



INTERPROVINCIAL TEAMS 2020

The Medwin & Berkowitz
25-27 July 2020

Today was a full day of bridge, so let's jump straight into it after a quick note:

More than one person has pointed out that my analysis on the first hand published in yesterday's bulletin was incorrect. In fact the contract makes on any lead as declarer simply rises with the A♥ on a heart lead and attacks diamonds hoping for the ace with West, or the ♥K with East or failing both of those possibilities, a 4-4 break in hearts. In fact the hand is more interesting as a problem for declarer if East leads a spade. If West wins this trick and returns the jack, can declarer risk East winning this and switching to a heart?

James Grant (SABF PRESIDENT)

Tournament Schedule

Saturday 25 July

Medwin Match 1

- First Half 18:30
- Second Half 19:50

Berkowitz Match 1

- 18:30

Berkowitz Match 2

- 20:20

Sunday 26 July

Medwin Match 2

- First Half 09:30
- Second Half 10:50

Medwin Match 3

- First Half 13:30
- Second Half 14:50

Medwin Match 4

- First Half 16:30
- Second Half 18:00

Sunday 26 July

Berkowitz Session 1

- Match 3 09:30
- Match 4 11:20

Berkowitz Session 2

- Match 5 14:30
- Match 6 16:20

Monday 27 July

Medwin Match 5

- First Half 18:00
- Second Half 19:20

Berkowitz

- Match 7 18:00

Day 2 - Results

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26 July Match 1

	VPs		VPs	
Gauteng	16.8	VS.	3.2	Eastern Cape
Kwazulu Natal	14.39		5.61	Southern Cape
Western Cape	12		0	Bye

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26 July Match 2

	VPs		VPs	
Gauteng	20	VS.	0	Southern Cape
Western Cape	12.3		7.7	Kwazulu Natal
Eastern Cape	12		0	Bye

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26 July Match 3

	VPs		VPs	
Kwazulu Natal	0	VS.	20	Eastern Cape
Western Cape	18.33		1.67	Southern Cape
Gauteng	12		0	Bye

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26 July Match 1

	VPs		VPs	
Kwazulu Natal	4.54	VS.	15.46	Western Cape
Northern Gauteng	10.66		9.34	Southern Cape
Eastern Cape	20		0	Border
Gauteng	12		0	Bye

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26 July Match 2

	VPs		VPs	
Border	2.09	VS.	17.91	Northern Gauteng
Southern Cape	6.28		13.72	Western Cape
Kwazulu Natal	1.47		18.5	Gauteng
Eastern Cape	12		0	Bye

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26 July Match 3

	VPs		VPs	
Kwazulu Natal	5.81	VS.	14.2	Southern Cape
Northern Gauteng	4.54		15.46	Gauteng
Eastern Cape	16.38		3.62	Western Cape
Border	12		0	Bye

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26 July Match 4

	VPs		VPs	
Gauteng	7.56	VS.	12.44	Eastern Cape
Western Cape	20		0	Border
Kwazulu Natal	11.28		8.72	Northern Gauteng
Southern Cape	12		0	Bye

Medwin Team Information

Gauteng		Western Cape	
Alon Apteker	alonap	Malcolm Siegel	tyzlor
Jude Apteker	judeap	Rob Sulcas	robsu
Noah Apteker	noahapteke	Imtiaz Kaprey	imtiaz1
Aras Apteker	arasap1	Maureen Narunsky	moremo
Craig Gower	craigy52	Daniar Minwalla	diniar
Hennie Fick	hcbfick	Nancy Minwalla	bojang7

Kwazulu Natal		Eastern Cape	
Linda Campbell	lindacam	Naomi Solomons	nomsie1
John Barlow	jb71634	Di Penlington	dip53
Di Knowler	jinja44	Chris Castelein	castelein
Wilf Sperryn	wgs1430	Dawn Palmer	palmerd
		Shirley Rubin	shirlrub

Southern Cape	
Heidi Atkinson	heidiatkin
Linette Gubb	Lin99
Mary Walter	mewalt
Gail Bezuidenhout	gailbez
Peter Ward	peter3202
Marc Smetryns	offthemark

Berkowitz Team Information

Western Cape

Suzette Mckerron	smck48
Pauline van der Vyver	paulinevdv
Phil King	impalaphil
Bryan Strydom	mel k

