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SPECIAL GAMES IN AUGUST

Aug 2 ACBL Charity Game
Aug 4 Charity game
Aug 10 Club Championship
Aug 16-18 North American Pairs Qual
August 23-25 ST@C

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

Regionals in **Bold**

Columbia, SC	August 4-7
Macon	August 12-14
Atlanta	Aug. 30-Sept 5
Aiken, SC	Sept 23-25
St. Simon's Island	Sept 23-25
Valdosta	October 7-9

Visit www.district7bridge.org for more detailed tournament information.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

- Monday 7 PM: novice game (0-200 MP) (Gerald Peavy)
- Tuesday 7:15PM, open game (Andrew Echols)
- Wednesday 1PM, open game (John Lovejoy or Bob Pearson)
- Thursday 7:15PM, open game (Andre Asbury or Bob Pearson)

TORONTO NABC

As I prepare this newsletter, I am on a long journey back from Toronto where I spent 10 days mostly playing with Sean Gannon. The quality of bridge at my side of table was low by my standards but the competition was tough but the camaraderie was excellent. Totals for the week are 18 sessions of bridge plus midnight games 8 of those nights. Sadly the best result I had was 2nd in a bracket 5 KO (out of 8 brackets), which accounted for about half of the 32 or so points we won.

The trip home from a long tournament is always tiring and a bit sad and this journey was particularly long. Because I'm a true budget traveler, I flew to Buffalo, then took a bus into downtown Toronto because it was about half the price of flying directly to

Toronto.

For anyone thinking about trying to save \$300 on a trip, I highly do NOT recommend this. Busses are not a fun way to travel, especially when they advertise free Wi-Fi on board but then it doesn't work.

I wish I had time to travel more during this trip but 10 days is already a lot. Every year after hanging out with my Canadian friends at the NABC, I become tempted to go to the Montreal regional, but it is always the same time as the Macon sectionals. Eh.

JULY NUMBERS

Top July MP winners:

- 8.14 Andre Asbury
- 7.77 Gerald Peavy
- 7.69 Lana Salis
- 7.69 Michael Salis
- 7.44 Jean Middleton
- 7.06 Robert Pearson Jr
- 5.05 Robbie Battle
- 5.05 Andrew Echols
- 4.83 Christine Decker
- 4.40 Jeff Herman
- 3.72 Marie Douglas
- 3.71 Rachel Rumph
- 3.53 June Davis
- 3.44 Carl Mabee
- 3.01 Jean Marriott
- 3.00 Alma McBrayer

DUMMY PLAY

When you are dummy, it truly is meant to be a break from thinking. Take the break to let your mind wander off and let your hands mindlessly play the cards that partner calls for. Here are some of dummy's rights and limitations.

Law 42, Dummy's Rights:

Dummy is entitled to give information, in the director's presence, as to fact or law.

Dummy may keep track of tricks won and lost.

Dummy may play cards of the dummy as directed by declarer but may not in any way suggest a card to be played.

Dummy may ask declarer if he is out of a suit when he fails to follow suit.

Dummy may draw attention to an irregularity such as a revoke only after play of the hand has concluded.

Law 43, Dummy's Limitations:

Dummy should not initiate a director call.

Dummy may not call attention to an irregularity during the play.

Dummy may not exchange hands with declarer or kibitz the declarer.



NEW GAME IN DUBLIN

Joe Manning and Katharine Clark will be starting a duplicate game in Dublin on Tuesday afternoons. It will be at 1:30 at the Southern Ag and Expo Center. Please call 706-473-6546 for more information and support the game when feasible.

Somewhat related is **law 46 – Incomplete or erroneous call of card from dummy.**

If declarer calls for a suit but not a rank, he is deemed to have called for the lowest card in the suit.

If declarer calls for a rank but not a suit, he is deemed to have continued the suit in which dummy won the last trick (if dummy is on lead). If dummy is not on lead, dummy must play a card of that rank that is legal. If there are 2 or 3 such legal cards, declarer must specify a suit. If no such card exists, the call is void.

If declarer calls for high or something similar, he is calling for the highest card of the suit.

If declarer says win it, he is calling for the lowest card currently winning the trick.

If declarer calls a specific card that is not in dummy, the call is void and declarer is under no obligation to then call a card of either the same suit or same rank.

YEAR-TO-DATE MASTERPOINT LEADERS

(MP won at RDBC Dec 1, 2010 through July 31, 2011)

1	63.78	Robert Pearson Jr
2	55.92	Andre Asbury
3	50.84	Marie Douglas
4	48.42	June Davis
5	47.06	Andrew Echols
6	44.95	Christine Decker
7	44.18	Lana Salis
8	43.96	Michael Salis
9	42.47	Robbie Battle
10	42.33	Carl Mabee
11	37.80	Gerald Peavy
12	31.00	Jean Middleton
13	30.34	Janet Peters
14	28.79	Alma McBrayer
15	21.18	Annie Pearl Wilkerson
16	20.38	Rachel Rumph
17	19.98	Jeff Herman
18	19.38	Emory Whitaker
19	19.11	Fred Avery
20	18.39	Ruth Suggs

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21 16.33 Allen Davidson
 22 16.28 Ed Vesely
 23 15.47 Len Perkins
 24 15.16 Jamie Cockfield
 25 15.00 Jean Marriott
 26 12.15 Mary Ann Bateman
 27 10.80 Millard Simmons
 28 10.13 Durward Mercer
 29 9.90 Joel Haywood
 30 9.88 Mary Ann Tantilillo

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OTHER TIDBITS

- **Lessons!!** Gerald Peavy will be teaching a couple of bridge courses beginning in August. Let your social bridge friends and non-bridge friends know so they can learn and join us at the duplicate club. Both courses are \$40 per person or \$60 per couple.
 - **Modern Bidding.** *Sundays 3-5pm, 8 weeks (skipping Labor Day weekend) starting August 7, 2011.*
 - **Defense.** *Thursdays 10am-12:30pm, 8 weeks beginning August 4, 2011*
- **Slow play.** The club no longer will have late plays. We typically play 27 or 28 boards in the open games with about 6.5 minutes on the clock for each board. Please do not start a new board after the clock hits 2, unless the director says it is okay. There will be no penalty for the first unplayed board. You will receive an NP, meaning the board will not count for or against your final percentage. The second unplayed board will result in a 1/4 board deduction.
- **Recycling.** Please don't put trash in the aluminum can recycling container! Do put all empty soda cans in it. Be sure to remove the tab and place it in the plastic bag on side of container. These tabs are important as they are helping the Ronald McDonald House. We are also recycling paper, cardboard and glass. Place these items in the green tub near the door.
- **Birthdays and honors** are celebrated on the first Tuesday of each month.