



# U3A Intermediate Bridge 2015-16



While waiting for 2pm

**Do you wish to renew for next year?**

**Are you going to move on to other groups such as The U3A Tuesday Duplicate Clubs?**

Last Week:

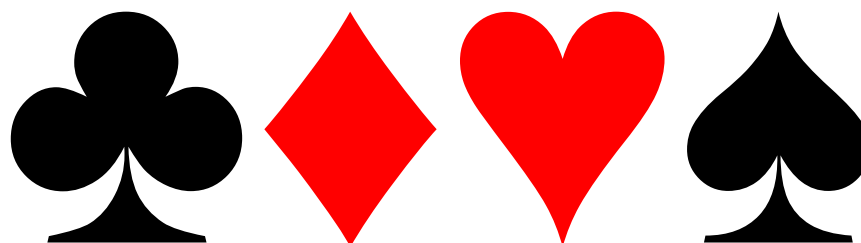
Rank	Pair	Names	Total	%Score
1	2	Pam N & Kate A	29	72.50
2	4	Lin K & Alison M	25	62.50
3	6	Pauline B & Steve B	21	52.50
4	5	Della A & Bob A	16	40.00
5	1	Don F & Peter W	15	37.50
6	3	Helen D & Roxane P	14	35.00



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## Week 17 Tournament Analysis



Steve Bailey



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## Week 17 Entry Knowledge

### **Next year's Registration:**

I am expecting around 10 people who currently attend Reg W's Beginner's Bridge to register for Intermediate Bridge next year. Since this is an **Intermediate** group, I plan to ask them to confirm that their standard is sufficient to manage. To that end I have a 10-point list I want them to be happy with.

Are **you** happy with the same list?



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## Week 17 Entry Knowledge

As an **intermediate** bridge player, you are expected to be familiar with everything on the No Fear Bridge crib sheet(\*).

(\*) [www.nofearbridge.co.uk/crib\\_sheet\\_new.pdf](http://www.nofearbridge.co.uk/crib_sheet_new.pdf)

(\*) *You may ignore Gerber.*

In particular:

...

*That doesn't mean you have to play "it" – you may have advanced beyond this list and play more advanced techniques – but you must understand "it" and be "able" to play "it".*



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## Week 17 Entry Knowledge

As an **intermediate** bridge player, you are expected to be familiar with everything on the No Fear Bridge crib sheet. In particular:

- 1) Be able to evaluate hand value and use the Rule of Twenty.



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## Week 17 Entry Knowledge

As an **intermediate** bridge player, you are expected to be familiar with everything on the No Fear Bridge crib sheet. In particular:

2) Know bidding sequence(\*) as opener with a balanced hand and ANY number of points from 0 to 25+.

(\*) Opening bid and any relevant rebid.



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3) Know standard responses to 1NT, including Weak Take Outs and normal "Stayman".



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4) Be able to score all made, undoubled part or game contracts and any undoubled contract with undertricks **without looking anything up.**





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5) Know standard "Blackwood", asking and replying.



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6) Know all 5 strong "opening 2" values, (4 suits and NT), and negative values and responses to them.



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7) Know requirements to overcall at the 1 or 2 level in suit or NT.



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## Week 17 Entry Knowledge

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8) Know value of "1suit" opening bid and promised rebid.



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## Week 17 Entry Knowledge

As an **intermediate** bridge player, you are expected to be familiar with everything on the No Fear Bridge crib sheet. In particular:

9) Know meaning and point requirements of opening "3suit" bids.



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10) Know functional difference between Take Out and Penalty doubles. Know which doubles are which, allowing that there are some awkward borderline cases.



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## Week 17 Entry Knowledge

If there is **more than one** of the above ten that you are not 'easy' with, consider revisiting a beginners' group – or **study hard before next September!**

Note that the Intermediate Bridge group is aimed at club duplicate play, not at social bridge or rubber bridge which require have different strategies.



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## Week 17 Tournament Analysis

**Last week we had a 10 board Howell tournament.**

Let's analyse it together.

*All the usual abbreviations and additionally, in the bidding,  
"#" for STOP and  
"!" for ANNOUNCE or ALERT*

(We looked at hands 4, 7 and 8 only)

*As part of the discussion in the session we decided that a "black box recorder" letting us know what had actually happened to produce some of the recorded results would have been "useful".*





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## Week 17 Tournament Analysis

Board 1 *Vul none, Dealer N*

← *Board number, vulnerability & dealer*

4432 10 HCP	♠ Q 8 5 2 ♥ K 6 4 ♦ A J ♣ 7 6 4 2	4432 8 HCP									
♠ K J 10 ♥ A 8 3 ♦ K Q 8 5 2 ♣ J 8	<table border="0" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ A 9 6 3 ♥ J 9 7 2 ♦ 9 6 ♣ K 10 9
	N										
W		E									
	S										
5332 14 HCP	♠ 7 4 ♥ Q 10 5 ♦ 10 7 4 3 ♣ A Q 5 3	4432 8 HCP									

