

## Bridge Quiz

### What's your bid? April 2020

You are playing a knock-out teams match against congenial, if not the fiercest opponents, who have demonstrated their willingness to bid up. On Board 1 they rattled into a cold 3Nt with 12 opposite 12; on Board 2 they made a vulnerable 4H on another combined 24 requiring two finesses and a 3-3 break. Feeling slightly wistful and wondering what your team-mates are likely to have done on these boards, you take out the West cards on Board 3 and are looking at:

♠ 97 ♥ 65 ♦ AKQJT94 ♣ 43

South passes and you dutifully place the 3Nt card on the table; that's your system bid. North passes and with your mind still half on the previous two boards you notice that your partner has parked the 4♦ card. It's no good worrying about the two previous boards now; you need to be up to speed on this one. South passes and the question for you is what action would you take, if any?

If your hand was slightly different would it affect your decision? Suppose you had:

♠ J97 ♥ 87 ♦ AKQJT94 ♣ 4 or,

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How would you respond to 4♦ with each of the above hands and why? Here's a clue; your next bid could turn over 26 IMP.