The Summer Festival of Bridge

Daily Bulletin 5

Rydges Lakeside, Canberra

Sunday January 23rd 2011

Session Times

Sunday

National Swiss Pairs

10am

2.30pm

Grand National Pairs

9.30am

2.30pm

Monday

10am

1.30pm

4.30pm

SENIORS TEAMS STAGE II

No	Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	Score	Plc
1	Brown	-	5	23	10	25	219	282	1
2	Klinger	25	-	14	180	18	10	247	3
3	Zollo	7	16	-	25	176	25	249	2
4	Bilski	20	181	4	-	19	17	241	4
5	Dudley	3	12	169	11	-	11	206	6
6	Finikiotis	158	20	1	13	19	-	211	5

WOMENS SEMI-FINAL

Table	Team	Total		
	Bourke			
	M Bourke, J Butts, F Beale, D Smart, S Lusk, T Tully			
	Moses			
1	K Moses, N Bashar, I Glanger, M Scudder	59		
Table	Team	Total		
Table	Team Hoffman	Total		
Table		Total 179		
Table	Hoffman			





Tim Bourke's Problem

(Solution on next page)

5. VISION

Dealer South. E-W Vul.

NORTH

- **↑** 764
- **v** 10 9 7 3
- **♦** 7 6
- **♣** K Q 10 6

SOUTH

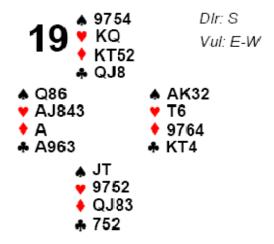
- **A** A 10 8
- ♥ A Q 6
- ♦ A K J
- ♣ A J 5 3

West	North	East	South 2NT
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♦
Pass	3NT	All pass	

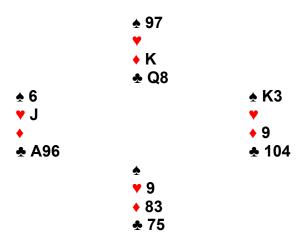
West leads the king of spades, which you allow to hold. West continues with the jack of spades and East follows, indicating that he holds a doubleton. What is your plan to make nine tricks?

Hard To Pick

A nice little three suit squeeze eventuated on this one from the Seniors' Teams Stage II but, at the table, it proved too hard to pick.



Declarer was in 4♥ from the West seat and North led the ◆2. Declarer took this with the Ace and played a spade to dummy's Ace. He then played a trump to the 8 in the closed hand and North's King. North played a diamond which declarer ruffed. He led a club and North split his honours to force dummy's King. Declarer now ran the ♥10 to North's Queen. The spade exit was taken in hand and declarer played the trump Ace to produce:



Declarer had 6 tricks already. When he cashed the ♥J, North was in trouble.

If a spade is discarded then the 3 comes good

If he discards the ◆K then the 9 is good

If he discards a club then declarer can even make an overtrick by unblocking the 10 under his Ace.

North did discard a club but declarer didn't pick the position and drifted one off.

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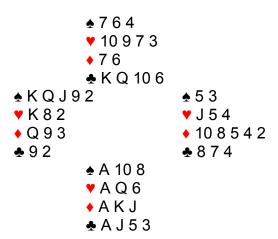
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Tim Bourke's Problem - Solution

The idea now is avoid taking a finesse in the red suits by throwing West on lead with the third round of spades and forcing him to lead into one of your red-suit tenaces. Suppose the full deal is:



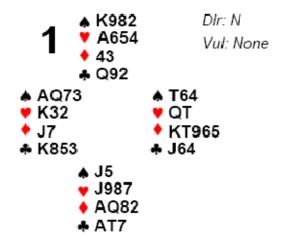
The original declarer played three rounds of clubs before exiting with a spade. West won the trick with the queen of spades and cashed his long spades. Declarer threw the six of hearts on the fourth spade but had no winning discard on the last spade; he had to throw the queen of hearts and West exited with a heart, leaving declarer one trick short when the diamond finesse failed.

