



### Tournament Planning Report

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#### All Forward to Monterey

- While we are disappointed that our Sparks Regional was cancelled, everyone agrees it was the best decision. The Nugget was tremendously accepting of our decision and we settled out of that contract at no cost to the District and another year's guarantee for use of the hotel. Much appreciation to all that spent time planning and working. We were much better prepared to start our efforts for Monterey Clambake Regional, which will run from January 3 to 9, 2022.



- As we approach Monterey, we again created a schedule with events targeting our players with under 3000 Masterpoints. Look closely and you'll see three days of "mid-flight" play, coupled with Gold Rush and 199<sup>er</sup> pairs. Hospitality breaks will be turned into Mask Breaks if and when masks are required for indoor activities. Since we have not scheduled evening games, the committee is considering other social activities for our players, your suggestions are encouraged. ([D21TournamentPlanning@gmail.com](mailto:D21TournamentPlanning@gmail.com))
- Speaking of Covid. We're keeping our eyes open for updates to COVID protocols and requirements. Our team has asked Anne Hollingsworth Haley and Jackie Ortiz to look out for all things COVID. They have contacted the Detroit Regional committee to follow what's happening at the tournament which began 10/11. We've also joined forces with D17 and D22 to (they have Regionals before the Clambake) to brainstorm required activities such as Vaccination Certification; monitoring mask usage (if required), etc.
- Monterey will find some changes including
  - ✓ an online Partnership Registration process (yes we will still make partnerships at the tournament and have folks to help you)
  - ✓ a virtual daily bulletin (which will be emailed to you using the address registered with ACBL). This bulletin will have PICTURES of winners, a list of that day's events, AND where the event will be played. If this is your first time winning an event, we want your picture. Contact Sigrid or me and we'll make that happen.
- The links to hotel reservations, partnerships, schedule, and information updates can all be found at <https://d21acbl.org/event/2201106/>
- As always, we still need some help. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS. WE NEED YOU (OR YOUR FRIENDS, PARTNERS, CHILDREN) to help us with answering questions and giving directions. We all know that many hands make light work, so we're hoping to not weigh down volunteers by asking them to work many days/sessions/hours. Contact me, Sigrid, Anne, Jackie, Ray, and we'll find a job for you.
- Now, the bad news. The popcorn will not be there this year, nor will other food items (clam chowder). But.... We're working on free morning coffee.

If you need more information on any of these items, please email me at [D21TournamentPlanning@gmail.com](mailto:D21TournamentPlanning@gmail.com) or call/text 925.989.2412.

**Come to Monterey and Bring all your friends!**