
















Hands Played 5th January 2022

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Dlr: North  AJ10932 Optimum
 Vul: None  J64 EW 3SX; 100










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
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W	N	E	S
	1♥ ¹	2♥ ²	
or			
W	N	E	S
	1♥	1♠	2♦

1. Open 1♥ on Rule of 19, too good a hand for a Weak2 opening.
 2. CRO, the black suits.
- Final Contract : 3 Hearts





Dlr: East  A8 Optimum
 Vul: N/S  Q EW 3H; -140
 K8753
 K6432









 K9743  AJ42  6  A95	<table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 100px; height: 100px;"> <tr><td style="width: 20px;">W</td><td style="width: 60px;">North</td><td style="width: 20px;">E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">e</td><td style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">2</td><td style="text-align: center;">a</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">s</td><td style="text-align: center;">South</td><td style="text-align: center;">t</td></tr> </table>	W	North	E	e	2	a	s	South	t	 J6  1098653  AJ10  108
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
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W	N	E	S
		2♥ ¹	P
3♥ ²	P	P	P

1. 9 LTC, ok to open a Weak2 non-vulnerable against vulnerable, other vulnerabilities Pass.
2. 4 Hearts & 7 LTC hand, but do not jump to 4H as it is likely that partner will have a LTC of at least 8.

Dlr: South  KQ8 Optimum
 Vul: E/W  J N 5CX; -500
 J98653
 AK7

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			P
P	1♦	2NT ¹	P
3♦ ²	P	4♥	P
P	P		

1. CRO showing the majors. Vulnerable so must be up to strength. (Cue bid = Colour; 2NT = Rank - Majors over minor)
2. Forcing bid showing equal length in both majors & asking partner to choose. Passed in the first round, so must have 10-11 HCP

O/L C Ace. Ruff, but do not draw trumps immediately. Play Ace and another spade to North, who must return other than a club. Win, and give up another spade. Contract now safe - 1 spade + 2 long spades, 4 trumps, 3 diamonds = 10 tricks. South will make a trump whenever.

Dlr: West
 Vul: All

♠AJ6
 ♥1053
 ♦J106
 ♣QJ65

Optimum
 S 1S; 140

♠1097
 ♥J62
 ♦AK98
 ♣K43

North
 West 4 East
 South

♠K52
 ♥K974
 ♦75432
 ♣9

♠Q843
 ♥AQ8
 ♦Q
 ♣A10872

9			
11		6	
		14	

N	9	5	6	8	7
S	9	6	6	9	7
E	3	7	6	4	5
W	3	7	6	4	5

W N E S
 P P P 1♣
 P 2♣ P P
 P

or

W N E S
 P P P 1♣
 P 1NT P P
 P

Both of North's responses are equally valid.

