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Canberra, Thursday January 14th 2010

Session Times – Friday

10am 1.30pm 4.30pm

Non Life Masters and Novice Teams finish at 4pm

Last Train - Friday

10am 12.45pm 2.50pm 5pm

Session Times – Saturday

Seniors Stage 2

10am 12noon 3pm 5pm 8.30pm

Women's Semi-finals

10am 12.45pm 2.50pm 5pm

Multi Pairs

10am 2pm



Tim Bourke's Problem

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Matchpoints; Dealer South. Both Vul.

NORTH

- **♦**K 5
- **7** 6 2
- A 10 9 3
- ♣ A 9 4 3

SOUTH

- A 6 2
- ♥A K J
- **♦**K 2
- ♣ K Q J 8 7

West	North	East	South
			2NT
Pass	4NT	Pass	6NT
All pass			

While South's 2NT showed 20-22 points, North slam invitation was justified because he held two aces, a king and two reasonable four-card suits. In a teams game, you would bid six clubs over four notrump, but at matchpoints it seemed reasonable to choose six notrump as the final resting place.

West leads the jack of spades. How do you plan to make twelve tricks?

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 Session
- NCC
- Olims Hotel –Cnr Ainslie & Limestone Ave

50 minutes before 1St Session

Fenner Hall

45 minutes before 1St Session

- Rex Motel
- Capital Executive Apartments.

Pickup at Marque Hotel

- Quality Suites Clifton on Northbourne <u>Pickup at Marque Hotel</u> 40 minutes before
 1st session
- Medina Apartments
- NCC
- Liversidge Court, ANU

35 minutes before 1St Session

- University House Pickup on Liversidge Street
- Rydges Lakeside Hotel
- Capitol Tower Apartments (pickup at R ydges Lakeside)
- Novotel on Northbourne

30 minutes before 1St Session

- NCC
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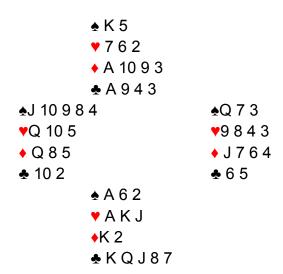
Tim Bourke's Problem

SOLUTION

You have eleven top tricks, with chances of a twelfth trick in both hearts and diamonds. Your aim should be to combine these chances to best advantage.

As you should want to put the defenders under pressure by running five rounds of clubs, throwing a heart from dummy, you will need a late entry to the diamonds. So, you win the first trick with the ace of spades and then run the clubs.

Next you should attack diamonds. The best way to tackle the diamond suit is to cash the king of diamonds and to then lead the two of diamonds, covering a low card from West with the nine. Suppose the full deal is:



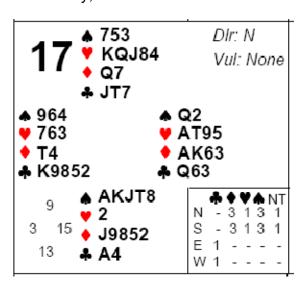
West does best to throw three spades and East three hearts. You continue with the king of diamonds and a diamond to the ten and jack. When East exits with a heart, you will rise with the ace of hearts and cross to dummy with the king of spades. You play the ace of diamonds, throwing a spade from hand. As West will produce the queen on the third round of the suit you will make twelve tricks on this layout.

Of course if diamonds had not been so friendly, you would have fallen back on the heart finesse.

This plan offers better than a 75% chance of bringing home the slam.

A Small Experiment

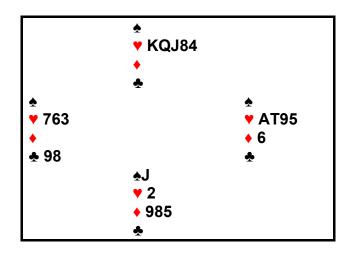
West tried one on this hand from the fourth round of the Seniors. Although the outcome was bloody, it could have been worse.



East opened 1♥ and George Bilski made a Michaels 2♥ overcall. West thought to deflect the opposition with a 2NT bid which East described as "natural". Terry Brown, North, passed and East gladdened West's heart with a raise to 3NT. George passed and West opted for 4♥. Terry did not pass.

