



St Annes Bridge Club

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Best Behaviour at Bridge

Playing:

- Try to bid and play at an even pace
- Avoid eye contact and revealing body language
- Call TD to sort problems this is not a criticism

Etiquette

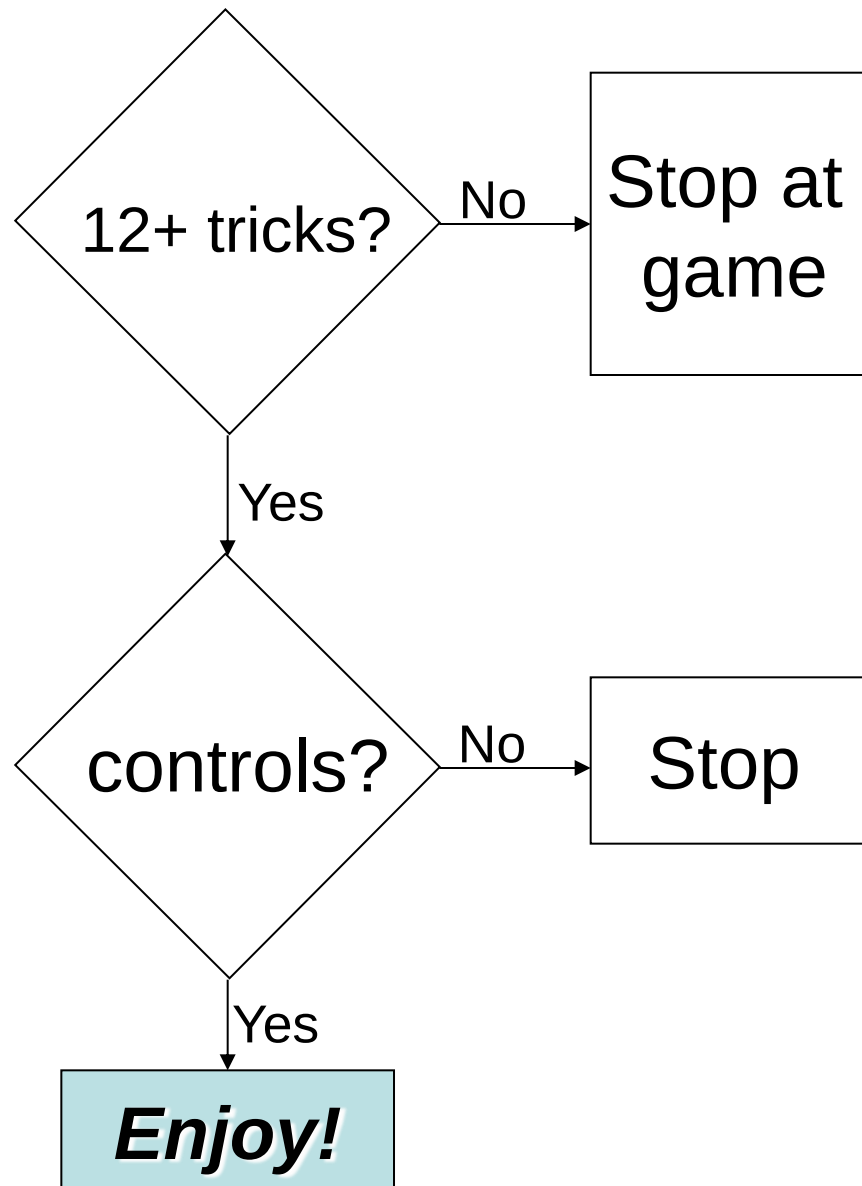
- Greet your opponents on arrival thank them on leaving
- Thank partner even if dummy is terrible
- Dummy is a dummy
- A short, quiet, constructive post mortem is fine

Enjoy the company as well as the game

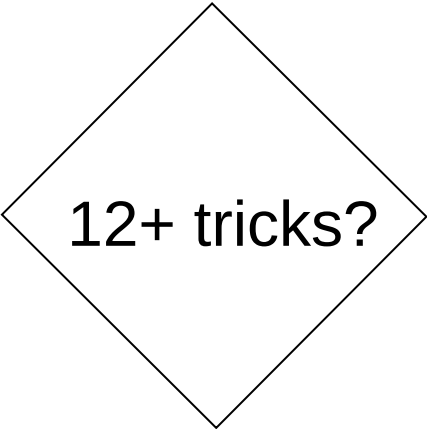
Slam Bidding

- Earn large bonuses
- Require 33+ pts on balanced hands
- Fewer points needed with long suits
- Controls essential
- Require precision
- Exciting

Slam Bidding - 2 step process



Do we have the power for a slam?



12+ tricks?

