

Answers mon/wed competitive bidding

- 1) Bid 3Sp -actually in a sense you are "not worth it" and you would hate partner to raise you to 4sp. They however will be aware in a competitive auction that sometimes one must stretch so they will give you a little leeway.
- 2) And a full blooded 4Sp. Here partner had no need to go to 3Sp if they were only worth 2Sp. They will have their "normal" 10-12 pts and our hand is a clear 4sp bid
- 3) Pass – maybe partner was stretching and anyway the points don't add up. Take your plus score in 3H and don't hang partner for their enterprise.
- 4) Pass-normally with 8 or 9 pts one would go to game in sequences like

1S-----2S
3S----- ?

le you could rely on partner to have 17+ pts.

In our auction though partner was pushed and maybe has (a lot) less than 17.

Again take the plus score.

5).

- a) play the 6 clubs-this is an example of *three you wait and see* (*what the next player plays*) . It is likely that the next player will play a Q or K and then you can beat that with your Ace and later make your J as well
 - b) b)play the J clubs this is an example of *two you do play your honour*
Whether it is likely that your J will win is moot. The point is that this is the ONLY way to make your Jack.
 - c) play the Q clubs same reasoning as for (b) above
 - d) play the Q clubs same reasoning as for (c) above
- 6) a) you will w.w.w. in spades (winning the Ace spades finally); then you will play a heart.
b)you will win with your Ace on the led K. A s.w.s. play (strike when strong).
The spades are not a worry as you have the 10 xxx in one hand.
Then play a heart to the K,. Then play the 3 clubs towards the K c.
- 7) bid 2NT 10 -12 pts and spades or spade stops if you prefer)
 - 8) (i) 9 top of nothing
 - (ii) 2 4th highest from 2 hons
 - (iii) Q top hon from a sequence of 3 hons
 - (iv) 3 4th highest from an hon