

Re: Bidding Question

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This is a New Minor Forcing bid. East wants to find out if West has 3 hearts (or 4 spades). It should be marked on the E/W convention card and should be alerted.

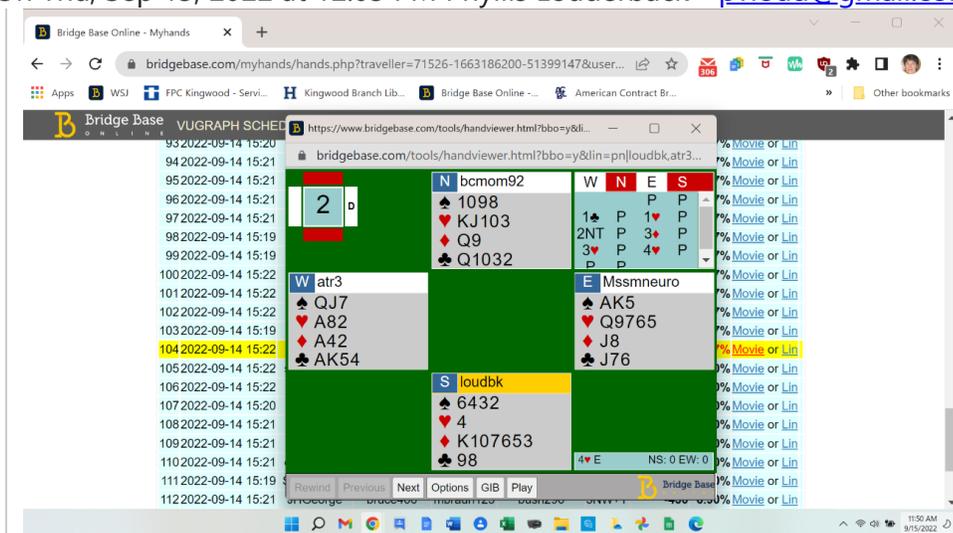
When West bid 3H West showed 3 hearts. If West did not have 3 hearts or 4 spades, West would bid 3NT and East would pass.

If West had 4 spades and bid 3S, most Easts would bid 3NT.

4H looks beatable. The defense gets 2 hearts, a diamond and a club. This frequently happens when there is a duplication of values. That's what E/W have in spades. They have the top 4 spades, but they only get 3 tricks.

Declarer's chance is to end play North in clubs. Strip the hand of spades and diamonds, and throw North in with North's last heart.

On Thu, Sep 15, 2022 at 12:03 PM Phyllis Louderback <pvloud@gmail.com> wrote:



Jeff, Here's a hand that I saw in at least two other bidding cases. What is the diamond bid? It prevented me from leading a diamond. Was it bid intentionally to dissuade the lead of a diamond?
Phyllis Louderback