

# The Summer Festival of Bridge

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### Tim Bourke's Problem

#### 12. CONTAIN

Dealer South. Both Vul.

**NORTH**

♠ Q J 5  
♥ 8 5 2  
♦ A  
♣ K J 8 5 4 2

**SOUTH**

♠ A K 6 3 2  
♥ 4  
♦ K Q 9 7 6 4 2  
♣ -

against a possible 4-1 break. Suppose East shows out on this trick and the full deal is:

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

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	2♣	2♥	2♠
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All pass	

West leads the ten of hearts, East overtaking with the jack and continuing with the ace of hearts, which you ruff as West follows with the six. How do you plan to ensure your contract when neither spades nor diamonds break 5-0?

On this layout you must overtake dummy's bare queen of trumps with the ace to return to your hand and run the diamonds without forcing yourself down to three trumps. These plays have given East two trump tricks on this layout but you have retained control as two trumps left. All you have to do is you run the diamonds from the top. East will ruff a diamond at some stage and play a heart. You will ruff and continue the avalanche of diamonds. All you will lose is two trump tricks and one heart!

### Tim Bourke's Problem - Solution

If spades and diamonds are both 3-2 you could make twelve tricks. However, as you are in four spades it pays to give your attention to the possibility that either one or both of these suits could be 4-1.

After ruffing the second heart, you should play a diamond to the ace followed by a trump to the king. Next you ruff a low diamond with the jack, which sets up the suit

### NOT Semi-Final

The semi-finals pitted Ware against Brown and Beauchamp against Thomson. In the latter match, Andy Braithwaite and Ian Robinson were opposed by Matthew Thomson and Peter Newman. The initial exchanges were low key with only seven imps changing hands on the first four boards. Then the first major move:



<b>5</b>	♠ A7	<i>Dir: N</i>
	♥ KQJ95	<i>Vul: N-S</i>
	♦ AT	
	♣ T874	
♠ 982	♠ KT63	
♥ 6432	♥ A8	
♦ 42	♦ QJ976	
♣ KQ65	♣ J2	
	♠ QJ54	
	♥ T7	
	♦ K853	
	♣ A93	

Robinson opened the North hand 1♥ and Newman doubled. Braithwaite redoubled which drew 2♣ from North. Braithwaite rebid 2♥ and there it finished,

There was nothing in the play and Robinson emerged with 10 tricks just as were taken by the declarer in the other room. He, however, was in 3NT and so Thomson picked up 10 imps.

There was no change in the margin between the teams when board 10 gave Braithwaite the best hand of the set and a headache to go with it.

<b>10</b>	♠ 974	<i>Dir: E</i>
	♥ T86542	<i>Vul: Both</i>
	♦ J874	
	♣ J874	
♠ AJT3	♠ Q862	
♥ J6432	♥ T98	
♦ A7	♦ QJ3	
♣ 32	♣ T65	
	♠ K5	
	♥ AKQ75	
	♦ K9	
	♣ AKQ9	

Braithwaite opened 2♣ and received double

negatives from Robinson. Nonetheless he bid 3NT.

A heart was led to declarer's Queen and he laid down the ♥K, discarding diamonds both times from dummy. Not liking East's spots on these two tricks, he now switched to the ♦K, taken by Thomson with the Ace. He exited with another heart which was won by the Ace in the closed hand. With no hope of getting near his contract, Braithwaite exited with a diamond to Newman's Jack and the ♦Q was cashed to leave:

	♠ 97										
	♥										
	♦ 10										
	♣ J874										
♠ AJ103	<table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <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		♠ Q862
	N										
W		E									
	S										
♥ J6		♥									
♦ 3		♦									
♣ 3		♣ 1065									
	♠ K5										
	♥ 75										
	♦										
	♣ AK9										

But then a wee defensive slip saved a little of Braithwaite's dignity. Newman continued a small spade to the King and Ace and Thomson cashed the ♥J – on which Newman pitched spade. The ♠J was cashed and then a spade to the Queen saw Braithwaite make one more trick than he might have done and enabling him to lose only 3 imps when declarer in the other room went only two down in 5♣ in contrast to 3 down in 3NT.

