



Name: Nancy Joe

Country/Region: USA

Skill level: Intermediate

Created: 2005-03-01

Logins: 2000+

Compatibility:

2/1 and any gadgets you want to play; UDCA

New member: No

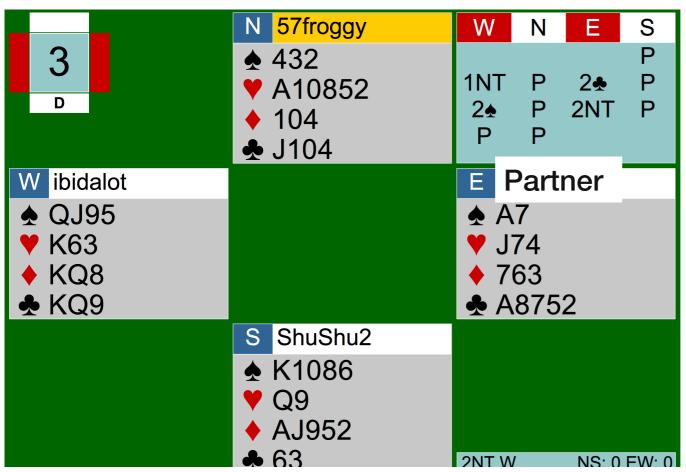
Board completion rate: 100

Tournament completion rate: 100

Why Ibidalot

- It's fun.
- It's exciting.
- It streamlines decision-making.
- It puts pressure on the opponents.
- It makes me a better declarer.
- It makes my partner a better declarer.
- It improves everyone's sense of humor.

5 card Suit offers a Source of Tricks at No Trump



When partner opens 15-17 NT, and you hold 9 HCP and a 5 card Suit, Bid GAME. A 5 card suit offers a source of tricks.

Bidding game would have given us 79% of the matchpoints instead of 41%.

If you open a 15-17 point NT, and Responder invites, bid game if you hold a 5 card suit, even if You are at 15!