After cashing the ace of diamonds, you can only afford to cash only two clubs before the throw-in (the ace and ten). You hope that this will extract West's clubs. Here, West wins the third round of spades and, after cashing his spade winners, he has to lead one of the red suits, giving you your ninth trick.

If West had a third club and could exit safely in clubs, you would have to guess which red-suit finesse to take.

Swiss Match 1

NZ international players, Mike Cornell, Ashley Bach, Pam Livingstone and Wayne Burrows found themselves opposed in the first round.



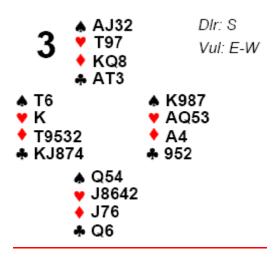
After passes from Mike and Wayne, Ashley opened 1♣ as South. Pam overcalled 1♠ and Mike doubled. Wayne raised to 2♠ and that was that. A club to the ace was followed by a heart to the Ace and a second heart taken by dummy's Queen. Pam took a losing trump finesse and Mike exited a diamond. Ash took the Queen and Ace and gave Mike a diamond ruff. Mike exited a small club and, when dummy's Jack scored, Pam had 7 tricks for only one off. Not a triumph for North-South as Deepfinesse indicates that they can make 2♠ themselves.

Board 2 was a very normal heart game for East – West before Mike had the mortification of going down at the one level.





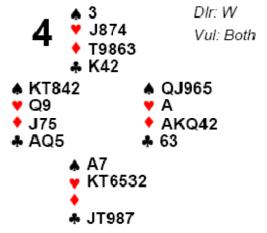




Mike opened 1♣, after two passes. Wayne doubled and Ash responded 1♦ - which showed hearts. Mike corrected to 1♥ and nobody could think of anything more to say.

Wayne started with the A and continued the suit to Mike's King. Pam took the trump switch and gave Wayne his diamond ruff. Wayne cashed the two top hearts and then put a club through to the Queen, King and Ace. A spade and club had to be lost so that was one down.

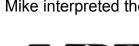
Then the big hand of the set.



The auction:

West Pam	North Mike	East Wayne	Sou th Ash ley
1NT	Р	2♥	3♥
3♠	4♥	4NT	Р
5♠	Р	6♠	X

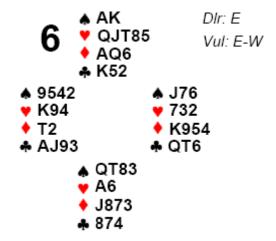
Mike interpreted the Lightner double accurately



and led the suit. Ash's ruff and a club back saw the slam 2 off.

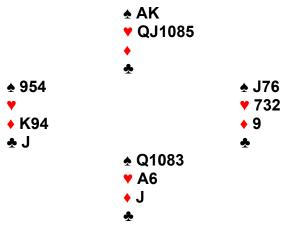
[Ishmael Delmonte tried to make assurance doubly sure on the same hand. During a very similar auction, when East bid 4NT, Ish put in a 5♦ bid. He then doubled 6♠. Partner, Barry Noble, also met the Lightner challenge and led Ish's "second suit" for the same 2 off.]

Then Mike couldn't decipher the endgame in 3NT



Wayne led the ◆5 and Mike took with the Queen. He immediately returned the lead (and don't you hate it when that happens) by cashing ◆A and playing a third round. Wayne took his King while Pam discarded a spade. (More on this later)

Wayne switched to clubs, Pam taking the Ace to continue the suit. Mike ducked once and then took his King to leave:

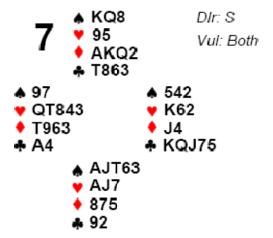




He continued by running the ♥Q for one off.