A little revenge for Braithwaite on the next when he found the killing switch.

<b>11</b>	♠ 752	<i>Dir: S</i>
	♥ 762	<i>Vul: None</i>
	♦ KJT6	
	♣ AQ6	
♠ A8		♠ KJT4
♥ AT85		♥ J94
♦ Q972		♦ 53
♣ KT8		♣ J975
	♠ Q963	
	♥ KQ3	
	♦ A84	
	♣ 432	

<b>13</b>	♠ T742	<i>Dir: N</i>
	♥ K7	<i>Vul: Both</i>
	♦ Q9864	
	♣ T7	
♠ J63		♠ KQ985
♥ QJ962		♥ A85
♦ KJT2		♦ 7
♣ 6		♣ 9832
	♠ A	
	♥ T43	
	♦ A53	
	♣ AKQJ54	

After opening 1♦, Thomson became declarer in 1NT. Robinson led a heart and the Ace took South's Queen. Declarer played the suit right back and Braithwaite was on lead with the King. He switched to a small diamond. The defence took four rounds of this suit before Robinson reverted to hearts. Declarer took a losing spade finesse and a small club from South saw the contract one off and a welcome 5 imps for the Beauchamp team as their declarer made 8 tricks in the same suit.

It really didn't seem to be Braithwaite's day as, a couple of hands later, he was dealt another excellent collection, only to suffer for it once again.

After two passes, he opened 1♣ and Robinson responded 1♥ - a transfer. Braithwaite didn't take the transfer, going straight to 3NT instead.

At least he didn't suffer long this time as Thomson led the ♥Q and it was all over at trick 5. The other table saw 4♣ make so that was another 6 imps to Thomson.

At this point, Robinson was destined for -500 as Thomson can cash the ♠A and give Newman a spade ruff with the ♦A and two top trumps to come. However two rounds of trumps were played which killed the ruff and enabled Robinson to get out for only one off and push the board as his counterpart had

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gone 2 off in the same contract but undoubled.

Then the final blow of the set for the Beauchamp team.

15	♠ AJ85	Dir: S
	♥ J75	Vul: N-S
	♦ T6	
	♣ AJ98	
♠ T92	♠ KQ73	
♥ AQ3	♥ 864	
♦ 32	♦ QJ84	
♣ Q7532	♣ 64	
	♠ 64	
	♥ KT92	
	♦ AK975	
	♣ KT	

Again Braithwaite played 3NT Braithwaite and Thomson led the ♣3. According to DeepFinesse, the way to win from here is to take the trick with the King and immediately play on hearts. Braithwaite, however, did what comes naturally and took the trick with the 10. He then cashed the ♦A and King and played a third diamond. Newman was able to exit a club as Braithwaite's King effectively blocked the suit. Another diamond was conceded to Newman and he played a heart through to Thomson's Queen. A spade back to Newman's Queen meant another heart could be played to the Ace and another spade saw declarer take a forlorn finesse and end up three down.

This was a huge loss as Howard Melbourne took 10 tricks in the same contract at the other table.

Melbourne took the club lead, as per DF, with the King and finessed the ♣J at trick

two. He then ran the Jack of hearts to the Queen and West returned a diamond. He conceded a trick to West's ♥A. By this stage, he had three tricks and had established two hearts to go with the black Aces and, with the help of the diamond lead which followed, two diamond tricks.

The set ended with Thomson holding a 30 imp lead over Beauchamp.

