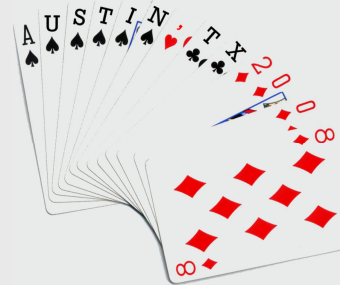




July 4th Regional Daily Bulletin



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Issue 1

Monday June 30 & Tuesday July 1, 2008

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

It's the 172nd birthday of the Republic of Texas and, incidentally, the 232nd birthday of the United States of America. 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). For those of you who enjoy your stay in the Lone Star State (hopefully, *all* of you), come back in March of next year and attend the Spring Nationals in Houston. If you can't get enough of Texas hospitality, consider the Dallas Regional over Labor Day and the Houston Regional next February.

The District 16 President, Larry Davis, will have "office hours" during the tournament. Larry will have a table in the pre-function area (just outside of the playing area) from 11:00 AM to noon on Tuesday through Thursday and from noon to 1:00 PM on Friday. Drop by and say "howdy". He would like to hear your concerns, suggestions, criticisms, and /or questions.

A Texas-Sized THANK YOU to all of our volunteers by your Tournament Chairmen:

Mary Anne Laier - Chairman and District 16 Executive Secretary
Larry S. Davis - Chairman and District 16 President



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Monday's Schedule

Team Events - KO 1 - 7:00 PM
Open Pairs - Win-an-Entry - 7:00 PM

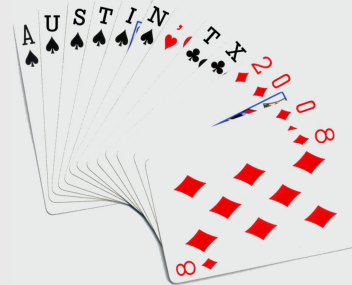
Tuesday's Schedule

Team Events - KO 1 (continued) - 9:00 AM, 1:30 PM & 7:00 PM
- KO 2 - 1:30 PM & 7:00 PM
- Board-a-Match 7:00 PM
- ZIP KO - 10:30 PM
Open Pairs - 1:30 & 7:00 PM
Side Games - 9:00 AM, 1:30 PM & 7:00 PM
299er Novice - 1:30 & 7:00 PM

*KO 3 (Morning KO) starts at 9:00 AM on Wednesday and continues each morning at 9:00 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 from noon to 12:30 PM 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 2008 Austin Regional will be taken by Mark McAllister and Nancy Joe. Mark will be taking the pictures from noon to 12:30 PM and Nancy will be taking the pictures after the evening session. Pictures are taken just outside the Austin Room. Look for the "Photos Taken Here" 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 on Thursday and Saturday. 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 Saturday. The Thursday and Saturday Choice Pair events are separate events.

Prizes

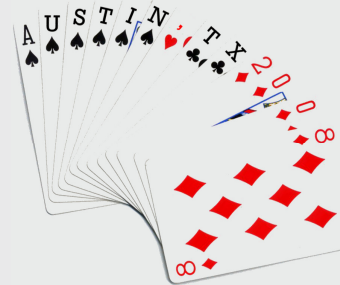
The prize desk is located in the concourse outside of the main playing area, on the opposite wall. The prize desk is open 15 minutes before and after the afternoon and evening sessions, Tuesday - Sunday. Section top prizes (of each strat) are awarded for all pair events and for the winners (of each strat) 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.

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 Matthew Grant (Bulletin Editor).



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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, Tuesday through Saturday at 12:45 PM in the Austin Room.

Tuesday:	Mark McAllister	"Giving your opponents problems!"
Wednesday:	Jack Lacy	"How to make your partner the best partner"
Thursday:	Diane Olson	"Who needs Reverses? You do!"
Friday:	Rosemary Kelley	"Even this is odd...or is it?"
Saturday:	Mildred Breed	"Even the experts can make bad bids"

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.

299er Novice-Newcomer Schedule (Austin Room)

All 299er Novice-Newcomer games will be held in the Austin Room.

Tuesday	-1:30 PM & 7:00 PM
Wednesday	-1:30 PM & 7:00 PM
Thursday	-1:30 PM & 7:00 PM
Friday	-1:30 PM & 7:00 PM
Saturday	-1:30 PM & 7:00 PM

Novice/Newcomer Party

The Novice/Newcomer Party will be on Friday at 4:00 PM in Room 286. There will be fajitas with all the trimmings, topped off with a chocolate fountain and fruit. Please join us!

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.