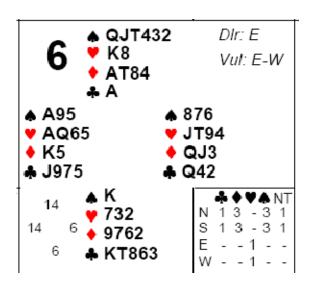
George started by cashing two top spades and continued the \$10. Declarer chose not to shorten his trumps and discarded a diamond. George switched to that suit to the 10, Queen and Ace.

Declarer led the ♣Q and George took his Ace – already one off and Terry's trumps were still intact. The ◆J went to declarer's King and he played a club to the King. A small club off table saw Terry take his 10 while George discarded a spade to produce this position where a suit game had reached trick 8 without a trump being played!



Terry chose the unfortunate exit of a small trump which caused a little light relief for West when declarer played small and then had the choice of overtaking in dummy or not. Declarer could not be denied a further two tricks as West's little adventure cost 800. If Terry can diagnose the heart position and exit a high trump then the cost will be 1100.

West probably felt doubly affronted when a perfectly unexceptionable system bid cost the same a few boards later when Terry found an excellent double

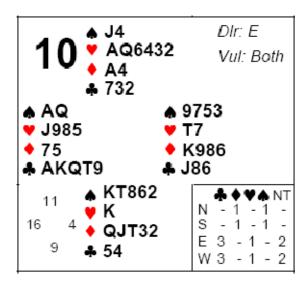


After two passes, West opened 1NT (12-14) and Terry hit it. No-one went anywhere.

Terry was not disheartened when George played the ♠K on Terry's opening lead of the Queen. Five spades, a heart, a diamond

and two clubs saw another 800 on the scoresheet.

In the sixth round of the Seniors, board 10 could have been a push in the 800 number only someone didn't double

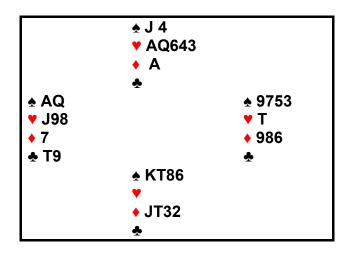


In one room, Terry Brown and George Bilski found their way to 3•x to be played by Terry from the North seat.

A heart was led to dummy's King and a losing diamond finesse was taken. Two high clubs were cashed by the defence and a diamond exited to declarer's Ace. Terry cashed the ♥A and attempted to cash the Queen but David Anderson ruffed, causing Terry to over-ruff on table. Terry exited a spade to George Smolanko's Queen and George caused dummy to ruff again by continuing clubs. Terry drew the last trump and George claimed for 800.

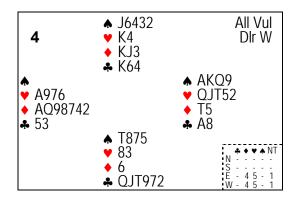
Meanwhile, in the other room, Jerzy Romanski opened the East hand with a Polish club after two passes. Bruce Neill overcalled 1♥ and a moment later was declarer in 2♥.

Apolina Kowalski led a club and Jerzy took his Queen to switch to a trump. On table, Bruce took the opportunity for an unsuccessful diamond finesse. Two more rounds of clubs followed to bring about:



Jerzy cashed the ♠A and then played another club, ruffed by Bruce with the 3 and over-ruffed by Apolina. There was still a trump to be lost to Jerzy and, like Terry, Bruce was 3 down; unlike Terry there was no double so 500 to the Neill team.

Meanwhile Mike Prescott, playing in the Last Train, passed up 800 but was nonetheless delighted by the manner in which 750 appeared instead.

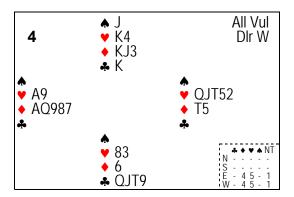


Mike opened 1♦ as dealer and Nigel Rosendorff overcalled 1♠. Richard Jedrychowski doubled and Brad Coles shot straight off to 4♠. This inspired Mike to 5♦ and Nigel found a double. This may not be to everyone's taste.

Nigel then compounded by finding the spade lead, perhaps not surprisingly. What was surprising was dummy's holding in the suit in which North-South had opted for game. (A game which was losing 3 trumps

and 3 Aces had Mike passed 4♠ round for Richard to double).

