9/8 - Tues 7pm NLM Game
$1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{OA}$ N/S: Doug Reams \& Joe Nurre (61\%, 0.80 MP)
$2^{\text {nd }}$ OA N/S: Charlie Kobida \& Mike Burns (60\%, 0.56 MP)
$3^{\text {rd }}$ OA N/S: Bob \& Patt Olexsey
(59\%, 0.40 MP)
$4^{\text {th }} \mathrm{OA} N / \mathrm{S}$ : David Elliott \& Carla Runda (56\%, 0.28 MP)
$1^{\text {st }}$ OA E/W: Rodney Gray \& Timothy Fischer (60\%, 0.80 MP)
$2^{\text {nd }}$ OA E/W: Patrick Lammers \& Alex Grimm (58\%, 0.56 MP)
$3^{\text {rd }}$ OA E/W: Martin Gibler \& Susan Stacy Vanstone
(56\%, 0.40 MP)
$2^{\text {nd }}$ OC E/W: Andy Heldman \& Gail Zimmer (53\%, 0.29 MP)
$3^{\text {rd }}$ OC E/W: Evelyn McCarthy \& Joan Diers
(52\%, 0.21 MP)

9/4 - Fri NLM Game
$1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{OA} N / \mathrm{S}$ : Judy Barron \& Louise Wolf
(65\%, 0.62 MP)
$2^{\text {nd }}$ OA N/S: Linda Pretz \& Reeta Brendamour
(61\%, 0.43 MP)
$1^{\text {st }}$ OB N/S: Janet Hansen \& Nancy Cameron
(51\%, 0.46 MP)
$2^{\text {nd }}$ OB N/S: Patricia Burnam \& Sharon Koster
(48\%, 0.32 MP)
$1^{\text {st }}$ OA E/W: Patt Olexsey \& Joanne Oppelt
(61\%, 0.62 MP)
$2^{\text {nd }} O A E / W$ : Carol Wilson \& Erin Oblinger
(59\%, 0.43 MP)
$3^{\text {rd }}$ OA E/W: Lenore Miller \& Jan Polk
(57\%, 0.31 MP)

## Upcoming Tournaments

Flying Buckeye Regional - September 15-20 http://www.acbl.org/tournaments/schedule.php?tou $\underline{\text { rid }=14892}$

## Cincinnati NLM Sectional - October 10-11

http://www.acbl.org/tournaments/schedule.php?tou rid=21992

## CBA Future Master Games

Mon 7PM < 2000
Tue 7PM NLM
Wed 11AM 0-10/Homestyle
Fri 11AM 0-10/NLM + Lecture
Sat 10AM Supervised Play

## Hand of the Week

This week features a distributional hand that requires aggressive bidding to reach game:

| Board 14 | - K Q 10982 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| East Deals | $\checkmark 98$ |  |
| None Vul | - A |  |
|  | - K Q 107 |  |
| \& J 73 N ${ }^{\text {A } 6}$ |  |  |
| -742 N - QJ63 |  |  |
| - K6432 W - 985 |  |  |
| +63 | S | * AJ5 4 |
|  | - 54 |  |
|  | - AK 105 |  |
|  | - Q J 107 |  |
|  | -982 |  |

NS 4N; NS 4^; NS 3ヶ; NS 4*; NS 2*; Par +430

Bidding - East with a 12 HCP balanced hand will open 1\% (12-21 HCP, 3+ cards). Assuming South and West pass, North should reopen the bidding with 1s (8-16 HCP, $5+$ spades). East will pass. South has 10 HCP but only 2 spades for partner. Their best bid is 1NT (9-11 HCP, balanced). Note the 1NT call here requires more points than the 6-9 we would have if partner had opened. In NT we cannot expect distribution to save us if North reopened on a weaker hand (8-10 HCP). North can assume partner has 2 spades for an 8 card fit and their hand is worth 16 support points ( $14 \mathrm{HCP}, 1$ more for the doubleton and 1 more for the singleton A). With at least 25-27 support points between the two hands, North should raise to game in 4a.

Play of the Hand - On a YQ lead from East (top of a sequence), Declarer (North) has 4 losers (2a, 2s). After winning the $\vee$ A, you will want to draw trump running a spade from dummy to finesse the $\boldsymbol{J}$. This will eliminate one loser. When East wins their $\uparrow A$, they can return a heart or diamond (or spade) and eventually North will lose 2 clubs. Still declarer makes 10 tricks for +420 . If East makes a mistake by leading a club or West goes up with their $\uparrow \mathrm{K}$ prematurely, North could get an overtrick.

Post Mortem - Even though the opponents open, be sure to explore for game or even slam when you have enough support points. On this deal North has a very special hand with a long spade suit on only 4 losers. Once partner shows values and 2 spades with their 1 NT call, you can go to game with confidence it will make more often than not.

| Board 14 | ¢ K Q 10982 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| East Deals | -98 |  |
| None Vul | - A |  |
|  | - K Q 107 |  |
| - 173 <br> - 742 <br> -K6432 <br> - 63 | N | - A 6 |
|  |  | - QJ63 |
|  |  | - 985 |
|  | S | AJ 54 |
|  | - 54 |  |
|  | - AK 105 |  |
|  | - Q J 107 |  |
|  | -982 |  |



| Contract |  | Score |  |  | Matchpoints |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W |
| 4 | N | 5 | 450 |  | 11.50 | 0.50 |
| 4 | N | 5 | 450 |  | 11.50 | 0.50 |
| 4 | N | 4 | 420 |  | 8.00 | 4.00 |
| 4 | N | 4 | 420 |  | 8.00 | 4.00 |
| 4 | N | 4 | 420 |  | 8.00 | 4.00 |
| 4 | N | 4 | 420 |  | 8.00 | 4.00 |
| 4 | N | 4 | 420 |  | 8.00 | 4.00 |
| 1 | S | 5 | 200 |  | 5.00 | 7.00 |
| 2 | N | 4 | 170 |  | 3.50 | 8.50 |
| 3 | N | 4 | 170 |  | 3.50 | 8.50 |
| 1 | N | 3 | 140 |  | 2.00 | 10.00 |
| 4 | N | -1 |  | 50 | 0.50 | 11.50 |
| 4 | N | -1 |  | 50 | 0.50 | 11.50 |
| 4 | N | 5 | 450 |  | 5.00 | 0.00 |
| 4 | N | 4 | 420 |  | 3.50 | 1.50 |
| 4 | N | 4 | 420 |  | 3.50 | 1.50 |
| 2 | N | 5 | 200 |  | 1.50 | 3.50 |
| 1 | N | 5 | 200 |  | 1.50 | 3.50 |
| 2 | N | 4 | 170 |  | 0.00 | 5.00 |