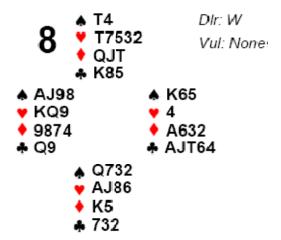
If memory serves, the inaugural winner of the Bols Bridge Tips competition was Terence Reese who suggested that we should watch the early discards. There must be some chance that Pam has discarded a spade from 4 small in which case Wayne's Jack is vulnerable. Still who am I to criticise Mike Cornell's declarer play?

Then some very atypical reticence in the auction from Ash and Mike.



Mike opened 1♦ and Ash responded 1♠. At this point, the auction ended somewhat sooner than was desirable. Making 10 tricks did not extend Ash's declarer play.

Then Wayne put Pam to the test.



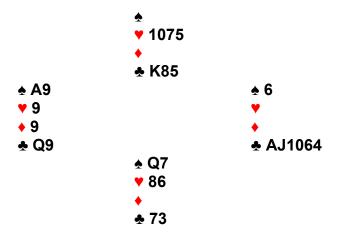
Pam opened 1NT and Wayne staymanned.

When Pam showed 4 spades, Wayne invited in that suit and Pam accepted.

Mike led the ◆Q and, when Pam played dummy's Ace, Ash unblocked the King. The ♠K took the next trick but then Pam had to decide how to play the second round of trumps.

The defence has set up two diamond tricks and the ♥A is a sure loser. It does seem best to finesse the ♠J but Pam tried the finesse of the 9. Mike happily took his 10 and one down was then a formality.

If Pam finesses the Jack then she can prevail, as long as she doesn't play any more trumps. Say she plays the *K and the defence take their *A and two diamond tricks before playing back a heart. The position will be

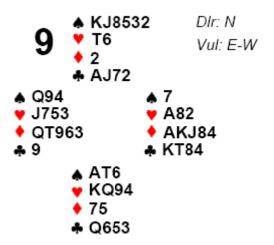


Pam will simply finesse in clubs (twice if the Queen is not covered) and then lead clubs until such time as South ruffs. If South ruffs the third round of clubs, then a heart ruff on table allows declarer to trump coup South for a second time.

Then on the last Ash and Mike stopped in 3♠ on





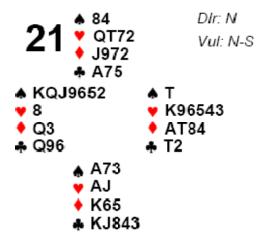


All in all, a fairly rusty performance from one of NZ's top pairs. Obviously, the Bach/Cornell victory in the Auckland New Year Pairs (during which my partner and I contributed a snappy 8% to the Bach-Cornell account in just 2 boards – I thought I'd admit to it to save Mike the expense of taking out an advert in tomorrow's Bulletin) did not blow away all of the cobwebs.

Swiss Match 3

This saw Barry Noble and Ishmael Delmonte pitted against Seamus Browne and Tony Burke.

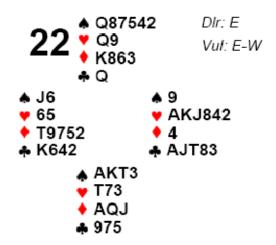
Nothing very much happened to begin until Tony got chopped up in 3♠ on



Seamus opened 2♥ and Ish overcalled 2NT. Tony bid 3♠ and there it rested.

Barry led a diamond and Tony ducked this to Ish's King. Ish played a spade to dummy's 10 and Tony chose to come off table with a club. Ish stepped in with the King and played another club. Tony misguessed, playing the Queen to allow Barry to take his Ace and play yet another club to Ish's Jack. Ish took his VA and played yet another club. A careless ruff with the 6 meant that Barry's 8 scored and the contract was three down.

Then a systemic misunderstanding saw Browne-Burke pick up some lucky imps.



