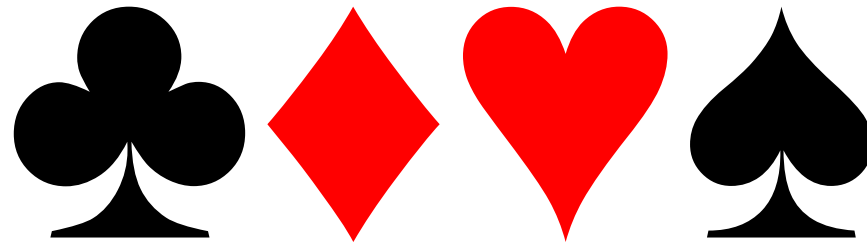




U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised



Steve Bailey

Pauline Bailey



U3A Intermediate Bridge



Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

Discussing last week's session after the event, we came to the conclusion that we had tried to cover too much material and that it wasn't as clear as perhaps it should be.

So we have decided that today we will reprise last week, with a shorter presentation and more time for play.

Note that the sessions here are based around a Duplicate bridge style of play. For those who want to practice that style of play in foursomes at home, I recommend Chicago.



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Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

Chicago

A Chicago set is 12 deals, in three groups of four.

In each group the partnerships change, each partners all eventually:

1st group: A-B v C-D

2nd group: A-C v B-D

3rd group: A-D v B-C

In each group each player is dealer once and the 4 deals have vulnerability:

None

Dealer

Dealer

Both

Scoring is done as described on the No Fear crib sheet.

It makes for a pleasant and fun session.



U3A Intermediate Bridge



Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

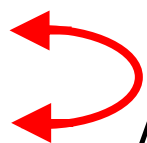
A 1NT opening bid shows 12..14 HCP and a balanced hand (and opener's partner verbalised "Twelve to fourteen").

If Responder has a balanced hand, his bidding is normally determined by his HCP:

0..10	Pass
11..12	2NT invite game
13..18	3NT game
19..20	4NT invite slam
21..22	6NT slam
23..24	5NT choose slam
25+	7NT

Asking Pass or 3NT

Asking Pass or 6NT



Asking 6NT or 7NT







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Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

When does Responder, with a balanced hand, bid other than the previous table?

If he has 0..10 HCP and a L5suit (ie 5332 distribution), he will contemplate a weak take out, but only for    as L6  are required for that suit.

The other occasion is when he has 11+ HCP and L4major, he investigates a major fit using Stayman.



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

If Responder has an unbalanced hand?

0..11↓ Pts L5suit (L6 for clubs) bid a weak takeout, 2suit.

11↑..18 Pts L6major bid 4major, game.

11↑..18 Pts L5 major bid 3major. Opener chooses game, 3NT or 4 suit.

11↑..18 Pts L4 major bid 2♣ “Stayman”, having determined what your responses are to each of the 3 replies. On a misfit often 2NT is best. On a fit proceed to game with 25+ Pts.

11↑..18 Pts L5+minor, treat as a balanced hand.

19+ Find a fit and investigate a slam. *Discuss another week.*

11↓ means a weak 11 Pts, 11↑ means a strong 11 Pts. Judge by looking at 10s and 9s.



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Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

And lastly if Responder has

0..10 Pts, L5one_major, L4other_major

You can use Stayman to see if you have a fit in the L4suit and play in that suit at the 2 level or if a misfit, revert to a WTO in the longer major suit.



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

Some examples. I plan to work around the room, giving each of you the opportunity to explain what you would bid as Responder on these hands from Q-plus bridge.

In each case, to save time, I'll announce the shape, point count and any features.

I am calling a feature any

L5+suit

L4major

L1-suit (singleton or void)

Please note that the answers in this section are my own conclusions and have not come from an authoritative book.



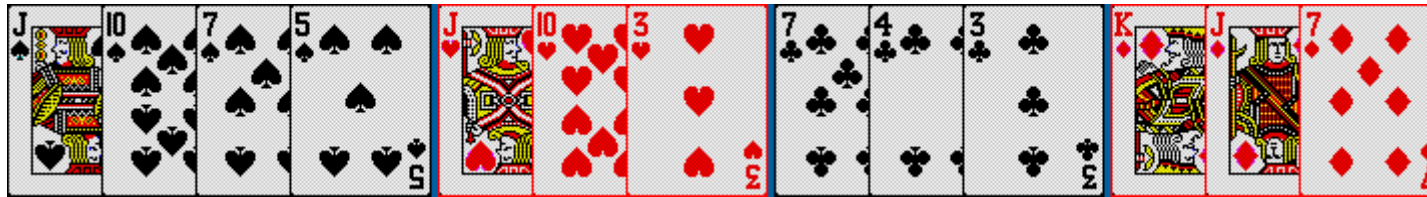
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4333 bal

6 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

L4♠



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9420-01 South



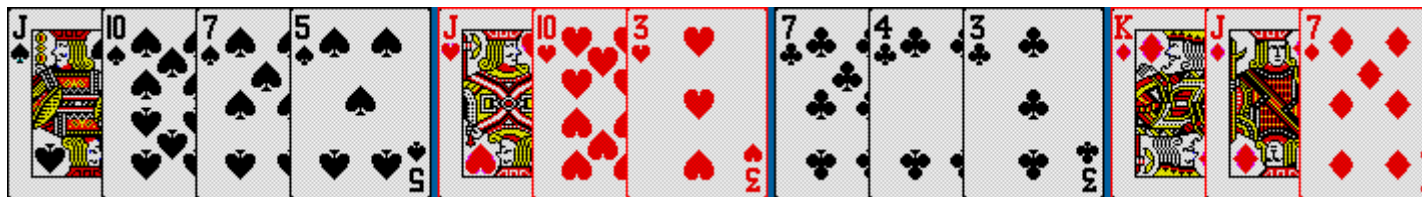
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4333 bal

6 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

L4♠



Too weak to do anything.

