



5/4 Newcomers Leaders

1st OA: **Lyle Smith & Joanne Oppelt** (69.4%)

2nd OA: **Sharon Koster & Patti Ruge** (52.8%)

5/7 99er Tues Eve Leaders

1st OA: **Carol & Thomas Markham** (63.1%)

2nd OA: **Sharon Koster & Robert Roark** (54.4%)



CBA	Date/PM	Who	Topic
Sat	May 11	Mike Purcell	Overcalls - Big Hands (17+ HCP)

CBA NLM Games – Play Often!

Mon NLM 7 PM Wed Home Style 11:00 AM CBA

Tues 99er 7 PM Wed 199er 6:30 PM NKY BC

Thurs NLM 7 PM 1st Fri 99er 10:00 AM NKY BC

New Fri NLM 11 AM (Lecture 10:30) **Begins May 10**

Sat 0-40 1 PM (Seminar 12:30 PM) partners provided

Need a Partner? For One Game: Call the DIRECTOR 2 days ahead!!! For long term partnerships contact:

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Area Tournaments

May 17 – 19 Lexington, KY S

May 18 – 19 Cincinnati, OH [NLM] S

May 21 – 27 Independence OH R

Jun 4 – 9 Cincinnati, OH R

For Details go to <http://tournaments.acbl.org/display.php>

Hold These DATES at the CBA:

Friday May 10 – New NLM Game 11 AM Lecture 10:40

Sat/Sun May 18-19 – NLM Sectional SILVER POINTS

The 5 or 7 Hand and the Least Bad Bid (Tue Eve 5/7)

Board 2

East Deals ♠ 7 4
♥ K Q 4
N-S Vul ♦ Q J 7 5 2
♣ 9 7 6

♠ A Q J 5 2
♥ 10 7 2
♦ K 9 3
♣ J 2

N	E
W	S

♠ K 9 8 3
♥ 9 3
♦ A
♣ A K Q 5 4 3

♠ 10 6
♥ A J 8 6 5
♦ 10 8 6 4
♣ 10 8

by Steve Moese
Slams need a good fit, 1st round controls in at least 3 suits (and 2nd round control in the 4th suit) and enough power or length for 12 or 13 tricks. We can't have opponents cash the 1st 2 tricks. Look at this

hand – If the opponents never lead ♥s, EW can make

13 tricks, if they do lead ♥s, EW take 11 tricks. These hands are 5 or 7 hands. Look at the NS hands. Wouldn't you lead a ♥? Why bid 6? Missing so many ♥ honors a ♥ lead is certain. Bidding this hand requires some thought. After 1♣–Pass–1♠–Pass, what should East do? Here are some **REBID OPTIONS**:

2♦	18+ Game Force implying 4+ ♦, and 5+ ♣ A REVERSE. Might mislead partner about ♥ when East eventually supports ♠. West will expect 3=1=4=5 shape, not 4=2=1=6.
2♠	12-15 HCP and 4♠ Cards Not Forcing WRONG
2♥	18+ Game Force implying 4+ ♥. WRONG Partner will expect 3=4=1=5 or 1=4=3=5, and ♥ strength.
2N	18-19 HCP Balanced, 2+ ♠ Cards. About right on strength but wrong on shape. NOT FORCING
3♣	15-17(18) HCP and 6+ ♣ NOT FORCING
3♦	Jump Reverse. Game Force 18+ Singleton ♦ and 4 ♠ Cards. Implies controls in unbid suits.
3♥	Jump Reverse. Game Force 18+ Singleton ♥ & 4 ♠ cards. Implies controls in unbid suits. WRONG
3♠	15-17(18) Support Pts. 4 Card Support. Usually denies a singleton or void. NOT FORCING
4♣	GF 15+ 4♣ Cards and Running ♣s.
4♥	Meaning unclear. Void? Exclusion Blackwood?
4♠	(18)-21 HCP 4 Trumps Balanced Hand (4 Losers)

Look closely at East's hand. All West needs for game is ♠AQxx ♥xxxx ♦xx ♣xxx. Drop all non-forcing and unclear bids. Next drop any ♥ bid – too misleading. That leaves 2♦, 3♦, 4♣ and 4♠. Over 4♠, West will have to guess whether to move on. (Neither E nor W should use Blackwood. EW are unsure they control ♥. If we don't have all the Aces/Key cards, defense might be cashing ♥s). There is no clear continuation. We have to look for red suit controls at the 5 level. UGH!