Eastern Cape

Ester Goosen	2000and01
Glynis Dornon	glynisd
Desmond Duckitt	dhld
John Roberts	jdschorn

Kwazulu Natal

Mary Mutch	marykins
Beth Oldacre	bethold
Tanya Rawson	tan 18
Ann Miller	chads

Northern Gauteng

Ice Peenz	ice 3
Adri Peenz	a3456
Hans Lombard	simbra
Albert Van Lier	albertels

Gauteng

Louise Berman	loulou18
Allan Berman	allanb
Ella Danilowitz	elladan3
Roy Danilowitz	roydan3
Sharon Taitz	natalie12b
Jennifer Matisonn	jmatisonn

Southern Cape

John Gibson	jughead2
Stephne Roche	bateleur
Mike Wright	mike1098
Viv Lloyd	viv1098
Dianne Klette	disey
Ann-marie Allen	annimari5

Border

Paul van Cittert	paulace9
Nash Kahn	farrahaar
Patsy Els	patels
Marilyn Nel	East Londo

Medwin Hands – Match 2 – 1st Half

Board 4

The first big swing for Gauteng came on this board where their opponents failed to reach the game in hearts.

The full hand:

	♠ 9		
	♥ K 6		
	♦ Q 9 6 4 3		
	♣ K Q 6 4 3		
♠ Q J	<div style="display: inline-block; background-color: green; color: white; padding: 5px; border: 1px solid black;"> N W E S </div>	♠ K 10 5 2	
♥ 10 8 7 2		♥ A Q J 9 4	
♦ A 10		♦ K 8	
♣ J 9 8 7 5		♣ A 10	
	♠ A 8 7 6 4 3		
	♥ 5 3		
	♦ J 7 5 2		
	♣ 2		
West	North	East	South
<i>shirlrub</i>	<i>arasapl</i>	<i>palmerd</i>	<i>Hcbfick</i>
Pass	1 ♦	Dbl	1 ♠
Dbl	2 ♣	2 ♥	3 ♦
All pass			
3 ♦ by North			

I have always believed that when your right-hand opponent opens the bidding and you are 5-4 in the majors you should overcall in your 5 card suit rather than double. Be that as it may, the real damage was done by North opening. In the other room North passed and E-W had free passage to their game.

A series of misfortunes befell Eastern Cape on part score hands which meant that soon Gauteng had a commanding lead.

Board 9

But the coup de grâce came on this board:

<p>♠ A 3 2 ♥ 6 5 3 ♦ K 7 6 5 ♣ J 6 2</p>		<p>♠ Q 7 5 4 ♥ A ♦ A Q 10 2 ♣ K Q 9 5</p>	<p>♠ 8 6 ♥ 9 8 4 2 ♦ J 9 3 ♣ 8 7 4 3</p>
<p>♠ K J 10 9 ♥ K Q J 10 7 ♦ 8 4 ♣ A 10</p>			
<p>West <i>shirlrub</i></p>	<p>North <i>arasap1</i></p>	<p>East <i>palmerd</i></p>	<p>South <i>Hcbfick</i></p>
Pass	1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	3 NT	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♥
Pass	6 ♠	All pass	
6 ♠ by North			

In the other room N-S stopped in Game.

Board 10

Followed by this:

<p>♠ 3 ♥ K 10 7 6 4 ♦ A 10 5 4 3 ♣ Q 5</p>		<p>♠ K J 6 5 4 ♥ Q 3 ♦ J 9 6 ♣ K 4 2</p>	<p>♠ 10 7 ♥ J 9 8 5 2 ♦ K Q 8 2 ♣ J 6</p>	
		<p>♠ A Q 9 8 2 ♥ A ♦ 7 ♣ A 10 9 8 7 3</p>		
<p>West <i>shirlrub</i></p>	<p>North <i>arasap1</i></p>	<p>East <i>palmerd</i></p>	<p>South <i>Hcbfick</i></p>	
Pass	Pass	Pass	1 ♣	
2 NT! ¹	Pass	3 ♥	3 ♠	
Pass	4 ♠	5 ♦	5 ♠	
Pass	6 ♠	All pass		
1. GhestemH and D 6 ♠ by South				

What a fine final bid by young Aras, well done!

Medwin Hands – Match 2 – 2nd Half

Here Eastern Cape were up against Gauteng but it was the underdogs that got off to a fine start and were already 18 IMPs up after the first 3 boards.

