

## CBA Mentoring Program



The CBA Mentoring Program Kick-Off Game is Wednesday May 28, 2014 at 7:00 PM at the Cincinnati Bridge Center.



Get **GOLD** at our **Flying Pig Regional!** Monday Evening June 2 at 7:30 PM we offer two special charity events: Pairs and Swiss Teams. Join the fun! There are daily **GOLD RUSH** events for those looking for **GOLD POINTS**. Don't miss the NLM games!



## Playing in a National Event!

During the Months of June, July and August Clubs cross the ACBL offer North American Pair Qualifying Games. You must finish at or above 50% to qualify. District 11 will host the Finals at the Cincinnati Bridge Center October 11-12. There are 4 flights. NLMs have a chance to win the right to represent the District at the Spring Nationals in 2015 held in New Orleans, LA. 3 pairs qualify. The Top 2 get cash awards toward the cost of their trip. Check the June Flyer for Q Game dates. Don't miss a chance to win extra points too!



## Winning a Part Score Battle by Steve Moese

**Board 2** ♠ A84  
East ♥ 932  
Deals ♦ 75  
N-S Vul ♣ Q9632

♠ KQ103 ♠ 975  
♥ AK1087 ♥ J54  
♦ 86 ♦ K109432  
♣ J10 ♣ 5

NS 4♣; 2N;  
EW 2♥; 2♦;  
1♠  
♠ J62  
♥ Q6  
♦ AQJ  
♣ AK874

Here's a hand that requires good judgment by both pairs – who will win the part score battle?

**The Bidding:** East passes (a weak 2♦ is beneath comment) and South opens a routine 1NT (15-17). West competes showing both majors.

North suspects ♣ will play, but a free bid of 3♣ is game forcing here! What to do? Thankfully NS play the Lebensohl convention – 2N asks partner to bid 3♣. Responder (North) will pass or correct to 2♦ to play (and bid 3♥ or 3♠ to suggest 3N if partner has the

## 5/20 - FM Leaders

1<sup>st</sup> OA: Pam Campbell & Lisa Eisenstein (58.7%)

2<sup>nd</sup> OA: Barbara Cooper & Natalie Crowe (57.9%)



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 5/23** NLM & Open games 11 AM. Lecture 10:15 AM. Bob Fisk: 4-suit Transfers over 1NT. Special Pizza Treat!!
- **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

Cincinnati OH NLM Sectional	May 24-25
<u>Cincinnati Flying Pig Regional</u>	Jun 2-8
<u>Indianapolis Progressive Sectional</u>	Jun 16-22
<u>Columbus OH Sectional</u>	Jun 20-22
<u>Louisville OH Sectional</u>	Jun 27-29

ACBL Tournaments <http://tournaments.acbl.org/display.php>



E S W N  
P 1N 2♦<sup>1</sup> 2N<sup>2</sup>  
P 3♣<sup>3</sup> P P  
3♥ 4♣ AP  
1 = Both Majors  
2 = Lebensohl  
3 = by agreement

other stopped). West, expecting 5-5 in the majors, "knowing" they hold 16 cards in both ♥ and ♠, bids 3♥ to steal the bid. South alert to the great ♣ fit (at least 10 trumps) bids 4♣ confident that this will make or go down 1 trick at worst.

**The Opening Leads** - ♥A, ♥K, ♠K in quick succession.

**The Play** – We see 1♠, 1♥ and 5♣ tricks, and need 3 more tricks. The ♦ finesses offers a double chance – when right, South gets 3 ♦ tricks and can pitch a ♠ loser. South can therefore win the ♠A, draw 2 rounds of trump (A then Q please, preserving the ♣4 in hand) and finesse the ♦K. When that works, South returns to Dummy and repeats the ♦ finesse, pitching a ♠ loser on the ♦A. Losing only 2♥ and 1♦, NS get a sound Match Point Score

