

For a Future LSBC Newsletter and Corner

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When your side has a fit, it's likely that their side also has a fit. When your side doesn't have a fit, their side usually doesn't either. Let them play when there is no fit.

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S 1H

W 2D

N P (Pass when they bid your suit, hoping they end up there doubled)

E 2S (Decent 6 card spade suit and only one diamond.)

S P (I don't have much to add to my original opener)

W P

N DBL (Penalty, spades and 10-11 points)

E P

S P (I'm happy to play 2S doubled, we should have 7+ spades)

W 3D

N DBL (That's what North wanted from the beginning)

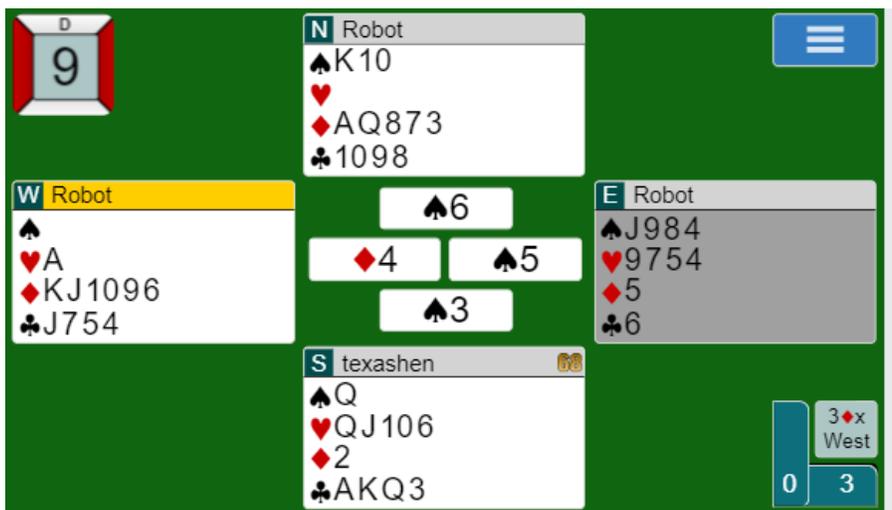
E P

S P (I know North has a diamond stack as neither East nor I have diamond length, and West didn't bid 3D until East was doubled in spades)

North led the 2 of hearts - my suit. The King was won in dummy.

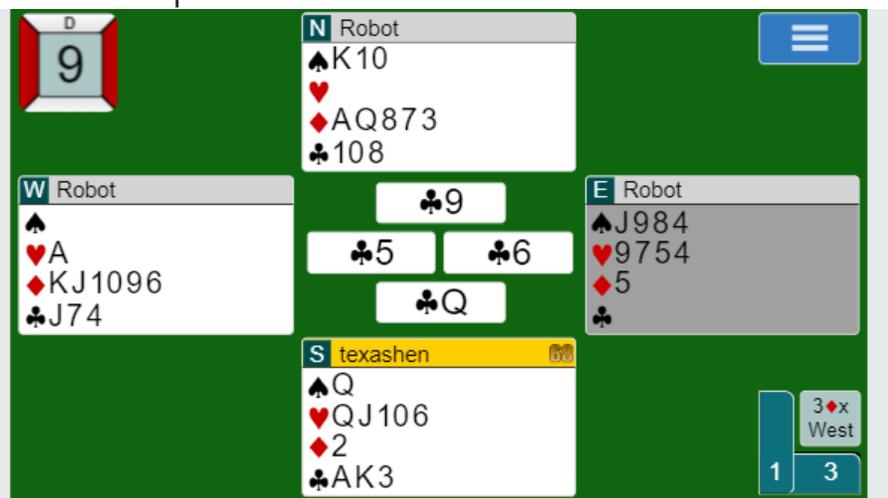


Then the Ace of spades and a spade ruff.

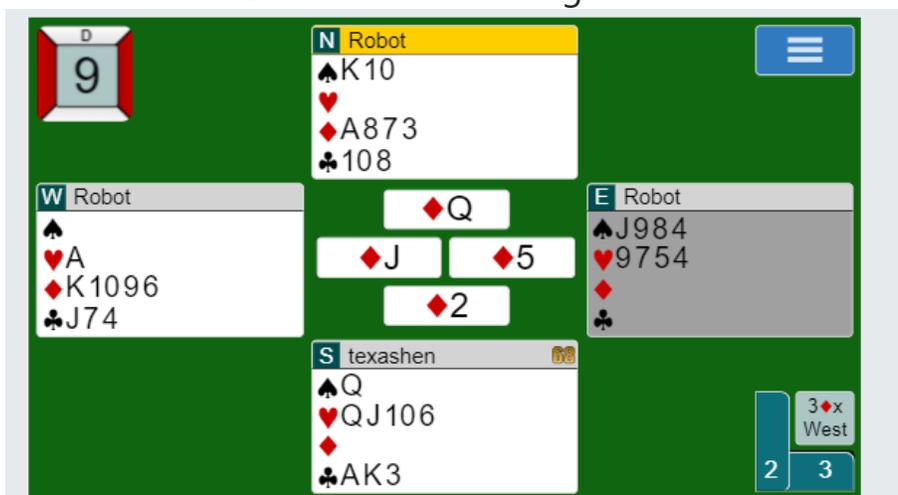


Then the key defensive play. When West led the 5 of clubs, I overtake the winning 9 of clubs so I can lead a diamond through West. Partner would have had to lead a

diamond to prevent a club ruff in dummy. It's much better to lead through strength than lead up to it.



I now lead the 2 of diamonds through West.



All declarer takes are the Ace of spades, AK of hearts and 3 diamonds for down 3 doubled and vulnerable.