



July 4th Regional Daily Bulletin



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Issue 1

Monday June 29, 2010

Welcome to the Austin Regional Live Music Capital of the World!

It's the 174th birthday of the Republic of Texas and, incidentally, the 234th birthday of the United States of America. On Saturday, there is a "Gold Rush" event. The double-session pairs event is strati-flighted, and the lower flight (0-750: strats B and C) still awards gold points. This "Gold Rush" event has been very popular in recent tournaments. On Sunday, there will be a double-session pairs event along with the Swiss Teams, so stay with us on Sunday even if team events are not your *thang* (as we say in Texas) or if you can't roundup four people.

Mary Anne Laier - Chairman
Larry S. Davis - Chairman

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Monday's Schedule	
Team Events	- KO 1 - 7:00 PM
Open Pairs	- Win-an-Entry - 7:00 PM
Tuesday's Schedule	
Team Events	- KO 1 (continued) - 10:00 AM, 2:30 & 7:30 PM
	- KO 2 - 2:30 PM & 7:30 PM
	- Single Session Swiss 7:30 PM
	- ZIP KO - 11:00 PM
Choice Pairs	- 10:00 AM, 2:30 & 7:30 PM
Side Games	- 10:00 AM, 2:30 & 7:30 PM
299er Novice	- 10:00 AM, 2:30 & 7:30 PM
*KO 3 (Morning KO) starts at 10:00 AM on Wednesday and continues each morning at 10:00 AM through Saturday.	



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Check Writing

Please make all checks payable to "Texas Capital Bridge Association". We CANNOT accept checks made out to the ACBL. Thank you.

Photography

Pictures of overall winners (of each strat) and knockout events are taken between the afternoon and evening sessions and immediately after the evening session Monday through Saturday. Pictures of the Sunday Swiss Teams winners (of each strat) will be taken immediately after the event Sunday.

Pictures for the 2010 Austin Regional will be taken by Mike Harris . Pictures are taken just outside the playing area near the Prize desk. Look for the 4th of July Regional banner.

Hotel/Parking Information

Parking is free. Just mention that you are here for the bridge tournament. If you are staying at the Doubletree, please be sure to let them know you are with the bridge group.

Choice Pairs Events - How They Work

Choice Pair events are offered Tuesday thru Friday. Sessions are offered in the morning, afternoon and evening. To be eligible for overall awards each day, your pair must play in exactly two of the three sessions. You may not play in all three sessions. You don't have to play in the same sessions on different days. For example, you could play the morning and evening sessions on Thursday and then play the morning and afternoon sessions on Friday. Each days Choice Pair events are separate events.

Prizes

The prize desk is located in the concourse outside of the main playing area, on the opposite wall. The prize desk is open 15 minutes before and after the afternoon and evening sessions, Tuesday - Sunday. Section top prizes (of each strat) are awarded for all pair events and for the winners (of each strat) of all one-session team events (except the Zip KOs) and the two-session Sunday Swiss. Overall prizes are awarded to the first place winners (of each strat) of two-session pair events and full-length Knockout events (each bracket). Novice/Intermediate awards are not handled at the prize desk, but at the Novice/Intermediate playing area.

Lost & Found / First Aid /Eyeglass Repair

The Lost & Found is located at the Hospitality Desk. If you lose or find something, please stop by. First Aid and an eyeglass screwdriver are also available at the Hospitality Desk.



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Novice/Newcomer Lecture Series

We are honored to have the following guest lecturers speak on different topics to help improve your game. The lectures are given daily in the Austin Room, Tuesday through Saturday at 1:45 to 2:15 PM.

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| Tuesday: | Pam LaShelle | "Safety Plays; Secret to making more bids and winning more games" |
| Wednesday: | Rosemary Kelley | "The Smolen Convention, simple but Elegant!" |
| Thursday: | Mildred Breed | "When your Stayman bid gets doubled" |
| Friday: | Laura Delfeld | "The Seven Deadly Sins of Bridge" |
| Saturday: | Mary Anne Laier | "Is this a good hand? After Hand Evaluations" |

Please join us to hear these great speakers. **ALL** are welcome to attend the lectures; you do not need to be a novice.

Novice/Newcomer Questions and Partnerships

If you would like more information regarding the 299er Novice/Newcomer games, please contact Nancy Dean. Nancy is happy to answer any questions you might have. All Novice/Newcomers looking for a partner need to visit the Partnership desk outside the main playing area. (Nancy Dean does not handle partnership requests.) The Partnership desk will be happy to help you find a partner for any of the 299er Novice/Newcomer games.

ATTENTION NEW LIFE MASTERS!

If you earn enough master points during the Austin Regional to achieve the rank of Life Master, Congratulations! Please contact one of the following people and let them know: Larry Davis, Mary Anne Laier (Tournament Co-Chairs) or Mark Craig (Bulletin Editor).

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