

NLM Newsletter



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4/5 – Tues 7pm NLM Game

1st OA N/S: **Pam Campbell & Reeta Brendamour** (59%, 0.84 MP)

2nd OA N/S: Carla Runda & David Elliott

(55%, 0.64 MP)

3rd OA N/S: Joanne & Tim Oppelt

(54%, 0.45 MP)

1st OA E/W: Gail Zimmer & Jan Polk

(59%, 0.84 MP)

2nd OA E/W: Patt & Bob Olexsey

(57%, 0.60 MP)

3rd OA E/W: Lou Temples & James Hunkler

(52%, 0.42 MP)

4/1 - Fri 11am NLM Game

1st OA N/S: **Gail Zimmer & Patrick Lammers**

(72%, 0.64 MP)

2nd OA N/S: Betty Murdock & Erin Oblinger

(57%, 0.48 MP)

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

(51%, 0.34 MP)

2nd OB N/S: James Barrett & Clare Hoesl

(49%, 0.21 MP)

1st OA E/W: Reeta Brendamour & Linda Pretz

(55%, 0.64 MP)

2nd OA E/W: Mike Burns & Sandra Fielman

(53%, 0.45 MP)

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

(51%, 0.34 MP)

NO SAT Supervised Play April 9 or 16

No Sat Play these dates due to the Spring STAC and Gatlinburg Regional. We will resume April 23!!!!

Upcoming Tournaments

Spring STAC – April 4-10 Gatlinburg Regional – April 11-17

New to Bridge (N2B) Event - Saturday April 23

N2B will be Sat Apr 23 from 9 to 12 at the Cincinnati Bridge Club (CBC). Attendees can register for this free event by contacting Phyllis Bishop at pbb23@fuse.net or by phone at 513-638-0911.

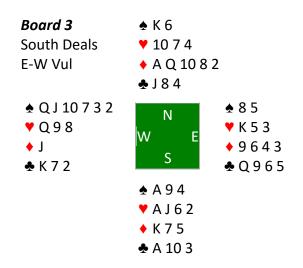
Attendees can then continue on with beginner lessons.

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 Friday deal where you have to risk the contract to do well in the open game:



NS 4N; NS 4♥; NS 4♦; NS 2♣; NS 1♠; Par +430

Bidding – South 16 HCP balanced opens 1NT (15-17). West will likely overcall 2♠. North has 10 HCP and no four card major. Knowing their side has game values (25-27 HCP) they can bid on to a 3NT game.

Play of the Hand – Assuming a ♠Q (from a sequence), declarer (South) has 9 winners (2♠, 1♥, 5♠, 1♣). How can we make more tricks before the opponents set up spades? Your bet best is you work on the hearts suit. Your best play is to let opponents win the first spade and take to second in dummy. This is a safety play because now if East wins the lead they cannot return a spade to partner. Now lead ♥10 to your hand. If East covers with the ♥K let them win. They



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cannot return a spade and are forced to switch to another suit. If its clubs you can duck and let West win their ♣K. They will win and play spades killing your last stopper. You can now run diamonds and take a club finesse to make an over trick and plus +430. If East continues hearts West will win a heart trick but you get to win the fourth heart for +430.

If instead East ducks the first heart (♥10) then West will win the trick and immediately play another spade to kill your last stopper. To win overtricks in this case you will need to finesse hearts which work for 11 tricks (2♠, 3♥, 5♠, 1♣) or +460 because your fourth heart sets up to become a trick.

Post Mortem – Many times in duplicate bridge making your contract is not enough. On this deal just making 3NT is slightly below average in the open game. Making an overtrick gets you 77% of the matchpoints. If you make two overtricks then you get 95% of the matchpoints!!! This is why players in the open game will risk going down in a contract to make overtricks in matchpoint scoring.

Post Mortem II – Note in this case the defense needed to cover the ♥10 with the ♥K immediately to keep declarer from running the heart suit. Doing so allows the ♥K to take out two of declarer's honor at once setting up partner's ♥9. This play is called covering an honor with an honor and should be done anytime there is a reasonable chance we can promote cards in partner's hand.

Board 3 **★** K 6 South Deals **7** 10 7 4 E-W Vul ♦ A Q 10 8 2 ♣ J 8 4 **♠** QJ10732 **♦** 8 5 Ν ♥ K 5 3 **Y**Q98 W **♦** J 9643 S ♣ K 7 2 ♣ Q 9 6 5 **A** A 9 4 ♥ A J 6 2 ♦ K 7 5 ♣ A 10 3

NS 4N; NS 4♥; NS 4♦; NS 2♣; NS 1♠; Par +430

| Contract | | | Score Matchpoints | | | |
|------------|---|----|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|--------------------------------|
| | | | N-S | $\mathbf{E}\text{-}\mathbf{W}$ | N-S | $\mathbf{E}\text{-}\mathbf{W}$ |
| 3 NT | S | 5 | 460 | | 11.42 | 0.58 |
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| 3 NT | N | 4 | 430 | | 9.25 | 2.75 |
| 3 NT | S | 4 | 430 | | 9.25 | 2.75 |
| 3 NT | S | 3 | 400 | | 5.46 | 6.54 |
| 3 NT | S | 3 | 400 | | 5.46 | 6.54 |
| 3 NT | S | 3 | 400 | | 5.46 | 6.54 |
| 3 NT | S | 3 | 400 | | 5.46 | 6.54 |
| 3 NT | S | 3 | 400 | | 5.46 | 6.54 |
| 2 NT | S | 3 | 150 | | 1.67 | 10.33 |
| 2 NT | S | 3 | 150 | | 1.67 | 10.33 |
| 3 NT | S | -2 | | 100 | 0.04 | 11.96 |
| 3 NT | S | 3 | 400 | | 4.00 | 1.00 |
| 3 NT | S | 3 | 400 | | 4.00 | 1.00 |
| 3 NT | N | 3 | 400 | | 4.00 | 1.00 |
| 1 NT | N | 3 | 150 | | 2.00 | 3.00 |
| 2 NT | S | 2 | 120 | | 1.00 | 4.00 |
| 5 ♦ | N | -3 | | 150 | 0.00 | 5.00 |