

Last Week's Leaders

6/9 0-30 MP

1st OA – Joan & Tim Oppelt (65%) **Wow!!!**
2nd OA – Linds Drasnin & Joan Kent (53.75%)



6/12 Tuesday Eve 99er

1stOA: Andy Heldman & Gail Zimmer (63.6%)
2ndOA: Dave Elliott & John Warner (60.0%)

	CBA	Date/PM	Who	Topic
CBA Seminars	0-30	16 Jun	Mike	Opening Leads
	Sat	12:30	Purcell	Part 1
	99er	19 Jun	AJ	2♣ Opener's
	Tue	6:30	Stephani	Rebids
	NLM	25 Jun	Steve	2/1 Game Force
	Mon	6:30	Moese	

AJ Stephani is our CBA president, Bronze Life Master, & CBA Education Committee member.

CBA NLM Games – Play Often!

Mon NLM 7 PM CBA Wed Homestyle 11:00 AM CBA
Tues 99er 7 PM CBA [Wed 199er 6:30 PM NKY BC](#)
Thurs NLM 7 PM CBA [1st Fri 99er 10:00 AM NKY BC](#)

0-30 Sat 1 PM CBA (Lecture at 12:30 PM)

Area Tournaments

June 22 - 24 Louisville, KY S
Jun 25 Jul 1 Cincinnati OH D11 StAc S
Jul 28 - 29 Lexington KY S for NLM
July 12 – 22 Philadelphia, PA N
Jul 30 – Aug 5 Fairborn, OH R

For Details go to <http://www.acbl.org/tournament-calendar/>

The CBA Mentor Mentee Program Key Dates:

Wednesday	Sunday
June 20, 7:00pm	July 8, 1:00pm
July 25, 7:00pm	August 12, 1:00pm
August 29, 7:00pm	September 9, 1:00pm

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Interfere with Their 2♣ Opening Bid – by Steve Moese

Just because RHO opens 2♣ (Strong Forcing and Artificial) is no reason to stop bidding. We might have a legitimate lead directing call or better yet a preempt that can get in the way of their constructive auction. Think of it, they have already taken a level of bidding away from themselves. It doesn't take much more to disturb their discussion. Here is an example. You hold (2nd seat):
♠84 ♥QJ108432 ♦6 ♣A93 at Favorable Vulnerability. RHO opens 2♣ in 1st seat. It's your turn. You have 7 losers

or 6 winners. One guideline for preempting is the **Rule of 2-3-4**. At Unfavorable Vulnerability bid **2** tricks more than your winner count. At Equal Vulnerability bid **3** tricks

more and at Favorable Vulnerability bid **4** tricks more. Since we are at Favorable Vulnerability we should bid **4♥** immediately (6 winners + 4 Tricks more = 10 tricks). This bid has the effect of making 4♣ by them to play, and removes 4N RKB from LHO's tool kit.

Keep your attention to the auction, your work is NOT done yet! They continue to the Grand Slam. You have an opportunity to double ♥s bid by the RHO. You do **NOT** double because your ♥s are NOT worthy of the 1st lead. When the opponents reach 7N you have to get partner the message you hold the ♣A. Use the **Lightener Double!**

Here a double of the slam contract says: 1) Do not lead my suit partner, and 2) Lead Dummy's 1st bid suit or a long side suit you think I can ruff – Since there are no ruffs, West knows to lead a ♣, Dummy's 1st bid suit. Down 1 was a top at the Dayton Sectional. *Ron Babcock was West and held: ♠Q10 ♥765 ♦10972 ♣8542.*

Here's a hand from the Gold Rush Pairs in Toledo last week. RHO opens 2♣ and you have ♠xxxx ♥xxxx ♦AKJx ♣x. Go ahead bid 2♦! You want partner to know s/he can

North	East	South	West	lead ♦s when they get in.
2♣	2♦	Pass ¹	2♥	
	Dbl	3♥	4♦	Our opponents were unable to tell whether they had a fit. They also did not feel safe
	All	Pass		

1=Positive and waiting

doubling what seemed to be our double fit. The result at our table? Down 1, -50 instead of -620 for 4♣ their way - for almost all the Matchpoints! Partner held: ♠x ♥Ax ♦1098x ♣xxxxx As we can see, partner's 2♥ call was showing the side ♥Ace, not an attempt to play in ♥s. That's why partner returned to ♦s!