Pass

Opener won't get another chance to bid, he'll play in 1NT



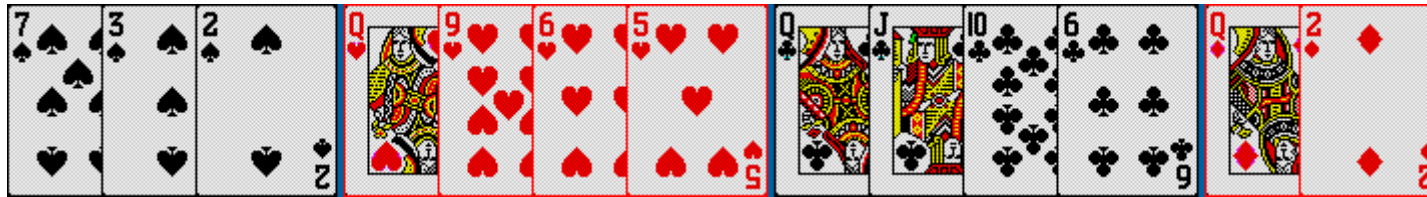
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

7 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

L4♥



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9420-02 South



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

7 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

L4♥



Too weak to do anything.

Pass

Opener won't get another chance to bid, he'll play in 1NT



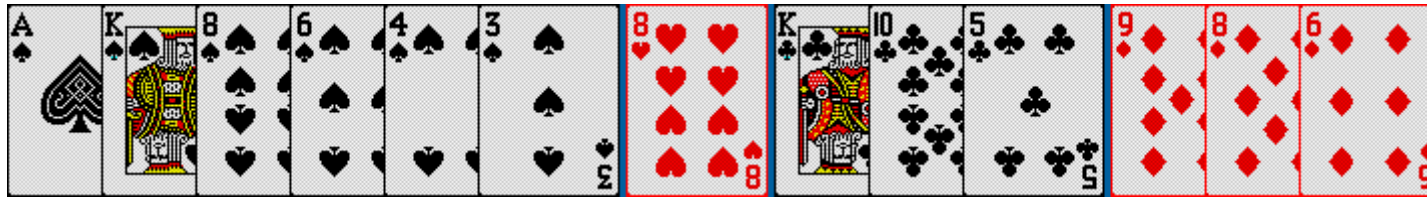
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

6331 unbal

10 HCP + 2 shape Pts.

L6♠, L1♥



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9420-03 South



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

6331 unbal

10 HCP + 2 shape Pts.

L6♠, L1♥



With L6♠ we have a fit, so can add 2 Pts for the L1♥, giving 14Pts.

12..14 HCP + 14 Pts = 26..28 Pts. Enough for game.

4♠

Opener

Pass

9420-03 South

RWPB p28/8



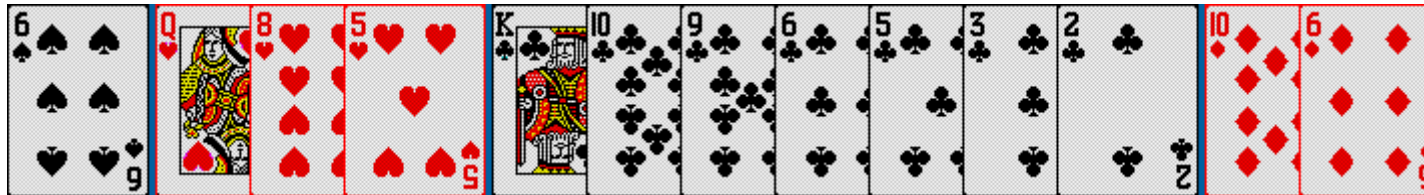
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

7321 unbal

5 HCP + 3 shape Pts.

L7♣, L1♠



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9420-04 South



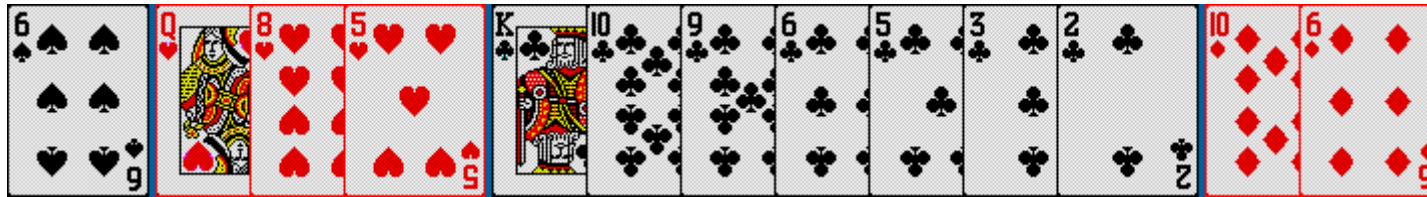
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

7321 unbal

5 HCP + 3 shape Pts.

L7♣, L1♠



With L7♣ we have a fit, so can add 2 Pts for the L1♠, giving 10Pts.
Want to bid a ♣ WTO. Therefore have to go through Stayman. Have enough length to support a 3♣ bid.

