

Combined District 5/District 6

Fall 2026 Online “Vichill” IMP League

Dates: Wednesday evenings with starting times for brackets staggered between 6:40 pm and 7:30 pm, beginning September 23, 2026 and ending December 9, 2026, according to the following schedule:

**September 23 and 30;
October 7, 14, 21 and 28;
November 4, and 18
December 9**

Entry Deadline is September 9, 2026.

Teams can handle occasional schedule conflicts by playing their match on a different day by agreement with their opponent, or by using substitutes. Advance notice of rescheduled matches must be sent to the league chairman.

Teams: Four to Six Players per team.

(Team members must play at least “half” of the matches to be eligible for overall awards. We round match participation counts down for everyone -- anyone playing 4.0 out of 9 matches qualifies for overall awards won by the team.)

Field: Open to anyone, not just active ACBL members (non-members don't receive ACBL Masterpoints). **There is no residency requirement.** Players do not have to reside in District 5 or District 6.

Round Robin Format: Bracket makeup is determined by the Chairman depending on number of teams registering. Teams are generally divided into brackets of 9-10 teams with each team

playing every other team in the bracket once (in 9-team brackets each team has one bye). Occasionally a bracket may be structured as a partial round robin with more than 10 teams (For example, in a 12 team bracket each team would play 9 of the other 11 teams, randomly determined.)

Brackets are based on a team's Average Masterpoints, but can be adjusted based on decision of the League Chairman (captains preferring to move up or down should advise the Chairman and requests will be accommodated if possible).

Awards: Masterpoints for each match won, and overall masterpoint awards (black points only) to top 4 teams in each bracket of at least 9 teams. There are no cash prizes.

Entry Fee: \$180 per team, payable in advance. Send payments by regular mail, Zelle or paypal to Unit 125, c/o Susan Knirsch, 202 South Main St., Chagrin Falls, OH 44022. Email for Zelle or Paypal is knirschsusan66@gmail.com. (If paying by Paypal, specify purpose of payment as "Personal" NOT payment of a debt.) Only one payment per team, please (team captains should collect from their team members and send only one payment for the team to Sue.)

League Chairman: Stan Dub; League Director: Gary Sikon

Deadline for Entry: Wednesday, September 9, 2026.

Maximum size of league is 70 teams.

To register, you should do the following:

- (a) Send an email to the League Chairman, stan.dub@gmail.com; and
- (b) send your payment to Sue Knirsch.

The email should specify (i) name of the team's captain, (ii) name, email address, BBO ID, ACBL number (if any) and

cellphone number for each member of the team, and (iii) approximate total number of masterpoints held by all team members. **A form for this purpose is included below. If you played in the Spring 2026 league and are returning with EXACTLY the same team you do not need to complete the form, just email your player names to the League Chairman and send in your money.**

Phone numbers and email addresses will NOT be published on the website and are only for use of the Director and Chairman when necessary in connection with the matches themselves.

BBO Configuration:

- Boards will be duplicated within each separate bracket
- Kibitzers are not allowed.
- Undos are allowed only in the bidding, and only if the player's partner has not yet responded with a pass or bid.
- Barometer Scoring turned OFF except in the lowest bracket.
- Games are set up by the Director.
- All matches are 24 boards with a short break in the middle.

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Registration Form
(Complete and send this form by email to
stan.dub@gmail.com
or type the information into an email.)

1. Team Captain's name _____

Email address _____

BBO ID _____ ACBL # _____

Cell # _____ ACBL points (roughly) _____

2. Next Player's name _____

Email address _____

BBO ID _____ ACBL # _____

Cell # _____ ACBL points _____

3. Next Player's name _____

Email address _____

BBO ID _____ ACBL # _____

Cell # _____ ACBL points _____

4. Next Player's name _____

Email
address _____

BBO ID _____ ACBL # _____

Cell # _____ ACBL points _____

5. Next Player's name _____

Email address _____

BBO ID _____ ACBL # _____

Cell # _____ ACBL points _____

6. Next Player's name _____

Email address _____

BBO ID _____ ACBL # _____

Cell # _____ ACBL points _____