



Indianapolis Bridge Center – July 2019

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'Twas brillig, and the shithy toves did gyre and gimble, but instead of going to the wabe, all decided to play in the two special pairs games on consecutive Thursdays in July:

- Fast Pairs, on Thursday evening 7/11, starting about 6. Get home early!
- Barometer Pairs, where you can learn your standing after every board, starts at 6 in the evening of July 18th.

More Parties!

The **Life Master Board Update Party** starts before noon on Wednesday, July 10th. All members whose status changed (*e.g.* from bronze to silver life master) will be honored.

2018 **Ace of Clubs** winners from our club will be feted before the noon game on Wednesday 7/31.

On Friday, July 7/26, starting about eleven, we will celebrate achievement of **Gold Life Master** by **Nancy and Frank LaMaster**.

We will have two Swiss Teams events in July: NLM Wednesday evening 7/17 at 6:30, and Perfect 10 Swiss Teams on Thursday evening 7/25 at 6.

Table count for May was another large number, 675.5. Many thanks!

We will be open Thursday July 4th.

There are four **North American Pairs** qualifying games in July (10th, 13th, 17th, and 29th – check the calendar). Even if you do not plan to go to the district qualifying game or the national tournament, you should play in these games because they pay more for those who do well, and they pay half -red!

We will enjoy six unit/club championships in July:

Tuesday morning 7/9 in both games;
Thursday 7/11 at noon , open;
Sunday evening 7/14 in both games;
Wednesday evening 7/17 at 6:30, NLM 0-500;
Friday morning 7/19 in both games; and
Saturday evening in Married Couples.



There will be two Inter-Club games: Monday morning 7/15 and Tuesday afternoon 7/30. The results from these games will be scored again against the results of all the other Inter Club games. If your results stack up, you could win a lot of extra masterpoints!

Silver Point Week runs from Monday 7/22 to Sunday 7/28. Every player who does well will win extra masterpoints, and they will be silver.

The Singles/Individual game is Saturday evening July 6th. Socialize at 5:00, play at 6:00.

The Married Couples game is Saturday 7/20. Social hour is at 5:30 in the evening, and the game starts at 6:30.

Winners!

Player of the Month for May is **Nancy Wilson**. Her party will be announced soon.

Ariel Bartunek is Rookie of the Month for May. Her party will be Tuesday, July 16 at the 1:15 game.

Be sure to buy your \$20 lottery ticket for The Longest Day®. The winner receives 20 free plays, and preferential seating for four months!



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ALERT!

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On Time vs. Late Arrival

There have been several complaints recently about games starting late because of players arriving late.

The following is effective July 1st.

Let's try a new definition of "on-time".

A player is "on-time" if they have arrived at the Bridge Center, paid their entry fee, and are in their seat at the scheduled game time. If you must get that cup of coffee, or piece of cake, or use the restroom do it before game time. Be in your seat at game time. Players must remain in their seats quietly while announcements are made. Players must remain in their seats while boards are passed out and the clock is started. Players must remain in their seats until their entire table has logged in to the Bridgemates. Failure to be "on-time" means you are "late". Being late is rude and disrespectful to the director and to all the other players. The penalty for any violation will be a mandatory ¼ board. Repeated violations will result in larger penalties.

Players should plan to be at the Bridge Center ten minutes before game time so they can be sure of meeting the above requirements. Players whose partners have not arrived 10 minutes before game time should call them to verify that they are on their way. A Player whose partner has not arrived at 5 minutes 'till game time must report to the director so arrangements can be made to fill any half tables.

In addition, players who have not arrived at the Bridge Center by game time might not be permitted to play if it requires changing the movement. This is at the director's discretion.

N/S reservations.

If you need to reserve a N/S seat, please call the Bridge Center at least 3 hours before game time. I have not seen a large game where players needing a N/S who called in by then were not accommodated. A small game with a Howell movement can be a problem, but the director will work with you if you call in advance.

For the 11:00 Monday Open Game please contact Patty Cole.

For the 12:00 Friday Open Game please contact Amy Richardson.

If you forgot to call, please arrive at the Bridge Center 20 to 30 minutes in advance to give the director a reasonable chance to help you find a seat.