

2019 Beatrice Victor Senior Olympics of Staten Island

CANASTA

Thursday, September 26, 2019

LOCATION: JCC (Bernikow Building)
1466 Manor Road

CHECK-IN: 12:30 PM **START:** 1:00PM

AWARDS: First, Second and Last Places

Rules

1. At the time of registration, you can sign up with a partner or we can assign one to you.
2. BVSO designates opponents and rotation. Even numbered team stays seated – odd numbered team rotates.
3. Three (3) games are played, each game include three (3 hands):
Hand 1 – meld 125
Hand 2 – meld 155
Hand 3 – meld 180
4. One (1) master score sheet will remain at each table.
5. Individual team score must be filled out with final score of your team and your opponent's team. Each team initials the score of the other.
6. The Play:
 - a. You must meld before picking the pack. You cannot meld and pick the pack in the same round.
 - b. No Aces or Sevens on an empty tray unless canasta is closed.
 - c. Dirty pairs can be played with either 2 Jokers, Deuces or Both. No MIXING.
 - d. A live pair with 1 or 2 wild cards can be played with discard to go out.

e. Value of Canastas:

Natural Canasta	500 pts
Dirty Canasta	300 pts
Clean Aces	2500 pts
Clean Sevens	2500 pts
Joker Canasta	2000 pts
Jokers (4 Big Jokers)	2500 pts
Jokers (7 Deuces)	3000 pts
Pairs	3000 pts (hand ends)

f. Penalties:

Player caught with more than 2 Aces when hand ends	1500 pts
Player caught with more than 2 Sevens when hand ends	1500 pts
Unfinished clean Aces on the table when hand ends	2500 pts
Unfinished Sevens on the table when hand ends	2500 pts
Unfinished Jokers on the table when hand ends	2000 pts

- g. All initial openings must consist of at least one clean triple, unless you are opening with wild cards which meet your required meld.
- h. During play, it is permissible to lay down a live pair with a wild card.
- i. A wild card canasta may be opened at any time during the game.
- j. A Dirty Ace Canasta may only be used in an initial meld. Natural Aces may be opened at any time during play.
- k. If you are dealt 3's and forget to pick replacements at your first turn, you may not pick them up later.
- l. The Talon consists of (3), (3) and (1) cards. The first person to meld picks 4 cards and the first person on the opposing team to meld picks the 3 cards. If the Talon is not taken at the time of the initial meld, it is forfeited. No player may be reminded to take the Talon.
- m. When melding, player must have one (1) discard and the ability to pick the Talon.
- n. A base of 5 natural cards is required to close a canasta. If the canasta has been closed, that number may not be used – it becomes a dead number and

pack may not be picked by either team. A dead number may be used in "Pairs"

- o. A natural canasta in your hand is an automatic "open". This canasta can be made by picking the seven cards yourself or by having the 7th card thrown to you by the person sitting to your right.
- p. Two (2) canastas are required to go "out".
- q. The game is won when a team reaches 8500 points.
- r. You must ASK your partner "if you can go out" after you pick from the deck and before you put any cards in play.

PLEASE ASK ANY AND ALL QUESTIONS BEFORE THE EVENT BEGINS.

PLEASE WEAR YOUR T SHIRT