

Welcome! Need a partner for Tuesday Night? See Mike Lipp, 513 467 8054 mlipp1@cinci.rr.com.

Last Week's Leaders

1st NS: W. Cook & J. Kammer **(70%). wow!**

1st EW: L. Linn & J. Crotty Hall - Well done!

Tuesday Evening CBA Seminar Series

http://www.cincybridge.com/NLM/2012_CBA_Seminar_Series2.html Mike Purcell presents Texas Transfers Tue Eve 1/31 @ 6:30 PM. Mike is a Silver LM and our CBA Education Chair. Don't miss a chance to ask Mike!

1 NT Texas Transfers	Jan 31	Mike Purcell
4NT Quantitative Raise	Feb 7	Albert Beaupre
1 NT When Opp. Interfere	Feb 14	Cordell Coy
5-Cd Maj. Inv & GF Raises	Feb 21	AJ Stephani
5-Card Maj. Jacoby 2NT	Feb 28	Everett Kitchen

CBA offers 5 NLM Games

Mon NLM 7 PM CBA
Tues 99er 7 PM CBA
Wed Homestyle 11:00 AM CBA
Wed 199er 6:30 PM NKY Bridge Center
Thurs NLM 7 PM CBA
1st Fri 99er 10:00 AM NKY Bridge Center

NEW! - 0-20 Sat 1 PM CBA - Begins February 4, 2012

Coming Area Tournaments

Feb 10 - 12	Louisville KY	S
Mar 2 - 4	Gilbertsville KY	S
Mar 5 - 10	Indianapolis IN	R

Go to <http://www.acbl.org/tournament-calendar/>



New 0-20 Game Sat 1PM

Beginning **Saturday February 4**, the CBA will host a **weekly 0-20 MP Seminar (12:30 PM)** & **relaxed Pairs Game (1:00 PM)** - 18-21 Boards in 12+ minutes per hand, with people available to answer questions during play! This is a sanctioned ACBL game. You earn Master Points while getting more familiar with Bridge and playing in a duplicate club. Game: \$7/person. (\$1 for High School students). Seminar: Free! Please invite friends who play social bridge and who want to learn more. No membership required. The CBA has a lot to offer!

Defending 3NT

Hand 13, Tues Evening Jan 17. Most everyone bid & made 3NT. There is a defense to hold NS to 8 tricks. Can you find it? *The 1N-P-3N auction is simple. When opponents show no interest in the majors, lead 1! East chooses between ♠s &*

North Deals	♠103 ♥QJ96 ♦K1073 ♣AK3	Both Vul
♠AJ754 ♥10542 ♦84 ♣96	N E 13 W S	♠Q92 ♥K87 ♦A965 ♣1074
3N by North	♠K86 ♥A3 ♦J102 ♣QJ832	<i>Opening Lead?? (East)</i>

♥s. hoping to find partner's 5-card suit. How? Not much to go on, about a 50-50 guess. ♠s seem a hair better - we're missing 4 cards above the 9, compared to 5 cards above the 8 in ♥s, (& we don't want to give a trick to

declarer's possible ♥Qx). Which ♠ to lead? The ♠2 is standard. Partner can lead back to your ♠Q. Leading the ♠Q works if you 1) have no other entry (You have the ♦A & ♥K) 2) Want to lead twice through dummy, or 3) Need to unblock so partner can run ♠s. The ♠9 might confuse partner about ♠s. The 9 (top of nothing) discourages partner from leading them back. Playing MUD leads, the 9 could be middle from 3 or top from 2.

*West wins the ♠J & leads the ♠4 (remaining 4th best) to your ♠Q & Dummy's ♠K. (If partner has the ♠10 & an entry, s/he might try ♦ or ♣ to find your entry to repeat the finesse against the ♠K. ♦ is better because a ♣ risks setting up declarer's suit). The ♠10 falls on trick 2. If you chose to lead the ♠Q & partner wins the ♠K with the ♠A, when s/he plays the ♠J, the ♠10 from North says you must **UNBLOCK the ♠9** or you never cash the setting trick. When in with your ♦A or ♥K, lead the ♠9 and hope partner can take 3 more ♠ tricks! Suggestions? Contact Steve Moese at moese.sa@pg.com*

