

# **NLM Newsletter**



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### 6/7 - Tues 7pm NLM Game

1<sup>st</sup> OA N/S: Al & Janet Venosa

(58%, 0.72 MP)

2<sup>nd</sup> OA N/S: **Paul De Percin & Jan Thurnau** 

(57%, 0.50 MP)

3<sup>rd</sup> OA N/S: Susan Stacy Vanstone & Martin Gibler

(56%, 0.36 MP)

4<sup>th</sup> OA N/S: Gail Zimmer & Jan Polk

(52%, 0.25 MP)

2<sup>nd</sup> OB N/S: **David Elliott & Carla Runda** 

(50%, 0.20 MP)

1<sup>st</sup> OA E/W: Tim & Joanne Oppelt

(61%, 0.72 MP)

2<sup>nd</sup> OA E/W: Joan Mehl & Richard Koch

(60%, 0.50 MP)

3<sup>rd</sup> OA E/W: Susan De Roos & Terri Mackey

(56%, 0.36 MP)

4<sup>th</sup> OA E/W: Joe Nurre & Doug Reams

(52%, 0.25 MP)

#### **CBA Future Master Games**

Mon 7PM < 2000
Tue 7PM NLM
Wed 11AM 0-10/Homestyle
Fri 11AM 0-10/NLM + Lecture
Sat Supervised Play with 9:30 Seminar and 10-12 Play

### **Upcoming Tournaments**

Dayton NLM Sectional - June 11-12

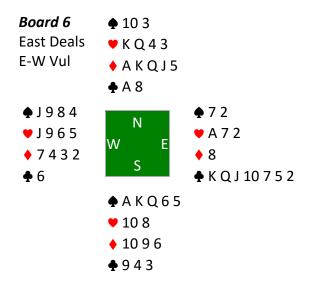
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### Louisville Sectional - June 24-26

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#### **Hand of the Week**

This week features a Tuesday deal where a preempt makes getting to the best contract difficult:



NS 6♦; NS 5♠; NS 3N; NS 3♥; EW 1♠; Par +920

Bidding – East with 7 clubs has a clear preempt of 3♣ (5-10 HCP, 6-7 clubs). South with five great spades will be tempted to overcall but should not without an opening hand. North has 19 HCP, five solid diamonds and a club stopper. Should you bid 3NT? With only 6 tricks likely in hand (5♠, 1♣) this bid can be risky if partner does not have ♥A to fit your hand. 3♠ is a bit weak for your hand. You can double and look to bid diamonds later if partner bids spades. If you are lucky they may bid hearts. The decision is not easy but that is why we like this game. Assuming North doubles, South will likely jump to 4♠ (9-11 points). North must go through with their plan and rebid 5♠ to show their strong hand and lack of spade support. Most South's will pass 5♠.

If North overcalls 3 → South will bid 3 ★ to show their suit. North may now rebid 3NT or 4 ♥ (showing their 5-4 pattern). If North bid 3NT, South may pass or rebid 4 ★. If North chooses 4 ♥ instead South may bid 5 ♦ or 4 ★.

Play of the Hand – For 5♦, North has 4 losers (3♥, 1♣). You can pitch one on good spades in dummy. You can also ruff hearts in dummy. Best play on a club lead is to win your Ace, draw one round of trump and then ♥K to start to develop a heart ruff in



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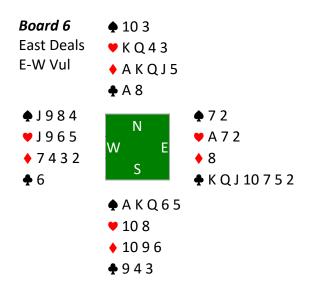
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dummy. This play commits to the club loser and one heart loser to make your contract for +400. For 4♠, South has 4 losers (1♠, 1♥, 2♠) on a club lead. Best play is to win your ace, draw three rounds of trump and then run diamonds dumping club losers. West will ruff the last diamond and you will eventually lose the ♥A. This line of play makes 11 tricks for +450.

For 3NT, North has 9 winners and must take them before opponent's can run clubs.

**Post Mortem** – Preempts make getting to the right contract difficult. Do your best to get to a safe place and do not worry about finding the perfect contract when you have limited bidding space.



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Contract			Score Matchpoints			
			N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
3 NT	N	3	400		2.00	0.00
6♥	N	-4		200	1.00	1.00
6 NT×	N	-3		500	0.00	2.00