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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:

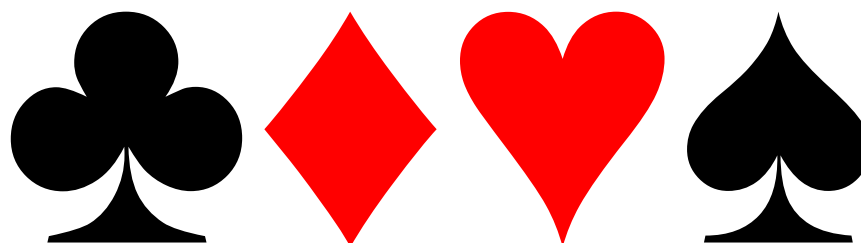
Rank	Pair	Names	Total	%Score
1	2	Pam N & Kate A	29	72.50
2	4	Lin K & Alison M	25	62.50
3	6	Pauline B & Steve B	21	52.50
4	5	Della A & Bob A	16	40.00
5	1	Don F & Peter W	15	37.50
6	3	Helen D & Roxane P	14	35.00



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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

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



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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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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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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				
♠ K J 10 ♥ A 8 3 ♦ K Q 8 5 2 ♣ J 8	N W E S	♠ 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			
4432 8 HCP					
W:2NT-1	W:3S=	W:1NT-1			



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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				
E:3NT-3	W:2NT-2	E:3NT-1			



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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				
♠ K 10 9 8 ♥ A K J 3 ♦ J 10 8 6 ♣ 3	N W E S	♠ A Q 7 ♥ 8 5 4 2 ♦ A Q 7 2 ♣ J 10	4432 13 HCP		
4441 12 HCP	♠ J 5 4 3 ♥ Q 9 7 ♦ K 5 ♣ A 9 5 2				
	4432 10 HCP				
W:2H+2	W:4H-1	W:4H+1			



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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>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		♠ 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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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	N W E S	♠ 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				
E:2H-1 S:1C-1 N:2NT=					



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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				
		6421 7 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			
6511 13 HCP	♠ K 3 ♥ A 10 7 2 ♦ 7 6 3 2 ♣ K J 2				
		4432 11 HCP			
W:2S=		W:4S+2		W:2NT+3	



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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

 N
W 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
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">5422 9 HCP</div>	♠ K Q J 6 3 ♥ 10 9 8 6 ♦ K 9 ♣ 9 3				
					<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">5440 18 HCP</div>	
♠ 10 7 ♥ 7 5 ♦ J 10 8 7 6 3 2 ♣ 5 2		<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 100px; background-color: #e0ffe0; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin: 0 auto;"> N W E S </div>			♠ A 9 8 5 ♥ A Q J 2 ♦ - ♣ A Q J 6 4	
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">7222 1 HCP</div>	♠ 4 2 ♥ K 4 3 ♦ A Q 5 4 ♣ K 10 8 7			<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">4432 12 HCP</div>	

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)

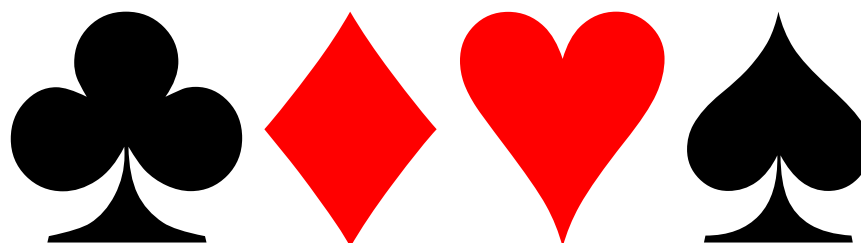
PLAY



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The end

