

Future Masters Newsletter



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Sep 10, 2015

9/8 - Tues 7pm NLM Game

1st OA N/S: Doug Reams & Joe Nurre

(61%, 0.80 MP)

2nd OA N/S: **Charlie Kobida & Mike Burns**

(60%, 0.56 MP)

3rd OA N/S: **Bob & Patt Olexsey**

(59%, 0.40 MP)

4th OA N/S: David Elliott & Carla Runda

(56%, 0.28 MP)

1st OA E/W: Rodney Gray & Timothy Fischer

(60%, 0.80 MP)

2nd OA E/W: Patrick Lammers & Alex Grimm

(58%, 0.56 MP)

3rd OA E/W: Martin Gibler & Susan Stacy Vanstone

(56%, 0.40 MP)

2nd OC E/W: **Andy Heldman & Gail Zimmer**

(53%, 0.29 MP)

3rd OC E/W: Evelyn McCarthy & Joan Diers

(52%, 0.21 MP)

9/4 - Fri NLM Game

1st OA N/S: Judy Barron & Louise Wolf

(65%, 0.62 MP)

2nd OA N/S: Linda Pretz & Reeta Brendamour

(61%, 0.43 MP)

1st OB N/S: Janet Hansen & Nancy Cameron

(51%, 0.46 MP)

2nd OB N/S: **Patricia Burnam & Sharon Koster**

(48%, 0.32 MP)

1st OA E/W: Patt Olexsey & Joanne Oppelt

(61%, 0.62 MP)

2nd OA E/W: Carol Wilson & Erin Oblinger

(59%, 0.43 MP)

3rd 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?tourid=14892

Cincinnati NLM Sectional - October 10-11

http://www.acbl.org/tournaments/schedule.php?tourid=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:



NS 4N; NS 4♠; NS 3♥; 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 1♠ (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 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 4♠.



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Play of the Hand – On a ♥Q lead from East (top of a sequence), Declarer (North) has 4 losers (2♠, 2♠). After winning the ♥A, you will want to draw trump running a spade from dummy to finesse the ♠J. This will eliminate one loser. When East wins their ♠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 ♠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 1NT call, you can go to game with confidence it will make more often than not.

Board 14 East Deals None Vul	♣ K Q 10 9 8 ♥ 9 8 ♦ A ♣ K Q 10 7	3 2				
<pre>♣ J 7 3 ♥ 7 4 2 ♦ K 6 4 3 2 ♣ 6 3</pre>	N W E S	♠ A 6♥ Q J 6 3♦ 9 8 5♠ A J 5 4				
	♠ 5 4					
	♥ A K 10 5					
	♦ Q J 10 7					
	♣ 982					

NS 4N; NS 4♠; NS 3♥; NS 4♠; NS 2♦; Par +4

Contract		Score		Mato	Matchpoints	
			N-S	E-W	N-S	$\mathbf{E}\text{-}\mathbf{W}$
4 ♠	N	5	450		11.50	0.50
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4 ♠	N	4	420		8.00	4.00
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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