackets depending on the number of players who enter and the teams' masterpoint total. Once you are assigned to a bracket, you play against only teams in your bracket, i.e., against teams with points comparable to your team's points. The brackets are usually 6 to 12 teams total. Awards vary – Bracket One awards the most masterpoints, with awards decreasing as the bracket number increases. But no matter which bracket you are in, if you are one of the top 3 (or 4 with 9 team brackets) teams then you will win gold points!

Gold Rush Pairs -

Overall and section top winners in the top stratum win gold points. Overalls will be awarded to about the top 25% of the field. Other masterpoint awards will be red points. The good thing about this event is that no one in the field will have over 750 masterpoints.

Daily Bulletins:

Every morning all players will receive an email of the day's online daily bulletin. This will contain the results of the previous day, the playing and hospitality schedule and other important notices. If you do not receive this email or you would like to add your picture, please see a Tournament Director. Also, if you become a Life Master, let us know so we can recognize you in the bulletin.

Convention Cards:

All players are required to have filled out convention cards. Open+ conventions are approved for use at the tournament in Open Pairs or Teams and Bracketed KO or RR team events where the lowest team in the bracket has an average of at least 3000 MP per player. Multi-2D (with printed defense methods) will be allowed in top bracket team events only. For other events or brackets, the ACBL Basic+ or Open Chart apply. Please see a Tournament Director if you have any questions.

District 9 NAP Finals – November 7 & 8 at Daytona

Flight A & C: Saturday, November 7, 2026 10:30pm & 2:45pm

Championship &

Flight B: Sunday, November 8, 2026 9:30am & 2:00pm

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To enter the District 9 NAP Finals, you must have club qualification from earlier this year, an ACBL member in good standing and must have been a resident of District 9 as of June 1, 2026.

- Championship – open to anyone
- Flight A – open to players less than 6000 MPs
- Flight B – open to players less than 3000 MPs
- Flight C – open to non-life masters (with less than 750 MPs)

Flight Eligibility is based on highest player's masterpoint totals as of June 1, 2026. Winners will receive a subsidy to represent District 9 at the 2026 Spring NABC in Dallas. Full conditions of Contest can be found at district9acbl.org/nap.

Upcoming District 9 Regionals

November 20-23, 2026 – The Villages NLM Regional - Savannah Center

December 14-20, 2026 – Boca Raton – Embassy Suites

January 4-10, 2027 – Orlando – Doubletree Orlando Theme Park Resort

February 9-12, 2027 – Ft Lauderdale NLM Regional – Bridge Club

February 15-21, 2027 – Tampa – Embassy Suites USF/Busch Gardens

February 26-28, 2027 – Vero Beach NLM Regional – Bridge Club

March 29-April 4, 2027 – Southeasterns – Coral Springs Marriott



District 9 GNT Finals:

Flight C will be held at the Vero Beach Sectional on Sunday, January 31, at 10 a.m. as a two-session event. Flights A and B will be held at the Southeasterns Regional on April 3 and 4. The Championship Flight will be held at the Southeasterns on Sunday, April 4, and at Temple Sinai in Delray Beach on Monday, April 5. For more information, visit district9acbl.org/gnt.