2♣ “Stayman”
Opener

2♦ / 2♥ / 2♠

3♣ WTO

9420-04 South

RWPB p28/2



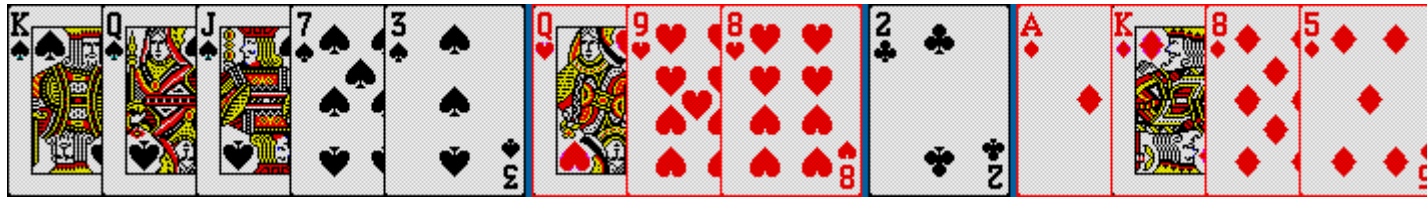
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

15 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♠, L1♣



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9420-05 South



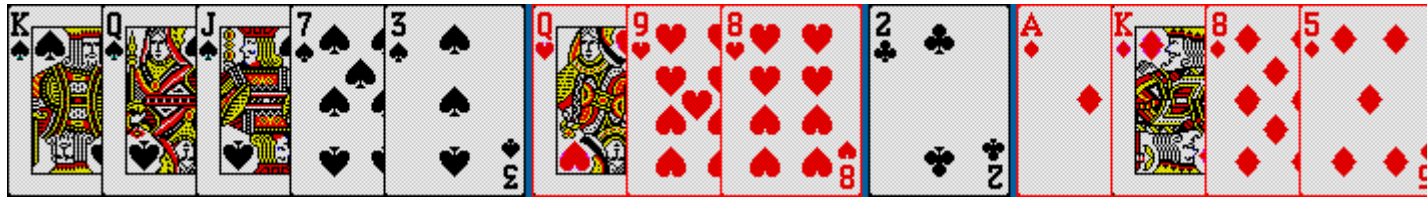
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

15 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♠, L1♣



A good L5 suit with 12+ Pts.

12..14 HCP + 16 Pts = 28..30 Pts, plenty for game.

3♠

Opener L2-♠ 3NT (misfit)

Opener L3+♠ 4♠ (fit)



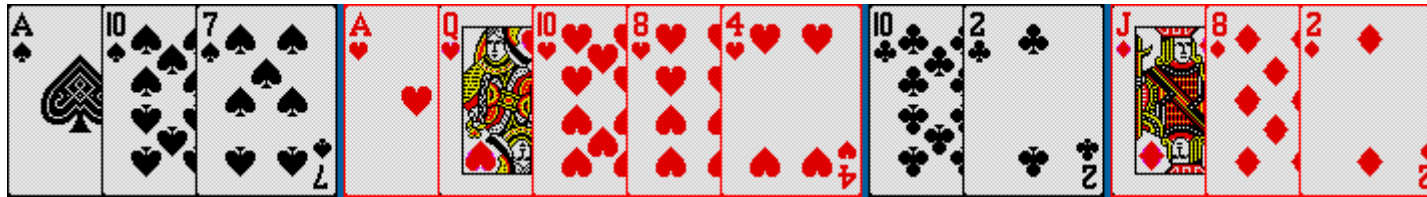
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5332 bal

11 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♥



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9420-06 South



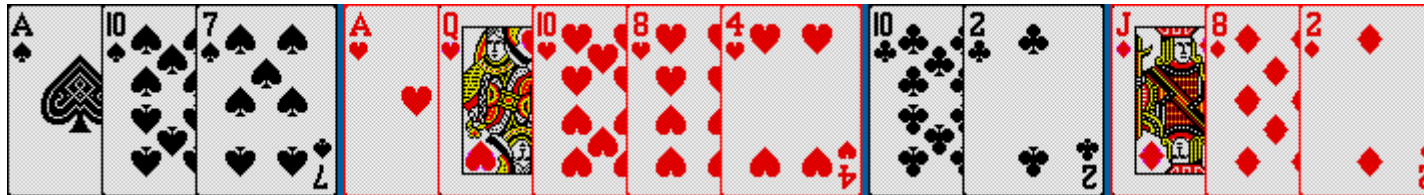
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5332 bal

11 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♥



12..14 HCP + 12 Pts = 24..26 Pts. Invite game.

2NT

Opener 12 HCP

Pass

Opener 14 HCP

3NT

This slide has changed since presented.

9420-06 South

RWPB p28/4



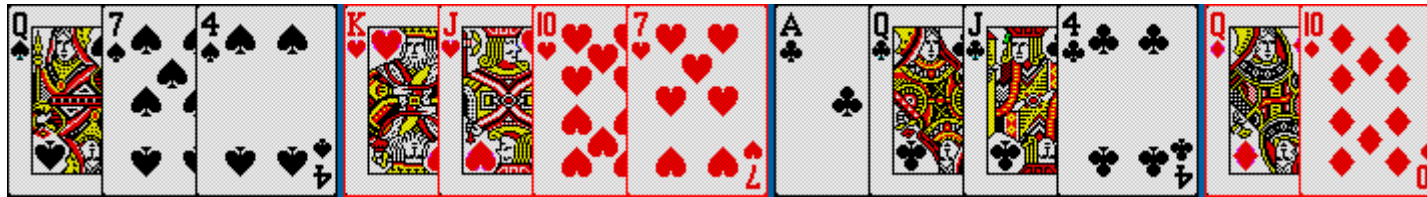
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Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

15 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

L4♥



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9420-07 South



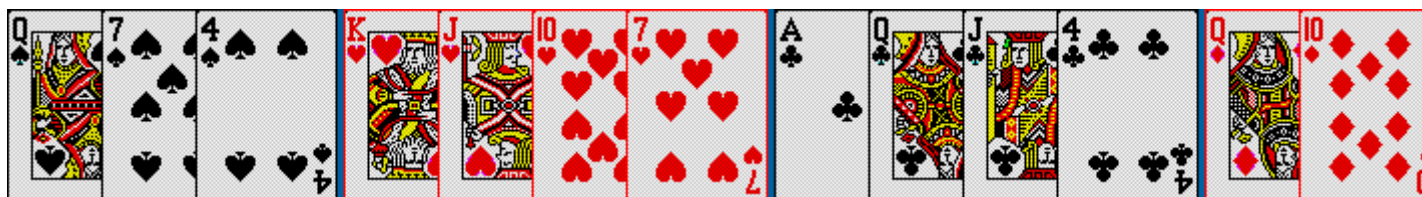
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

15 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

L4♥



Plenty of points for NT game.