3♦ appeals but might get us in trouble if partner puts a ♥ control in our hand. 2♦ misstates ♠ length (crucial info) and implies ♥ singleton or void (wrong). **4♣ is least bad.**

Rank Opener's Rebid:

4♣ >> 3♦ >> 2♦ >> 4♠ >> 2N >> 3♠ >> 3♣ >> 2,3♥ >> 2♠

The only (slim) chance to bid and make slam is to jump there, 1♣–1♠–4♠–6♠ the hope NS do not lead a ♥. **NOT LIKELY** (Look at NS hands). **Gambling on a helpful opening lead is not good strategy.**

1♣–P–1♠–P
4♣–P–4♠–AP
denies ♥ control for slam.

Congratulations to this week’s Newcomer Game Leaders:

1st Lyle Smith and Joanne Oppelt 69.44%

2nd Sharon Koster and Patti Ruge 52.78%

This Saturday (5/11) Bob Fisk will be running the game and I will be doing the seminar on Overcalls – Big Hands (17+ HCP). Last chance to practice before the NLM Tourney!

Non-Life Master Cincinnati Tourney May 18-19 – There will be single session pair events Saturday at 10 and 3 pm. You can play at just one or both times. Sunday will feature a two-session Swiss teams event that starts at 10am and includes lunch. Silver Masterpoints are awarded in these events and remember in the team game every match win means points.

Regular Partners for Saturday – If you would like to find a regular partner for the Saturday Newcomer game, let me know and I will try to match you up!

This week we look at a hand where the opponents start the bidding but game is still possible. If you have any questions on this hand or others, you are welcome to email me at mikpur@cinci.rr.com.

Board 7
South Deals
Both Vul

♠ A Q 9 5 4											
♥ Q 4											
♦ 6 3											
♣ A 10 8 2											
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EW 5♥; 3N; 3♣
2♦; NS 1♠

Bidding – North with 12 HCP and 5 spades can open 1♠ (5+ spades, 12+ HCP). East has 15 HCP and support for any suit except spades. This is a great hand for a takeout double (12+ HCP, 0-2 card in the opened suit and typically 4 card support for the other suits). Many South’s will pass with poor values even though they have 4 spades for partner. If they pass West should jump raise to 3♥ showing 8-11 support points and a fit

Bd 7	Scores		MPs	
	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
3♥ W	200	7.94	0.06	
4♠ N	300	6.81	1.19	
4♥ W	650	4	4	
4♥ W	650	4	4	
4♥ W	650	4	4	
4♠ x N	800	0.63	7.38	
4♠ x N	800	0.63	7.38	
2♣ E	110	1	0	
3 NT W	630	0	1	

with partner. If South overcalls 2♠, West can still bid 3♥. East with 17 support points for hearts (15 HCP plus 2 more for the singleton) will raise to game.

Play of the Hand – North has a tough opening lead. Leading a worthless diamond doubleton or an Ace is not ideal. If partner supported spades North may chose the ♠A hoping to find partner with the ♠K. Assuming the best lead for defense West has 6 losers (3S, 1H, 2C) but many ways to improve. If hearts break 2-2 they will not have a heart loser and they can ruff two spade losers in dummy. They can finesse North for the ♣A (best play especially given the bidding) to set up their ♣K and eliminate another loser for making 11 tricks or +650.

Post Mortem – When partner makes a takeout double, make sure to jump raise with support and an invitational hand (8-11 HCP). Many times distribution will lead you to a game and a great result.

Looking to improve your game? If you have an Intel Computer we highly recommend the free software offered by the ACBL and developed by Mr. Fred Gitelman. Check it out at: <https://web.acbl.org/LearnToPlayBridge/>

Cincinnati Non Life Master Sectional

May 18-19, 2013

New to the Cincinnati Bridge Center?
Give Us a Try!

Saturday, May 18

10:00 AM 0-500 Single Session Pairs*
0-20 Single Session Pairs

3:00 PM 0-500 Single Session Pairs*
0-20 Single Session Pairs

Sunday, May 19

10:00 AM Two Session Swiss (team game)
Lunch included!

* Stratifications: 0-50, 50-200, 200-500 (NLM)



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