

# Reporting Your Results

1. When your game has been completed save it by typing "BAC" on the command line. ACBLScore will ask for your preference of a backup location although the default choice is "A:\\" the identifier of your floppy disk drive. You may select another site at this time such as a memory stick or zip drive ("F:\\" on my computer, for instance).
2. The gamefile you saved will be identified as either ".ACM" (morning), ".ACA" (afternoon), or ".ACE" (evening) and will be preceded by a date. The file you want to send to me should look something like "090202.acm". This translates to 2009, February 2, morning. Do NOT send .txt or .lzh files or .html files. Only the .acm, .aca, or .ace files can be used by me.
3. In your e-mail program address your message to [boomboys@mindspring.com](mailto:boomboys@mindspring.com) **Put the day, time of game, and YOUR CLUB NAME in the subject line** and use the command of "attach" or "file attachment" to hook the file to your message. All that remains is to send the message. **I will e-mail you as soon as I receive the file to confirm its transmission. If you don't receive such a confirmation within about 12 hours you had best send it again or call me.**
4. If scoring corrections come to your attention within a 24 hour period of completion of your game please repeat steps 1-3 above and let me know in the subject line that your are sending these corrections.
5. Remember, do NOT send money to me. Instructions for payment are being sent to you by Jack Tidball, District 10 coordinator.
6. If you are not using ACBLScore at your club please contact me as soon as possible to discuss other means for reporting your results. If you are not "on-line" please create a copy of your game file on disk or memory stick and give it to a reliable player to e-mail to me.

Please Note: Sunday results should be sent in before midnight on Sunday. If running a pairs game please have your players check the results before they leave the game. No corrections will be accepted after noon on Monday.

## **General Advice on Saving Games:**

Some club directors elect to save their games directly to the computer's hard drive (c:\). If this choice is made you'll have a bit more hunting to do to find the game, but it is not impossible. You'll be looking for a file folder entitled "ACBLSCOR". Within that folder will be another folder entitled "Gamefile" and within that folder you'll find all the games you are currently saving.

Here's the problem, not just for StaCs but for things like end of the month reporting. IF this particular computer should get damaged or, heaven forbid, drop dead, you may have no way to retrieve any data you've saved only to your hard drive. Every computer should have the capacity for external storage whether in the form of an A:\ drive for the little plastic diskettes or by inserting a "thumb" drive or "travel" drive or "flash drive" in a USB port. If you aren't already in the habit of saving games this way I encourage you to develop the habit starting today!