

AGTTA  
662 Dorsey Circle  
Lilburn, GA 30047-4037

**2008 Atlanta Open  
Giant Round Robin  
Table Tennis Tournament**

Saturday November 1, 2008

Decatur Recreation Center  
231 Sycamore St  
Decatur, GA 30030  
404-377-0494

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**DeKalb County**  
**Department of Parks and Recreation**  
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**the Atlanta Georgia Table Tennis Association**  
**(AGTTA)**

SANCTIONED BY  
**USA Table Tennis**  
as a  
One Star  
Tournament

**Tournament Director and  
Referee**

Wendell Dillon  
International Referee

COMMITTEE

Wendell Dillon and Ralph Presley

**Also 31 Point Handicap Event**

48 Player limit; enter early to be included in  
the draw.

**Discount for early entry**

ELIGIBILITY: Open to all members of the USATT. Non-members may join the USATT by including the membership fee with their entry fee. Juniors are players born on or after Jan 1, 91. Players who have never been USATT members may buy a tournament pass for \$10 (one time only).

EVENTS : **Giant Round Robin** - Only 48 players will be accepted.

**Handicap** –Players must have an official USATT rating and be entered in the Giant RR. Limit 16 players

**EVENT & USATT FEES:** Round Robin \$35; Handicap \$5; Rating Fee \$5.

DEADLINE: Saturday October 25. Entry fees must accompany entry form. \$5 discount for entries **received** with payment by Saturday, October 18. \$5 charge for each entry not paid in advance.

PAY BY: Check or money order payable to AGTTA and mail to Wendell Dillon, 662 Dorsey Circle, Lilburn, GA 30047-4037, Phone (770) 923-5110; Cell (404) 502-4195.

FORMAT: **Giant RR** - Play will be in three stages. Preliminary: 8 groups of 6 players. Stage 2: Based on playing records in the Preliminary groups, players will be placed into Championship, Class “A”, “B”, “C”, “D”, or “E” round robin events. Each event will have 2 groups of 4 players. Stage 3 is single elimination of group winners & runners-up.

**Handicap** – Match is one 31 point game; single elimination. To be played between Preliminary and Event stages.

PROCEDURES: The highest rated player in each preliminary group will be responsible for recording match results and keeping the group on schedule.

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**Matches:** All games (except Handicap) will be to 11 points; Championship event best of 7 from semi-finals; all other matches best of 5 games

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**RULES:** The Laws of Table Tennis as published by the ITTF and all USATT regulations will be enforced.

**EQUIPMENT:** Only USATT approved equipment will be used 12 Butterfly tables and nets; orange Butterfly ★★★ 40mm balls; Wooden floor.

**NOTE: RACKETS:** one side of the racket must be bright red, the other side black

**CLOTHING:** The USATT Dress Code applies. A wide variety of colors and designs is now permitted. The main color of the body of the shirt or shorts may not be orange. Please dress in appropriate athletic attire. Designs or lettering that are distracting to an opponent or are offensive will not be permitted. Socks and rubber-soled, non-marking, shoes must be worn.

**REPORTING AND STARTING TIMES:** Players must register at the desk not later than 8:45 a.m. Play will begin promptly at 9 a.m. Players not on time may be defaulted for the entire event (and replaced by an alternate) at the discretion of the referee.

**AWARDS:** Championship: 1<sup>st</sup> \$200; 2<sup>nd</sup> \$100; 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> \$50 each.

Handicap 1<sup>st</sup> \$30. Trophies to the winner and runner-up in other events.

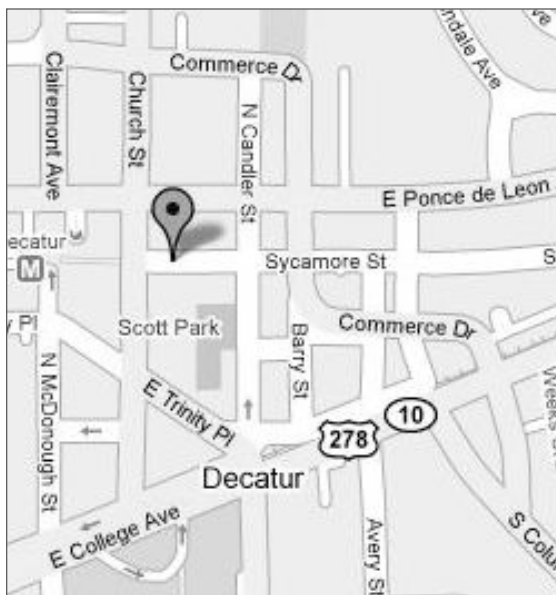
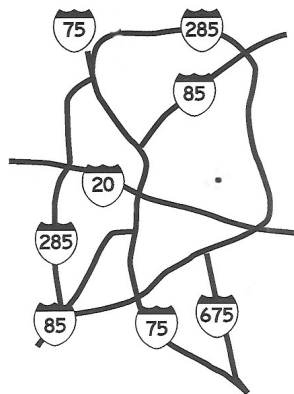
**PRACTICE:** The gym will be open for practice at 8:30 a.m. Saturday.

