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♣ 6 4

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?

♣♥♥♠

On **Nov 17** we will have a proper duplicate event.

Find yourself a partner. Become a 4 with another pair and let me know **by email**. (The 4 is JUST to ensure complete tables.) If you say you will come to it, you **MUST** come – if you don't the other 3 will be unable to play. "Experts" are available as partners if you have difficulty and let me know early enough. You can use the group email to seek a partner.

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Week 4 Two hands



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Favourite lead is top of an honour headed sequence – but we have none of those.

We don't like leading from a suit headed by a single honour, it often gives a trick away later.

However that only leaves clubs, but top of a doubleton is rarely a good lead. There is nothing to recommend it here.

So it will have to be "fourth highest of longest and strongest to an honour": Spades or Diamonds.

Spades are preferable as they didn't use Stayman, thus showing less interest in the majors.

Lead **▲**5

In the following three results:

(NS vulnerable)

2D+1 by E

4S-1 by W

4S+1 by W

Which is the best for EW?

Which is the best for NS?

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Week 4 Hand A

In the following three results:

(NS vulnerable)

2D+1 by E	-	110
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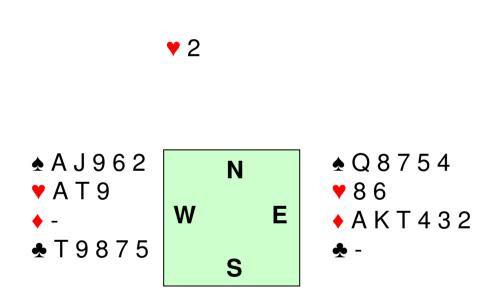
- 4S-1 by W 50 -
- 4S+1 by W 450

Which is the best for EW? The last one: 450

Which is the best for NS? The middle one: 50

So in the first result, EW were in the wrong contract

In the middle one W's play was insufficient (or the defence was good).



The bidding						
E	S	W	Ν			
1D	Р	1S	Ρ			
#3S	Р	4S	Ρ			
Р	Р					

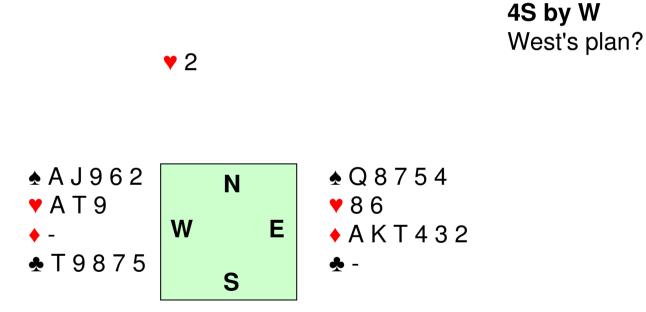
West is playing 4S.

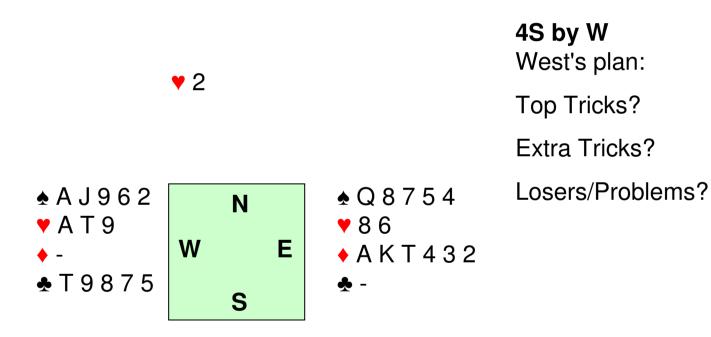
North leads ♥2.

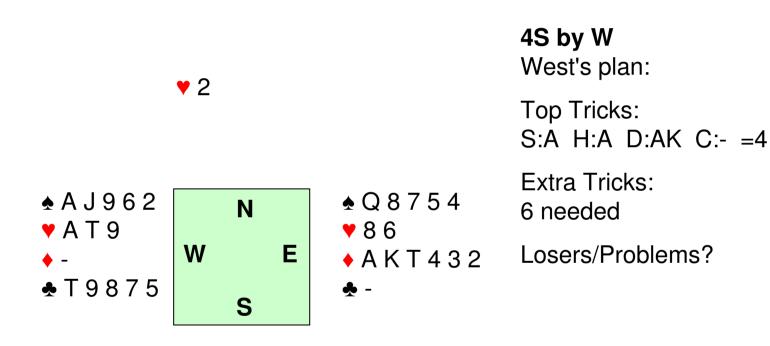
As soon as dummy goes down, West makes a plan.