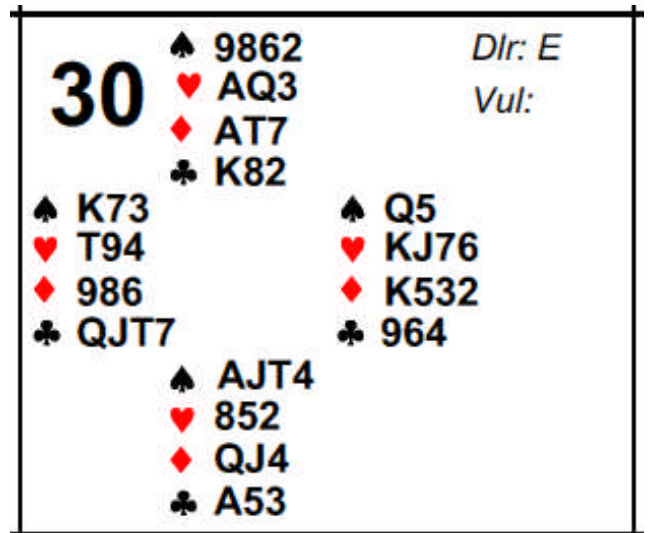
### The Play's The Thing

Two attractive play hands from the second stanza of the NOT semi-finals.

25	♠ A96542	Dir: N
	♥ J75	Vul: E-W
	♦ AT3	
	♣ 3	
♠	♠ KJT8	
♥ AKQT9642	♥ 8	
♦ 6	♦ KQ974	
♣ AK76	♣ T42	
	♠ Q73	
	♥ 3	
	♦ J852	
	♣ QJ985	

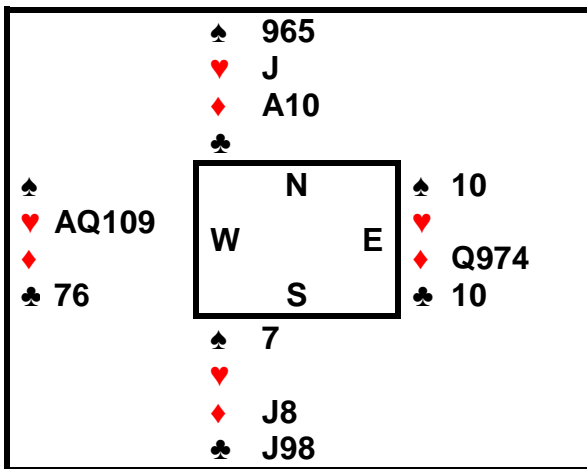
Ishmael Del Monte opened a multi as North and South dutifully responded 2♥. West had reason to believe that this contract was not making but also reason to believe that it wasn't going to be played. Nonetheless, he doubled – take out of spades. Ish rebid 2♠ and Howard Melbourne raised the ante to 3♠. West raised the ante to 6♥. Ish started to wonder about the wisdom of diving in 6♠ and then realised that, by wondering for so long, he had effectively prevented Howard from bidding 6♠, even if it was right. So Ish bid it himself. East found a double in his bidding

box and led a heart, taken by West with the King. West took the defence's second trick with the ♠A and switched to a diamond. Ish ducked this and East's Queen scored. (Defence 3). East led the trump King, taken by declarer with the Ace. Ish led a heart and East ruffed with the ♠8 while dummy discarded a diamond. (Defence 4) West exited with the ♠J, taken by dummy's Queen and Ish led the ♣Q, covered by the King and ruffed by declarer to leave:



Once again, Ish was at the wheel, this time in 3NT. A heart was led to North's Queen and Ish switched to the ♦10. He points out that if he leads a low diamond and it is ducked, then to get off dummy, he's going to have to open one or the other minor suit to attack.