**UMPIRES:** Umpires will be provided on request.

**UMPIRE EXAM:** Umpire exams will be available @ \$15 each. We will grade the exam and evaluate umpiring.

**CANCELLATION:** The committee reserves the right to cancel the tournament or modify the format based on the number of entries.

## 31 Point Handicap Event Between preliminary and event rounds



**Racket Control.** We will conduct voluntary and random tests of rackets with the Enez testing device. Rackets failing the test may not be used.

1. No complete regluing will be permitted unless it is with a new sheet of rubber.
2. Partial regluing may be done with the permission and under the supervision of the referee.

Name & \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Rating \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing \_\_\_\_\_  Change address;  Add to mailing list

Address \_\_\_\_\_ | USATT membership expires \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ | Club \_\_\_\_\_

USATT Mbr: Adult  \$40 1 yr;  \$105 3 yr; Junior  \$20 1 Yr  \$10 Tournament Pass USATT Fees \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of birth (required for all memberships) \_\_\_\_\_ Rating fee \$ 5.00  
 (\$ 35.00) \$ 35.00

**Please include your club to help us separate you from club members** ( X ) Giant Round Robin ( \$5.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ( ) Handicap (\$5.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Early entry discount -\$5.00  Late payment \$5.00.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

I want to take the umpire exam \$15.00.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please enter me in the above event(s). My fees in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 are enclosed. I agree to comply with all USATT regulations. I accept full responsibility for my participation and relieve the sponsors and the USATT of any liability for injury to myself or damage to my property. I have signed or will sign the comprehensive liability waiver.

**USA Table Tennis**  
**Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Indemnity Agreement**  
**("Agreement")**

**Tournament Name: Atlanta Giant Round Robin**

**Date: November 1, 2008**

**Tournament Director: Wendell Dillon**

**Club Name: AGTTA**

1. IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to participate in any way in USA Table Tennis sanctioned events, I and/or my minor child, our personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and next of kin:

2. ACKNOWLEDGE, agree, and represent that I and/or my minor understand the nature of Table Tennis Activities and that I and/or my minor child are qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such Activity. I further agree that if at any time I believe conditions or equipment to be unsafe, I and/or my minor child will immediately discontinue further participation in the Activity.

3. FULLY UNDERSTAND that (a) TABLE TENNIS ACTIVITIES INVOLVE RISKS AND DANGERS OF SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, INCLUDING PERMANENT DISABILITY, PARALYSIS AND DEATH ("RISKS"); (b) these Risks and dangers may be caused by me and/or my child's own actions, or inaction, or the actions or inaction of others participating in the Activity, the condition in which the Activity takes place, or THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" NAMED BELOW; (c) there may be OTHER RISKS AND SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC LOSSES either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I FULLY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSSES, COSTS, AND DAMAGES I and/or my minor child incur as a result of my participation in the Activity.

4. HEREBY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN, AND ASSUME ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE LOSSES, COSTS, AND/OR DAMAGES FOLLOWING SUCH INJURY, DISABILITY, PARALYSIS, OR DEATH, EVEN IF CAUSED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" NAMED BELOW;

5. HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE USA TABLE TENNIS, their respective administrators, directors, agents, officers, officials, volunteers, and employees, other participants, any sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises on which the Activity takes place, (each considered one of the "RELEASEES" herein) FROM ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, LOSSES, OR DAMAGES ON MY ACCOUNT CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO BE CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" OR OTHERWISE, INCLUDING NEGLIGENT RESCUE OPERATIONS; AND I FURTHER AGREE that if, despite this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT I and/or my minor child, or anyone on my and/or my minor child's behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releases, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE, AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost which may incur as the result of such claim.

