

While waiting for 10am – Week 3

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You are West. None vulnerable.

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1C	1D	1H	1S
2C	2D	Dbl	Р
?			

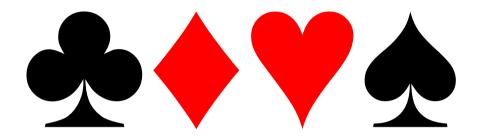
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H: 5 D: 8 5

C: A K 8 7 6 4



Week 3 More Pre-empts



Steve Bailey





Autumn tournament

Each Autumn and each Spring we reserve one session for playing a standard duplicate event.

The Autumn event will be on November 8 (the first session of the month).

Please sort yourselves into pairs and write down your agreed system.

Then form yourselves into fours. The fours have no significance at all, other than ensuring each table is full. Anyone who says they will play should attend. If you fail to turn up, the other 3 in your group will not be able to play.

You can use the group email to send a message to all members of the group saying you are seeking a partner – or are a pair seeking another pair.

If necessary, it may be possible to find an external "expert" to partner someone. This will require a couple of weeks notice to arrange.

Please email me your fours (two pairs) as soon as possible. The event will be between 9 and 12 boards in 100 minutes with 20 minutes to score it and award the fine 40p party trophies to the winning pair.

Please arrive at least 10 minutes early to help set up and to shuffle.





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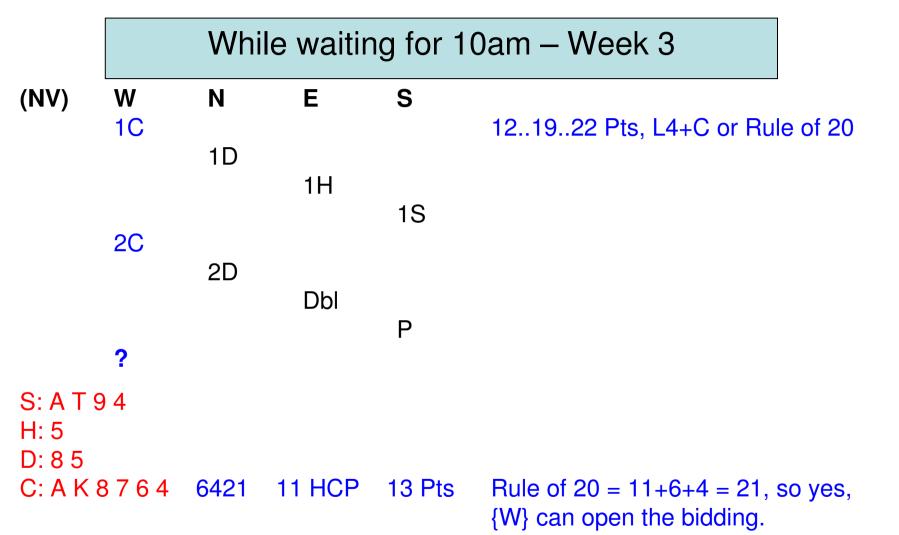
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What do you bid (and what does all the bidding so far mean)?

Some of the comments are from the point of view of someone listening to the bidding, some from that of the bidder. They mix indiscriminately!

Remember that when viewed from "outside", we are describing the meaning of the bidding card – not what the bidder has in his hand – he could be lying or stretching things a bit.









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                1D
                                         L5+D, 2+Dh, 8+ Pts
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                2D
                        Dbl
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                                         L3-H (L1H). L5+C (L6C).
                2D
                                         L6+D, L2-S. Probably 10+HCP.
                                         What about this?
                         Dbl
                                 Р
        ?
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	?			Г	No III – {5} gives up.	
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				1S	L5+S, 2+Sh, 8+Pts			
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			Dbl		Not Takeout double (all have bid).			
					So is penalty, "can defeat 2D".			
				Р	No fit $- \{S\}$ gives up.			
	?				{NS} have not found a fit. {E} is			
					saying "We have majority of			
S: A T 9	4				points", we can get them down.			
H: 5					{W} bids Pass .			
D: 8 5								
C: A K 8	3764				Contract is $2Dx$ by $\{N\}$			

Contract is 2Dx by {N}

Not a game contract (only 80).