The ♦10 was ducked all round so Ish next finessed the spades, losing to the King. West returned a heart which Ish took with the Ace to play three rounds of spades and two rounds of clubs to leave



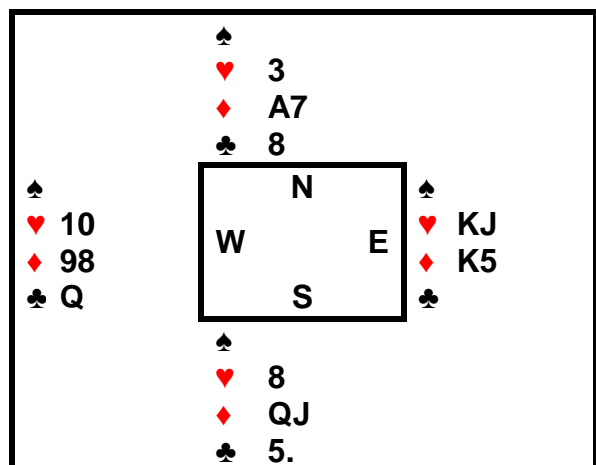
Ish now gave East his spade trick (defence 5) and was able to take the last five tricks for "only" four off and -800.

I say "only" because meanwhile, in the other room...

Matthew Thomson was playing 6♥ and received the lead of the ♠A. He♠ ruffed this and peddled a large number of trumps before cashing the 2 top clubs. He then led a diamond and North could only take his Ace and then give Matthew access to dummy's winners – making 12 for 1430.

Ish's endplay was worth 4 imps.

Then a really attractive strip squeeze for an overtrick.



Ish gave West his hearts but West had to give Ish both diamonds.

### Back To The Semis

When the third set of the semis started the Brown team led Ware by 19imps. Ware needed some action but got the kind it didn't want on board 1

1	♠ J8732	<i>Dir: N</i>
	♥ J962	<i>Vul:</i>
	♦ T3	
	♣ 75	
♠ AT6	♠ Q954	
♥ AKQ84	♥	
♦ J6	♦ Q852	
♣ K96	♣ AQ842	
	♠ K	
	♥ T753	
	♦ AK974	
	♣ JT3	

Kim Morrison and Bruce Neill(for Brown) were quickly in game via'

West	North	East	South
	2♦	P	2♥
2NT	P	3NT	

And Kim had no difficulty in finding ten tricks. Meanwhile, the well-practiced machinery of Pauline Gumby and Warren Lazer of the Ware team got some sand in the cogs and ground to a halt in 1♥! Brown had extended its lead by 7imps.

Another 11 went to Brown before the Ware team sparked to life, courtesy of an excellent bidding sequence from Michael Whibley and Liam Milne.

5	♠ KQ5	<i>Dir: N</i>
	♥ AQ743	<i>Vul: N-S</i>
	♦ AJ	
	♣ A54	
♠ A3	♠ T2	
♥ 8652	♥ JT	
♦ QT82	♦ K97654	
♣ QT9	♣ 872	
	♠ J98764	
	♥ K9	
	♦ 3	
	♣ KJ63	

North	South
2NT	3♥
3NT	4♣
4♦	4♥
4NT	5♦
6♠	

When the Jack and 10 of hearts came down in two rounds, Liam claimed Lavings – Krochmalik stopped in 5♠ so the Ware team had made an impact on Brown's lead.

But then came board 8. It is seldom a triumph if both pairs in a team play in the same suit. This was no exception.

8	♠ AT985	<i>Dir: W</i>
	♥ K6	<i>Vul:</i>
	♦ T962	
	♣ KT	
♠ 72	♠ KJ64	
♥ JT953	♥ 42	
♦ 8	♦ AKQ7	
♣ J7632	♣ A84	
	♠ Q3	
	♥ AQ87	
	♦ J543	
	♣ Q95	

Milne and Whibley had this ugly auction

West	North	East	South
P	1♠	1NT	X
2♣	X	P	2♥

The sub-Moysian did not play well and Whibley drifted to two off. Things were compounded in the other room when Gumby-Lazer tried their luck in 3♥ and made seven tricks for a loss of 5 non vulimps.

