

CBA Games Cancelled – Flying Buckeye Regional

Monday 9/1: Evening

Tuesday, 9/2: Morning and Evening

Thursday, 9/4: Evening

Saturday, 9/6: 10 AM Supervised Play

Saturday, 9/6: Afternoon

Check with your club director for changes to this list.

Planning the Play By Steve Moese Tues Eve 8/26

Elaine Jarchow and Cordell Coy, along with many volunteer, created an amazing weekend. Hats off to all who made this new sectional a success. I had the pleasure to give a short talk at the NKy Sectional Saturday 9/16 on [Planning the Play \(Click for talk\)](#).

This is an important topic for advancing players. Look at hand 2 from Tuesday Evening. South will open 1NT

Board 2 ♠ KJ62
East Deals ♥ 10843
N-S Vul ♦ K3
♣ A74

♠ A743	<table border="1"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W</td></tr> <tr><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W	E	S	♠ 1095
N						
W						
E						
S						
♥ J9	♥ Q65					
♦ J87	♦ 109542					
♣ QJ108	♣ K5					

♠ Q8
NS 4♥; 2N; ♥ AK72
2♠; 2♣; 1♦ ♦ AQ6
♣ 9632

and North will bid 2♣ Stayman. North will raise South's 2♥ *rebid to 4♥ ending the auction*.

West will lead the ♣Q. Now the success of the contract depends on what you do in the next 90 seconds.

1) Opponents did not bid. 2) The opening lead exposes 2 losers in the

♣ suit. 3) We have 6 winners and must get 4 more before they win 4 tricks. 4) We have ♠, ♥ & 2♣ losers.

Analysis & Play: We must eliminate a loser BEFORE we surrender the lead. We know this because the ♣ losers are now FAST losers – we will lose them immediately. We can't do anything about our ♠ loser. We are unlikely to pick up the ♥ suit for 4 tricks. That leaves eliminating a ♣ loser. But how? Drawing 2 rounds of trump limits ♥ losers to 1 with any 3-2 split but fail with a 4-1 or 5-0 split. That's about 68%. Not bad. Do that. When they split 3-2, turn our attention to the exposed ♣ losers. We hold the top 3 ♦s. Cash them. The odds of a 6-2/7-1/8-0 split are vanishingly small (with long suits opponents interfere even over 1NT so no one has 7 let alone 6 ♦ cards. On the 3rd ♦ we pitch a losing ♣. This limits ♣ losers to 1 trick. Now and only now do we drive out the ♠A. They can take one more ♣ and the high trump, but that's all they get.

8/26 – Future Master Leaders

1st OA: Mark Mitchell & Gail Zimmer **1.84R/B**

2nd OA: Rodney Gray & Timothy Fischer **1.38 R/B**



Future Masters



Bring your Questions, Hands, Ideas. Let's learn together!

Tues Eve 6:30 PM Sharp!

CBA Newcomer Games – Play Often!

Mon PM < 2000

Tue AM NLM

Tue PM 149er

Fri AM NLM + Lecture

Sat AM Supervised Play

Sat PM NLM (Homestyle 2nd 4th)

Events at the Cincinnati Bridge Center

- **Fri Aug 29** Phyllis Bishop Lecture 10:30 AM. Talk to Partner to Improve Your Game. 11 PM Open & NLM games. Final NAP Qualifier – 3x Points! Call Kay for partners.
- Thursday Evenings and Last Tuesday in September are **SWISS TEAM** games. Beginning in October Thursday Evening will be an Under 2500 MP Pairs Game.
- Sat NLM Section and Homestyle (attendance permitting).
- **August CBA Flyer** – CBC, NKy, and Anderson offer games with EXTRA MASTERPOINTS! **Final NAP Qualifier Games.**

Area Tournaments

[Flying Buckeye Regional](#)

[Pineville KY Sectional](#)

[Ft Wayne IN Regional](#)

[Glasgow KY Sectional](#)

[Owensboro KY Sectional](#)

ACBL Tournaments <http://tournaments.acbl.org/display.php>

Should NS bid 3N? Not when both hands are 4432. If 1 or both hands were 4333 with points evenly distributed across all suits then 3N is attractive. With shape, a 4-4 trump fit produces 1 ½ more tricks than NT on average. 4-4 fits: ruff once and you have a short trump hand. Ruffs in the short trump hand add tricks.