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Pre-Empt Summary

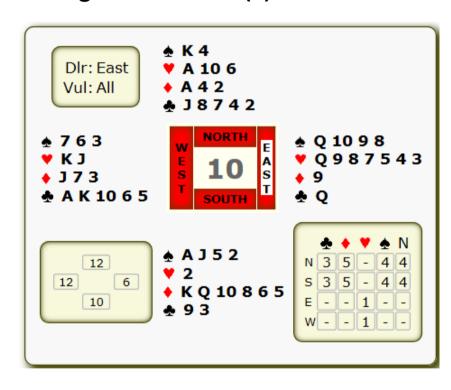
- Always have a good suit when pre-empting.
- Bid aggressively at favourable vulnerability
- In the 3rd seat, anything goes, especially non-vulnerable / favourable.
- Look out for a good sacrifice, especially responding to a pre-empt.



Week 3 More Pre-empts

Bridge Club Deals (1)

Tudor 2019-09-04#10



	Board No 10 Both Vul Dealer East									
NS	EW	Bid	Ву	Ld	Tks	+Sc	-Sc	+	-	
1	12	3♥	Е	♦Κ	8	100		13.00	9.00	
2	14	3♥	Е	♦Κ	8	100		13.00	9.00	
3	1	3♥	Е	♦ Q	8	100		13.00	9.00	
4	3	3♥	Е	♦K	8	100		13.00	9.00	
5	5	2♥	W	♦A	9		140	2.00	20.00	
9	13	2♥	Е	♦Κ	8		110	6.00	16.00	
10	15	3♥	Е	♦K	8	100		13.00	9.00	
11	2	3NT	N	∳ Q	9	600		22.00	0.00	
12	4	3♥	Е	♦Κ	9		140	2.00	20.00	
13	6	4♥*	Е	♦Κ	8	500		20.00	2.00	
14	8	3♥	Е	♦K	9		140	2.00	20.00	
15	10	4♥	Е	♦K	9	100		13.00	9.00	

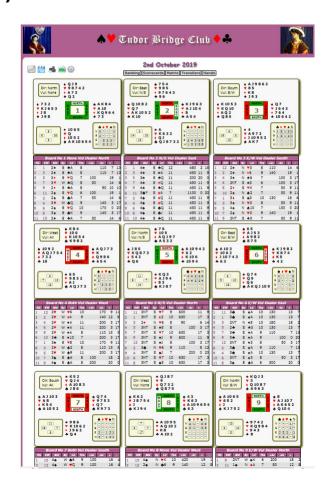
There are dozens of deals shown in the history of the Tudor Bridge Club, see https://www.bridgewebs.com/cgi-bin/bwom/bw.cgi?club=tudor&pid=display_past&sessid=240285004466178 then select an event (by date) and click "Travellers". (For earlier years, click "Next Page".) Note the deal pane shows the HCP and the "maximum" tricks.



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Bridge Club Deals (2)

A Tudor page





Week 3 More Pre-empts

Bridge Club Deals (3)

I have scanned several more recent months of the Tudor and located deals where there is a low HCP L7+ suit that could perhaps pre-empt.

The fact that there is a L7suit doesn't mean you SHOULD pre-empt, just that you should consider it.

I have omitted non-pre-empt situations — *such as when the L7suit is in the third hand and dealer is bound to open.* Generally the seats are positions 1, 2 & 3. The vulnerability is whatever the deal states.

In order to spread dealership and L7suitness around, I have rotated the deal to fit with 8 set boards. There are 2 boards for each dealer. And 2 boards for each L7suit hand. An L7 overcall might be included.

The deal slip includes the HCP and significant maximum contracts.