- Opening 2 and reply is positive
- Opening bid and responder is v.strong
- Good trump fit and lots of distribution
- Opener shows strong hand (eg reverse bid) and responder is strong

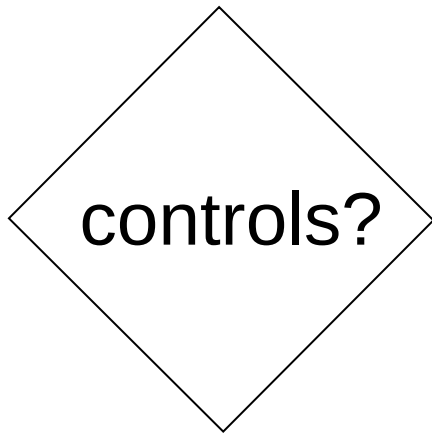
With balanced hands points are essential.
Distributional hands can make slams with fewer points (remember Bond!)

controls?

♠ K Q J
♥ A K J 6
♦ Q J 7
♣ A 10 9

♠ 5
♥ Q 3 2
♦ K 10 9 3 4 2
♣ K Q J

32 points 14 tricks! But no slam.



Blackwood

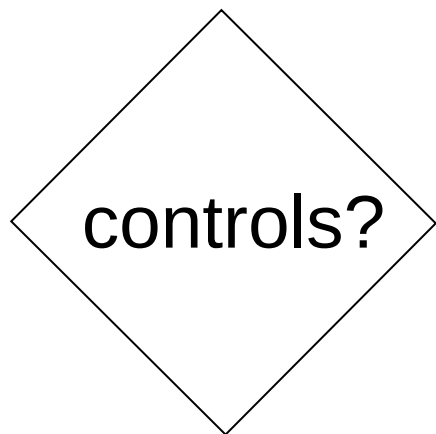
Bid of 4NT is conventional 'how many aces?'

Replies;	5♣	0/4
	5♦	1
	5♥	2
	5♠	3

If partnership has
32 pts (or less) 2
aces can be missing

If all 4 aces held then 5NT can be used; 'How many kings?'

Replies;	6♣	0/4
	6♦	1
	6♥	2
	6♠	3



Gerber

(used when looking for no trump slam)

Bid of 4♣ is conventional 'how many aces?'

Replies;	4♦	0/4
	4♥	1
	4♠	2
	4 NT	3

If all 4 aces held then 5♣ can be used; 'How many kings?'

Replies;	5♦	0/4
	5♥	1
	5♠	2
	5 NT	3

HAND 1

West

♠ 2
♥ J 10 7 5
♦ K 8 7 6
♣ Q 9 6 5

pass

pass

pass

North

♠ A 7 6 5 4
♥
♦ A J 3 2
♣ J 7 3 2

pass

2 S

5 H

pass

East

♠ 9 8
♥ 9 3 2
♦ Q 10 9 5
♣ K 10 8 4

South

♠ K Q J 10 3
♥ A K Q 8 6 4
♦ 4
♣ A

2 C

4 NT

7 S

pass

pass

pass

pass

HAND 2

West

♠ J 10 8
♥ K Q 8
♦ Q 9 8 6
♣ K J 10

4 C

6 NT

North

♠ Q 6 5 4
♥ 10 2
♦ 4 3 2
♣ 8 5 3 2

South

♠ 3 2
♥ J 5 4 3
♦ J 10 5
♣ Q 9 7 4

pass

pass

pass

East

♠ A K 9 7
♥ A 9 6 7
♦ A K 7
♣ A 6

2 NT

4 D

pass

pass

pass

pass

HAND 3

West

♠ 7 6 4
♥ A K 3 2
♦ 9 8 6
♣ 10 6 5

pass

pass

pass

North

♠ K Q 3
♥ J
♦ A K Q 7 5
♣ A J 3 2

2 D

4 NT

6 S

East

♠ 8 2
♥ 9 7 5 4
♦ 10 4 3 2
♣ 9 8 7

South

♠ A J 10 9 5
♥ Q 10 8 6
♦ J
♣ K Q 4

1 S

2 H

5 D

pass

pass

pass

pass

pass

HAND 4

West

♠ A Q J
♥ K J 7 2
♦ A Q 4
♣ K Q 2

2 NT

4 H

5 H

6 H

North

♠ 10 9 8
♥ 4
♦ 8 5 3
♣ 10 9 8 7 5 3

pass

pass

pass

pass

East

♠ K 7 6
♥ A Q 10 6 5 3
♦ K 7 2
♣ A

pass

pass

pass

3 H

4 NT

5 NT

7 NT

South

♠ 5 4 3 2
♥ 9 8
♦ J 10 9 6
♣ J 6 4

Homework

- Quiz pg 143
- Read pgs 124-126 Opening Weak 2 bids