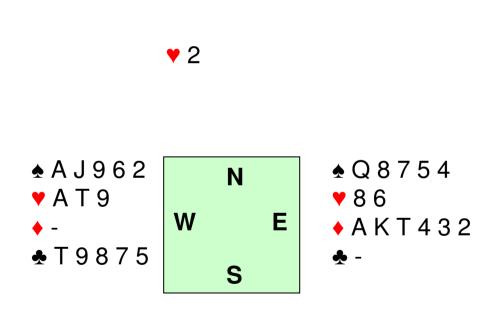
Dummy does nothing – even if E has a singleton heart.

Also it is bad practice to "tidy Dummy's cards" mid play. The gaps can help declarer think.









4S by W West's plan:

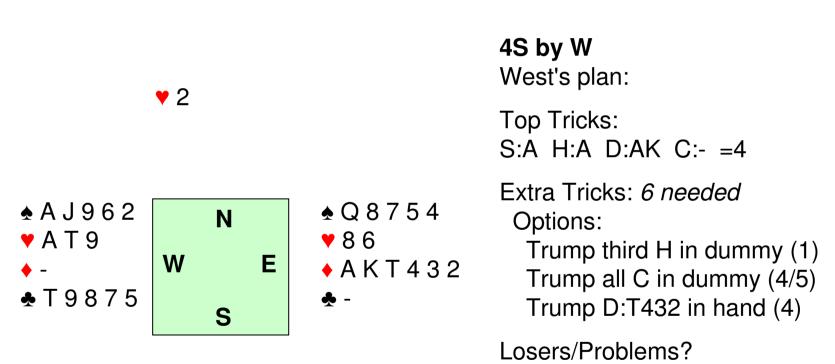
Top Tricks: S:A H:A D:AK C:- =4

Extra Tricks: 6 needed Options:

Trump third H in dummy (1)

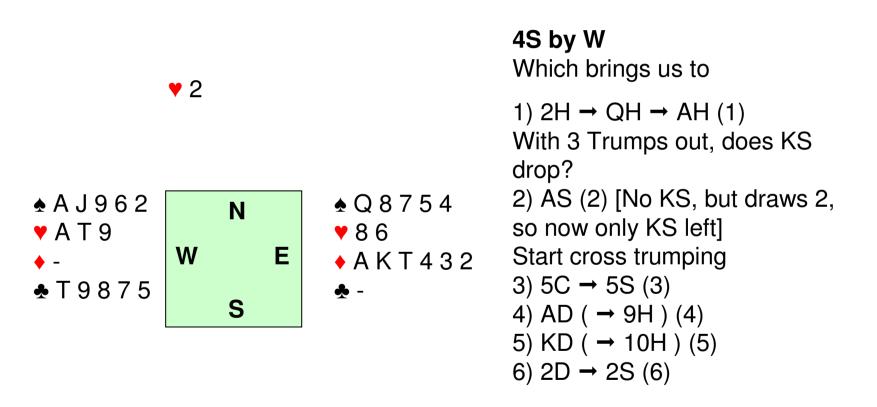
Trump all C in dummy (4/5) Trump D:T432 in hand (4)

Losers/Problems?

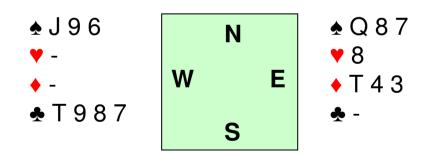


With 10 trumps, remaining 3 could be 2-1 or 3-0. If 2-1 A will draw 2 leaving 1. Likely lose one to S:K.

Four Top tricks plus three trumped in hand and three trumped in dummy is ten. Start with cross-trumping.



Discussed at the presentation: At trick 2 should W return to dummy with a trumped club and then try to finesse the QS at trick 3?