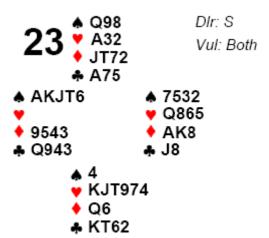
Seamus opened the East hand with 4♣ - intended as a strong 4♥ opener. Ish passed as did Tony – who doesn't play Namyats!

It was apparent at the table that a wheel had come off so Ish led the textbook (in such cases) trump. Seamus's Namyats was expurgated from most textbooks and so this lead, together with a kind heart position meant that Seamus emerged with 12 tricks and +170 EW against a datum of +140 NS.

Then Seamus did well on



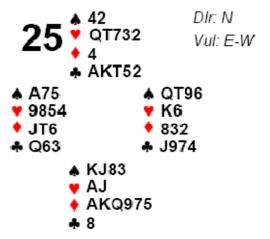




Ish opened 3♥ and Tony doubled. Seamus leapt to the spade game.

A small club lead and club continuation to Ish's King saw a trump return. Seamus cashed the second high trump and then discarded a diamond on the &Q. He cashed the high diamonds and embarked on a red suit crossruff for 10 tricks to score 620 against a N-S datum of +50.

Then it was Barry's turn to have a systemic whoopsie but it didn't cost.



Barry opened 2NT to show a 5-5 in either ♠+♦ or ♥+♣.

Ish enquired with 3♣. Barry thought this asked for his singleton while Ish thought it asked for further description. 4♦ from Barry showed his singleton while Ish interpreted it to mean a 6-5 in ♥ and ♣. (I think Ish won the systemic postmortem.)

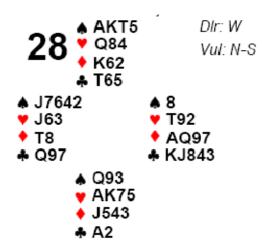
Tony led the *J which meant that dummy's spade losers had disappeared by trick 3. Ish ruffed a spade on table before cashing the high clubs. A club was ruffed with the Jack before another spade ruff put declarer back on table. Another club ruff with the trump Ace saw Ish collect 11 tricks.

A couple of automatic games followed to leave Tony and Seamus (I thought) somewhat fortunate 18-12 winners.

Swiss Match 4

Last year's champion Michael Ware, in tandem with his wife, Mary-Ellen Newton, opposed Robert Grynberg and David Stern.

Board 28 saw Michael in typical conservative bidding mode.



As West, the dealer, he opened 2♠ to show 5-4 in spades and a minor. (in exculpation, I must observe that he had a heart in with his clubs when he bid.)

Mary-Ellen made a pass or correct 3♣ and Michael passed. (Does this – claiming ownership of four clubs qualify as a second psyche on the hand?)

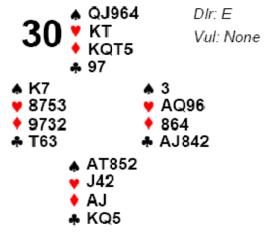
Nobody could find a reason to bid and David led the ♥A, followed by the King. Robert's ♥Q took trick 3, before a club was played to David's Ace. A second club saw dummy score





with the Queen and Mary-Ellen finessed successfully in diamonds. She cashed the Ace of diamonds and then the splendid dummy took its second trick with a diamond ruff. A spade off table was taken by the King but the second high spade was ruffed by declarer. She laid down the &K and claimed for two off – minus 100 against a datum off minus 490.

Then Robert and David did very well in the auction to right side a contract.

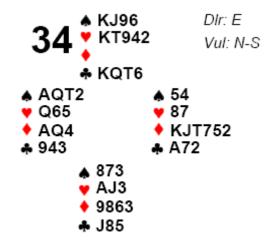


Mary-Ellen opened 1♣ and David overcalled 1NT. Robert made a 2♥ transfer response and David rebid 3♥.

