

**STAMFORD BRIDGE CLUB**

**Wednesday 21<sup>th</sup> October 2015**

**SIGNALS IN DEFENCE – Revision**

**This workshop was about**

**Communication with partner and**

**Thinking of signals as a language**

**Achieved by:**

- Agreeing signals with partner
- Making clear signals to help partner
- Watching partner's signals
- Interpreting partner's signals
- Acting on partner's signals
- Avoiding giving unnecessary information to declarer

**This was done by**

- **High Encouraging/Low Discouraging** signals on partner's lead
- Count signals (especially on declarer's lead) – **High Even, Low Odd**
- Discards – again **High Encouraging/Low Discouraging**
- Suit preference signals (again **High** for **higher side suit**, **Low** for **lower side suit**)

In one workshop hand we introduced a special signal

***The trump echo***

Generally we don't bother with signals in the trump suit so we play our cards up the line irrespective of length

If we do give an echo\* (i.e. play high low) we're saying

**“Yes, partner, I'm looking for a ruff.”**

*\*sometimes known as a peter*

Here's an example

(See separate write-up)