

QUESTION FOUR

	♠ 7	
	♥	
	♦ 85	
	♣ 72	
♠ 96		♠
♥		♥ 42
♦ 2		♦ J10
♣ 94		♣ Q
	♠ 5	
	♥ 6	
	♦ 7	
	♣ J10	

East is declarer in 6NT and so far has lost only one trick. After winning Trick 8 in her own hand she calls for the ♠9 from the dummy and North plays the ♠7. East now claims by saying, “I have another spade trick in dummy and then I’m playing the ♦2 to my ♦ J and cashing my ♦10 and ♣ Q. Making 12.” North South agree.

Two minutes after the scores for that round are posted, North South come to you waving a hand record. They say that they were wrong to accept East’s claim and that they have just now realized that declarer had no entry to dummy when she led to Trick 9 from the wrong hand. What do you do? Give your reasons.

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QUESTION SEVEN

Board 20
Dir: W
Vul: All

♠ KJ108
♥ 1054
♦ KQ5
♣ 742

♠ Q5
♥ KQJ8
♦ 862
♣ KQ106

♠ 93
♥ A973
♦ A1043
♣ J93

♠ A7642
♥ 62
♦ J97
♣ A85

Break in tempo
before passing.

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
Pass	1H	Pass	1C
Pass	Pass	Pass	2H

Result 2H making 8 for NS -110.

South calls you at the end of the hand and claims that he would have bid 2S had East not hesitated before passing 2H. South says he thought East must have had a much better hand to be thinking of bidding on. East said he'd been thinking of inviting game by bidding 3H and decided his hand just wasn't good enough. What is your ruling? Give your reasons.

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QUESTION EIGHT

Board 10
 Dlr: E
 Vul: ALL

♠ 84
 ♥ AQ10983
 ♦ KQ1042
 ♣ -

♠ J109765
 ♥ 75
 ♦ J7
 ♣ 732

♠ K2
 ♥ KJ2
 ♦ A8
 ♣ AK10654

♠ AQ3
 ♥ 64
 ♦ 9653
 ♣ QJ98

2NT was not alerted. System is 17-19 HCP Balanced. This is on both systems cards and discussed before the game in front of the EW pair.

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
	1C	Pass	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	Pass
4D	X	All Pass	

4DX makes 10 tricks for NS +710.

East calls you at the end of the hand to claim damage. He says he asked what 2NT meant before his second round pass and later doubled because he thought he was sitting over a balanced hand. North said that immediately she wrote 2NT she remembered that she was showing 17-19 HCP. She explains that with another partner she plays 2NT as showing at least 5/5 in the lower two unbid suits and that partner’s 3NT would be “To Play” with clubs stopped and values in spades as well. What is your ruling? Give your reasons.

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QUESTION NINE

NORTH
1S

EAST
1H

SOUTH

WEST

You are called to the table at this stage of the auction. You explain all the options. South does not accept the insufficient bid. East changes his bid to 2H.

The completed auction is:

NORTH
1S
Pass

EAST
2H
Pass

SOUTH
Pass
Pass

WEST
3NT

The EW system is that a 1H opening bid shows 4+ hearts. An overcall of 1H as in (1C) 1H shows 8+ HCP and at least 5 hearts. An overcall of 2H as in (1S) 2H in a normal auction shows about an opening hand and at least 5 hearts.

East’s hand is ♠6 ♥KQJ1072 ♦Q63 ♣ K53

West’s hand is ♠KQ7 ♥ A ♦A752 ♣ J1072

3NT makes 9 tricks. North South object to West’s bid of 3NT.

What is your ruling? Give your reasons.

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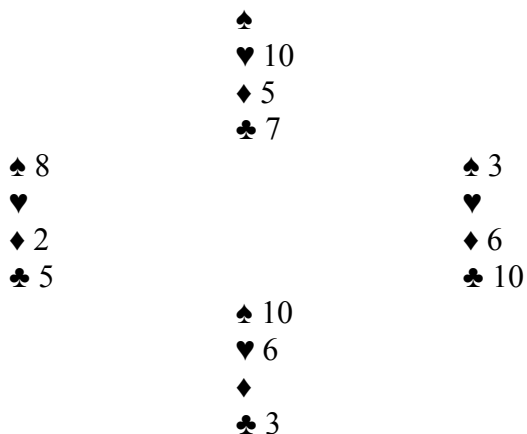
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QUESTION TEN



North is declarer in a contract of 3NT. East has the ♦6 as a major penalty card. When Declarer cashes the ♥10 at Trick 11, no one notices that East discards the ♠3 from his hand instead of playing his major penalty card. East wins Trick 12 with the ♣10 and you are now called. East only has the ♦6 left to lead. The ♠10 is contributed from dummy, the ♠8 from West and the ♦5 from Declarer. What is your ruling?

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QUESTION FOURTEEN

You are called to a table where South is declarer in 4S. South, West and the dummy each have three cards left but East has four cards left. All four hands contributed a card to Trick 10. How do you handle this situation?

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