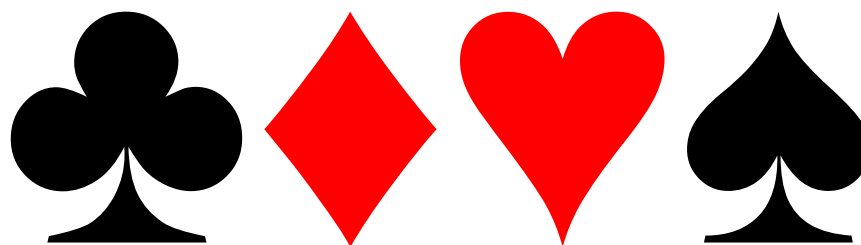




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Week 5 Ruffing for eXtra Tricks



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We watched part 1 of the Bernard Magee DVD "Ruffing for eXtra Tricks".

See Bridge magazine issue 145 page 22.

See also RWPB page 172 onwards for related information.



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Week 5 Play

Play

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

EW have the pair number of their table plus 8.

Play boards in sequence. Have an incoming pile and an outgoing pile. Pass outgoing to next lower numbered table – Table 1 to highest table.

As part of the learning process – I would like the partner of whoever has just bid to take whatever action is **standardly required** (eg 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.

If you wish to fill in a personal results card, they are available here. They are commonly used at duplicate clubs.

Any questions?

Tea / coffee & biscuit. (20p)

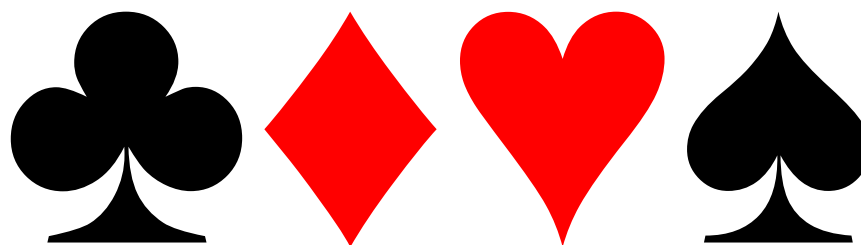
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The end

Week 5 set hand
references follow.



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Set hand sources

DVD:RXT Bernard Magee DVD "Ruffing for eXtra Tricks"

AR:DTC Andrew Robson: Declaring Trump Contracts

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Blue results as played.

Red results are reference results.

Boards as played are rotated compared to the book presentation (which mostly make South dealer). Rotation defined by position of A♠.

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There were 4 tables, Table 1 had 5 players with the spare player swapping seats with the previous declarer.



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#	Dlr	Vul	Source	Dlr = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.
1	N	None	DVD:RXT#1	A♠=E
<i>EW as DVD, played cards as DVD, rest dealt & adjusted.</i>				

NOTE: READ AFTER BIDDING

For this deal to provide the required exercise, you need to be in a SLAM contract. If you are, play it. If not, use this bidding ...*(redacted)*.

1	9	4S+3	W 13	-	510	Why not in 6S?
3	11	6S=	W 12	-	980	
4	12	6S=	W 12	-	980	
Ref		6S=	W 12	-	980	

Well done 11 & 12. 9 misbid and didn't read the instructions.

Presumably 9 was lucky - NS discarding the wrong cards to make trick 13.



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#	Dlr	Vul	Source	Dlr = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.
2	E	N/S	DVD:RXT#2	A♠=S
<i>NS as DVD, played cards as DVD, rest dealt & adjusted.</i>				

NOTE: READ AFTER BIDDING

This deal should be in a SLAM contract (6S or 7S). If not, use this bidding ... (redacted). Your trick target is 6S+1 or 7S.

1	9	4S+2	N	12	680	-
4	12	6S=	N	12	1430	-
Ref		6S+1	N	13	1460	-

Again table 1 have note read the instruction note - (sigh).

Neither table managed to make all 13 tricks.

There are 11 Top Tricks and 2 eXtra Tricks (Trump 2 x H in dummy), so why not?

Please review this deal and its play at home.



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Dlr Vul Source Dlr = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.
 3 S E/W DVD:RXT#3 A♠=E
 EW as DVD, played cards as DVD, rest dealt & adjusted.

NOTE: READ BEFORE LOOKING AT CARDS

If EW play transfers, rotate board 180° (so S has N hand).

1	9	4S-1	E	9	100	-	Poor
2	10	4S=	E	10	-	620	Travellers said 790
3	11	4S=	W	10	-	620	Playing transfers
Ref a		4S=	E	10	-	620	
Ref b		4S=	W	10	-	620	

There are 9 Top Tricks. Need 1 eXtra Trick, Ruff 1 x H in West hand.



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Ruffing for eXtra Tricks

#	Dlr	Vul	Source	Dlr = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.
4	W	All	DVD:RXT#4	A♠=S
<i>NS as DVD, played cards as DVD, rest dealt & adjusted.</i>				

NOTE: **DECLARER** READ AFTER BIDDING

If you are in a game contract, great. If not, strive for an overtrick.

1	9	2S+1	S 9	140	-	<i>An overtrick, but poor</i>
2	10	3S=	S 9	140	-	<i>No overtrick, poor</i>
Ref		3S+1	S 10	170	-	

There are 9 Top Tricks. Can make 1 eXtra Trick by establishing North's L5H.



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#	Dir	Vul	Source	Dir = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.		
5	N	N/S	AR:DTC#9			A♠=N
1	9	4S=	N 10	620	-	<i>Good</i>
2	10	4S-1	N 9	-	100	<i>Poor</i>
3	11	3NT=	N 9	600	-	<i>Not as good as 4S=</i>
Ref		4S=	N 10	620	-	



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Ruffing for eXtra Tricks

Dlr Vul Source Dlr = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.

6 E E/W AR:DTC#10 A♠=S

NOTE: READ **BEFORE** BIDDING

After an opening 1opener's_suit, Responder is too weak to reply 2newsuit with only 6 or 7 points. His choice is between 1NT and 2opener's_suit. Conventionally Responder needs L4opener's_suit to repky 2opener's_suit. However **also**opener's_suit reply 2opener's_suit with 6-7 points and L3opener's_suit.

2	10	2H+2	E	10	-	170	<i>Poor</i>
3	11	4H+1	E	11	-	650	<i>Good – maybe non-ideal defence</i>
Ref		4H=	E	10	-	620	



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Ruffing for eXtra Tricks

#	Dir	Vul	Source	Dir = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.		
7	S	All	AR:DTC#11			A♠=S
2	10	2S+1	S 9	140	-	
3	11	4S-1	S 9	-	100	
4	12	4S+1	S 11	650	-	
Ref		4S=	S 10	620	-	



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#	Dir	Vul	Source	Dir = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.		
8	W	None	AR:DTC#12			A♠=W
3	11	4H-1	W 9	50	-	
4	12	4H-1	W 9	50	-	
Ref		4H=	W 10	-	420	

There are 9 top tricks. If Clubs split 4:2 or better then can make 1 x length trick in L5C.

Need 4 entries to get the clubs lead, but only have 3 (AC KH JH):

- xC → AC plays AC and xC
- xH → KH plays xC (AH with declarer)
- xH → JH plays xC (QH with declarer)
- ?? → ?? Enter and then wins last club length trick xC

But don't have a 4th entry.

Therefore duck one club early whilst control remains.

You get 9 Top Tricks plus 1 eXtra Trick from L5C.