So you see, with the right cards and true defensive purpose you should bid over their strong 2♣ opening bid. You stand to help your side's defense, interfere with the opponent's ability to judge strain and fit, and swing the score in your favor. Do it!

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Congratulations to our winners **Joanne and Tim Oppelt** in 1st (65%) and **Linda Drasnin and Joan Kent** in 2nd (53.75%). All of the results are on our website at: <http://www.cincybridge.com/calendar2/120526A.HTM>. This Saturday Phyllis Bishop will be running the 0-30 MP section and I will kick off the 7 part seminar series on Defense 12:30 before the game. Attached is the material for this Sat.

Board 19
South Deals
E-W Vul

♠ K 10 2
♥ Q J 9 6 2
♦ 10 4 2
♣ 8 7

♠ 7 4
♥ K 8
♦ A Q 6 5 3
♣ A Q 10 2

♠ A Q 5 3
♥ A 7
♦ K 7
♣ K 9 6 5 3

♠ J 9 8 6
♥ 10 5 4 3
♦ J 9 8
♣ J 4

EW 7N; 7♦;
7♣; 5♠; 4♥

Bidding – West with 15 HCP opens the bidding with 1♦. East with 16 HCP knows right away game is a must and slam could be possible if partner has extras. With a forcing to game hand with 5 clubs and 4 spades I like to bid 2♣ first and look to bid spades later showing a game forcing hand and 5-4 or better in clubs/spades. After 2♣ West has an interesting rebid. West has 17 support points (15 HCP plus 1 for the doubleton and one more for the extra club). In Standard American it will be hard to explore for 3NT and many will jump to 5♣ knowing their 17 plus a minimum 10 from partner will make most of the time. Some West will invite with 4♣. East with 18 support points (16 HCP and 2 more for shortness if playing clubs) and catching partner with extras should raise a

5♣ bid from West to either 6NT (more masterpoints than clubs) or at least 6♣. If West rebids only 4♣ East should still push for slam settling for 6♣ versus chancing 6NT.

If you play 2/1 Game Force – East 2♣ bid becomes forcing to game instead of 10+ HCP. This allows West to rebid 3♣ to set a trump suit knowing they will not be passed by partner. East with 18 support points (16 HCP and 2 more for shortness) needs to resist the urge to settle for 3NT and look for 6♣ or 6NT.

If North overcalls 1♥ - East can still bid as before. Even if South puts in a 2♥ raise the auction moves forward basically undisturbed. East-West may favor 6♣ over 6NT if they do not realize they have both ♥A and ♥K.

Why not 7♣/7NT? – You need either a 3-3 diamond break (36% chance) or ♠K on side (50% chance) to make 7♣. You must have a 3-3 diamond break to make 7NT. Many experts say you need to be better than a finesse to bid to 7. For 7♣ you are better than a finesse. Congrats to Vincent and Nathan for trying and making 7♣. If West knows East has ♦K (crucial card) then I can see 7♣. Without knowing all the cards from the bidding, taking the surer 6NT is ok too.

Play of the Hand – North will lead ♥Q (top of an honor sequence). East West should draw trump and test diamonds for 3-3 break before trying the spade finesse. Why? Because if diamonds are 3-3 you do not need the risk the spade finesse to get your 13 tricks.

Post Mortem – If you were North-South on this hand and opponents got to a grand slam do not despair. In matchpoint scoring, this is worth the same as any other board. Getting outscored versus other pairs by an overtrick or 1000 point makes no difference.

Bd 19	Scores		MPs	
	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
3 NT W		720	6	2
3 NT E		720	6	2
3 NT W		720	6	2
4 NT W		720	6	2
4 NT W		720	6	2
6 ♣ W		1390	3	5
6 NT W		1470	1	6
6 NT W		1470	1	6
7 ♣ W		2140	0	8
3 NT E		690	2	0
6 NT W		1470	1	1
7 ♣ x W		2330	0	2