Then disaster struck:

Board 4

<p>♠ 10 5 2 ♥ Q 9 3 2 ♦ J 9 5 ♣ 8 4 3</p>		<p>♠ A 6 4 ♥ 10 8 4 ♦ A K 3 ♣ Q 10 5 2</p>	<p>♠ K Q ♥ K J 6 5 ♦ 10 4 2 ♣ A K J 7</p>	
		<p>♠ J 9 8 7 3 ♥ A 7 ♦ Q 8 7 6 ♣ 9 6</p>		
<p>West <i>alonap</i></p>	<p>North <i>shirlrub</i></p>	<p>East <i>craigy52</i></p>	<p>South <i>palmerd</i></p>	
Pass	1 ♣	1 NT	All pass	
1 NT by East				

South led a spade and was back on lead at trick 4 having ducked the first heart. It was clear to both defenders at this point that they were going to cash 3 spade tricks bringing their tally to 5 tricks. North wants South to switch to diamonds next so which 3 cards should she throw? Whatever system of discards you play I think you need to discourage a club switch and throwing a couple of them away at this point should get that message across. North chose to discard a small diamond instead (encouraging), then forgot to cash her 2 diamond tricks when her partner dutifully switched to diamonds. So instead of going 3 off, the contract made.

Medwin Hands – Match 3

Board 1

Western Cape got off to a good start on this hand against Natal when they reached 4♥ not bid in the other room.

The full hand:

♠ 9 4 3 2	♠ K Q J	♠ A
♥ Q 10 9 4 2	♥ J 7 3	♥ A K 8
♦ 8 5	♦ K Q 10	♦ A J 9 7 2
♣ K 3	♣ A 9 4 2	♣ Q 10 6 5
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	♠ 10 8 7 6 5	
	♥ 6 5	
	♦ 6 4 3	
	♣ J 8 7	

West	North	East	South
<i>bojang7</i>	<i>lindacam</i>	<i>diniar</i>	<i>JB71634</i>
	1 NT	Dbl! ¹	2♥! ²
Dbl ³	2♠	3♥	Pass
4♥	All pass		

1. penalty oriented- 17+
2. Trs
3. hearts
- 4♥ by East

On a spade lead Diniar won with the ace and played a club to his king. This was won by the ace and a spade returned. Now Diniar cashed the ♣Q, ruffed a club, returned to hand with a diamond North inserting the queen, and ruffed his final club in dummy. Exiting with a diamond won by North the hand was all over.

Medwin Hands – Match 4

Board 1

Gauteng were playing against Southern Cape and this match started with a fireworks' display.

	♠ J 9 8 ♥ 10 4 ♦ 9 8 2 ♣ A 10 6 4 3		
♠ K ♥ K Q 8 2 ♦ A K J 7 6 5 ♣ 8 7	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> N W E S </div>	♠ Q 3 ♥ A J 9 6 3 ♦ Q 4 ♣ Q 9 5 2	♠ A 10 7 6 5 4 2 ♥ 7 5 ♦ 10 3 ♣ K J
West	North	East	South
<i>judeap</i>	<i>mewalt</i>	<i>NoahApteke</i>	<i>gailbez</i>
	Pass	1 ♥	3 ♠
6 ♥	All pass		
6 ♥ by East			

Well, that was an amazing bid by Jude – I think I might have bid like that when I was his age. One can hardly blame South for failing to find the defense, Alon didn't find it in the other room either where they were defending against 5♥.

An 11 IMP swing to Gauteng.

Board 7

	♠ 7 6		
	♥ Q J 8 5 3 2		
	♦ 4		
	♣ 6 5 3 2		
♠ A ♥ 10 9 ♦ K Q J 7 6 3 ♣ K 9 8 4	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> N W E S </div>	♠ K Q J 10 5 4 3 ♥ 4 ♦ 8 5 2 ♣ Q 7	
	♠ 9 8 2		
	♥ A K 7 6		
	♦ A 10 9		
	♣ A J 10		

West	North	East	South
<i>judeap</i>	<i>mewalt</i>	<i>NoahApteke</i>	<i>gailbez</i>
Pass	2♦ ¹	2♠	1 NT
Pass	Pass	3♠	3♥
			All pass
1. tf			
3♠ by East			

Should you bid one more as South? Should you then push on to 4♠ as East? When you see all the hands the answer is yes and yes, but much more difficult to make at the table. 4♥ is cold, and 4♠ goes 2 off only if you can find the defence. In the other room on a very different bidding sequence N-S reached 4♥.