3NT

Opener

Pass



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

9 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♠, L1♥



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9420-08 South



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

9 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♠, L1♥



2♠ WTO

Opener

Pass



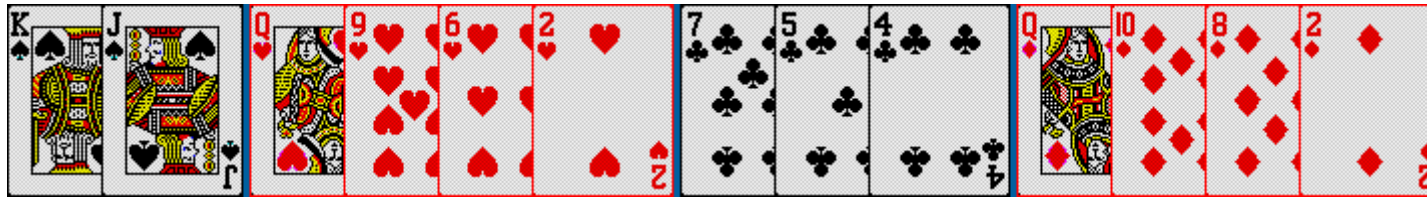
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Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

8 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

L4♥



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9420-09 South



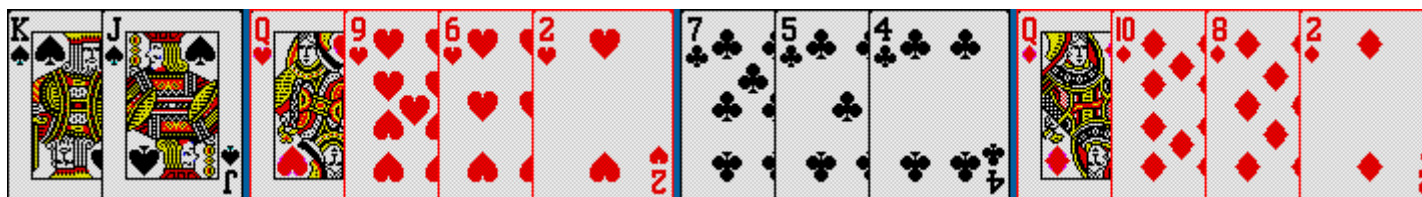
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

8 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

L4♥



Too balanced for a WTO

Pass

Opener won't get another chance to bid, he'll play in 1NT



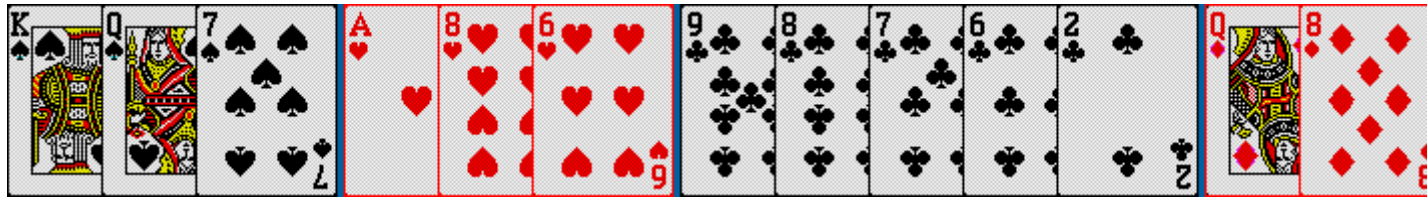
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Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5332 bal

11 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♣



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9420-10 South



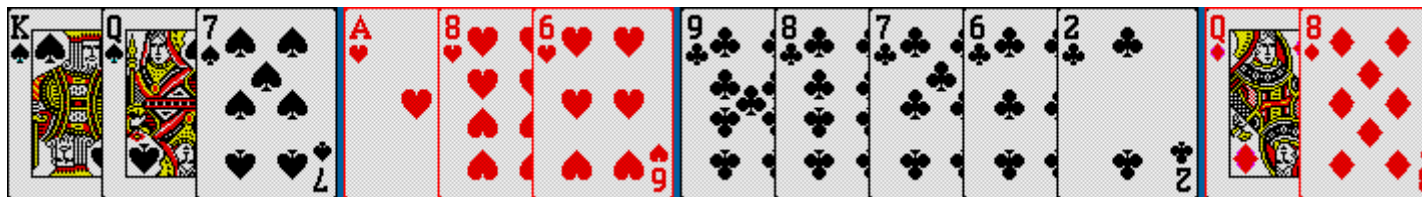
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5332 bal

11 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♣



Classic 2NT invitational bid.

2NT

Opener 12 HCP

Pass

Opener 14 HCP

3NT



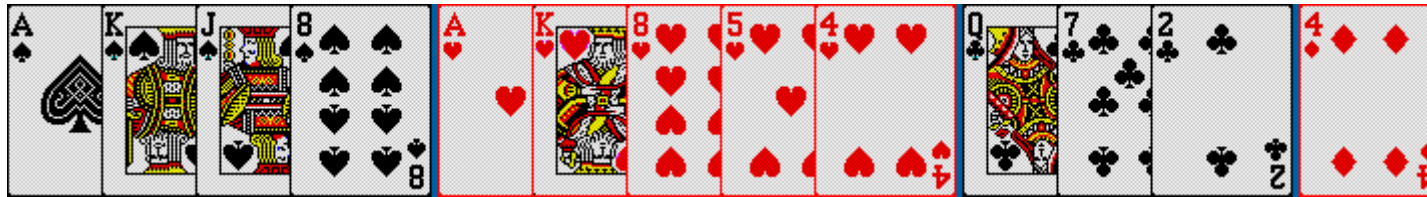
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

