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This week we had what was planned to be the second half of the Mr Bridge Bernard Magee DVD "Leads". We decided it was too long to watch in one sitting, so we only watched the first half of part two. The final installment will be at the final session of the year.

Set hand sources:

LDS#h:mm:ss      Leads DVD with timestamp

AR:OL#n          Andrew Robson: Opening Leads



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### Set hands

#	Dir	Vul	Source	Dir = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.		
1	N	None	LDS#0:53:51			A♠=N
1	9	3NT-1	N 8	-	50	Lead H
2	10	3NT-1	N 8	-	50	Lead H
3	11	3S-1	N 8	-	50	Lead C. Unusual S bidding.
Ref		3NT-1	N 8	-	50	Lead JH

Defenders at tables 1 & 2 did well. Table 3 is incomparable since the bidding is as it was.



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#	Dir	Vul	Source	Dir = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.			
2	E	N/S	AR:OL#11				A♠=W
1	9	3NT=	E 9	-	400	Lead S	
2	10	3NT+1	E 10	-	430	Lead D	
3	11	3NT+2	E 11	-	460	Lead 4S (No Stayman bid)	
Ref		3NT-1	E 8	50	-	Lead 7D	

Tables 1 & 3 chose the wrong lead. Somehow table 2 managed the right lead but failed to defeat declarer.



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#	Dir	Vul	Source	Dir = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.			
3	S	E/W	AR:OL#8				A♠=W
1	9	2NT+2	S 10	180	-		Lead S
2	10	2NT+1	S 9	150	-		Lead C
3	11	5D-2	N 9	-	100		
Ref		3NT-2	S 7	-	100		Lead JS

If S shows 17..18 HCP and a balanced hand with a 2NT bid, N with 8 HCP and a balanced hand, jointly 25..26 HCP should bid to game. Poor bidding.

Table 1 should have defeated the contract (even a 2NT one).

Table 2 got the opening lead wrong.

Table 3 has chosen an unusual contract.



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#	Dir	Vul	Source	Dir = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.		
4	W	All	LDS#1:00:30			A♠=S
1	9	3NT-1	W 8	100	-	Lead D. Yes.
2	10	4H=	W 10	-	620	Oh
Ref		3NT-1	W 8	100	-	Lead JD



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#	Dir	Vul	Source	Dir = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.			
5	N	N/S	<i>LDS#1:03:00</i>				A♠=N
1	9	4H=	N 10	620	-	D lead	
2	10	4H=	N 10	620	-	H lead	
3	11	4H=	N 10	620	-	D lead	
Ref		4H-1	N 9	-	100	3H lead	

Surprised Table 2 failed to get declarer down after their passive lead.



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#	Dir	Vul	Source	Dir = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.			
6	E	E/W	LDS#1:13:48				A♠=E
1	9	3NT+1	E 10	-	630	H lead	
2	10	3NT+1	E 10	-	630	H lead	
3	11	3NT+3	E 12	-	690	S lead. Wrong choice of lead.	
Ref		3NT+1	E 10	-	630	10H	





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### **Set hands**

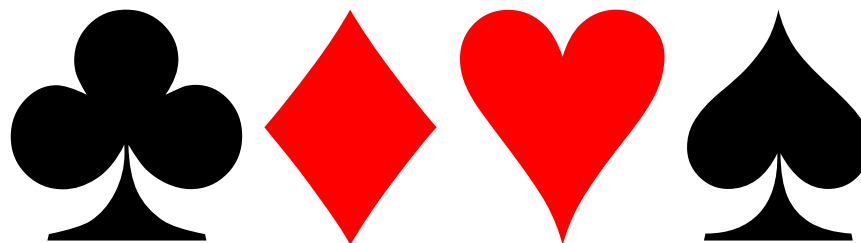
Boards 7 was played once, 8 & 9 not at all.



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The end