Dlr: North
 Vul: N/S

♠106532
 ♥AKQ832
 ♦3
 ♣K

Optimum
 EW 5CX; 300

♠AQ9
 ♥97
 ♦K105
 ♣Q9754

North
 West 5 East
 South

♠7
 ♥54
 ♦AJ9642
 ♣J863

♠KJ84
 ♥J106
 ♦Q87
 ♣A102

12			
11		6	
		11	

N	3	3	9	10	5
S	3	3	9	10	8
E	9	8	2	2	5
W	9	8	2	2	5

W N E S
 4♦³ 1♥ 3♦¹ X²
 P 4♠ P P

1. Weak Jump Overcall
 2. Shows 4 Spades
 3. The more you pre-empt the harder it is for your opponents

Dlr: East
 Vul: E/W

♠42
 ♥Q5
 ♦A1082
 ♣KJ1086

Optimum
 W 4S; -650

♠AQ10865
 ♥J7
 ♦K6
 ♣Q43

North
 West 6 East
 South

♠K3
 ♥AK8632
 ♦94
 ♣A97

♠J97
 ♥1094
 ♦QJ753
 ♣52

10			
12		14	
		4	

N	5	7	2	1	2
S	5	7	2	1	2
E	6	5	10	10	8
W	8	6	10	11	10

W N E S
 1♠ P 1♥ P
 4♥ P 3♥¹ P
 P P P

1. Worth a jump with 6 Hearts, 6 LTC & the King in partner's suit

<p>Dlr: South Vul: All</p> <p>♠95 ♥KQ10984 ♦K73 ♣95</p> <p>Optimum EW 3N; -660</p> <p>♠KQ102 ♥J7632 ♦106 ♣A6</p> <p>North 7 South</p> <p>♠A43 ♥A5 ♦A92 ♣KQJ87</p> <p>8 10 18 4</p> <p>♠J876 ♥-- ♦QJ854 ♣10432</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>♠</td><td>♠</td><td>♠</td><td>♠</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>N</td><td>2</td><td>4</td><td>4</td><td>2</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td><td>2</td><td>4</td><td>4</td><td>2</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>E</td><td>11</td><td>9</td><td>8</td><td>11</td><td>11</td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td>10</td><td>8</td><td>8</td><td>11</td><td>11</td></tr> </table>	♠	♠	♠	♠	N	N	2	4	4	2	2	S	2	4	4	2	2	E	11	9	8	11	11	W	10	8	8	11	11	<table border="1"> <tr><th>W</th><th>N</th><th>E</th><th>S</th></tr> <tr><td>P¹</td><td>2♥</td><td>2NT²</td><td>P</td></tr> <tr><td>3♣³</td><td>P</td><td>3♦⁴</td><td>P</td></tr> <tr><td>3NT</td><td>P</td><td>P</td><td>P</td></tr> </table>	W	N	E	S	P ¹	2♥	2NT ²	P	3♣ ³	P	3♦ ⁴	P	3NT	P	P	P	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10HCP 7 meets the Rule of 19, but if opponents win the auction you don't want your partner to lead a Heart. Better bid than a double as you don't have 4 Spades. System is on after a NT overcall, i.e. Always use Stayman Denies a 4-card major
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<p>Dlr: West Vul: None</p> <p>♠K103 ♥32 ♦7532 ♣J974</p> <p>Optimum EW 3N; -430</p> <p>♠A64 ♥KQ4 ♦AJ10 ♣K862</p> <p>North 8 South</p> <p>♠52 ♥AJ109865 ♦96 ♣53</p> <p>4 17 5 14</p> <p>♠QJ987 ♥7 ♦KQ84 ♣AQ10</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>♠</td><td>♠</td><td>♠</td><td>♠</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>N</td><td>7</td><td>7</td><td>2</td><td>7</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td><td>7</td><td>7</td><td>2</td><td>7</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td>E</td><td>6</td><td>5</td><td>10</td><td>5</td><td>10</td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td>6</td><td>5</td><td>10</td><td>5</td><td>10</td></tr> </table>	♠	♠	♠	♠	N	N	7	7	2	7	3	S	7	7	2	7	3	E	6	5	10	5	10	W	6	5	10	5	10	<table border="1"> <tr><th>W</th><th>N</th><th>E</th><th>S</th></tr> <tr><td>1♣</td><td>P</td><td>1♥</td><td>X¹</td></tr> <tr><td>XX²</td><td>P</td><td>4♥</td><td>P</td></tr> <tr><td>P</td><td>P</td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table>	W	N	E	S	1♣	P	1♥	X ¹	XX ²	P	4♥	P	P	P			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5 Spades so could have over called 1S, but the double also shows a Diamond suit. Shows a strong hand with stop(s) in the unbid suits & some support for partner.
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<p>Dlr: East Vul: All</p> <p>♣6 ♥AJ732 ♦107642 ♠A4</p> <p>Optimum EW 1S; -140</p> <p>♠K1074 ♥10865 ♦-- ♣QJ932</p> <p>North West 10 East South</p> <p>♠AQJ8 ♥K ♦AKQ93 ♣876</p> <p>9 6 19 6</p> <p>♣9532 ♥Q94 ♦J85 ♠K105</p> <p>♣♥♦♠N N 3 6 7 3 5 S 3 6 7 3 5 E 10 6 5 9 8 W 10 6 5 9 8</p>	<table border="0"> <tr><td>W</td><td>N</td><td>E</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td>1♦</td><td>P</td></tr> <tr><td>1♥</td><td>P</td><td>2♠¹</td><td>P</td></tr> <tr><td>4♣</td><td>P</td><td>P</td><td>P</td></tr> </table>	W	N	E	S			1♦	P	1♥	P	2♠ ¹	P	4♣	P	P	P	<p>1. Jump shift. Partner has responded at the 1-level showing 6 points so you must have at least 19 to make this bid, and it is forcing to game.</p> <p>Contract should have chances on a non- club lead.</p>
W	N	E	S															
		1♦	P															
1♥	P	2♠ ¹	P															
4♣	P	P	P															
<p>Dlr: South Vul: None</p> <p>♠K5 ♥Q97532 ♦53 ♣1076</p> <p>Optimum EW 3N; -460</p> <p>♠QJ9 ♥KJ10 ♦AK2 ♣A985</p> <p>North West 11 East South</p> <p>♠A843 ♥A86 ♦Q986 ♣32</p> <p>5 18 10 7</p> <p>♣10762 ♥4 ♦J1074 ♠KQJ4</p> <p>♣♥♦♠N N 3 2 4 2 2 S 3 2 4 2 2 E 10 11 9 11 11 W 10 11 9 11 11</p>	<table border="0"> <tr><td>W</td><td>N</td><td>E</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>P</td></tr> <tr><td>1♣</td><td>2♥¹</td><td>X²</td><td>P</td></tr> <tr><td>3NT</td><td>P</td><td>P</td><td>P</td></tr> </table>	W	N	E	S				P	1♣	2♥ ¹	X ²	P	3NT	P	P	P	<p>1. WJO</p> <p>2. Take out double, could be as little as 7 or so points, but will normally have 4 card spade suit, especially if weak. West must jump to game.</p>
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1♣	2♥ ¹	X ²	P															
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