

### 3/10 – Future Master Leaders

1<sup>st</sup> OA: **Salty Roark & Sharon Koster**

(67%, 0.48 MP)

2<sup>nd</sup> OA: **Richard Horvitz & Karen Kalla**

(62%, 0.34 MP)

3<sup>rd</sup> OA: **Steven Simon & Garen Wisner**

(53%, 0.24 MP)



### 3/10 – Fri NLM Leaders (STAC)

1<sup>st</sup> OA: **Stephen Baldwin & Terry Raulin**

(71%, 0.94 MP)

2<sup>nd</sup> OA: **Salty Roark & Sharon Koster**

(52.1%, 0.66 MP)

3<sup>rd</sup> OA: **Patt Olexsey & Joanne Oppelt**

(52%, 0.47 MP)

3<sup>rd</sup> OA: **Joyce Tedrick & Stan Holmes**

(51.9%, 0.33 MP)



### CBA Newcomer Games – Play Often!

Mon 7PM < 2000

Tue 7PM 149er

Wed 11AM 0-10/Homestyle

Fri 11AM 0-10/NLM + Lecture

Sat 10AM Supervised Play – 3/14 Lorna Davis, Richard Pleshek, Tony Habash, Judy Ruehl and Pat Hoffman will run the game.

### Area Tournaments and Special Events

[Spring Nationals in New Orleans March 12-22](#)

[Columbus Sectional Tournament - March 27-29](#)

[CBA Awards Party – Wed April 8](#)

[New to Bridge \(N2B\) - Sat April 18](#)

### New to Bridge (NTB) – Sat April 18<sup>th</sup>

The Spring New to Bridge (NTB) event will be Sat April 18 from 9 to 12 at the Cincinnati Bridge Club (CBC).

Attendees can then continue on with beginner lessons complemented with Informal Supervised Play Saturday mornings 10-12. Attendees can register for this free event by contacting me at

[mikpur@cinci.rr.com](mailto:mikpur@cinci.rr.com) or by phone at 513-702-4007.

If you have a friend interested in bridge, this is a great event for them!!!

### Hand of the Week

This week features a hand from Tues night where a negative double helps you reach a major suit game.

#### Board 10

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 10 8 7 5

♥ 9 7

♦ 8 7 6 4

♣ 7 4 2

♠ 3

♥ J 8 5 4

♦ A 5 3

♣ A Q 10 5 3



♠ Q 9

♥ A K 10 6

♦ K Q 10 2

♣ 9 8 6

♠ A K J 6 4 2

♥ Q 3 2

♦ J 9

♣ K J

EW 6♦; EW 5♥; EW 5♣; EW 1N; NS 1♠; Par –1370

**Bidding** – East with 14 HCP and 4-4 in the minors opens 1♦ (12+ HCP, 3+ diamonds). South with 15 HCP and 6 spades has an easy 1♠ overcall (8-17 HCP, 5+ spades). West has 11 HCP with 5 clubs and 4 hearts. West would have bid 1♥ without interference. After South's 1♠ overcall, West cannot bid 2♥ because that promises 5 cards. If you play negative doubles ([Click for more info on Negative Doubles](#)) West can double to show any 4 card heart holding with 8+ HCP or a 5 card suit with less than 10 HCP. With 10+ HCP and 5 hearts you can bid 2♥ directly. After a negative double by West, even if North decides to throw in a 2♠ call, East is likely to bid hearts with their solid holding. Once West knows there is a heart fit their hand is worth at least 13 support points (11 HCP plus 2 more for the singleton) and they can bid on to game in 4♥.

**Play of the Hand** – On a ♠A lead declarer (East) has 6 losers (2♠, 1♥, 1♦, 2♣). We can trump the spade loser with a heart in dummy. We can try to finesse for the ♥Q but this fails. We can finesse clubs to capture both the ♣K and ♣J. This also sets up the club suit to pitch the possible losing diamond. On this line of play you lose one spade and one heart for 11 tricks or +650.

**Post Mortem** – Negative doubles can be used to find 4-4 major suit fits when the opponents interfere.

**Post Mortem II** – On the play of the hand East could also finesse or try to drop the ♦J. However if this succeeds or fails you still need to play on your clubs. Better to play on clubs first because once the club suit is established you can pitch your potentially losing diamond without risk.

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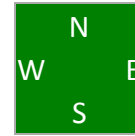
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**Contract By Made Scores Matchpoints**

		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
3 ♠	N	-2	200	3.88	0.13
4 ♥	E	4	620	2.00	2.00
4 ♥	E	4	620	2.00	2.00
4 ♥	E	5	650	0.13	3.88
3 ♦	E	6	170	2.83	0.17
3 ♠	S	-2	200	1.50	1.50
4 ♥	E	5	650	0.17	2.83

Check out these **Bridge Resources**:

[CBA Spring Bridge Class Schedule](#)

[CBA Unit 124 Newcomers Page](#)

[CBA Unit 124 Improve Your Bridge Page](#)

[CBA Unit 124 Learning Guide](#)

Fred Gitelman Learn to Play Software (Free Downloads from BridgeBaseOnline Windows (PC) Only):

[Learn Bridge Basics](#)

[Intermediates: Beyond the Basics](#)