A swing of 13 IMPs to Gauteng.

Medwin Hands – Match 5

Board 1

Western Cape got off to a good start on the very first board.

	♠ K J 10 6										
	♥ Q J 5 3										
	♦ A Q 6 3										
	♣ 3										
♠ Q 9 7 2	<table style="border: none; text-align: center; width: 40px; height: 40px;"> <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		♠ 8 4
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	♠ A 5 3										
	♥ K 7 6										
	♦ 10 8 7 2										
	♣ A 10 4										

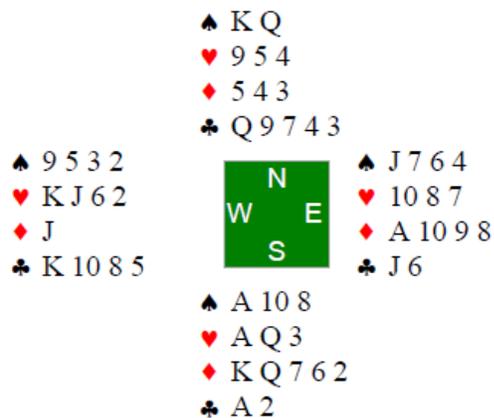
West	North	East	South
<i>peter3202</i>	<i>imtiazi1</i>	<i>offthemark</i>	<i>moremo</i>
	1 ♦	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 NT	All pass	
	3 NT by South		

A club lead would have led to a simple defence and 1 down, but West found the unfortunate lead of a small spade; now let's see what happened. South won this trick in dummy with the 10 then erred slightly by playing a small heart up to the king. The ♥Q would have been a better shot as we shall see. This was won by the ace in West's hand. who now switched to a club. South won the 3rd round of this suit discarding two diamonds from dummy. If she was going to take the diamond finesse she must take it now (this is why the ♥Q was a better play) for she must also take the spade finesse and no longer has the entries to go back and forward. But West has shown up with 9 cards in the black suits so perhaps there is a better line of play? Isn't East more likely to hold the ♦K? South now played a small heart to the jack and the die was cast when West discarded a diamond. But it wasn't over yet. South returned to her hand with the ♠A and took the spade finesse before cashing the king. By this time east's hand was an open book. He started with a 2-5-2-4 shape and must come down to 4 cards 2 of which must be hearts. If he threw his last club he would be end-played in hearts. If he came down to a singleton diamond South would cash the ace of that suit felling the king.

Bravo Maureen, a very fine play!

Medwin Hands – Match 6

Board 2

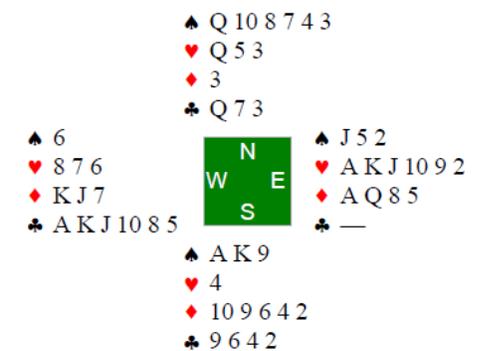


Here's a double dummy problem for you. You are in 3NT by South and West leads a spade. Can you make 9 tricks? Two pairs made this contract thanks to careless defence but in fact 9 tricks are always there.

Berkowitz Hands – Match 1

Board 2

Only two of the teams reached the slam on this hand, luckily they were playing each other at the time.



West	North	East	South
<i>chads</i>	<i>smck48</i>	<i>Tan 18</i>	<i>paulinevdv</i>
3 ♠ ¹	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
5 ♥ ³	Pass	4 ♠ ²	Pass
6 NT ⁵	Pass	5 NT ⁴	Pass
		7 ♥	All pass

1. splinter
2. keycard
3. support for hearts
4. K ask
5. support for NT
- 7 ♥ by East

Having arrived in an impossible contract after a bidding misunderstanding, on ruffing the second spade and cashing the ♥K there is a lot to be said for taking the less popular line of finessing for the queen in the hope that next door they are going down in the small slam.