There is no comment slip, instead there is a filled in traveller with the Tudor results sorted into order from the best for the L7suited pair to the worst for them – see next slide.

When is it right to pre-empt?





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Bridge Club Deals (4)

"History" traveller

2H+1	W	9	-	140	When you play, award each pair points based on the score.
3H√	E	9	-	140	
3H√	E	9	-	140	
2H√	E	8	-	110	Award 2 points for each pair beaten, and 1 point for each pair equalled.
3H-1	E	8	100	-	
3H-1	E	8	100	-	
3H-1 3H-1 3H-1	E E E	8 8 8	100 100 100	- -	EG, if your play gets 100 for NS, then NS have beaten 4 and
4H-1 4Hx-2 3NT√	E E N	9 8 9	100 500 600	- -	equalled 6 for 14 points. And EW have beaten 2 and equalled 6 for 10 points.

Record points on your traveller in the very right hand two columns.



Week 3 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.

Many boards have instructions on coloured card. The appropriate people should read each card at the time it says and follow its instructions. If you play a board twice, record second play on traveller with pair numbers PLUS TEN (eg 1 v 9 becomes 11 v 19)

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.

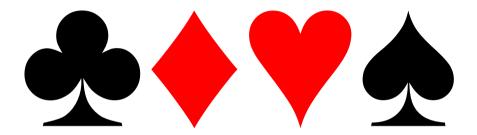
Any questions?

Tea / coffee & biscuit. (20p)

PLAY



Week 3



The end

Week 3 set hand references follow.





Week 3 Set hands

Set hand sources

As explained in the main presentation, todays hands are taken from the Tudor Bridge Club sessions. They are all deals where a pre-empt might be considered – even if not chosen.

The historic results (those that actually occurred at the Tudor are listed, sorted into order with best for the L7★ at the top and best for the others at the bottom. The achieved results are slotted in to the relevant place in the lists and the usual "2 for a beaten pair, 1 for an equalled pair" scheme shown (comparing each play only with the Tudor results). At the end an overall percentage is shown for each pair.

Tudor in green. U3AIB in blue.

There is no reference this week.





Week 3 Set hands

Set hands

The original **PRE-ROTATION** deal may be viewed on the Tudor website at: https://www.bridgewebs.com/cgi-bin/bwom/bw.cgi?club=tudor&pid=display_past&sessid=240285004466178

There were 4 tables and insufficient time for much play.

For various reasons, the boards are listed in the order: 5, 2, 7, 8, 21.





Week 3 Set hands

#	Dlr	Vul	Sou	rce		Dlr = D	ealer, Vul = Vulnerability.		
5	Ν	NS	Tudo	or 2019-0	08-28 #6	6	20 points	s max A♠=N	
					(L7S)		Pre-emp	t possible by {N}, Seat 1	
-	-	5C-2	W	9	100	-			
-	-	5C-1	W	10	50	-			
-	-	5D-1	Ε	10	50	-			
-	-	5H-1	W	10	50	-			
-	-	4D=	Е	10	-	130			
-	-	4D=	Ε	10	-	130			
-	-	4S-2	Ν	8	-	200			
-	-	5D=	Ε	11	-	400			
-	-	4H=	Е	10	-	420			
4	12	5D+1	E	12	-	420	3	17	
-	-	3Sx-2	Ν	7	-	500			
1	9	3Sx-2	N	7	-	500	1	19	

Good results by {EW}, the non-pre-empters. {NS} can make 2S, so 3Sx-1. {W} can make 4D or 3H.



Week 3 Set hands

#	Dlr	Vul	Sou	rce		Dlr = D	ealer, Vul = Vulnerability.		
2	Ε	NS	Tudo	or 2019-0	9-25 #3 (L7S)	9	22 point Pre-emp	s max ot possible by {S}, Se	A∳=N eat 2.
-	-	6H+1	S	13	1460	-			
-	-	6H	S	12	1430	-			
-	-	6H	S	12	1430	-			
-	-	3NT+3	3N	12	690	-			
-	-	4H+2	S	12	680	-			
2	10	4H+2	S	12	680	-	12	10	
-	-	4H+2	S	12	680	-			
-	-	5H=	S	11	650	-			
-	-	4H+1	S	11	650	-			
-	-	4H+1	S	11	650	-			
-	-	4H=	S	10	620	-			
1	9	6H-2	S	10	-	200	1	21	
-	-	6H-2	S	10	-	200			

One medium result, one good for the non-pre-empters. Double dummy says {NS} can make 7H or 6NT.