6. I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND HAVE SIGNED IT FREELY AND WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR ASSURANCE OF ANY NATURE AND INTEND IT TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW AND AGREE THAT IF ANY PORTION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS HELD TO BE INVALID THE BALANCE, NOTWITHSTANDING, SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

_____ Signature of Participant	_____ Print Name	_____ Date
_____ Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian (If Participant is under age 18)	_____ Print Name of Minor Child	_____ Date

**DECATUR RECREATION CENTER**  
**Gymnasium**  
**231 Sycamore Street**  
**Decatur, GA 30030**  
**404-377-0494**

**\*Please enter at the front of the building. All groups must be checked in before being seated.**

**Seating in this venue is a gym floor and bleachers. Please dress appropriately. You may bring blankets or towels to sit upon if you wish but please don't bring chairs that would block little children's view of the performers.**

The Decatur Recreation Center (DRC) is located in downtown Decatur just east of the old Square and the Decatur MARTA Station. The Center is on Sycamore Street next to the Decatur Library. The driveway to the parking deck is between the Library and the Recreation Center. You may use the parking decks behind the library. Please note that there are two decks (an upper and a lower). If the upper deck is full, continue down the hill to the lower deck. Busses should park on Sycamore Street.

**From MARTA:**

Go to Decatur Station (E-6). Take East exit. Cross *Church Street* on South side of *Sycamore St.* The DRC is third building on **right**.

Bus routes serving the Decatur Station are: 15 South DeKalb, 18 South Decatur, 19 Clairmont Road, and 123 Decatur/Candler Park.

**From I-285 Southbound:**

Take *Stone Mountain Freeway (US78)* West (Exit 39A). About 1/2 mile after divided highway ends and becomes *Scott Blvd.* bear to **left** onto *Church Street*. Continue on Church Street about two miles to downtown Decatur. One block after crossing *Ponce de Leon Ave.* turn **left** onto *Sycamore St.* The DRC is third building on **right**.

**From I-285 Northbound:**

Get off at *Covington Highway (US278)* (Exit 43) and turn **left**. Continue through downtown Avondale Estates (where Covington Hwy. becomes Main St.) past the Avondale MARTA Station. Turn **right** onto *Commerce Drive* at the railroad underpass. At second light, turn **left** onto *Sycamore St.* The DRC is building on **left** after 1 1/2 blocks, right next to the Library.

**From I-85:**

Get off at *Clairmont Road Exit (91)* and go South on Clairmont about 4 1/2 miles until it dead ends at the old Courthouse. Turn **left** onto *Ponce de Leon Ave.*, go one block and turn right onto *Church Street*. Go one block and turn **left** onto *Sycamore St.* The DRC is third building on **right**.

**From North (Chamblee, Toco Hills):**

Take *Clairmont Road* South until it dead ends at the old Courthouse. Turn **left** onto *Ponce de Leon Ave.*, go one block and turn right onto *Church Street*. Go one block and turn **left** onto *Sycamore St.* The DRC is third building on **right**.

**From I-20 (South):**

Take *Candler Road* (Exit 65) North about 4 miles. After crossing railroad tracks, the road bares to the left and becomes *E. Trinity Place* but you want to continue **straight** on *Candler* for one block to *Sycamore St.* Turn **left** on *Sycamore St.* The DRC is third building on **right**.

**From East (Clarkston, Scottdale):**

Take *East Ponce de Leon West*. Just past Avondale MARTA Station, turn **left** onto *Sycamore St*. The DRC is on **right** about 4 1/2 blocks.

**From West (Midtown, Virginia-Highland):**

Take *Ponce de Leon East* to downtown Decatur. After passing old Courthouse, turn **right** on *Church St*. Go one block and turn **left** onto *Sycamore St*. The DRC is third building on **right**.

**From West (Downtown Atlanta):**

Take *DeKalb Avenue East* to downtown Decatur (DeKalb Ave. becomes Howard in Decatur). Turn **left** on *McDonough St.* at Decatur High School. Go one block and turn **right** onto *E. Trinity Place*. Go one block and turn **left** onto *Church St*. Go one block and turn right onto *Sycamore St*. The DRC is third building on **right**.

