

STaC FACTS

Participants: District 12
Dates: Monday, June 26 - Sunday, July 2, 2023
Sanction #: ST2307504

NOTE: This STaC pays 100% silver points

ALERT!!! THE STaC IS FOR FACE-TO-FACE CLUBS ONLY!!!

Strats for this STaC: OPEN/2500/500 **by average** of both players or team

Hand Records: REQUIRED (Common Game Hands are NOT permitted)
You **MUST** download the hands provided on the ACBL website

If you use COMMON GAME hands, your game will NOT be included in the overalls.

Upload to LIVE for CLUBS **REQUIRED** -

PLEASE DO NOT DBADD YOUR GAMES BEFORE SUBMITTING THEM. THAT CREATES AN UNNECESSARY STEP FOR ME IN PROCESSING!!!

Playing Directors Eligible for Overalls: YES

PLEASE NOTE!! Traditionally, we have had separate overall awards for "small games," games with fewer than five tables. This year, the small games will be combined with games of five tables or greater for one overall award.

READ CAREFULLY!

Non-playing directors are encouraged for all STaC games. A non-playing director is **REQUIRED** at any club not using electronic scoring when **more than 18 tables** are participating in the STaC and at any club using electronic scoring **when more than 24 tables** are participating in the STaC.

Please see last page of this document for payment information.

Please use the email BELOW as the ONLY email for STaC correspondence. Any games submitted to any other email may not be received and will not counts as the game having

been received. You will receive a reply from the director when your game has been processed.

If you do not receive a reply, assume that your file was not received and contact the Director in Charge:

Scott Humphrey 512-804-8823 (cell) or scott.humphrey@acbl.org

STaC Hints

Before you send a gamefile, please make sure it is the correct file (ACM, ACA or ACE). I cannot work with any other files, and I do not need the BWS file. Also, please check the date of the file you are sending (six digits containing year, month and day). If you are having difficulty locating the file, please contact me.

Your contact information is important because I will call or email the contact if I have questions or concerns. Please make sure your contact is willing to accept calls or email messages from me during STaC week.

It is best if you send the file immediately after the game is over. Chasing down game files the next day is inconvenient to me and a disservice to the players waiting for the final results to be posted. If you don't hold the game, please let me know right away. A note saying the game was not held is as good as sending a gamefile.

Please download the hands and instructions immediately. It saves lots of wear of tear on us all if you have everything you need before the day of your event. Please prepare ahead of time so that there is no panicking at game time.

The instructions are all in the Game Setup & Reporting Instructions. Download them... print them... read them. ACBLscore has NO idea what the limits of your STaC game are so do not just accept the defaults. Be sure to set your game up as Multi-site - otherwise your players will think they are getting more masterpoints than they really are.

If you have a player who is not in your database, ACBL Score will identify that player as having zero masterpoints. Please make sure you know how many masterpoints each player has so that the pair is in the correct stratification.

When the game is over, upload it to LIVE for CLUBS **AND** email the game to ACBL STaC Director. Email address is in the instructions. Verify that the address you are sending to is the one in the instructions. (scott.humphrey@acbl.org)

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STaC "Cheat Sheet" - Really Important Stuff

Please read and post near the scoring computer for the directors to use during STaC week.

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Sanction Number: Please see the top of the instructions

Strata to use for the STaC (must!!!) be used by all open and invitational pair games):

OPEN/2500/500 by average of both players or team

Event codes: The event code is a 4-character code. The first two characters are the session number of the game. The next two characters indicate the type of game being played.

Open Pair Game event codes:

Start prior to noon

Monday Morning: 01OP

Tuesday Morning: 04OP

Wednesday Morning: 07OP

Thursday Morning: 10OP

Friday Morning: 13OP

Saturday Morning: 16OP

Sunday Morning: 19OP

Start prior to 4 pm

Monday Afternoon: 02OP

Tuesday Afternoon: 05OP

Wednesday Afternoon: 08OP

Thursday Afternoon: 11OP

Friday Afternoon: 14OP

Saturday Afternoon: 17OP

Sunday Afternoon: 20OP

Start after 4 pm

Monday Evening: 03OP

Tuesday Evening: 06OP

Wednesday Evening: 09OP

Thursday Evening: 12OP

Friday Evening: 15OP

Saturday Evening: 18OP

Sunday Evening: 21OP

For **Invitational** games, replace the last two characters with "IP"

Invitational games are NOT masterpoint-limited games. They include such games as country clubs, senior centers and other membership-type clubs.

For **Masterpoint-Limited** games, replace the last two characters with "LP"

For one-session open Swiss Teams games, replace the last two characters with "T1"

For two-session open Swiss Team games, replace the last two characters with "T2"

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Director in Charge: Scott Humphrey
Phone: 512-804-8823 (cell)
E-mail: scott.humphrey@acbl.org

More Important STaC Info

All directors should also read this info, it is important too!!