Sure enough in the other room they went off 1 in the small slam when they failed to pick up the ♥Q, so a small swing to Western Cape.

Board 4

Southern Cape picked up a big swing on this hand when they avoided the toxic 4♠ contract reached at the other table.

♠ 9 6 4 2	♠ Q 8 5	♠ J									
♥ J 9 5	♥ A Q 10	♥ 6 4 3 2									
♦ A 8 3	♦ K J 4	♦ Q 10 9 5									
♣ K 10 5	♣ Q 8 7 4	♣ A 6 3 2									
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	♠ A K 10 7 3										
	♥ K 8 7										
	♦ 7 6 2										
	♣ J 9										

West	North	East	South
<i>albertels</i>	<i>Annimari5</i>	<i>Simbra</i>	<i>disey</i>
Pass	1 ♣	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	1 NT	Pass	2 ♣ ¹
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 NT	All pass	

1. checkback stayman

3 NT by North

Board 14

This is one of those awkward hands where no one wants to mention the elephant in the room, in this case the diamond suit.

<p>♠ 7 6 5 3 ♥ 10 3 ♦ Q J 6 2 ♣ 8 6 4</p>	<p>♠ 9 ♥ A K Q ♦ 7 5 4 ♣ A Q J 7 5 3</p> <div style="border: 2px solid green; padding: 5px; width: 60px; margin: 10px auto; text-align: center;"> N W E S </div> <p>♠ A K Q 10 4 ♥ 8 6 4 2 ♦ 10 8 ♣ K 2</p>	<p>♠ J 8 2 ♥ J 9 7 5 ♦ A K 9 3 ♣ 10 9</p>	
<p>West <i>albertels</i></p>	<p>North <i>Annimari5</i></p>	<p>East <i>Simbra</i></p>	<p>South <i>disey</i></p>
		Pass	1 ♠
Pass	2 ♣ ¹	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 ♥	All pass	

1. Game force
4 ♥ by South

As you can see 3NT is cold. In fact if the defence doesn't lead that suit you can take the first 14 tricks. I have no bright suggestions as to how the bidding should have gone, only to say that over 3♣ I wouldn't have chosen 4♥ as my final resting place as on a diamond lead it seems likely this will only make if the hearts are 3-3 South's hearts being shortened. South's points must all be in the black suits and if this is the case 4♠ has a better chance of surviving continuous diamond leads.

Berkowitz Hands – Match 2

Board 4

So the player on your right promises a balanced hand with 23-24pts and shows no interest when his partner looks for a major fit. You hold:

♠ KJ10987

♥ QJ974

♦ 2

♣ 4

What do you lead? If you chose a minor suit then there are a couple of books I can recommend, but if you chose a major – which one?

The “safe” lead is a heart as this is unlikely to give a trick away and once in a while (like every 100 years) it might prove to be the winning lead, but if you want to take the contract off then you have to lead a spade. This might give declarer an overtrick but offers you the one slim chance of defeating the contract. No one led a spade against 3NT and the one pair who managed to avoid this seemingly doomed contract failed to bid game in one or other of the minors.

<p>♠ 4 3 ♥ 10 6 3 2 ♦ K J 8 5 ♣ K 10 3</p>	<p>♠ A 5 2 ♥ 8 5 ♦ 10 9 7 6 ♣ 9 7 6 2</p>		<p>♠ Q 6 ♥ A K ♦ A Q 4 3 ♣ A Q J 8 5</p>	<p>West <i>East Londo</i> Pass Pass 1. weak 3 ♣ by East</p>	<p>North <i>ice 3</i> Pass Pass</p>	<p>East <i>patels</i> 1 ♣ 3 ♣</p>	<p>South <i>A3456</i> 2 ♠!¹ All pass</p>
	<p>♠ K J 10 9 8 7 ♥ Q J 9 7 4 ♦ 2 ♣ 4</p>						

Board 6

This looked like a tricky hand for N-S to find their game contract in hearts or clubs after East had opened with a weak 2♠ or a multi 2♦ but to my surprise most pairs arrived in 4♥ either being forced to double at the 3 level driven by a real sense of optimism about the hand.

