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GAME SCHEDULE

MONDAY: 12:00 (O) 7:00 (0-300MP)
TUESDAY: 12:00 (O)
WEDNESDAY: 12:00 (0-300MP)
THURSDAY: 12:00 (O)
FRIDAY: 12:00 (O)
SATURDAY: 12:30 (O)
SUNDAY: 1:00 (O)

AUGUST DATES TO REMEMBER

WEDNESDAY EVENING	01	SWISS TEAM GAME
SUNDAY AFTERNOON	12	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON	15	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

WE WILL BE HOSTING A SWISS TEAM GAME ON WEDNESDAY EVENING, AUGUST 1ST. PIZZA WILL BE PROVIDED. PLEASE SIGN UP AS PAIRS. THE TEAMS WILL BE CREATED BASED ON A PAIR'S TOTAL MASTERPOINTS. THE FEE FOR THIS GAME WILL BE \$12.00. FREE PARKING.

THE JUNE/JULY OPEN GAMES PLAYER-OF-THE-MONTH WAS STU EDELSTEIN. HE WAS FOLLOWED BY SHELLY AMIN, JERRY PINSKER, MARTY FLANZBAUM, HERMAN ZIEGER, FREDLYN EDELSTEIN, DIANE LEPRO, ESTELLE MARGOLIN, AND NICK OCHLAN. THE 0-300 MASTERPOINT GAMES PLAYER-OF-THE-MONTH WAS LUCIA TAYLOR. SHE WAS FOLLOWED BY CONNIE MONTIJO, JOAN MEYERS, MAUREEN ROSKO, EILEEN LOSTETTER AND LEANNE SHULMAN (TIED), PHIL BLITZ, BERNARD SCHRADER, AND LILLIAN PHILLIPS.

WE HAD THREE PAIRS WHO SCORED A 70% OR BETTER GAME IN JULY. SANGITA AND PANKAJ MEHTA SCORED A 70.00% GAME, JERRY PINSKER AND STU EDELSTEIN SCORED A 73.51% GAME, AND MARTY FLANZBAUM AND STU EDELSTEIN SCORED A 76.040% GAME.

JUST A REMINDER THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAD VOTED TO IMPLEMENT A RULE THAT NO PLAYING ROUND CAN BEGIN AFTER 3:15 DURING THE WEEKDAY AFTERNOON GAMES. THIS RULE ONLY APPLIES TO HALF-TABLE GAMES WHERE THE MOVEMENT MIGHT REQUIRE PLAYING 27 OR 28 BOARDS. SINCE MANY PEOPLE HAVE DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENTS OR AN ACCESS-A-RIDE PICK UP, IT WAS FELT THAT THIS SYSTEM WOULD BE BETTER THAN HAVING PLAYERS LEAVE BEFORE THE GAME WAS OVER. IT HAS BEEN EVIDENT THAT THE USE OF TIMED ROUNDS HAS HELP THE SITUATION IMMENSELY. IF IT IS POSSIBLE TO PLAY THE 27 OR 28 BOARDS WITHIN THE ALLOTTED TIME FRAME, THIS WILL BE DONE.

IT'S TIME TO REITERATE SOME OF THE PLAYING RULES OF THE CLUB.

1. NORTH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PASSING THE BOARDS AT THE END OF THE ROUND, UNLESS THE DIRECTOR DOES SO.
2. POST-MORTEMS SHOULD BE HELD TO A MINIMUM AND, IF NECESSARY, CONDUCTED SO THAT OTHER TABLES DO NOT HEAR THE DISCUSSION.
3. TALKING IS FORBIDDEN DURING THE AUCTION OR PLAY OF THE HAND. SUCH TALK MY BE CONSTRUED AS UNAUTHORIZED INFORMATION AND THE OFFENDING SIDE WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES STATED IN THE ACBL RULE BOOK.
4. THE DUMMY MUST KEEP HIS OR HER HANDS OFF THE TABLE UNTIL CALLED UPON TO PLAY A CARD BY THE DECLARER.
5. A CARD FROM THE DUMMY IS NOT OFFICIALLY PLAYED UNTIL CALLED FOR BY THE DECLARER. THE DUMMY MUST NOT TAKE IT UPON HIMSELF TO ANTICIPATE WHAT CARD THE DECLARER WILL PLAY.

PLAYERS ARE AGAIN REMINDED THAT THERE IS NO SHAME TO HAVING A LATE PLAY. THIS IS NOT TO ENCOURAGE SLOW PLAY, BUT IT MUST BE UNDERSTOOD THAT A SLOW TABLE HAS A "DOMINO EFFECT" ON THE REST OF THE ROOM. WAITING FOR PLAY TO FINISH AT A SLOW TABLE CREATES A LATE START AT THE NEXT TABLE, AND SO ON. PLUS, IT IS UNFAIR TO THE FASTER PLAYERS TO HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE SLOW TABLE TO FINISH.

COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER: WE WILL BE HAVING OUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH. THIS WILL BE AN INDIVIDUAL GAME (NO PARTNERS REQUIRED). MORE DETAILS IN THE SEPTEMBER BULLETIN.

THE BOARD WOULD LIKE TO THANK THOSE PLAYERS WHO VOLUNTARILY HELP BOTH BEFORE AND AFTER THE GAME BY MAKING COFFEE, COLLECTING THE BOARDS AND/OR CLEANING UP AFTER THE GAME. YOUR HELP IS APPRECIATED.

HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAY WISHES TO

PAT EPISCOPIA	07	MEL FRUCHT	25
MARTY FLANZBAUM	13	ESTHER MICHAELS	29