

Future Masters Newsletter



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Invite a friend – share the Joy of Bridge

March 19, 2015

3/17 - Future Master Leaders

1st OA: Richard Horvitz & Karen Kalla

(62%, 0.36 MP)

2nd OA: David Elliott & Carla Runda

(50%, 0.25 MP)



1st OA N/S: Joanne Oppelt & Patt Olexsey

(63%, 0.40 MP)

2nd OA N/S: **Stephen Baldwin & Terry Raulin**

(58%, 0.28 MP)

1st OC N/S: Ann Luggen & Jolene Schwab

(44%, 0.12 MP)

1st OA E/W: Liz Lin & Beth Wales

(59%, 0.40 MP)

2nd OA E/W: Mike Burns & Mary Friesen

(54%, 0.28 MP)

1st OB E/W: Mary Brown & Cynthia Gapen

(51%, 0.18 MP)

CBA Newcomer Games – Play Often!

Mon 7PM < 2000

Tue 7PM 149er

Wed 11AM 0-10/Homestyle

Fri 11AM 0-10/NLM + Lecture

Sat 10AM Supervised Play – 3/21 Lorna Davis, Tony Habash, Judy Ruehl and Mike Purcell will run the

game.

Area Tournaments and Special Events

Columbus Sectional Tournament - March 27-29

CBA Awards Party – Wed April 8

New to Bridge (N2B) - Sat April 18

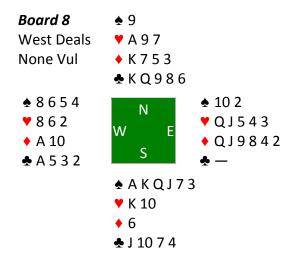
Special 0-10 Newcomer Game

Thursday March 26, 10 am

Join us for a special 0-10 Newcomer Game this Thursday March 26th from 10-1:30 with lunch. This game features special hands ideal for new players. To register for this special game, please contact Kay Mulford at 513-631-8070 or kmulford@cinci.rr.com.

Hand of the Week

This week features a Friday hand where knowing which bids are forcing and which are not is important to getting to game:



NS 5N; N 4♠; NS 5♠; S 3♠; EW 1♦; Par +460

Bidding – North with 12 HCP and 5 clubs opens 1♣ (12-21 HCP, 3+ clubs). South has 14 HCP, 6 super solid spades and should be thinking that game is a must and slam may be possible. They can start by bidding 1♠ (6+ HCP, 4+ spades). North has an uncomfortable 1NT rebid. We do not like to rebid clubs with only 5 cards. South should still be interested in slam but needs to be careful that their next bid is a forcing one if it is short of game. If a jump to 3♠ can be passed by partner, not do bid it. If you are not sure do not take a chance. Bid 4♠ directly.

If you play New Minor Forcing — Over the 1NT rebid from North, South can rebid 2 ◆ (new minor, artificial, alertable) to show a hand with 10+ HCP and typically 5 cards in their originally bid major. After 2 ◆ on this hand, North can respond 3 ♣ or 2NT. Most South players will then go to 4 ♠ or possibly 3NT.

If you play Unusual 2NT – If E/W plays Unusual 2NT, then East can bid 2NT over North's 1♣ opener showing the two lowest unbid suits (hearts and Diamonds) and less than opening strength. South will now likely bid 4♠ directly and not look for slam.



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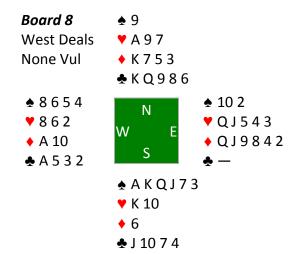
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Play of the Hand – East is on lead. Assuming no bidding from partner they are likely to lead the ♥8 (top of nothing). Declarer (South) has 2 losers (1♠, 1♣). The best play is to win the heart, draw trump and work on clubs. West takes their ace and then cashes the ♠A but that is all they can take. Declarer wins 11 tricks or +450.

Post Mortem – Discussing with your partner which bids are forcing and which are not is critical to good bidding. On this deal several pairs played 3♠ because North believed this was an invitational call.

Post Mortem II – What is the best defense if East gets into the bidding with an unusual 2NT call showing at least 5-5 in hearts/diamonds? West should consider playing the AA on opening lead as East could have a singleton and trump (or ruff) a second club. When East shows their void, West needs to play a club at Trick Two that tells partner which suit to come back in to get a second ruff. To signal a diamond return West should play the ♣2 as diamonds is the lower of the other two side suits (playing the ♣5 would signal hearts). East now plays a diamond back which West wins and gives partner another club ruff to set the 4♠ contract. For those West players who were looking for a diamond ruff on this deal let me suggest playing the A first does not preclude you from switching to the A at Trick Two should you decide partner has 2 clubs. However playing the ♦A first keeps you from setting the contract even if you switch to the ♣A at Trick Two as partner cannot get back to you for the second ruff.



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Contract By Made		Scores		Matchpoints		
			N-S	E-W	N-S	$\mathbf{E}\text{-}\mathbf{W}$
4 ♠	S	5	450		8.50	3.50
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3 NT	N	4	430		4.00	8.00
5 ♣	N	5	400		2.50	9.50
3 NT	N	3	400		2.50	9.50
6 ♣ ×	N	-1		100	0.50	11.50
6 NT×	S	-1		100	0.50	11.50
3 NT	N	4	430		4.00	0.00
3 NT	N	3	400		3.00	1.00
3 ♠	S	5	200		1.00	3.00
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3 ♠	N	5	200		1.00	3.00