<p>♠ J 10 9 5 ♥ 5 2 ♦ J 6 3 ♣ A 6 5 4</p>	<p>♠ — ♥ A K 4 ♦ A 9 5 2 ♣ K Q 9 7 3 2</p>		<p>♠ A K 8 6 4 3 ♥ J 10 3 ♦ Q 10 7 ♣ 8</p>
	<p>♠ Q 7 2 ♥ Q 9 8 7 6 ♦ K 8 4 ♣ J 10</p>		

Board 8

Here's a hand where it's all about who blinks last:

	♠ 6		
	♥ K 6 5 4 2		
	♦ Q 8 2		
	♣ A 6 4 3		
♠ J 4		♠ A 10 9 5 3 2	
♥ Q 9 7 3		♥ A	
♦ J 10 6 5 4 3		♦ A K 9 7	
♣ 2		♣ 7 5	
	♠ K Q 8 7		
	♥ J 10 8		
	♦ —		
	♣ K Q J 10 9 8		

5♦ will go off because of the bad diamond break while 5♣ makes if declarer can place East with A♥ singleton. All played in one or the other minor at the 5 level, some were doubled, others not but everyone went down.

Board 11

Finally here's a beautiful hand for you to play:

South	North
♠ A 4 3	♠ 7 2
♥ A 8 3	♥ K J 10 6 5 4
♦ A 5 4	♦ K 3
♣ K 8 7 5	♣ 10 6 4

As South you arrive in a contract of 4♥ after West has overcalled your 1NT opening with 2♠. The lead is the ♠K. Plan your play.

It seems clear that the ♣A is offside so you must duck this trick and assuming West continues with spades win with your ace, play a heart to the king, return a heart to your ace, ruff your last spade in dummy, cash your ♦K followed by the ♦A then ruff your last diamond in dummy. Now you must a small club from table hoping that East does not hold the 9 or if he does he will fail to play it, allowing you to throw West in. He can cash his ace or give you a ruff and discard.

4♥ was made at one or two tables and though the play may not have gone like this I would like to think it did.

Berkowitz Hands – Match 3

Board 4

♠ A 10 9 6 3		♠ Q 7
♥ 8 6		♥ K 3 2
♦ 9 6		♦ 10 8 7 5 4 3
♣ A Q J 6		♣ 7 4
♠ K 4 2	<div style="display: inline-block; background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; border: 1px solid black;"> N W E S </div>	♠ J 8 5
♥ 5		♥ A Q J 10 9 7 4
♦ A K J 2		♦ Q
♣ K 10 9 8 3		♣ 5 2

West	North	East	South
<i>albertels</i>	<i>loulou18</i>	<i>Simbra</i>	<i>allanb</i>
1 ♣	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♣ ¹
2 ♦	2 ♠	3 ♦	3 ♥
Pass	4 ♠	5 ♦	All pass

- 1. Cue bid raise
- 5 ♦ by West

So here's the thing. When your partner makes a simple overcall and you then bid another suit, do you play this as forcing or can your partner pass? If the latter then your only forcing bid is a cue bid and that's what South did on this hand. After that the hearts got lost in the wash and E-W happily sacrificed in 5♦ against the final 4♠ contract. At all the other tables South bid 2♥ with his hand and whatever partner's response was ended up in 4♥.

Berkowitz Hands – Match 4

Board 4

We don't double enough. Look at this hand:

<p>♠ AKQ1042 ♥ K109 ♦ 7432 ♣ —</p>	<p>♠ J9 ♥ AQ ♦ AJ9 ♣ KQ10843</p>	<p>♠ 763 ♥ J3 ♦ K865 ♣ AJ97</p>	<p>♠ 85 ♥ 876542 ♦ Q10 ♣ 652</p>
			
West	North	East	South
<i>East Londo</i>	<i>smck48</i>	<i>patels</i>	<i>paulinevdv</i>
1 ♠	Dbl	Rdbl	2 ♥
3 ♠	4 ♣	4 ♠	All pass
4 ♠ by West			

The bid of 2♥ by South in my opinion was unwise. The sooner N-S can get out of the auction the better and South certainly doesn't want a heart lead if West ends up playing the hand. If North, after your pass, now bids a minor at the 2 level South can correct to 2♥ but this is never going to happen. When North entered the bidding at the 4 level no doubt he was thinking that his partner had something for his 2♥ bid or perhaps he was thinking that he had left the stove on. West should have doubled this as it was clearly going to go down a bundle.

But none of us like being talked out of a game, even when as in this case it didn't make.

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