Recapping:

Decode their bids & analyze the opening lead. Count winners. Count losers - fast & slow. Decide how many times you can lose the lead before winning 10 tricks (hint:

time the danger suit (♣) is stopped – here ZERO). Play the options in order to stay alive and take advantage of as many as possible.

Contract	Scores	MPs	
		NS	EW
4♥ S	620	4	1
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1NT S	150	2	3
1♥ N	140	1	4
4♥ S	100	0	5
4♥ N	620	5	0
3NT S	600	4	1
4♥ S	100	1.5	3.5
4♥ S	100	1.5	3.5
3NT S	100	1.5	3.5
3NT N	100	1.5	3.5

Newcomer News — by Mike “Keeping Fun On My Convention Card” Purcell 513 702 4007

This Saturday Pat Hoffman, Betty Torello, and Pam Campbell will be running the 10am game.

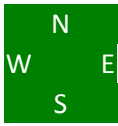
SCHEDULE CHANGE: NO SAT GAME SEP 6! Saturday Games at the Bridge Center are closed in support of the Dayton Regional Bridge Tournament. We will resume Sep 13!

This week we look at a hand where getting to slam makes sense but still requires some courage to bid.

Board 6 ♠ A64
 East Deals ♥ K864
 E-W Vul ♦ J63
 ♣ AK10

♠ K102 ♠ J98753
 ♥ 10975 ♥ Q32
 ♦ 104 ♦ 5
 ♣ J942 ♣ Q85

♠ Q
 ♥ AJ
 ♦ AKQ9872
 ♣ 763



Board 6 (Tuesday 8/26)

Bidding – South with 16 HCP and a great 7 card diamond suit opens 1♦ (12-21 HCP, 3+ diamonds). North has 15 HCP and responds 1♥ (6+ HCP, 4+ hearts). South does not have hearts but with a strong hand and likely 8 winners (7♦, 1♥) should rebid 3♦ (16-18 HCP, 6+ diamonds) to show this hand. North knowing partner has at worst 16 HCP and 6 solid diamonds should be thinking slam in diamonds or NT. If you play standard Blackwood, you find all the aces and one king. If you play Roman Keycard or Minorwood, you can find all the aces and specifically the ♦K. Either way, since the North hand has no real trumping value and NT pays better in matchpoint scoring, 6NT is your best contract.

Play of the Hand – On a ♠7 lead (fourth best), declarer (North) has 12 winners (1♠, 2♥, 7♦, 2♣). With your only spade stopper gone it is best to cash your 12 tricks and not risk the contract for +990. If defense does not lead a spade, you can finesse for the ♥Q which works to score a 13th trick and +1020.

Post Mortem – Getting to slam is hard but when you know the values are there, do not be afraid to go for it. When you have a minor suit fit, look for a NT slam particularly on hands like North’s in this deal with no trumping potential. In the open game, bidding 6NT gets you a top board while settling for game nets only 0.5 matchpoints and bidding 6♦ an average result.

Bd 6	Scores		MPs	
	NS	EW	NS	EW
6 NT N	990		5	0
6 ♦ S	940		3	2
6 ♦ S	940		3	2
6 ♦ S	940		3	2
3 NT N	490		0.5	4.5
3 NT N	490		0.5	4.5
6 NT N	990		5	0
6 ♦ S	920		4	1
3 NT N	520		3	2
3 NT N	490		2	3
5 ♦ S	440		1	4
5 ♦ S	420		0	5