N            E            S            W

*How each board is presented, using Bd 1 as an example.*

*Just for the record, when you analyse a hand, it is worth doing:*

*Enter each hand  
Count the shape:  
    does it add to 13?  
Count the hand's HCP points*

*Then count the NS and EW points – does it total 40?*

W:2NT-1

W:3S=

W:1NT-1

← *Results from last week*



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## Week 17 Tournament Analysis

Board 1 *Vul none, Dealer N*

		N	E	S	W
4432 10 HCP	♠ Q 8 5 2 ♥ K 6 4 ♦ A J ♣ 7 6 4 2				
		4432 8 HCP			
♠ K J 10 ♥ A 8 3 ♦ K Q 8 5 2 ♣ J 8	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <span>N</span> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <span>W</span> <span>E</span> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; align-items: center;"> <span>S</span> </div>	♠ A 9 6 3 ♥ J 9 7 2 ♦ 9 6 ♣ K 10 9			
5332 14 HCP	♠ 7 4 ♥ Q 10 5 ♦ 10 7 4 3 ♣ A Q 5 3				
		4432 8 HCP			
<b>W:2NT-1</b>	<b>W:3S=</b>	<b>W:1NT-1</b>			



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## Week 17 Tournament Analysis

Board 2 *Vul NS, Dealer E*

		E	S	W	N
5332 8 HCP	♠ A 9 8 7 6 ♥ A 7 3 ♦ 7 4 ♣ 10 6 5				
♠ J 5 ♥ J 10 9 6 ♦ Q 9 ♣ A Q J 8 4	N W            E S	♠ 10 4 3 ♥ K Q ♦ A J 10 8 6 ♣ K 9 3			
5422 11 HCP	♠ K Q 2 ♥ 8 5 4 2 ♦ K 5 3 2 ♣ 7 3				
	4432 8 HCP				
<b>E:3NT-3</b>	<b>W:2NT-2</b>	<b>E:3NT-1</b>			



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## Week 17 Tournament Analysis

Board 3 *Vul EW, Dealer S*

	S	W	N	E
6322 5 HCP	♠ 6 2 ♥ 10 6 ♦ 9 4 3 ♣ K Q 8 7 6 4	4432 13 HCP	4441 12 HCP	♠ A Q 7 ♥ 8 5 4 2 ♦ A Q 7 2 ♣ J 10
♠ K 10 9 8 ♥ A K J 3 ♦ J 10 8 6 ♣ 3	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <span>N</span> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <span>W</span> <span>E</span> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; align-items: center;"> <span>S</span> </div>	4432 10 HCP		
♠ J 5 4 3 ♥ Q 9 7 ♦ K 5 ♣ A 9 5 2				
<b>W:2H+2</b>	<b>W:4H-1</b>	<b>W:4H+1</b>		



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Board 4 *Vul All, Dealer W*

4333 13 HCP	♠ A 5 3 ♥ 7 6 5 ♦ K Q J 6 ♣ Q J 3	4432 15 HCP									
♠ Q 8 7 ♥ Q 3 ♦ 8 5 3 2 ♣ 8 6 4 2	<table border="0" style="width: 100%; height: 100%;"> <tr><td></td><td style="font-size: 2em;">N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="font-size: 2em;">W</td><td></td><td style="font-size: 2em;">E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="font-size: 2em;">S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ K 9 6 2 ♥ A J 10 4 ♦ 9 4 ♣ A K 10
	N										
W		E									
	S										
4432 4 HCP	♠ J 10 4 ♥ K 9 8 2 ♦ A 10 7 ♣ 9 7 5	4333 8 HCP									

W	N	E	S
P	1NT!	P	P
P			

*S announces N's 1NT as "Twelve to fourteen".*

*An overcall of 2NT by E is pushing it given W already passed.*

*An overcall of 2H by E violates the guideline: L5H.*

Lead by E: 4H

**N:2NT-1    E:2H-2    N:1NT=**



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## Week 17 Tournament Analysis

Board 5 *Vul NS, Dealer N*

		N	E	S	W
4432 5 HCP	♠ 10 7 3 ♥ Q 8 4 3 ♦ K 8 5 2 ♣ 8 6				
	4432 8 HCP				
♠ Q 5 4 ♥ K 10 7 ♦ A Q 6 3 ♣ J 10 3	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <span style="font-size: 2em;">W</span> <span style="font-size: 2em;">N</span> <span style="font-size: 2em;">E</span> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center; margin-top: 10px;"> <span style="font-size: 2em;">S</span> </div>	♠ K 9 6 2 ♥ A J 9 6 ♦ 10 4 ♣ 9 7 2			
4333 12 HCP	♠ A J 8 ♥ 5 2 ♦ J 9 7 ♣ A K Q 5 4				
	5332 15 HCP				
<b>E:2H-1    S:1C-1    N:2NT=</b>					



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## Week 17 Tournament Analysis