This was key as it showed a superaccept in spades but one with nothing in hearts. Robert could have re-transferred with 4♥ but, forewarned, protected the ♥K by bidding 4♠.

Whether or not Michael would have actually led a heart is between him and his conscience but David and Robert had ensured that the risk did not arise. Robert had no trouble wrapping up 10 tricks and +420 against the datum of 150.

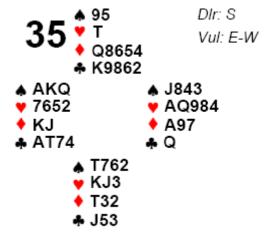
Nothing much happened for a while before Mary-Ellen got to play a doubled beer card.



Michael opened 1NT after two passes and Robert called 2♣ for the majors. Mary-Ellen tried 2♦ and David doubled (takeout-David, penalties-Robert.) Robert had the last say so the contract was 2♦x.

I suspect that, on a good day, even I could contrive to take 6 diamond tricks and two Aces and Marie-Ellen arranged to play the ◆7 at trick 13.

Then Michael and Mary-Ellen were a little unlucky.



Their methods saw Michael open 1♥ after a pass from David. Marie-Ellen splintered and they were off to the races. Michael was quite happy to play 6♥ when he saw dummy but somewhat less content when he played two rounds of hearts.

An entertaining match finished 29-22 to E-W.







Winners of the 0 - 149 Teams were Roger McNee, Glenda McNee, John Buckley and Lon Scott



With runners-up

Sheryl Cullenward, Christine Baynes, Jillian Tuckey and Rozanne Thomas

NATIONAL SWISS PAIRS

Place	Name	Score
1	A Bach, M Cornell	102
2	G Mundell, J Mott	102
3	B Neill, D Wiltshire	100
4	D Zines, C Sundstrom	98
5	A Smirnov, A Hung	97
6	J Gibbons, C Gibbons	96
7	T Nunn, W Ashton	95
8	S Hans, H Dawson	95
9	N Francis, A Maluish	94
10	P Livesey, P Gill	94
11	D Stern, R Grynberg	94
12	K Bagchi, B Waters	93
13	P Kahler, T Davis	93
14	M Bookallil, J Tutty	92
15	M Genc, A Schwartz	92
16	V Cummings, M Mullamphy	92
17	C Dibley, W Dobes	91
18	B Boulton, Z Kazi	90
19	N Djurovic, P McLeish	90
20	T Antoff, A Simpson	90
21	T Glass, B Glass	90
22	J Foster, D Weston	89
23	A Murray, H Stewart	89
24	E Lindh, P Phillips	89
25	A Lamport, C Cooper	89
26	A Edgtton, T Leibowitz	88
27	L Allgood, A Stavik	88
28	A Halmos, M Weinberg	88
29	J Sturgul, A Sturgul	87
30	T Mangos, L Foran	87
31	A Peake, M Prescott	87
32	R Casey, J Kelly	86
33	A Burke, S Browne	86
34	J Spender, P Zhang	86
35	A Pettigrew, A Stephens	86
36	R Hanson, J Herring	86
37	S Tishler, B Richman	86
38	K Christiansen, R Speiser	86
39	G Riddell, M Haggerty	86
40	M Courtney, L Raymond	85
41	B Nash, J Wallis	85
42	T Hutton, T Moss	85
43	P Brennan, M Brennan	85
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47	N Ewart, B Howe	83
48	B Chosid, C Geromboux	83
49	D Beauchamp, S Crompton	83
50	J Collins, D Newlands	83
51	I Plummer, P McAdam	83
52	P Scales, B Mare	83
53	N Van Jole, D McLeish	83
54	E Ramshaw, V Brockwell	83
55	R Thorpe, V Carmody	83
56	C Fader, R Bodell	83
57	A Richman, S Richman	83
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62	N Tobin, C Thomas	82
63	A Morrison, L Bourke	82
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72	K Lemon, C Bourke	81
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74	J Bates, F Lyons	80
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