Mike cashed the top three spades, discarding two hearts and his club loser. He then ruffed a spade in hand, played a club to dummy's Ace and ruffed a club to set up



With the black suits eliminated, Mike now played a diamond towards dummy's 10. Nigel had to take this or else give up one of his natural trump tricks. However, the result was no more palatable as he could now choose between

- a) Giving up that trump trick by playing diamonds into Mike's tenace
- b) Giving a ruff/sluff in a black suit to enable Mike's heart loser to disappear
- c) Leading a heart which also makes that loser vanish.

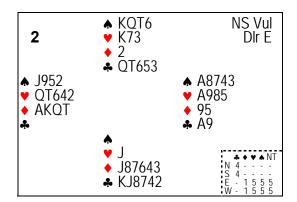
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Michael Ware is (in)famous in New Zealand for his willingness to bid 1NT, the only apparent requirement for the bid being opportunity. Such refinements as point count and shape are for those of less adventurous nature. Indeed, his email address is mikey1NT, though I will admit that the host name above does represent a little editorial licence.

Imagine his consternation when Cathy Chua, his partner in the Last Train expressed her concern that he was too

unwilling to bid 1NT and that she wished that he were a little more daring.

Cathy took into account Michael's conservatism when this one landed.



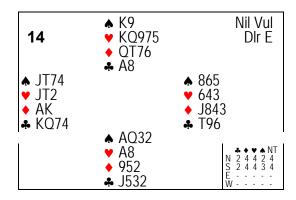
Cathy sat East and, in deference to Michael's views about 1NT openers resisted her desire to open this and opted instead for 1♠. However, she couldn't get this desire out of her mind. Andrew Hegedus overcalled 2NT to show the minors and Michael splintered with a 4♠ bid.

Andrew Mill raised to 5♣ as North and now Cathy's mental turmoil over the 1♠ opener came to fruition. Her mind refused to accept that she had done such a thing and, therefore, Michael's splinter was an invitation for her to choose a major after her 1NT opener. Holding both majors, she passed the invitation back with a 5♠ bid, which Andrew H. Doubled.

In the West corner, the 5♦ bid was a cue for spades which did not fit well with all of Michael's diamond values so he signed off in 5♠.

Andrew M. thought that his partner's double showed some values so he doubled 5♠ and luckybuggers.com got some more traffic to the tune of +650.

Cathy and Michael had agreed that, whilst they were not morally opposed to upgrading, they would only open 1NT with GOOD eleven counts. Michael's machismo struck back on this one a couple of matches later.



After a pass from East, Michael opened the South hand with his favourite bid. West decided that he had a double and Cathy went for the throat with the blue card. East tried 2♣ and Michael doubled. West passed but East tried again with 2♠. That went round to Cathy who applied the axe.

Michael led the ♥A and continued the suit to Cathy's Queen. Cathy cashed the ♥K and then played king and another spade.

Michael took the second spade and played the third top spade for Cathy to pitch a club. A club was exited to Cathy's Ace and she continued hearts, ruffed by declarer's 8 and over-ruffed by Michael's 9.

A club came next for Cathy to ruff and then another heart, ruffed with the 4 and over-ruffed with the 5.

This made the first ten tricks for the defence and Cathy still had the Queen third of trumps sitting behind dummy's Ace, King.

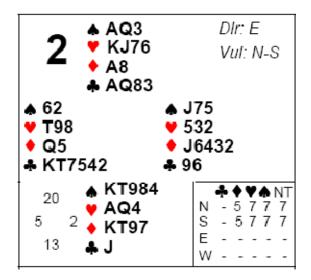
Just the six shy, doubled and vulnerable.

Editorial Apology

for the rather scruffy-looking results pages. The problem is with the new software which co-ordinates with the Bridgemates. Chief Scorer, Martin Wilcox, is desperately trying to find a 25th hour in his day so that he can write a new patch to enable me to present more legible results. In the meantime, please bear with it (and be especially nice to Martin.)

Grand Auctions

Round six of the teams had this one which offered North-South the chance to bid an excellent grand.



Here are two expert auctions which show how it can be done.

