

3/29 – Tues 7pm NLM Game

1st OA N/S: **Alex Grimm & Patrick Lammers**

(62%, 0.72 MP)

2nd OA N/S: **Salty Roark & Sharon Koster**

(55%, 0.50 MP)

3rd OA N/S: **Terry Raulin & Bob Rosenberger**

(55%, 0.36 MP)

4th OA N/S: **Joanne & Tim Oppelt**

(53%, 0.25 MP)

1st OC N/S: **David Elliott & Carla Runda**

(50%, 0.24 MP)

2nd OC N/S: **Mona & Richard Kerstine**

(43%, 0.17 MP)

1st OA E/W: **Pamela Kennedy & Gail Zimmer**

(57%, 0.72 MP)

2nd OA E/W: **Susan Stacy Vanstone & Martin Gibler**

(55%, 0.50 MP)

3rd OA E/W: **Joe Nurre & Doug Reams**

(55%, 0.36 MP)

1st OB E/W: **Lou Temples & James Hunkler**

(52%, 0.35 MP)

2nd OB E/W: **Caroline Richards & Lois Jones**

(51%, 0.25 MP)

1st OC E/W: **Darleen Young & Evelyn McCarthy**

(48%, 0.18 MP)



3/25 – Fri 11am NLM Game

1st OA: **Pam Heckel & Steve Messinger**

(63%, 1.05 MP)

2nd OA: **Pam Campbell & Susan Stacy Vanstone**

(61%, 0.79 MP)

3rd OA: **Erin Oblinger & Carol Wilson**

(59%, 0.69 MP)

4th OA: **Gail Zimmer & Patrick Lammers**

(58%, 0.44 MP)

5th OA: **Maureen Miller & Rosemary Franck**

(56%, 0.52 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.

In Memorial – Kay Neal

Kay Neal was one of the first players to go through our original Sat 0-30 MP game that became the Sat Sup Play we have today. An avid Ohio State fan, Kay would often let us know that she was playing bridge at the expense of watching her beloved Buckeyes. Kay always reminded us that bridge is a fun social game, something our more experienced players need to re-remember sometimes. She will be deeply missed by her family and friends at the CBA.

Hand of the Week

This week features a Friday deal where South has to decide how good their hand supports partner to reach game:

Board 12

West Deals

N-S Vul

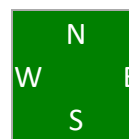
♠ 4
♥ 8 6 4
♦ K Q J 9 8 5
♣ Q J 4

♠ A Q J 8 6

♥ A 5

♦ 6 3

♣ A 10 8 7



♠ 10 9 7 3

♥ K Q J 3

♦ 7 4

♣ 9 5 2

♠ K 5 2

♥ 10 9 7 2

♦ A 10 2

♣ K 6 3

NS 4N; NS 4♠; NS 4♣; NS 2♥; Par +630

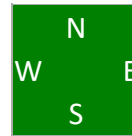
Bidding – West with 9 HCP and 6 solid diamonds can open with a preemptive 2♦ bid (5-10 HCP, 6 card suit). North with 15 HCP and 5 spades has an easy 2♠ overcall (12-17 HCP, 5+ spades). South has spade support and 10 HCP. Should they settle for a simple raise showing 6-9 points or cue bid diamonds (3♦) to show at least a limit raise (10-12)? Normally with 4-3-3-3 we are cautious but this hand with an Ace and two Kings including the ♠K leads me to favor the glass as half full making 3♦ the right call. North with 17 support points for spades has an easy 4♠ call for game. If South chooses to bid only 3♠, North has no way to ask if partner has the 8-9 support points needed to make game. Many will hope for the best and bid on while others will settle for part score.

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N-S Vul

♠ 4
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♦ K Q J 9 8 5
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♠ A Q J 8 6
♥ A 5
♦ 6 3
♣ A 10 8 7



♠ 10 9 7 3
♥ K Q J 3
♦ 7 4
♣ 9 5 2

♠ K 5 2
♥ 10 9 7 2
♦ A 10 2
♣ K 6 3

NS 4N; NS 4♠; NS 4♣; NS 2♥; Par +630

Play of the Hand – On a ♥K lead (sequence), declarer (North) has 4 losers (1♥, 1♦, 2♣). The only real hope in the play is to keep your clubs losers to only one. This can be done when clubs are 3-3 or if the right cards can be finessed on 4-2 breaks. After drawing trump you find West with a spade singleton. Since it is unlikely they opened 2♦ with 4 hearts, consider playing them for 3 or 4 clubs. This information turns out not to be useful as after you win the ♠K in dummy as no key club cards fall (♣Q, ♣J, ♣9) so we go back to playing for 3-3 which works to give us 10 tricks and +620.

Post Mortem – Hand evaluation in bidding forces us to make close calls as in this deal. When playing the club suit try to guess the most likely holding for opponents. It did not matter on this deal but on others it could make all the difference. Imagine if East had the ♣Q singleton. In that case you can win all four clubs if and only if you won the first trick in dummy with the ♣K.

Contract			Score Matchpoints			
			N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
4♠	N	4	620		9.50	2.50
4♠	N	4	620		9.50	2.50
4♠	N	4	620		9.50	2.50
4♠	N	4	620		9.50	2.50
4♠	N	4	620		9.50	2.50
4♠	N	4	620		9.50	2.50
3NT	S	3	600		6.00	6.00
3♠	N	4	170		4.50	7.50
3♠	N	4	170		4.50	7.50
2♠	N	3	140		3.00	9.00
4NT	S	-1		100	1.50	10.50
4♠	N	-1		100	1.50	10.50
4♥	N	-3		300	0.00	12.00
4♠	N	4	620		4.75	0.25
2♠	N	4	170		3.25	1.75
3♠	N	3	140		1.75	3.25
4♠	N	-1		100	0.25	4.75