All open pair games, no matter how many tables, are scored as open championships.

Invitational pair games will be combined for higher overall awards. Invitational games are scored as open championship games with one (1) restriction, awarding points at 80% of an open STaC game.

Masterpoint limited pair games will be set up as championship events with the appropriate upper masterpoint limit and strats as determined by the club. Multiple games with the same upper limit will be combined for higher overalls. In such cases, lower strata may be changed by the ACBL director to allow combination with games from other clubs.

All Swiss team events are set up as championship events and are stand-alone at each club. Strata for Swiss team events are set at the discretion of the club.

If you have registered for a game but do not hold it, you **MUST** notify the ACBL STaC director immediately. Failure to do so will delay results for other clubs and potentially affect your participation in future STaCs.

All games must be emailed to the ACBL STaC director (scott.humphrey@acbl.org) within a maximum of 24 hours after the game ends. All games must be **uploaded immediately to LIVE for CLUBS**. Reporting earlier will allow the results to be posted for everyone sooner, so please do not hold up reporting your results. Late reporting may jeopardize your game's inclusion in the STaC and you may lose the opportunity for your players to win points.

Please READ YOUR EMAIL during the STaC. I may have a question about your game or be contacting you that I have not yet received your gamefile. You will receive an email confirmation that your gamefile has been received. It will be sent to the email address that sent the gamefile to me.

CORRECTIONS: Corrections will be accepted up to 24 hours after the conclusion of the game. Please make sure you remind your players to check the printed results immediately after the game or after you post the game to ACBL Live. If the game is the last day of the tournament, it is important to check results immediately. As soon as I receive the last game file of the tournament, I will prepare the files for submission to ACBL. It is a major hassle to change results after they are submitted to ACBL. Corrections may be made either by submitting a corrected game file or by sending an email describing the correction.

Report your game to the ACBL director via email to scott.humphrey@acbl.org. This is the only acceptable email. If you send elsewhere, you risk not having your game included in the STaC. The only file you should send is the ACBLscore gamefile. The file name will end with .ACM (for a morning game), .ACA (for afternoon) or .ACE (for evening). In particular, **do not send any file that ends with .LZH, .TXT, .BWS, or .HTM.** They are useless and will not stop the 24-hour reporting clock from continuing to count down. If you have problems or questions, please contact the Director-in-Charge.

Include your **club number, CLUB NAME and sanction number** in the subject line of your email message.

PLEASE DO NOT DBADD YOUR GAME BEFORE SUBMITTING IT TO ME. DOING SO ADDS AN EXTRA STEP TO PROCESSING!!!

STaC Boilerplate

Types of Games Allowed

1. Open Pairs — combined for overall awards (see masterpoint strata limits above)
2. Swiss Teams — Swiss Team overall awards are based only on the entry at each individual site.
3. Novice, 99er, 199er or 299er Games or any Intermediate, Novice or Limited Game, combined if possible.
4. Invitational Games - use same strata limits as for open pairs, will be combined for overall ranking.

The ACBL Open Convention Chart will be used for OPEN GAMES.

The ACBL Basic Convention Chart will be used for LIMITED GAMES.

A club must post (online or at the club) a copy of the recap for inspection at the end of each session.

ACBLScore Instructions for setting up STaC games:

Use Club Mode for STaCs. In defining the specific parameters of your game:

Set up as usual until you get to event rating.

Choose rating (9) - Sectional Tournaments at Clubs (STaC) or Progressive Sectional

Choose option (1) - Sectional Tournament at Clubs

Number of strata - one of the following choices (based on limits and stratification method shown above) the middle option (3 strata), if stratifying by higher player the bottom option (three strata - average of both players), if stratifying by average

Choose option (1) - Championship rating, for all(!) STaC games

Choose number of played sessions (always 1 unless setting up a two-session Swiss Team game)

Choose proper event restrictions (1 restriction for invitational games)

When setting up a gamefile you select invitational only if the game is restricted by other than masterpoints (members only, women only, etc.). Games that are open to any player with less than some upper masterpoint limit are reduced by the upper masterpoint limit only.

Enter strat limits (for open or invitational games, see limits on page 1)

After entering the limit for strat A, ALWAYS(!) answer "Y" to Multi site

Enter tournament data, including full name of director.

SUBMITTING TABLE FEES

STaC Fees are \$6.00/Table

Payment should be sent by Wednesday, July 5, 2023

Please include this form along with your payment. **Send a check payable to: ACBL**

District 12

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*****INCLUDE YOUR SANCTION NUMBER ON THE CHECK!!! THAT IS THE WAY TO
KNOW THE CHECK CAME FROM YOUR CLUB*****

Club STaC Remittance Form

Club _____ Club # _____

Address _____ Unit _____

Day	Session	# tables	Fee per table	Total (tables * 6)
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