Firstly, Terry Brown and George Bilski:

Terry (S)	George (N)
1♠	1NT
2♣	2♦
3♦	3♥
4♥	4NT
5♦	5NT
7♥	7♠

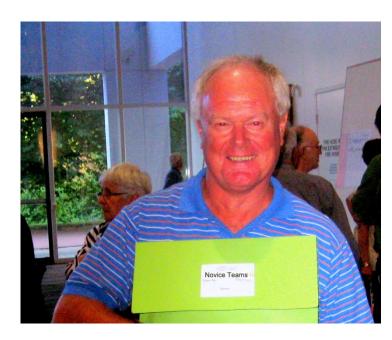
1NT was forcing and 2♣ showed an 11-13 point hand but said nothing about clubs. 2♦ asked and 3♦ showed four of that suit. 3♥ asked again and 4♥ showed three cards. 4NT was RKCB for hearts and 5♦ promised one keycard. 5NT asked if Terry was interested in a grand. Holding the undisclosed ♥Q, the ♦K and a club singleton, Terry certainly was. George then corrected to spades.

Zolly Nagy and David Lilley were just as effective:

David (S)	Zolly (N)
1♠	2♣
2♦	3♠
4♥	4NT
5♥	6♣
6 ♦	6♥
6NT	7♠

The first three bids were natural and 3♣ promised 16+. 4♥ showed a control (first or second round) in each of clubs, diamonds and hearts. 4NT was keycard for spades and 5♥ showed two but no ♣Q. 6♣ asked about clubs and 6♦ denied the King or Queen and therefore (because of the earlier control bid) showed a singleton. 6♥ asked in hearts and 6NT showed the Queen while denying the King.

And talking of the Lilley team, they had a very healthy 3 win 0 loss record after day one. Team member, NZ Open international and Australian Seniors international, Andy Braithwaite arrived on day 2. After 5 rounds, the team had a 3 win 2 loss record which, I am sure, is pure coincidence. One must wonder, however, which of Andy's teammates arranged the folder which he is clutching so proudly in the photograph.



Life Master Teams Round 6

Place	Name	Score
1	Kelly	119
2	Kalejs	111
3	Erskine	107
4	Crossman	106
5	Hollands	103
6	Hurst	103
7	O'Connor	101
8	Lisle	99
9	Butcher	95
10	Maddigan	94
11	House Team	94
12	Morrison	92
13	Thompson	92
14	Ascione	90
15	Holbrook	89
16	Power	89
17	Kwok	88
18	Lovrecz	87
19	Stock	87
20	Jeffrey	82
21	Talbot	81
22	Allanson	79
23	Macdonald	78
24	Heairfield	76
25	HÎII	73
26	McLennan	71
27	Gray	64
28	Mitchell	62

National Non-Life Teams Round 6

Place	Name	Score
1	Dalziell	122
2	Wiley	108
3	Cook	107
4	Campbell	102
5	Collier	97
6	Nilsson	96
7	Lawrie	94
8	Stacey	92
9	Carew	91
10	Cockbill	90
11	Crossley	86
12	Land	83
13	Cariola	83
14	Morgan	80
15	Kite	75
16	Weight	75
17	House Team	75
18	McRae	53

National Novice Teams Round 6

Place	Name	Score
1	Devries	121
2	Prickett	119
3	Gooding	103
4	Johnson	101
5	Hollands	98
6	Donovan	97
7	Higgins	97
8	Zeller	97
9	Dean	92
10	Farmer	92
11	Breden	89
12	Reilly	85
13	Hazelton	84
14	House Team	83
15	McKittrick	81
16	Devlin	80
17	Hewitt	78
18	Bowra	76
19	Marriott	75
20	Ashcroft	74
21	Stahmer	73

OPEN LAST TRAIN Round 4 - 2010

Place	Name	Score
1	C Chua, M Ware	91
2	N Griffiths, J Williams	73
3	R Nixon, B Waters	73
4	M Smart, G Kozakos	73
5	S Burgess, T Lloyd	69
6	l Robinson, A De Livera	69
7	G Henderson, N Van Vucht	68
8	M Prescott, R Jedrychowski	68
9	M Abraham, M Wilkinson	65
10	R Hills, C Quail	65
11	G Bailey, K Bailey	63
12	K Morrison, D Weston	61
13	C Miller, J Solomon	59
14	P Jeffery, J Abel	59
15	S Konig, J Wallis	58
16	P Thompson, L Van Der Hor	55
17	N Rosendorff, B Coles	55
18	A Hegedus, A Mill	52
19	R Gallus, D McLeish	50
20	A Squirrell, R Mann	49
21	G Belonogov, E Kowalczyk	48
22	C Dibley, P Livesey	44
23	N Francis, A Maluish	40
24	R Couch, J Clarke	24



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