Week 3 Set hands

#	Dlr	Vul	Sou	Source			Dlr = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.			
7	S	All	Tud	or 2019-0	04-17#	10 (L7S)	14 point Pre-emp	s max ot possible by {W},	A ≜ =W Seat 2.	
2	10	3Sx+2	W	11	-	1130	0	14		
-	-	4S=	W	10	-	620				
-	-	3S+2	W	11	-	200				
-	-	3S+1	W	10	-	170				
-	-	3S+1	W	10	-	170				
-	-	2NT=	Е	8	-	120				
-	-	4S-1	W	9	100	-				
3	11	3Sx-1	W	8	200	-	13	1		
-	-	3NT-2	Е	7	200	-				

Same contracts but results at opposite ends of the spectrum. All in the play.



Week 3 Set hands

#	Dlr	Vul	Source			Dlr = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.			
8	W	None	Tud	or 2019-0)7-17 # ⁻	1 <i>7</i> (L7D)	24 point Pre-emp	s max A♠=S ot possible by {E}, Seat 3.	
-	-	3Dx=	Ε	9	-	470			
-	-	4D=	Ε	10	-	130			
1	9	4D=	Е	10	-	130	4	20	
-	-	3D+1	Е	10	-	130			
-	-	3S-2	S	7	-	100			
-	-	3S-2	S	7	-	100			
-	-	3S-2	S	7	-	100			
-	-	3S-1	S	8	-	50			
-	-	4S-1	S	9	-	50			
4	12	4D-1	Е	9	50	-	17	7	
-	-	3D-1	W	8	50	-			
3	11	5Dx-1	Е	10	100	-	18	6	
-	-	4C=	S	10	130	-			
-	-	3C+2	S	11	150	-			
-	-	3S+1	S	10	170	-			

{EW} can make 4D. {NS} can make 4C. Every makeable contract is a part score.

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Week 3 Set hands

#	Dlr	Vul	Source			Dlr = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.			
21	Ν	NS	Tudo	or 2019-0	07-10 #	6	22 point	<i>s max</i> A €=E	
						(L7S)	Pre-emp	ot possible by {E}, Seat 2.	
-	-	3Sx+2	Ε	11	-	730			
-	-	4S+1	Ε	11	-	450			
1	9	4S=	Ε	10	-	420	4	18	
-	-	4H-3	Ν	7	-	300			
-	-	4H-3	Ν	7	-	300			
-	-	4H-3	Ν	7	-	300			
-	-	3S+2	Ε	11	-	200			
2	10	3S+2	Ε	11	-	200	11	11	
-	-	3S+1	Ε	10	-	170			
-	-	3S+1	Ε	10	-	170			
-	-	3S+1	Ε	10	-	170			
-	-	3S+1	Ε	10	-	170			
-	-	4S-1	Ε	9	50	-			

One medium result, One good for the pre-empters. {EW} can make 4S. {NS} can make 3C and 3H.





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Success percentages formula

The following shows the success rate for each pair.

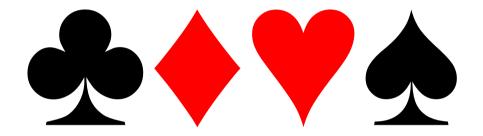
Each value is the (rounded) average of the percentages achieved by each pair. A higher number is a better result.

Pair	Percentage	
1	11	
2	35	
3	84	
4	43	
9	89	
10	65	
11	16	
12	57	So pair 9 did best.

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The very end