Bits and pieces over the next few, until Kim Morrison gave Bruce Neill severe heart palpitations but Bruce recovered to lose nothing

South passed and Kim bid 1♣. Liam Milne found a 2♦ bid which Santa had left behind in Liam's stocking. Bruce called 2♠ and Kim raised to 3♠. Bruce liked this and said so with a 4♥ cue bid. It is between Kim and his brewer why he passed at this point but photographs of the expression on Bruce's face when the tray came back with a pass on it are amongst the most visited sites on YouTube.

However, Kim's ex tempore brilliance had put Bruce into DeepFinesse's only making slam. Bruce didn't rise to DF's heights and made eleven tricks, not without some feeling of relief.

11

♠ 962

♥ 852

♦ KT954

♣ KQ

♠ Q5

♥ JT76

♦ A3

♣ AJ863

*Dir: S*

*Vul:*

♠ AKJT3

♥ AKQ

♦ J76

♣ 42

♠ 874

♥ 943

♦ Q82

♣ T975

As always when I finish a set of Bulletins, I am mindful of the people who make Daily Bulletins possible – the expert players. If it weren't for their knowledge and patience in explaining things, these Bulletins would be flimsy to the point of non-existence. My personal, special thank you's to you all. Why none of you ever tell me to b\*\*\*\*\* off is beyond me.

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<b>1</b>	Wood	<b>123</b>	<b>103</b>
<b>2</b>	Ingham	<b>117</b>	<b>92</b>
<b>3</b>	Ewart	<b>112</b>	<b>94</b>
<b>4</b>	Parrott	<b>106</b>	<b>70</b>
<b>5</b>	Tutty	<b>100</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>6</b>	Freeland	<b>96</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>7</b>	Maluish	<b>96</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>8</b>	Leach	<b>93</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>9</b>	Watts	<b>92</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	Fallon	<b>91</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>11</b>	Donovan	<b>88</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>12</b>	Ferris	<b>87</b>	<b>-5</b>
<b>13</b>	Wallis	<b>87</b>	<b>-11</b>
<b>14</b>	Allen	<b>86</b>	<b>-11</b>
<b>15</b>	Strasser	<b>86</b>	<b>-12</b>
<b>16</b>	Gariepy	<b>82</b>	<b>-28</b>
<b>17</b>	Miller	<b>80</b>	<b>-27</b>
<b>18</b>	Small	<b>75</b>	<b>-55</b>
<b>19</b>	Athea	<b>74</b>	<b>-51</b>
<b>20</b>	McMahon	<b>64</b>	<b>-78</b>
<b>21</b>	Hurley	<b>63</b>	<b>-87</b>
<b>22</b>	Kanetkar	<b>43</b>	<b>-153</b>

### 2013 FLIGHTED MSP Round 6 - 2013

Place	Name	Score	Imps
1	P Scales, T Berenger	113	50
2	C Richardson, S Boughey	110	42
3	W Smith, G Cowen	105	36
4	S Scerri, A Scerri	105	27
5	T Hutton, R Sebesfi	104	31
6	L Ma, E Williams	104	30
7	M Campbell, G Hutchins	102	28
8	G Clarke, S Clarke	100	21
9	R Casey, C Martin	94	8
10	T Bodycote, P Bendelstein	93	11
11	M Tough, J Beaumont	89	-1
12	L Dixon, J Dixon	88	-4
13	L Bourke, A Rosenberg	88	-4
14	K French, Unknown	88	-5
15	A Kelly, R Landau	87	2
16	B O'Donohue, M Knox	87	-4
17	P Nilsson, D Nilsson	87	-7
18	P Evans, R Hinton	86	-7
19	S Hollands, G Hollands	86	-8
20	K Colbert, L Moss	86	-11
21	B Mill, V Hopwood	85	-12
22	K Huggan, R Gallagher	85	-12
23	S Dynan, J Kingston	84	-11
24	L Turner, G Gray	83	-13
25	K Lemon, R Ng	80	-23
26	G James, D James	71	-41
27	A Fraser, G Davis	66	-49
28	K Caruana, C Dawson	54	-74



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