

## 2/23 – Tues 7pm NLM Game

1<sup>st</sup> OA: **Annette Kereiakes & Reeta Brendamour**

(61%, 0.96 MP)

2<sup>nd</sup> OA: **Pamela Kennedy & Gail Zimmer**

(56%, 0.67 MP)

3<sup>rd</sup> OA: **Linda Pretz & Judith Lubow**

(54%, 0.48 MP)

4<sup>th</sup> OA: **Richard Horvitz & Karen Kalla**

(51%, 0.34 MP)

5<sup>th</sup> OA: **Kevin Henry & Monica Ibarra**

(50%, 0.19 MP)



## 2/19 – Fri 11am NLM Game

1<sup>st</sup> OA N/S: **Liz Lin & Sue Ellen Thesing**

(66%, 0.72 MP)

2<sup>nd</sup> OA N/S: **Charlie Kobida & Mike Burns**

(65%, 0.50 MP)

3<sup>rd</sup> OA N/S: **Judy Barron & Sara Brown**

(52%, 0.36 MP)

4<sup>th</sup> OA N/S: **Nancy Willis & Sandra Fielman**

(51%, 0.25 MP)

1<sup>st</sup> OC N/S: **Nancy Willis & Sandra Fielman**

(38%, 0.12 MP)

1<sup>st</sup> OA E/W: **Pam Campbell & Susan Stacy Vanstone**

(59%, 0.72 MP)

2<sup>nd</sup> OA E/W: **Anne Rinaldi & Anne Kereiakes**

(57%, 0.50 MP)

3<sup>rd</sup> OA E/W: **Patrick Lammers & Gail Zimmer**

(56%, 0.36 MP)

2<sup>nd</sup> OB E/W: **Debra Chavez & Erin Oblinger**

(49%, 0.29 MP)



## Upcoming Tournaments

**Indianapolis Regional – Feb 22-28**

<http://www.acbl.org/tournaments/schedule.php?tourid=20868>

## CBA Future Master Games

Mon 7PM < 2000

Tue 7PM NLM

Wed 11AM 0-10/Homestyle

Fri 11AM 0-10/NLM + Lecture

Sat 10AM Supervised Play

## Hand of the Week

This week features a Friday hand that makes Grand Slam:

### Board 2

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ 10 7 4 3  
♦ Q 8 6 2  
♣ 3 2

♠ A 3

♥ A Q 9 5

♦ A K J 9 5

♣ A 10



♠ 10 9 7

♥ 8 6 2

♦ 4 3

♣ J 9 8 5 4

♠ K Q J 8 5

♥ K J

♦ 10 7

♣ K Q 7 6

NS 7N; NS 7♠; NS 7♥; NS 7♦; NS 6♣; Par +2220

**Bidding** – South with 15 HCP and 5 spades opens 1♠ (12-21 HCP, 5+ spades). Partner (North) has 22 HCP!!! That does not happen very often. North should be thinking at least 34 HCP between the two hands and at least a small slam, possibly a grand slam. In Standard American North can bid 2♦ (10+ HCP, 5+ diamonds). South knowing partner has at least 10 HCPs should be thinking game and with hearts and clubs stopped can rebid 3NT (15-17) to get there. A 3♣ rebid also shows equivalent extra values and better describes South's shape. Either way, North now knows South has at least 15 HCP and should be thinking 7NT with 37+ HCP between the two hands. They can ask for Aces and Kings to confirm they have them all. They also know South can only have 9 HCP in kings and none in Aces leaving 6 HCP for queens and jacks. This means they even if South does not have the diamond queen they have 8 tricks from Aces and Kings, 3 more from queens and 2 more from the two jacks partner would have to have to make their bid. This does not count any extra tricks from spades if they run making the right contract 7NT.

**If you play 2/1 Game Force** – Bidding still goes 1♠-2♦ but now South is more likely to rebid 3♣ to show their 5-4 shape. South can choose to rebid 3NT with 5=2=2=4 shape and 15 HCP. Many will choose to rebid 3♣ to show 5=4 in the black suits. There might be less inference that South can have 15 HCP than with Standard American bidding. Note that the strength inference depends on whether you follow the 2/1 style of Mike Lawrence where reverses and 3-level bids show extra values, or Bergen/Hardy where reverses and non-jump 3-level rebids simply show shape.

After a 3♣ rebid, North can rebid 3♥. Since NS are already in a game force, the 3♥ bid has one of two meanings – Searching for 3NT (needs a ♥ stop) or Slamming with 4=5 shape. South will rebid 3NT – first job is to show the ♥ stopper. North will still look for slam. Gerber or control bidding (are you sure what 4♣ is by North when South bids 3N?) and find all the aces and kings. But, North may fear South only has 3-4 HCP in queens and jacks and settle for 6NT. Since South has a King more than a minimum opener, South should continue to 7 NT! That extra 3 HCP is worth one more trick and North doesn't know South has it. While South could open this hand 1NT to show 15-17 HCP, the 5♠=4♣ pattern recommends against that choice. Opening 1NT with a 5-card minor and 4-card major is fine. Opening 1N with 5332 and a 5-card major is expected. Experts shy away from opening 1NT with 5M=4m because finding that 4-4 fit in the minor can be all important.

**Play of the Hand** – On any lead 13 tricks are easy to take for +2220.

**Post Mortem** – Notice that NS have no fit greater than 7 cards. This grand slam is bid on power and two 5-2 fits. It is interesting to see how playing different bidding systems (Standard American, 2/1 Game Force) or different openings (1♠ versus 1NT) can lead to different inferences and decisions, but the same contracts on some hands.

At some point in the auction we have to forget HCP and begin counting tricks. Can you count to 13?

**Board 2**

East Deals

N-S Vul

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♥ A Q 9 5  
♦ A K J 9 5  
♣ A 10

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♣ 3 2		♣ J 9 8 5 4									

♠ K Q J 8 5  
♥ K J  
♦ 10 7  
♣ K Q 7 6

NS: 7N; 7♠; 7♥; 7♦; 6♣; Par +2220

Contract			Score		Matchpoints	
			N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
7 NT	N	7	2220		10.00	2.00
7 NT	S	7	2220		10.00	2.00
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7 NT	S	7	2220		10.00	2.00
7 NT	N	7	2220		10.00	2.00
6 NT	N	7	1470		3.50	8.50
6 NT	N	7	1470		3.50	8.50
6 NT	N	7	1470		3.50	8.50
6 NT	N	7	1470		3.50	8.50
6 NT	S	7	1470		3.50	8.50
6 NT	N	7	1470		3.50	8.50
6 NT	N	7	1470		3.50	8.50
7 NT	N	7	2220		6.93	0.07
6 NT	N	7	1470		4.07	2.93
6 NT	S	7	1470		4.07	2.93
6 NT	N	7	1470		4.07	2.93
6 NT	S	7	1470		4.07	2.93
6 NT	N	6	1440		1.21	5.79
3 NT	N	7	720		0.07	6.93