17 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♥, L4♠, L1♦



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9420-12 South



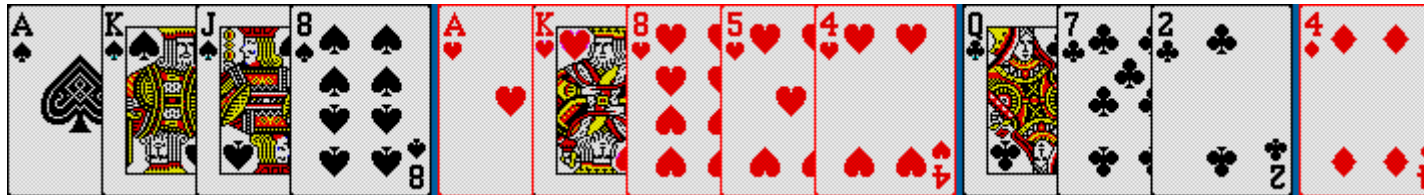
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

17 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♥, L4♠, L1♦



Enough points for game, not enough for a slam.
But which major suit has the better fit?

2♣ Stayman (because of the L4♠)

If 2♦ (negative), bid 4♥

If 2♥, bid 4♥

If 2♠, bid 4♠

9420-12 South

RWPB p28/2&8



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5521 unbal

7 HCP + 2 shape Pts.

L5♠, L5♦, L1♥



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9420-13 South



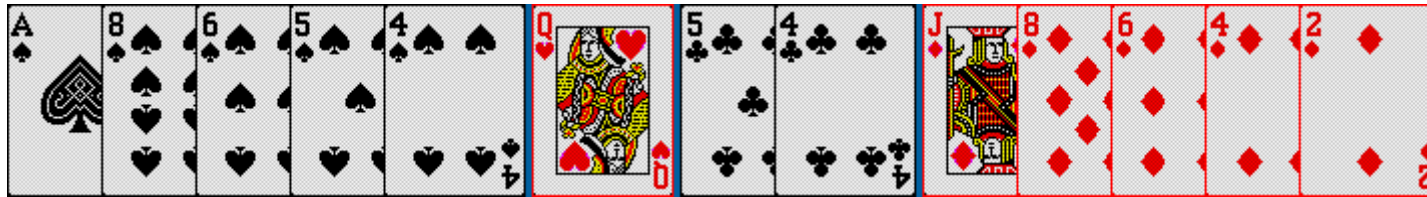
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5521 unbal

7 HCP + 2 shape Pts.

L5♠, L5♦, L1♥



2♠ WTO

Opener

Pass



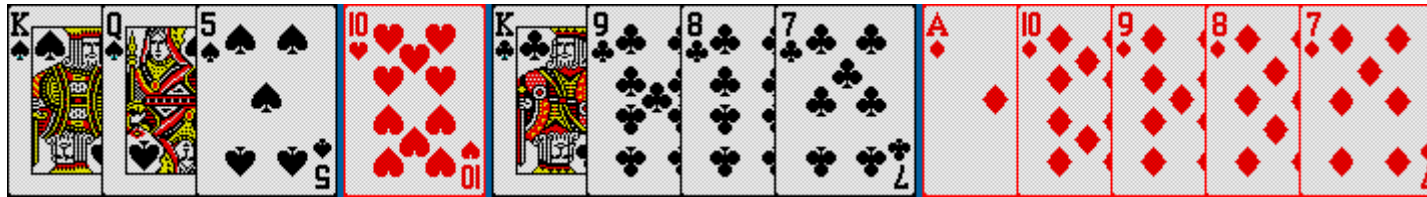
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

12 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♦, L1♥



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9420-14 South



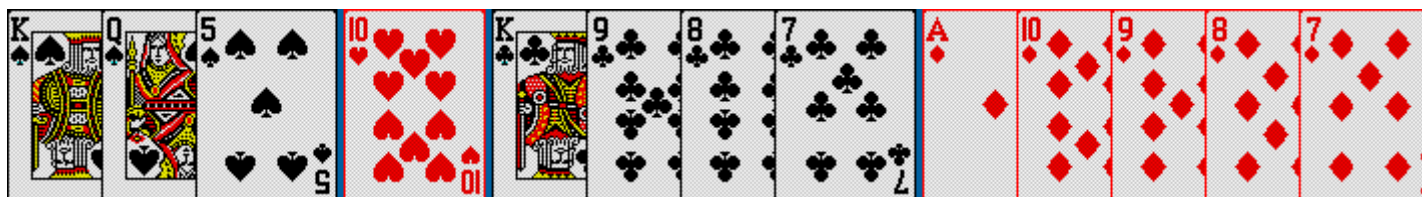
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

12 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♦, L1♥



2NT

Opener 12 HCP

Pass

Opener 14 HCP

3NT

This is treating an unbalanced minor suit as a balanced hand.



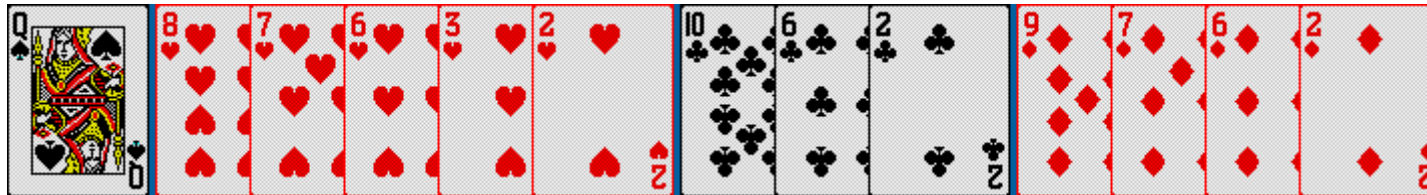
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

