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A Lot Happening by Steve Moese 5/6

Board 22 ♠ J872
East ♥ 32
Deals ♦ Q84
E-W Vul ♣ A542

♠ 9 ♠ AQ106
♥ J10974 ♥ KQ5
♦ J652 ♦ K1073
♣ 1096 ♣ Q8



♠ K543
♥ A86
♦ A9
♣ KJ73

E	S	W	N
1N	P	2♦ ¹	P
2♥	P	P	Db1
P	2♠	AP	

1= Jacoby Transfer

Some hands are full of pointers in bidding and play. Here's a part score hand with much to talk about.

Bidding – East Opens 1NT (15-17). Modern practice avoids the penalty double. West transfers to 2♥ with a 5-card suit. Yes – it's better to play in a trumps even when weak. The low trumps will be winners. When North faces the final pass, North will BALANCE with a double – showing partner NS have

between 17-22 HCP and offering a 4-card ♠ suit. South bids 2♠.

Opening Lead - ♥J Top of a sequence in West's suit.
The Play – Declarer thinks: "Partner has 7 HCP and I have 15. Give East 16 and West can have at most 2! All the remaining cards are likely with East." Declarer can count 4 sure tricks and has to develop 4 more to make 2♠. The first consideration is the lead. Declarer should win, trusting that East has the ♥KQ. Why? Because South does not want a switch to ♦ from West (**Danger Hand**). Keep the danger hand off lead. Win the ♥A and return a ♥. East has nothing better to do than continue ♥. Any other suit could give up a trick. East

5/6 - FM Leaders 10 Tables!!!! Unit Championship

1st OA: **Lois Jones & Caroline Richards** (61.9%) **1.55 MP**
2/3 OA(Tie): **Peg Jervis & Pat Lindeman** (58.7%) **1.0 MP**
2/3 OA(Tie): **Karen Kalla & Richard Horvitz** (58.7%) **1.02 MP**



Bring your Questions, Hands, Ideas. Let's learn together!
Tues Eve 6:30 PM Sharp!



CBA Newcomer Games – Play Often!

Mon 7 PM	Tue 11 AM	Tue 7 PM	Fri 11 AM	Sat 10-12 AM
		Let's Talk BRIDGE 6:30 PM	Free Lesson 10:30 AM	Supervised Play



Events at the Cincinnati Bridge Center

- Friday 5/9 NLM & Open games 11 AM. Lecture 10:30 AM. Phyllis Bishop: Practice Jacoby 2NT hands
- Swiss Teams** Join the fun! **Thursday Evenings in May are SWISS TEAM games** – Practice for the Flying Pig and the NLM Sectional!!
- May CBA Flyer** –CBC, NKy, and Anderson offer Charity games & Club Championships with EXTRA MASTERPOINTS!

Area Tournaments

Lexington, KY Sectional	May 16-18
Cincinnati OH NLM Sectional	May 24-25
Cincinnati Flying Pig Regional	June 2-8
ACBL Tournaments http://tournaments.acbl.org/display.php	

	Scores	MPs
Bd 22	NS EW NS EW	
3♠ xx N	760	4 0
2♠ S	140	2.5 1.5
2♠ S	140	2.5 1.5
2♥ E	100	1 30
2♥ E	140	0 4
1NT xE	500	6 0
1NT S	150	5 1
3♠ N	110	4 2
1NT E	100	3 3
1NT E	90	2 4
2♥ E	110	1 5
2♥ E	140	0 6

Post Mortem – Penalty doubles of 1NT are unpopular. Defeating 1N is hard. Don't give them a good score, nor reveal your assets. Balancing is important at match points. Don't let opponents play comfortably at the 2-level. When an opponent defines their shape and strength, use that information during the play. You'll be glad you listened!

Newcomer News — by Mike “Keeping Fun On My Convention Card” Purcell 513 702 4007

The Non-Life Master Sectional is coming to our club May 24-25. Saturday May 24th there will be a 10am pair game (0-50 and 0-500 masterpoint sections) with expert review of the hands after the game. Start making your plans now to be a part of this special event!



The 2nd Annual Pigasus Seminar is Sunday June 1, 2014 at 1PM at the CBC. Adam Parrish will talk on Cue Bids and Doubles. Adam is a young Bridge Professional with ties to Cincinnati. His Seminar last year drew 28 players from a broad range of experience. Everyone raved about their experience. \$30/person. Contact Adam at adamparrish2@gmail.com to reserve your spot.

Here is the schedule for the next few Saturdays:

May 10 - Lorna Davis, Barb Levinson and Judy Ruehl

May 17 – Lorna Davis and Bob Fisk

May 24 – SPECIAL 0-50 MP Sectional game (SILVER POINTS!!) at the club, NO Supervised Game.

This week we look at a deal where distribution allows both sides to make game. Enjoy!

Board 27 ♠ A9

South ♥ J1095

Deals ♦ A954

None Vul ♣ K53

♠ J87543

♥ A63

♦ J106

♣ A

	N		
W		E	
	S		

EW 4♠;

NS 4♥;

1♦; 1♣

♠ 6

♥ KQ842

♦ K73

♣ J1064

♠ KQ102

♥ 7

♦ Q82

♣ Q9872

<u>S</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>E</u>
P	P	1♦	P
1♥	1♠	2♥	3♥
4♥	4♠	AP	

Friday 5/2

Bidding – North has 12 HCP and opens their longer minor 1♦ (12+ HCP, 3+ diamonds). South can respond 1♥ (6+ HCP, 4+ hearts). West has 6 spades and 10 HCPs. With two outside aces and poor trumps they did not open a preemptive 2♠ but can now come in at 1♠ (7-11 HCP, 5+ spades). North has support for partner’s hearts and can raise to 2♥ (4 hearts, 12-14 support points). East has at least 12 support points for spades (9 HCP, 2 for the singleton and one more for the extra trump). East needs to show this good limit raise hand by cue bidding the opponent’s suit 3♥. South has 12 support points with hearts as trump should push to game in 4♥. West has at least 12 support points in spades (10 HCP, 1 more for the singleton ♣A and 1 more for extra trump). West should sense this is a hand where both sides can make game due to distribution and should push on to 4♠. Even if 4♠ goes down, this bid works as long as the opponents can make 4♥.

Play of the Hand – On a ♥J lead (J from J109) from North, declarer (West) has 5 losers (1♠, 2♥, 2♦). The two heart losers can be ruffed out easily to make 10 tricks or +420.

Post Mortem – This hand is yet another example of how distribution can help you take tricks just as easily as HCP. As we see with the East’s 3♥ cue bid in this deal, bidding the value of your HCP and distributional points is critical to reaching the best possible contract.

Bd 27	Scores		MPs	
	NS	EW	NS	EW
3♥ S	140		12	0
4♥ S		50	10.5	1.5
4♥ S		50	10.5	1.5
2♠ W		170	8	4
3♠ W		170	8	4
3♠ W		170	8	4
4♠ W		420	3.5	8.5
4♠ W		420	3.5	8.5
4♠ W		420	3.5	8.5
4♠ W		420	3.5	8.5
4♠ E		420	3.5	8.5
4♠ W		420	3.5	8.5
4♠ W		420	3.5	8.5
4♠ x W		590	0	12
2♥ S	140		2.50	0.50
3♥ S	140		2.50	0.50
4♠ E	50		1.00	2.00
4♠ W		420	0.00	3.00

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/>