



Unit 207 Newsletter

Apr/May 2013



The Unit 207 Newsletter editor is Larry Davis. The newsletter will be available on or about the first day of the months of February, April, June, August, October and December. Please let the editor know about newsworthy items. Larry can be reached at larrysdavis@att.net or 343-6942.

Upcoming Unit 207 Events

- 27 Apr (Sat) – Bridge Center – Open Pairs – 1:30
- 18 May (Sat) – Bridge Center – 1-35 Cup Teams (four flights) – 10:00
- 21 May (Tues) – SAC (4159 Mesa) – Open Pairs – 7:00
- 27 May (Mon) – Bridge Center – Open Pairs – 11:30

Upcoming Special Games at Clubs

April	May
2 (Tues) – SAC – Club Championship	1 (Weds) – Gaines Ranch – Charity
3 (Weds) – Gaines Ranch – Charity	2 – 5 (Thurs – Sun) – no games – Austin Sectional
5 (Fri) – SAC – Charity	6 – 12 – District 16 STaC games – BCA, SAC, South Austin and Westlake
8 (Mon – morn) – BCA – Charity	14 (Tues) – BCA – Club Championship
11 (Thurs) – BCA – Charity	14 (Tues) – South Austin – Club Championship
13 (Sat – eve) – BCA – Charity	15 (Weds – eve) – BCA – Junior Fund
15 (Mon) – SAC – Charity	17 (Fri) – BCA – Junior Fund
17 (Weds) – Gaines Ranch – Charity	17 (Fri) – SAC – Club Championship
17 (Weds – morn) – BCA – Charity	18 (Sat – eve) – BCA – Education Foundation
19 (Fri) – SAC – Charity	20 (Mon) – SAC – Membership
20 (Sat – eve) – BCA – Charity	20 (Mon – eve) – BCA – Club Championship
23 (Tues) – BCA – Charity	22 (Weds – morn) – BCA – Club Championship
23 (Tues) – South Austin – Membership	25 (Sat – after) – BCA – Charity
24 (Weds – eve) – BCA – Charity	26 (Sun) – BCA – Charity Teams
26 (Fri) – BCA – Charity	28 (Tues) – BCA – Membership
27 (Sat – eve) – BCA – Charity	30 (Thurs) – BCA – Club Championship
28 (Sun) – BCA – Club Championship Teams	
29 (Mon – eve) – BCA – Charity	



Future Austin Tournament Schedule



- Apr (13th - 14th) - Bridge Center - 0-200 Sectional
- May (2nd - 5th) - Bridge Center - Austin Sectional
- June (15th - 16th) - Bridge Center - NLM Sectional
- Aug (24th - 25th) - Bridge Center – 0-200 Sectional
- Sept (26th - 29th) - Bridge Center – Austin Sectional
- Nov (9th - 10th) - Bridge Center – NLM Sectional
- Dec (7th - 8th) - Bridge Center – 0-200 Sectional
- Jan 2014 (2nd - 5th) - Austin Sectional - DoubleTree Hotel
- Feb (15th - 16th) - Bridge Center – NLM Sectional
- Feb (27th - 2nd) - Bridge Center – Austin Sectional
- Apr (12th - 13th) - Bridge Center – 0-200 Sectional
- May (1st - 4th) - Bridge Center – Austin Sectional



Congratulations!



Life Masters: Esther Ellis, Janet Revenaugh, Annette Ruth

New Silver Life Masters: Edna Whitworth

New Gold Life Masters: Robert Donathan

Others: (8000) Rosemary Kelley; (3000) George Watkins;

(2000) Joe Black, Bill Charowas, Beverly Geurin, Dean Truair; (750) Mark Sanders;

(200) Vivian Collins, Beulah Kelso, David Myers, Posy Stielow, Billie Ward;

(100) Nancy Bell, Brett Bidwell, E Brendefur, Amanda Gruen, Michael Luckenbach, Gary Marquart;

(50) Mark Anderson, Pat Baitz, Leeann Barbour, Paul Johnston

Texas Star Award: Larry Davis

Goodwill Award: Pat Martin, Pat Rutledge

Scott Humphrey is now a full-time ACBL Tournament Director.

Unit 207 Annual Meeting

The annual meeting was held February 9th (Sat). Newly elected to the nine-member unit board are: Blair Lapwing, Pat Rutledge and Patty Webb. The six members whose terms are continuing are: Joyce Cooper, Robert Donathan, Lawton Hutchison, Pam LaShelle, Ken MacMorran and George Watkins. New officers are: President-George Watkins, Vice-President Pam LaShelle, Secretary-Joyce Cooper and Treasurer-Robert Donathan.

I-35 Cup (Austin vs. San Antonio)

The team game (Swiss) qualifying competition will be held at **10:00** at the Bridge Center on May 18th. Two teams *from each flight* will qualify to play in the final to be held in San Antonio on June 8th. The two teams *of each flight* from San Antonio will compete against the two team *of the same flight* from Austin. The flights are: Open, 0-2500, 0-750 and 0-299. **All** members of a team must have less than the upper masterpoint limit for their flight.

Sectional Tournaments at Clubs (STaC)

The week of May 6 - 12 (Mon - Sun) is STaC Week in District 16. STaC Games are held at the Bridge Center, Senior Centers, and Westlake. The strats are 1500+, 500-1500, and 0-500. Silver points are awarded at the club and district levels. The results of these games are emailed to District 16, and district-level winners are determined. It is as if a district-wide sectional tournament was being held each day (afternoon and evening), with appropriate (i.e. extra) masterpoints awarded. The district-level results can be viewed on the web within a few days of each game. These games usually cost \$1 extra.

Do You See What I See?

Suppose that you see one (or more) of an opponent's cards, or one (or both) of your opponents see one (or more) of your cards. Such seeing, *by itself*, does **not** mean that the seen card(s) must be played or that the seen card(s) become penalty card(s). If a defender sees one (or more) of declarer's cards, the defender benefits by such seeing, but the declarer's card does not have to be played unless the declarer *actually played the card*. A card is played when it is faced and touching or nearly touching the table or held in such a manner as to indicate that it is played. Similarly, if declarer sees one (or more) of a defender's cards, the declarer benefits by such seeing, but the defender does not have to play the seen card unless: (1) the defender actually played the card (see above), or (2) the card *could* have been seen *by the other defender*. In none of the above cases does it matter if the dummy sees any cards.

Minor Penalty Card

A minor penalty card is a deuce through nine that is accidentally played via dropping out of a hand or played along with another intended card. The only requirement about such minor penalty cards is that the owner must play that card or an honor if that suit is led. There are no lead penalties of any kind. The owner does not have to play it at his first legal opportunity.

Deaths and Departures

Barbara Williams – Bronze Life Master