2 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♥, L1♠



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9420-15 South



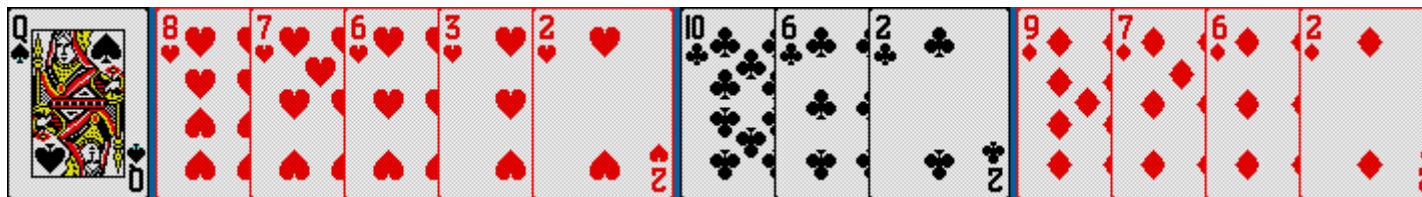
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

2 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♥, L1♠



2♥ WTO

Opener

Pass



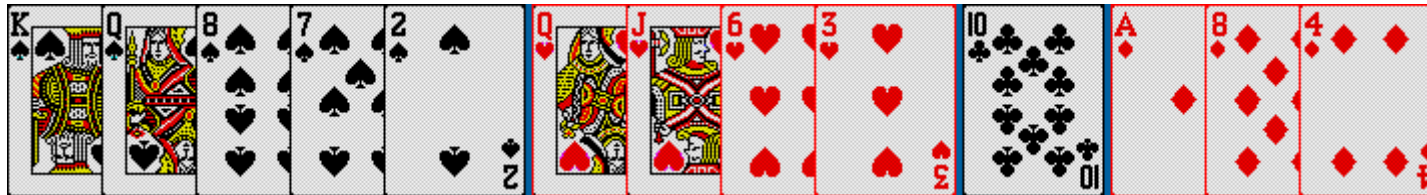
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

12 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♠, L4♥, L1♣



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9420-16 South



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

12 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♠, L4♥, L1♣



Enough points for game, not enough for a slam. But which major suit has the better fit?

2♣ Stayman (because of the L4♥)

If 2♦ (negative), bid 3♠

If 2♥, bid 3♥

If 2♠, bid 4♠

(Opener may bid 4♠ if max)

(Opener may bid 4♥ if max)

9420-16 South

RWPB p28/2



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

8 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

L4♠



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9420-18 South



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

8 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

L4♠



Pass

Opener won't get another chance to bid, he'll play in 1NT



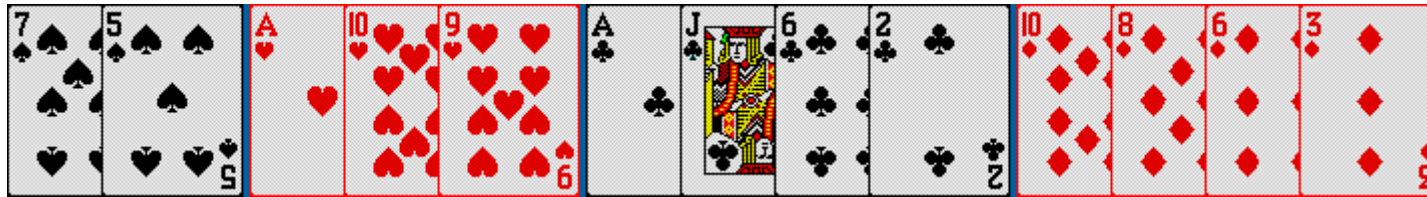
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

9 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

No features



?

9420-19 South



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

9 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

No features



Pass

Opener won't get another chance to bid, he'll play in 1NT



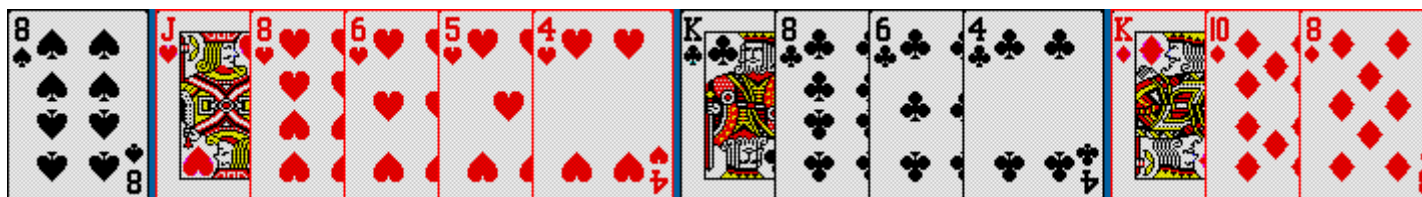
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

7 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♥, L1♠



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9420-20 South



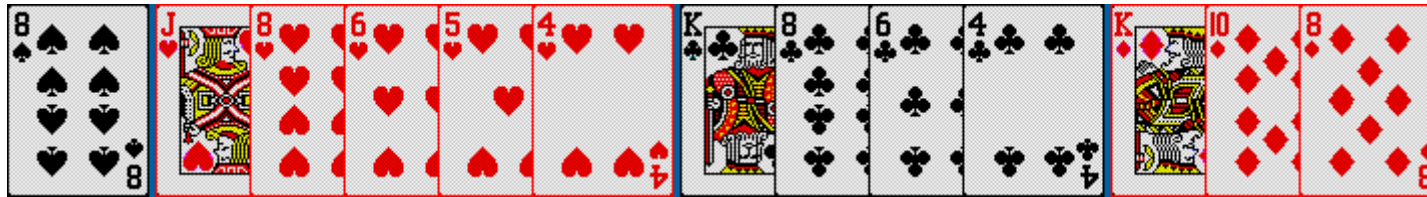
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5431 unbal