Bd 2	Scores	MPs
	NS EW	NS EW
3 NT S	600	4.9 0.1
4 ♦ x E	300	3.7 1.3
2 NT S	150	2.5 2.5
1 NT S	90	1.3 3.7
3 NT S	100	0.1 4.9
3 ♣ S	130	6 0
3 ♣ S	110	5 1
3 ♦ E	50	4 2
2 ♥ W	110	2.5 3.5
2 ♥ W	110	2.5 3.5
2 ♥ W	140	0.5 5.5
2 ♥ W	140	0.5 5.5

**Post Mortem** – There are many points to make about this hand. NLM scores in light blue.

1) **Interfering over opponents 1NT** 15-17 bid is a must. 1NT is the hardest contract to defend and has shown to be most profitable for declarer. Get them out. When to intervene?

Mei Colchamiro recommends:

Count the number of cards in your 2 longest suits:	<b>West</b> 9
<b>Subtract</b> the number of losers in the hand (missing AKQs):	-6
If Greater than 2 <b>YES!!</b> Overcall if holding 6+ HCP	<b>3</b> (>2??)

**Always balance in 4<sup>th</sup> seat after 2 passes if holding a singleton or void (!!).**

West should certainly overcall, and with a pure Major holding showing this hand as a 2-suiter is fine. When a player opens 1NT, their side rates to hold 20.5 HCP if responder passes. Recall Responder will bid with 8+ HCP. So, if you have ZERO HCP Partner has at least 16 HCP or more. With 9+ cards in 2+ Suits and one singleton or void in the balancing seat, **BID!** The HCP are **BEHIND** the 1NT bidder. We expect to take many tricks.

- 2) **Competing when they overcall our 1NT.** Lebensohl is a very popular convention to deal with 2-level interference over 1NT. After their Double or 2♣ (showing ♣), our NT systems (Double = Stayman) are on. Over a natural 2♦, better bid 2♥/♠ to play and use 2NT as Lebensohl. After 2N opener rebids 3♣. Responder then
- passes to play,
  - corrects to a lower ranking suit to play
  - corrects to a higher ranking suit to invite in that suit. Bid a higher suit at the 2-level to play!

Lebensohl also lets us investigate 3N when responder does not have a stopper. An immediate jump to 3N says we have game values but responder does NOT have a stopper in their shown suit. When defending 2-suited calls, this would deny a stopper in BOTH SHOWN suits. (Say 2♦ shows ♦ and a higher ranking (unknown) suit. We can only talk about the suit we know, ♦). When holding a stopper, bid 2N first. Similarly, Game Forcing Stayman can be bid (though not applicable when LHO has BOTH Majors) showing partner no stopper (immediate cue bid) and a stopper in their suit 2N then cue bid – **Slow = Stop; Fast Denies.**

**Note: if you do not play Lebensohl, then South should overcall 3♣ when East bids 2♥. This will allow North to place the contract!** Giving up 2N invitational is a good trade for more accurate bidding in many more situations.

- 3) **How high to Compete** – No mystery here. With distributional hands and an 8+ - card trump fit, compete to the level of your trumps consistent with vulnerability. With 8 bid to the 2-level, 9 bid to the 3-level, 10 bid to the 4-level. With balanced hands, compete to 2N or the 3-level if you know your side holds 23+ HCP. Vulnerable? Avoid the deadly -200. **See how the open game scores prove the MP addiction to 3N!**

♠♥♣♦♠♥♣♦♠♥♣♦♠♥♣♦

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



Cincinnati  
Non-Life  
Master  
Sectional  
May 24-25  
2014

The Non-Life Master Sectional is this weekend!! 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 who raved about their experience. \$30/person. Contact Adam at [adamarrish2@gmail.com](mailto:adamarrish2@gmail.com) to reserve your spot.

### Supervised Play Schedule:

**May 24** – SPECIAL 0-50 MP game at the club,

**NO Supervised Play Session.**

May 31 – Bob Fisk and Potter Orr

**June 7** – **NO Supervised Play Session, Cincy Regional**

For more info on our Regional Tournament, see our website at:  
<http://www.cincybridge.com/CincinnatiFlyingPigHomePage.html>

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/>