4S by W

Which brings us to

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7) 7C \rightarrow (QC) \rightarrow 7S (7)

8) 8H \rightarrow 6S (8)

9) 8C \rightarrow (KC) \rightarrow 8S (9)

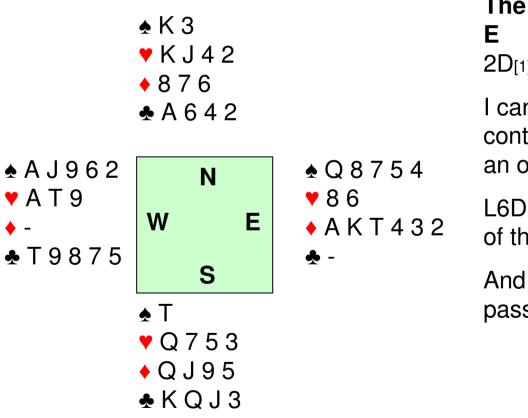
10) 3D \rightarrow JD \rightarrow 9S \rightarrow KS (\psi)

11) KH \rightarrow QS (10)

12) 10D \rightarrow (QD) \rightarrow JS (11)

13) 10C \rightarrow AC (\psi)
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So 4S+1 is not hard. 4S-1 is a poor result for declarer.



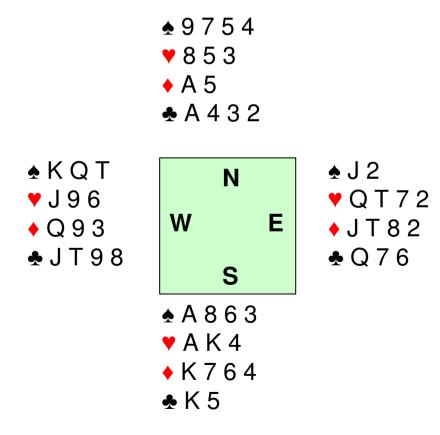
The bi	dding		
Е	S	W	Ν
2D[1]	Р	Р	Р

I can only envisage a final contract of 2D occurring if it is an opening "weak two".

L6D, 6-10 HCP, 2+D_honours of the top 3.

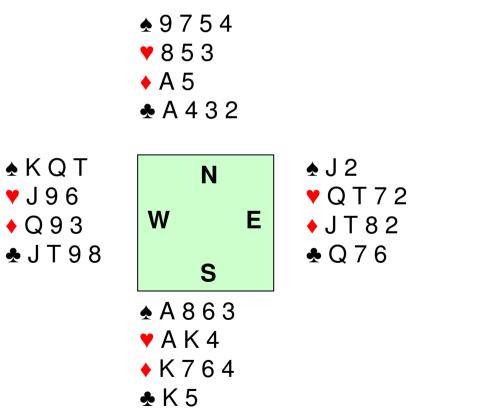
And then if everyone else passes.

And now Hand B



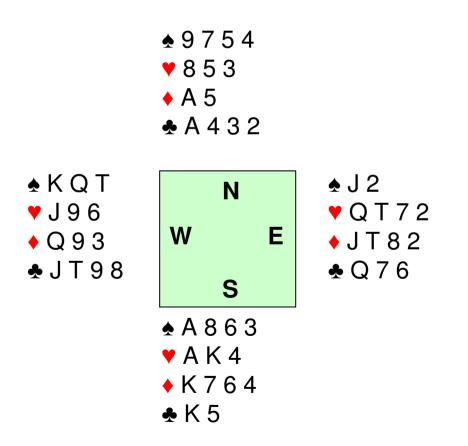
The ex	kpected	bidding i	is
S	W	Ν	Ε
1D	Р	1S	Ρ
#3S	Р	4S	Ρ
Р	Р		

Resulting in 4S by N.



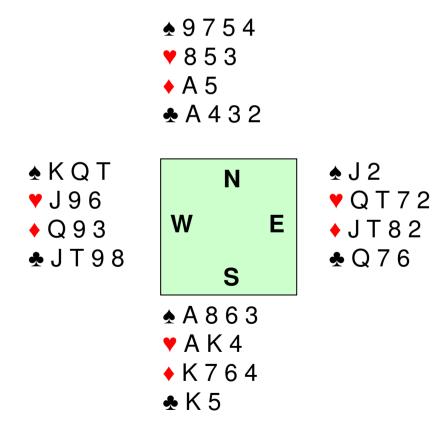
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S	W	N	Ε				
1D	Р	1S	Ρ				
#3S	Р	4S	Ρ				
Р	Р						
Resulting in 4S by N .							
	ulu we g	et 4S by	3:				
S	W	Ν	Ε				
1S [1]	Ρ	2S	Ρ				
#4S	Р	Р	Ρ				
[1] RWPB says open H else							

(poorer) minor. S opening 1S violates this guideline.



4S by N.