7 HCP + 1 shape Pts.

L5♥, L1♠



2♥ WTO

Opener

Pass



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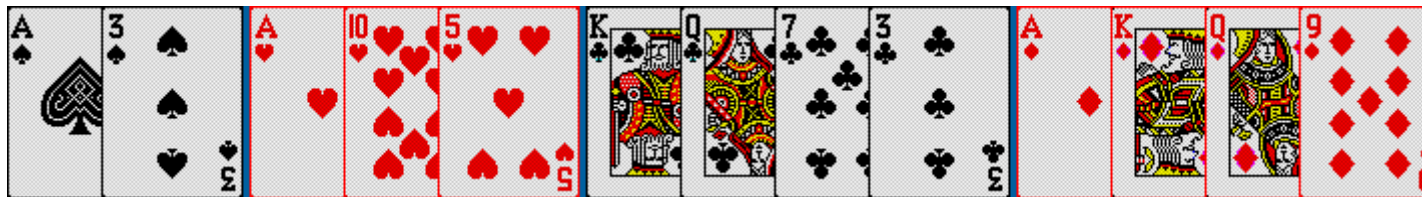


Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

22 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

No features



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9420-21 South



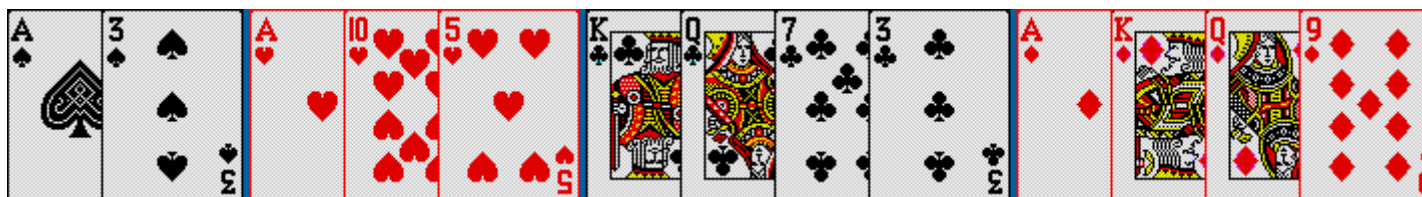
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

22 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

No features



12..14 HCP + 22 HCP = 34..36HCP.

6NT

9420-21 South

RWPB p28/11



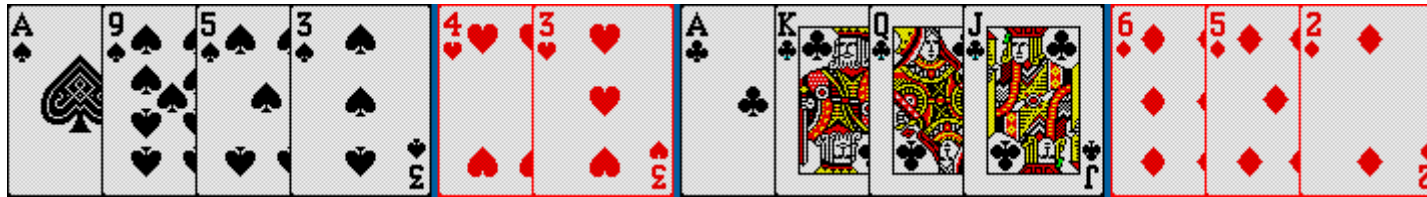
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

14 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

L4♠



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9420-22 South



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4432 bal

14 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

L4♠



12..14 HCP + 14 HCP = 26..28 HCP. Enough for game.

2♣ Stayman (because of the L4♠)

If 2♦ (negative), bid 3NT

If 2♥, bid 3NT

If 2♠, bid 4♠



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

6331 unbal

11 HCP + 2 shape Pts.

L6♥, L1♦



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9420-23 South



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

6331 unbal

11 HCP + 2 shape Pts.

L6♥, L1♦



With L6♥ we have a fit, so can add 2 Pts for the L1♦, giving 15Pts.
12..14 HCP + 15 Pts = 27..29 Pts.

4♥

Opener

Pass

9420-23 South

RWPB p28/1



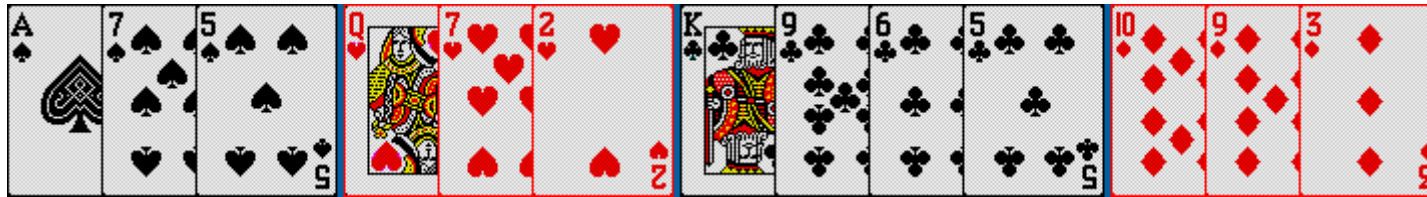
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4333 bal

9 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

No features



?

