



Kaixo deneri,

I hope this email finds you well.

The 2018 NABO Mus Finals will take at the Txoko Ona Basque Center in Homedale, ID. (300 South Main St). Please see the attached flyer for hotel and transportation information.

Tournament registration will start at 7:30 am, with the tournament play starting at 8:00 am.

The tournament will follow the NABO rules as approved on February 17, 2018 in San Francisco. Please forward these rules to your players so they can familiarize themselves with them before the tournament.

We are planning to organize the tournament as follows:

Teams will be broken down into tables of 6 or 7 teams, with the potential of having a couple of tables with 8 teams. (The number of teams per table is subject to change depending on how many teams attend the finals.) The winner from each table will advance to the second round. The second round will be played like the first round, with the advancing teams put in two groups. The winner of group 1 will play the winner of group 2 for the title.

If there is a table that has one more team than the other tables, one win will be deducted from each team on that table to remove the advantage of having played one more game.

If two teams need to play each other and both refuse to switch tables, players will draw cards. The team that draws the smallest card will move.

Teams will be required to submit scores after each game, marking wins for mantxas and number of points made in lost mantxas. Please make sure that both teams agree on the scorecard being submitted. **Once the scorecard has been submitted, it is final.**

These will be explained to the players before the start of play on the day of the tournament.

If you haven't done so, please send me the names of your players. If there have been any changes to your teams please let me know as soon as possible either by email to etcharren@msn.com or by phone at 530-330-3770.

Organizations need to be in good standing with both 2018 NABO dues and Mus dues to be qualified for participation. Organizations with 21 teams or more are entitled to send two teams to the finals.

The winners from the NABO Mus Finals will represent the USA at the 2018 International Mus Tournament. The tournament will be held in Macachin, Argentina from September 22 through October 1st.

We look forward to seeing you in Homedale!

Agur,

Pierre Etcharren
N.A.B.O. Mus Chairman