

We were a little off schedule in April. We met on the third Wednesday as opposed to the first Wednesday. But, let me tell you, it was worth it. One of England's top magicians, Mark Leveridge decided to pop over the pond for a visit to the colonies and we were lucky enough to snag him for a lecture. And it was a wonderful lecture at that.

Mark is a performer, a writer, a publisher, a trick creator, and a lecturer. I probably left something out but you get the idea. His lecture concentrated on one of his products, E-Club Pro which is like a card catalog of information for magicians amateur through professional. This resource consists of tricks, moves, sleights, stories from his experiences, advice, modern takes on the classics and so and so forth. Mark Lerevidge is truly a gentleman and has a lot to share with the magic world as is evidenced by his many DVDs and books. It's definitely beneficial to spend any time you can with Mark whenever he visits the colonies

We were back on schedule for our May meeting the subject of which was Anything Goes. Magic of course, not the Cole Porter song. Anyway, Terry Oberman organized the festivities and started things off with an item called Unbelive-alope which is an any card to any wallet routine. Ingenious. Joe Merced followed with a good portion of Daryl's Rope Routine. Magic-Al Garber then demonstrated an Aldo Colombini stand up jumbo card trick. Ed Hass then performed a Jack Avis card stab routine called Rara-Avis. Steve Goldstein followed that up with a bank night routine using five colored bags and all the spectators won a prize, not just the magician. Dan Miller then did a card discovery based on the Prophecy Move. Bob Weinowitz did a prediction effect using five poker chips. Ziggy then performed The Trick that Fooled Einstein but using cards not coins and ending with four of a kind on the piles at the end. I think this has another name but I can't recall it. Gary Levenson then performed Industrial Revelation which is playing card through a solid silver block. Bob Lusthaus was next with Automatic Aces which is a four ace revelation, twice. Wayne Haaehaus followed with Phil Goldstein's Masque which is a universal card effect. Warren Bausert then performed a mentally selected card across which he gleaned from Mike Skinner's audio tapes. Then we had Steve – the new guy. That's how he was referred to all night as he assisted many of the performers and he did a nice job with pen through bill. Zach Mandel then wrapped

things up with an item ne calls Self Contained Miracle where he finds five different four of a kinds. A wonderful night of magic!

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