9420-24 South



U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

4333 bal

9 HCP + 0 shape Pts.

No features



Pass

Opener won't get another chance to bid, he'll play in 1NT



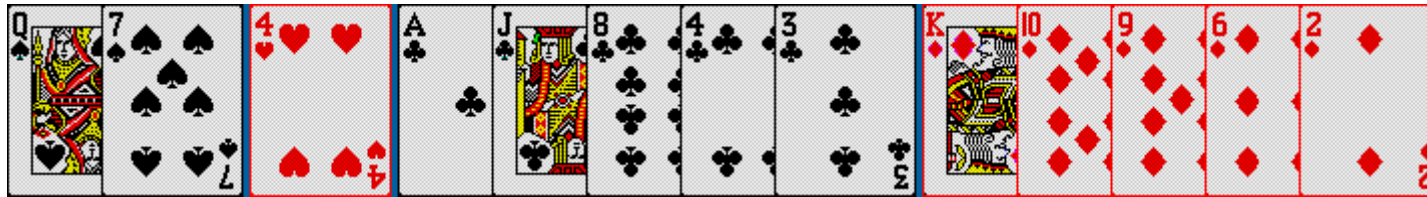
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5521 unbal

10 HCP + 2 shape Pts.

L5♦, L5♣, L1♥



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9420-25 South



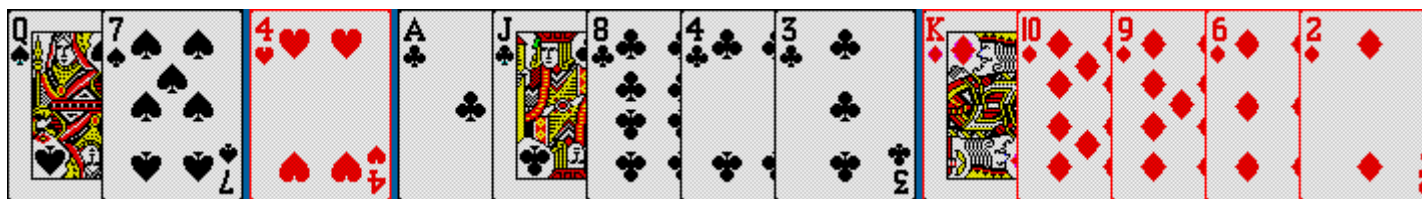
U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised

5521 unbal

10 HCP + 2 shape Pts.

L5♦, L5♣, L1♥



12..14 HCP + 12 Pts = 24..26 Pts. There are three possibilities:

- 2♦ WTO in ♦ if vulnerable RWPB p28/3
- 2NT Go for it if non-vulnerable RWPB p28/4
- Opener 12 HCP Pass
- Opener 14 HCP 3NT

9420-25 South



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Week 4 Play

Play

Divide yourselves into pairs and then into tables.

This week I do not plan to ask you to move, in future weeks we may.

NS have the pair number of their table.

EW have the pair number of their table plus 6.

When you have played a hand, pass it to the next numbered table in sequence. The highest numbered table passes to table 1.

And one last thing – as part of the learning process – I would like the partner of whoever has just bid to take whatever action is standardly required (announcing 1NT to be 12-14 points, ALERTing a conventional bid, ...) – AND ALSO to give a brief description to the other three players on what the bid means.

Any questions?

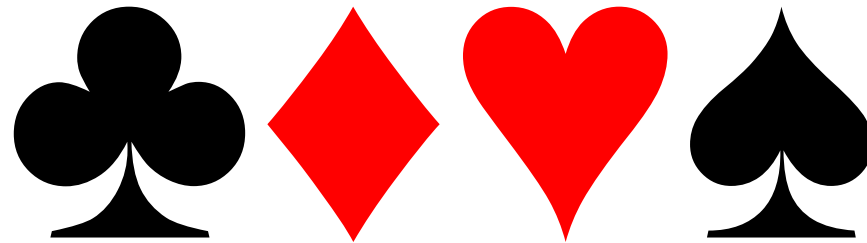
Optional coffee... 20p

PLAY



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Week 4 Responding to 1NT reprised



The end

(The first 6 set hands follow.)

U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Set Hands

Board 1

Dealer: N

Vulnerability: None

(13)

♠K97

♥KJ9

♦K98

♣K975

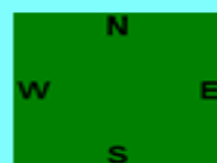
(10)

♠Q63

♥AQ53

♦J5

♣J642



(9)

♠JT85

♥T42

♦A432

♣A3

(8)

♠A42

♥876

♦QT76

♣QT8

U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Set Hands

Board 2

Dealer: E

Vulnerability: N/S

	(10)	
	♠Q843	
	♥6543	
	♦A2	
	♣A84	
(11)		(13)
♠A6		♠KT95
♥KQT7		♥AJ9
♦8765		♦KQ4
♣Q96		♣T73
	(6)	
	♠J72	
	♥82	
	♦JT93	
	♣KJ52	

U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Set Hands

Board 3

Dealer: S

Vulnerability: E/W

(8)

♠K762

♥972

♦QT875

♣K

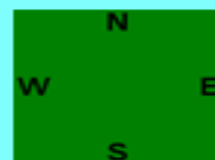
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♠A53

♥K86

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♥QT4

♦A9

♣AJ543

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♠QT9

♥AJ53

♦J63

♣976

U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Set Hands

Board 4

Dealer: W

Vulnerability: Both

	(10)	
	♠AT2	
	♥84	
	♦AJ95	
	♣JT53	
(13)		(8)
♠K974		♠J3
♥AKT93		♥QJ76
♦76		♦T42
♣K9		♣A876
	(9)	
	♠Q865	
	♥52	
	♦KQ83	
	♣Q42	

U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Set Hands

Board 5

Dealer: N
Vulnerability: N/S

	(13)	
	♠A96	
	♥K87	
	♦K984	
	♣K96	
(9)		(11)
♠KJT5		♠Q843
♥AJT9		♥654
♦T3		♦A6
♣T42		♣AJ75
	(7)	
	♠72	
	♥Q32	
	♦QJ752	
	♣Q83	

U3A Intermediate Bridge

Week 4 Set Hands

Board 6

Dealer: E

Vulnerability: E/W

(8)

♠75

♥J972

♦AQJ942

♣8

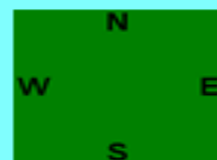
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♠AK9

♥T64

♦K73

♣AJ62



(12)

♠632

♥AKQ

♦65

♣KT973

(5)

♠QJT84

♥853

♦T8

♣Q54