


<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	Pass	1 NT ¹	Pass
3 NT	All pass		
1. 15-17			

Was there any doubt expressed in this auction?

Board 1
 North Deals
 None Vul

♠ K 6 4 ♥ A 7 3 ♦ Q 9 8 4 ♣ J 4 3	♠ Q 3 ♥ J 9 8 5 4 ♦ 7 3 2 ♣ K Q 8	♠ 10 8 7 ♥ K Q 10 2 ♦ A K 10 6 ♣ A 6	
			
	♠ A J 9 5 2 ♥ 6 ♦ J 5 ♣ 10 9 7 5 2		
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Was there any doubt expressed in this auction?

No. After the 1N opening bid, responder said they know the level and they know the strain. With certainty, don't ask questions just place the contract.

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
		Pass	Pass
1 ♣	Dbl	Pass	2 ♥
Dbl	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
Pass	3 ♥	3 ♠	All pass
by East			

Was there any doubt expressed in this auction?

Board 2
 East Deals
 N-S Vul

	♠ J 7 6 2		
	♥ A K 9 5		
	♦ A 10 9		
	♣ J 4		
♠ A K 3		♠ Q 10 9 8	
♥ 2		♥ 10 8 3	
♦ Q J 6 5		♦ 8 7 4 3	
♣ A 10 9 8 6		♣ K 7	
	♠ 5 4		
	♥ Q J 7 6 4		
	♦ K 2		
	♣ Q 5 3 2		
<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
		Pass	Pass
1 ♣	Dbl	Pass	2 ♥
Dbl	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
Pass	3 ♥	3 ♠	All pass
by East			

Was there any doubt expressed in this auction?

Yes. North expressed doubt by making a classic takeout double. They were unsure of which strain to play and asked their partner's opinion.

West also expressed doubt by making a double. A double by the hand in passout seat is called a reopening double. In order to make this double and force your partner to the 3 level you should have more values than you originally promised on the auction.

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Pass	1 ♣	1 ♥	Pass
2 ♣	2 ♦	4 ♥	All pass

Was there any doubt expressed on this auction?

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Pass	1 ♣	1 ♥	Pass
2 ♣	2 ♦	4 ♥	All pass

Was there any doubt expressed on this auction?

No. North made two natural bids. East made a natural bid, and then after West showed a limit raise East bid the game. Every bid was descriptive of the hand and made a clear statement about what they thought should be trump.

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Pass	1 ♠	Dbl	Pass
4 ♥	4 ♠	All pass	3 ♠

Was there any doubt expressed during the auction?

Board 7
 South Deals
 Both Vul

♠ J	♠ A 10 9 3 2	♠ 6 5 4									
♥ 9 8 6 5 3 2	♥ —	♥ K J 10 7									
♦ J 7 2	♦ K Q 8 6	♦ A 10 5 4									
♣ K Q 10	♣ J 5 4 2	♣ A 3									
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<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>								
Pass	1 ♠	Dbl	Pass								
4 ♥	4 ♠	All pass	3 ♠								

Was there any doubt expressed during the auction?

Yes. East expressed doubt by making a takeout double.

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1 ♣	2 ♣! ¹	Dbl ²	2 ♠
3 ♥	Pass	3 NT	All pass

1. sp and di
2. values

Was there any doubt expressed during the auction?

Board 8

West Deals
None Vul

	♠ Q 8 7 3 2	
	♥ A 2	
	♦ 8 7 6 5 3	
	♣ 2	
♠ A		♠ K J 10
♥ J 8 7 5		♥ K 4 3
♦ A 9		♦ K J 4
♣ A Q 9 8 5 3		♣ J 10 7 4
	♠ 9 6 5 4	
	♥ Q 10 9 6	
	♦ Q 10 2	
	♣ K 6	

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1 ♣	2 ♣! ¹	Db! ²	2 ♠
3 ♥	Pass	3 NT	All pass

1. sp and di
2. values

Was there any doubt expressed during the auction?

Yes. East's double showed values without a clear direction to go. This will often show 4 of the unbid major. In this case, the doubt was more about the level than the strain. After West showed extra values by bidding at the 3 level, East was able to place the contract with confidence.