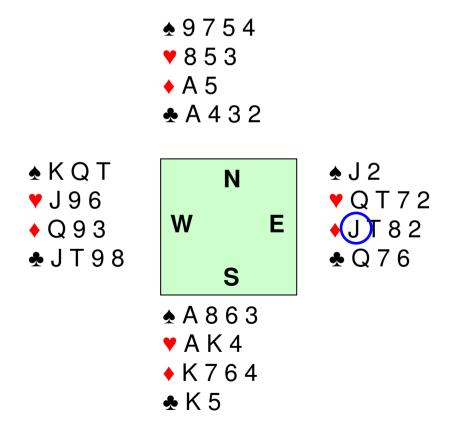
E opening lead?



4S by N.

E opening lead: Top of honour headed sequence of 2+ against a suit: •JT, so •J.

And N makes a plan, which is?

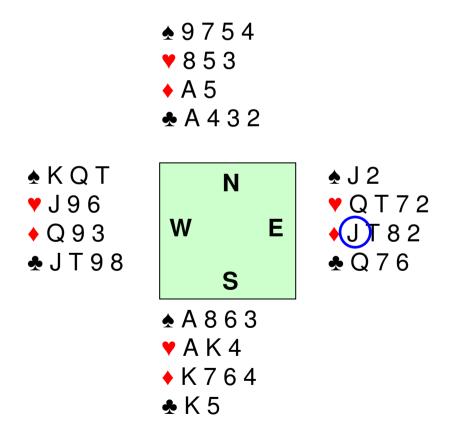


4S by N.

E leads +J.

And N makes a plan:

Top tricks S:A H:AK D:AK C:AK which is 7, so 3 (or 4) more needed.



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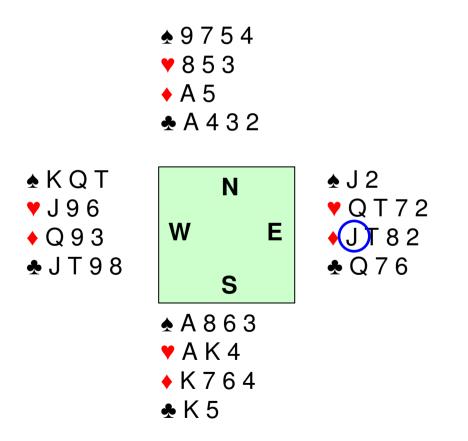
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Extra tricks~ Treat S, the stronger hand as the master and N as the short hand.

Trump 2 x D in N Win 2 of 3 small Trumps in the master hand.

7+2+2 = 11, could be 4S+1.



4S by N.

1) JD \rightarrow AD (1)

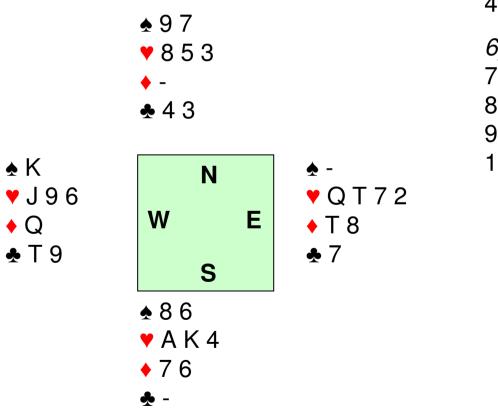
2) With only one master trump and 5 to draw, hope for a 3-2 split and duck the first round.

 $4S \rightarrow 3S \rightarrow 10S \downarrow$

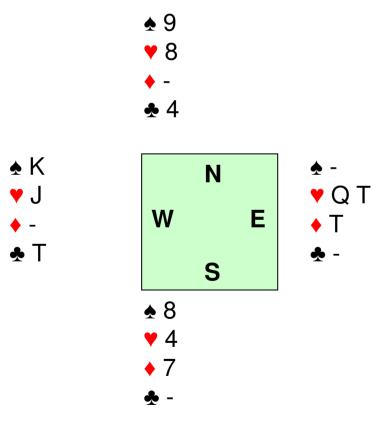
3) Top of a sequence of 4 JT98 JC \rightarrow KC (2)

4) AS draws 2 more (yes, a 3-2 split), only KS remains out.

AS(3)



4S by N. 6) 5D → KD (5) 7) 6D → 7S (6) 8) 3C → 6S (7) 9) AH (8) 10) KH (9)



4S by N.

