## 9/29 - Tues 7pm NLM Game

$1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{OA}$ N/S: Judy Barron \& JoAnne Essig (58\%, 0.56 MP)
$2^{\text {nd }}$ OA N/S: Patrick Lammers \& Alex Grimm (52\%, 0.39 MP)
$3^{\text {rd }}$ OA N/S: David Elliott \& Carla Runda (51\%, 0.28 MP)
$1^{\text {st }}$ OA E/W: Karen Kalla \& Richard Horvitz (63\%, 0.56 MP)
$2^{\text {nd }}$ OA E/W: Richard Koch \& Barry Williams (58\%, 0.39 MP)
$3^{\text {rd }}$ OA E/W: Patt \& Bob Olexsey
(57\%, 0.28 MP)

9/25 - Fri NLM Game
$1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{OA} N / \mathrm{S}$ : Judy Barron \& Sara Brown (59\%, 0.89 MP)
$2^{\text {nd }}$ OA N/S: Leonard Kanterman \& JoAnne Essig (58\%, 0.66 MP)
$3^{\text {rd }} \mathrm{OA} N / \mathrm{S}$ : Stephen Baldwin \& Terry Raulin ( $57 \%, 0.50 \mathrm{MP}$ )
$4^{\text {th }}$ OA N/S: Fred Keyes \& Nancy Cameron (56\%, 0.26 MP)
$1^{\text {st }}$ OC N/S: Maureen Miller \& Rosemary French (49\%, 0.62 MP)
$2^{\text {nd }}$ OC N/S: Marlene Epstein \& Faye Levine (47\%, 0.46 MP )
$1^{\text {st }}$ OA E/W: Gail Zimmer \& Patrick Lammers (61\%, 1.46 MP)
$2^{\text {nd }} O A E / W$ : Charlie Kobida \& Mike Burns (60\%, 1.18 MP)
$3^{\text {rd }}$ OA E/W: Betty Murdock \& Erin Oblinger (57\%, 0.82 MP)
$4^{\text {th }}$ OA E/W: Lenore Miller \& Jan Polk
(55\%, 0.27 MP)

## Upcoming Tournaments

Special Unit Prize Game Thursday Oct 8, 7PM @ CBC If you have qualified for the North American Pairs District 11 Finals during the months of June through August, come play for a chance to win $\$ \mathbf{5 0}$ toward your D11 Finals entry fee. If you have not qualified to play in the NAP this game will not qualify you however you can still play for $3 x$ the Red

Masterpoints for your success! First place prizes for Flights A, B, and C. More if attendance warrants. http://www.cincybridge.com/2015-Unit-124-NAP-Prize-Game.pdf

Cincinnati NLM Sectional - October 10-11 http://www.acbl.org/tournaments/schedule.php?tou rid=21992

Cincinnati Spooktacular Sectional - October 23-25 http://www.cincybridge.com/CincinnatiFallSectional. html

Instant Matchpoint Game Friday October 16 https://web3.acbl.org/participatingclubs/?game=883\&unit=124
IMG Masterpoints: 1 Gold point to section tops in each direction in each club, remaining points red/black at $81.8 \%$ sectional rating. National Winners recognized on ACBL website and in the Bridge Bulletin. See your score instantly after each deal played! Features a booklet with complete analyses of the deals by national champion Larry Cohen.

## Sat Supervised Play New ACBL Member Promo

For non ACBL folks we are still offering a special promotion of five free Sat morning plays and one free duplicate game play when you join the American Contract Bridge League (ACBL). Dues for new members to the ACBL are $\$ 29$ and you can sign up before the Sat Informal Supervised Play.

## 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 Tuesday Night hand where overtricks are needed to score well:

| Board 16 | AJ10962 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| West Deals | - KJ |  |
| E-W Vul | - 832 |  |
|  | \& 176 |  |
| - K 5 <br> - Q 32 <br> -KQJ109 <br> \& 985 | $W \quad \begin{gathered} N \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{gathered}$ | - A 4 |
|  |  | - A 1086 |
|  |  | - A 65 |
|  |  | \& A Q 104 |
|  | - Q 873 |  |
|  | $\checkmark 9754$ |  |
|  | - 74 |  |
|  | -K32 |  |

Bidding - With 18 HCP balanced East is too strong to open 1NT. Instead they will open 1 (12-21 HCP, 3+ clubs) and look to raise to 2NT later unless a heart fit is found. West has 11 HCP and 5 diamonds. While the diamonds are solid it is unlikely partner has enough support after opening clubs to make a diamond contract worthwhile. Better to show a balanced invitational hand in NT with a 2NT response (10-12 HCP, balanced and invitational to 3NT). East should ponder slam but with only 28-30 HCP they should settle for game in 3 NT .

Play of the Hand - Assuming a $\downarrow$ lead (top of a series) by North, declarer (West) has 9 winners (2 $\boldsymbol{A}$, $1 \downarrow, 5 \downarrow, 1 \&)$. Do not settle for just making game here. Winning bridge means looking for overtricks while you have the opponent's suits stopped. Where can we develop more tricks? Your heart and club suits are both worth considering. Clubs is the best choice as this suit is slightly higher quality (AQ109 versus AQ108 in hearts). There is also a chance in clubs to win all 4 tricks if KJ is on side. Not so in hearts. Best play is to win the K and lead the 9 to finesse. This
loses to the K but implies the J is in the North hand and can be captured later. When opponents return spades win in dummy and finesse clubs again to pick up the rest of the suit. This line of play yields 11 tricks (2^, 1४, 5», 3\&) for +660.

Post Mortem - In matchpoints overtricks can mean the difference between a good or bad result. On this deal in the NLM game just making 3NT is a near bottom result. In the open game even making 10 tricks for 4NT is below average. When choosing which suit to work on for overtricks in NT consider the tricks you can gain and if you can stop the opponents from running their suit in time to develop them. On this deal you already have a winner in hearts and clubs but only clubs gives you a chance to run all four tricks if the KJ is onside.


| Contract |  | Score |  | Matchpoints |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
|  | N-S | E-W | N-S | E-W |  |
| 6NT E -1 | 100 |  | 3.00 | 0.00 |  |
| 3NT E 4 |  | 630 | 2.00 | 1.00 |  |
| 3NT E 5 |  | 660 | 0.50 | 2.50 |  |
| 3 NT E 5 |  | 660 | 0.50 | 2.50 |  |
| 2 NT E 3 |  | 150 | 5.00 | 0.00 |  |
| 3 NT E 3 |  | 600 | 3.50 | 1.50 |  |
| 3 NT E 3 |  | 600 | 3.50 | 1.50 |  |
| 3 NT E 4 |  | 630 | 1.50 | 3.50 |  |
| 3 NT E 4 |  | 630 | 1.50 | 3.50 |  |
| 3 NT E 5 |  | 660 | 0.00 | 5.00 |  |