Board 6 *Vul EW, Dealer E*

		E	S	W	N
4432 9 HCP	♠ 9 7 6 ♥ K 8 ♦ K Q J 8 ♣ 8 7 6 3				
6511 13 HCP	♠ A Q J 10 4 2 ♥ 6 ♦ 4 ♣ A Q 10 9 5	N W                  E S	♠ 8 5 ♥ Q J 9 5 4 3 ♦ A 10 9 5 ♣ 4	6421 7 HCP	
	♠ K 3 ♥ A 10 7 2 ♦ 7 6 3 2 ♣ K J 2			4432 11 HCP	
<b>W:2S=    W:4S+2    W:2NT+3</b>					



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## Week 17 Tournament Analysis

Board 7 Vul All, Dealer S

6322 7 HCP	♠ 9 3 2 ♥ 6 2 ♦ A J 9 6 4 3 ♣ Q 2	5521 4 HCP									
♠ A Q J 6 4 ♥ A ♦ K 7 ♣ K J 9 7 3	<table border="0" style="width: 100%; height: 100%;"> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W</td><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ K 10 8 7 5 ♥ J 10 8 5 3 ♦ 10 ♣ 10 6
	N										
W		E									
	S										
5521 18 HCP	♠ - ♥ K Q 9 7 4 ♦ Q 8 5 2 ♣ A 8 5 2	5440 11 HCP									

S	W	N	E
1H	1S	P	#4S
P	P	P	

Lead by N: 6H

1H	1S	2D	#4S
5D	Dbl	P	P
P			

*A 2D response by N is reasonable. 5D is intended as a sacrifice, expecting to make 3D. Thus -500 in 5Dx rather than -620 in their 4S.*

P	1C	1D	(P/1H)/1S
#4D	4S	5D	P
P	P		

**W:3S=**    **W:4S+1**    **N:5Dx=**  
**Today: W:4S+1**    **W:4S+1**    **W:4S+2** (Traveller dubious – 11 tricks, score 680!)





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Board 8 *Vul none, Dealer W*

4432  
11 HCP

♠ K 9 8  
♥ K 4  
♦ Q 7 3 2  
♣ K 7 5 4

5431  
10 HCP

W      N      E      S  
P      P      P      P

*How did **anyone** bid?*

♠ J 5 2  
♥ A Q 9 3  
♦ 6  
♣ Q 10 9 6 2

W      N      E  
S

♠ A 10 3  
♥ J T 7 6 2  
♦ A J 8 4  
♣ 8

5431  
9 HCP

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

4432  
10 HCP

W:3H-1    N:2NT-4    PassedOut



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Board 9 *Vul EW, Dealer N*

		N	E	S	W
5332 12 HCP	♠ A K 2 ♥ Q 2 ♦ J 6 3 ♣ Q 9 7 5 3				
♠ J 5 4 ♥ 8 4 3 ♦ A Q 10 7 ♣ J 8 4	N W            E S	4333 12 HCP	♠ Q 9 8 7 ♥ 10 7 6 ♦ K 9 5 ♣ A K 6		
4333 8 HCP	♠ 10 6 3 ♥ A K J 9 5 ♦ 8 4 2 ♣ 10 2				
		5332 8 HCP			

**W:3D-2    N:3C=**  
**S:2D-1**(Transfer gone wrong)



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Board 10 *Vul All, Dealer E*

		E	S	W	N
5422 9 HCP	♠ K Q J 6 3 ♥ 10 9 8 6 ♦ K 9 ♣ 9 3				
♠ 10 7 ♥ 7 5 ♦ J 10 8 7 6 3 2 ♣ 5 2	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <span style="font-size: 2em;">W</span> <span style="font-size: 2em;">N</span> <span style="font-size: 2em;">E</span> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center; margin-top: 10px;"> <span style="font-size: 2em;">S</span> </div>	♠ A 9 8 5 ♥ A Q J 2 ♦ - ♣ A Q J 6 4	5440 18 HCP		
7222 1 HCP	♠ 4 2 ♥ K 4 3 ♦ A Q 5 4 ♣ K 10 8 7			4432 12 HCP	

**S:1C+** (Or is this E:?, Score unaltered.)

**N:1S=    E:3NT-2**



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## Week 17 Play

### Play

Divide yourselves into pairs and then into tables.

This week I do not plan to ask you to move.

NS have the pair number of their table, N has his back to the screen.

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?**

**Tea / coffee & biscuit. (20p)**

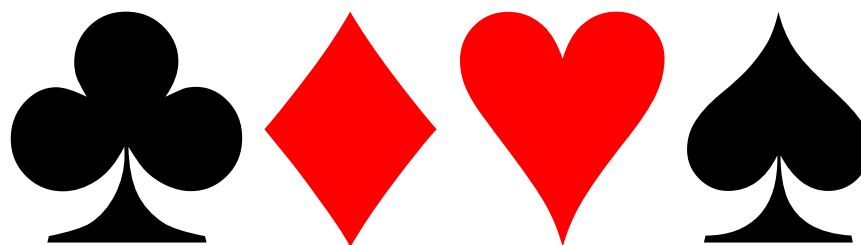
**PLAY**



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The end