10) KH (9)

- 11) 7D → KS ↓ Discard 8H.
 12) JH →9S (10)
- 13) $4C \rightarrow 8S(11)$

4S+1 by N

$$5 * 30 = 150$$

Game = 300

Score = 450

U3A Intermediate Bridge 2017-18 Week 4 Play

Play

NS have the pair number of their table, N has his back to the stage. EW have the pair number of their table plus 8.

Play boards in sequence. Have an incoming pile and an outgoing pile. Pass outgoing to next lower numbered table – Table 1 to highest table.

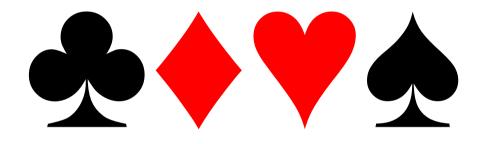
As part of the learning process – I would like the partner of whoever has just bid to take whatever action is **standardly required** (eg announcing 1NT to be 12-14 points, ALERTing a conventional bid, ...) – **AND ALSO** to give a brief **description** to the other three players on what the bid means.

If you wish to fill in a personal results card, they are available here. They are commonly used at duplicate clubs.

Any questions? Tea / coffee & biscuit. (20p) PLAY

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The end

Week 4 set hand references follow.



U3A Intermediate Bridge Week 4 Set Hands

Set hand sources

BGB:ASP	Bridge Great Britain: Autumn Simultaneous pairs
GDBC	Guildford Duplicate Bridge Club
AR:RAD	Andrew Robson: Rules and Ditties
BGB:WSP	Bridge Great Britain: Winter Simultaneous Pairs
SGB	Home made by SGB
MBCCC	Mr Bridge Charity Challenge Cup

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Blue results as played. Red results are reference results.

Boards as played are rotated compared to the book presentation (which mostly make South dealer). Rotation defined by position of $A \ge 0$.

#	DIr	Vul	So	ource		Dlr = D	Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.
1	Ν	None	BC	GB:AS	SP 2010-	-10-13#1	A∳=N
1	9	4S-1	Ν	9	-	50	N got away with a lot here
4	12	4H+1	Ε	11	-	450	
Re	f	4H+1	Ε	11	-	450	
Ba	d Ref	4Sx-3	Ν	7	-	500	

#	Dlr	Vul	Source		Dlr = D	Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability	'-
2	Ε	N/S	GDBC: 20	012-01-	-24 #15		A ♠=E
	_		E 9 E 10	50 -	- 420	One short	
Re	ef	4H=	E 10	-	420		

Set hands

#	Dlr	Vul	Source	Dlr = D	Pealer, Vul = Vulnerability	′ .
3	S	E/W	AR:RAD#R1 Deal & play a		ing as RWPB.	A ≜ =S
2	10 12	4S+1 4S= 2NT= 4S+1	S1145N1042N812N1145	20 - 20 -	Poor Hmm	

4S= is poor. The overtrick should have been made.

Set hands

#	Dlr	Vul	Source		DIr = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability	/.
4	W	All	BGB:WS	P 2011	-01-12#12	A ≜ =N
2	10 12	4H+1 4H+1 4H+1 4H+1	S 11 S 11	650 650 650 650		

Everyone did it right.

#	Dlr	Vul	Source		Dlr = [Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.	
5	Ν	N/S	GDBC 201 var is S⇔0			ar A♠=	N
1 2 3 Re	11	5D= 1NT= 2S-2 3NT=	N 11 N 7 W 6 N 9	600 90 100 600	-	Poor defence. Should be 5C- Wrong response by N. Excellent bit of barracking by	

#	Dlr	Vul	Source		Dlr = [Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.
6	Ε	E/W	SGB 201	70731a		A ∳ =W
_	10 11		N 9 E 11 E 11 W 11	400 - -	- 200 650 650	Surprising result, good for NS How come E? Why not game? Yes.

#	Dlr	Vul	So	ource		Dlr	= Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.
7	S	All	M	вссс	2016#19)	A ≜ =S
3 4	11 12	3NT+1 3NT+1 4S+1 4S+1	N S	10 11	630 630 650 650		Prefer major suit contract to NT Prefer major suit contract to NT Yes.

#	Dlr	Vul	Source		Dlr = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability	′ .
8	W	None	MBCCC2	016#12	2	A ≜ =E
3	11	4H-2	W 8	100	-	
4	12	5D-2	S 9	-	100	
Re	ef	4H=	W 10	-	420	

Set hands

- **# Dir Vul Source** Dir = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.
- 9 N E/W AR:RAD#R16

A♠=E

Not used.