janmingju	lindaxxx	LolaTX	3NW+2	660 96.15%
yogisdad	hook_em	cmath9	3NW+2	660 96.15%
hsuhui	billdiii	reggibsonc	3NW+2	660 96.15%
JayHeck	Bulletier	lwl40	3NW+2	660 96.15%
jdfrick	GERosen	kmj77586	3NW+1	630 79.49%
Jonbrie	robinp	bbhar	3NW+1	630 79.49%
JoyceR	jimcab	RLDuble	3NW+1	630 79.49%
SLucky	bidnut100	juliewh44	3NW+1	630 79.49%
dln2	Raldast	RodeoBBQ62	3NW+1	630 79.49%
BettyJF	ariel L	hcmayor	3NW+1	630 79.49%
fayemv	jacksROK	ysm9988	3NW+1	630 79.49%
marshab1	plcuneo	che_3years	4NW=	630 79.49%
pam1022	minky75	spbelding1	3NW+1	630 79.49%
stevau0524	alice1952	Yin325	3NW=	600 57.69%
danmorse	lynnps	wpgiirl	3NW=	600 57.69%
Coach Gio	Nanf	struts1	3NW=	600 57.69%
paulnimmon	rickwb	Sandycat35	3NW=	600 57.69%
ma fung	BP1450	hfs42	3NW=	600 57.69%
Shanks34	kmnbchmn	fmueller1	3NW=	600 57.69%
Maxl5151	nancer	junie15	3NW=	600 57.69%
cmw43	prosczar	ddurand	3NW=	600 57.69%
substan	mafasa	Poklada	1NW+3	180 41.03%
polkma	ianisw1948	sgore19	2NW+2	180 41.03%
ShuShu2	Partne	r ibidalot	2NW+2	180 41.03%
arthound	agamsaces	JoyfulB	2NW+2	180 41.03%
aizane	dfb36	mummiez	2NW+2	180 41.03%
briggett	onenez	Don Moss	2NW+1	150 26.92%
mom630	nickpace11	beachgal1	2NW+1	150 26.92%
harelliott	Laproff2	cckey	2NW+1	150 26.92%
Rockies1	mafrige	belle68	1NW+2	150 26.92%
arehk	tblpepper	FackCE	2NW+1	150 26.92%
klritter	vandrayton	Sharky6	2NW+1	150 26.92%
blueduck	lgh1201	debalexand	2NW=	120 16.67%
jcsells	D_Golfer	STRIKEOUTS	2NW=	120 16.67%
JacksRWild	Stricky57	ggolf48	2♦S-1	50 12.82%
dhss	levycraft	Yvonnes34	2NW-1	-100 6.41%
J CRUMP	doctor q	linkay01	3NW-1	-100 6.41%
KERR	Jack38	2GoodHands	3NW-1	-100 6.41%
harmony7	memcdonald	westex37	3NW-1	-100 6.41%
vbob60	Primm	lv5stacy	3NW-3	-300 0.00%
	yogisdad hsuhui JayHeck jdfrick Jonbrie JoyceR SLucky dln2 BettyJF fayemv marshab1 pam1022 stevau0524 danmorse Coach Gio paulnimmon ma fung Shanks34 Maxl5151 cmw43 substan polkma ShuShu2 arthound aizane briggett mom630 harelliott Rockies1 arehk klritter blueduck jcsells JacksRWild dhss J CRUMP KERR harmony7	yogisdad hook_em hsuhui billdiii JayHeck Bulletier jdfrick GERosen Jonbrie robinp JoyceR jimcab SLucky bidnut100 dln2 Raldast BettyJF ariel L fayemv jacksROK marshab1 plcuneo pam1022 minky75 stevau0524 alice1952 danmorse lynnps Coach Gio Nanf paulnimmon rickwb ma fung BP1450 Shanks34 kmnbchmn Maxl5151 nancer cmw43 prosczar substan mafasa polkma janisw1948 ShuShu2 arthound aizane dfb36 briggett onenez mom630 nickpace11 harelliott Laproff2 Rockies1 mafrige arehk tblpepper klritter vandrayton blueduck jcsells JacksRWild dhss levycraft J CRUMP doctor q KERR Jack38 harmony7 memcdonald	yogisdad hook_em cmath9 hsuhui billdiii reggibsonc JayHeck Bulletier lwl40 jdfrick GERosen kmj77586 Jonbrie robinp bbhar JoyceR jimcab RLDuble SLucky bidnut100 juliewh44 dln2 Raldast RodeoBBQ62 BettyJF ariel L hcmayor fayemv jacksROK ysm9988 marshab1 plcuneo che_3years pam1022 minky75 spbelding1 stevau0524 alice1952 Yin325 danmorse lynnps wpgiirl Coach Gio Nanf struts1 paulnimmon rickwb Sandycat35 ma fung BP1450 hfs42 Shanks34 kmnbchmn fmueller1 maxl5151 nancer junie15 cmw43 prosczar ddurand substan mafasa polkma janisw1948 ShuShu2 arthound aizane dfb36 mummiez briggett onenez Don Moss mom630 nickpace11 beachgal1 harelliott Laproff2 cckey Rockies1 mafrige belle68 arehk tblpepper FackCE klritter vandrayton Sharky6 blueduck lgh1201 debalexand jcsells D_Golfer STRIKEOUTS JacksRWild Stricky57 ggolf48 J CRUMP doctor q linkay01 KERR Jack38 2GoodHands harmony7 memcdonald westex37	yogisdad hook_em cmath9 3NW+2 hsuhui billdiii reggibsonc 3NW+2 jdfrick GERosen kmj77586 3NW+1 Jonbrie robinp bbhar 3NW+1 JoyceR jimcab RLDuble 3NW+1 SLucky bidnut100 juliewh44 3NW+1 dln2 Raldast RodeoBBQ62 3NW+1 fayemv jacksROK ysm9988 3NW+1 fayemv jacksROK ysm9988 3NW+1 marshab1 plcuneo che_3years 4NW= pam1022 minky75 spbelding1 3NW+1 stevau0524 alice1952 Yin325 3NW= danmorse lynnps wpgiirl 3NW= Coach Gio Nanf struts1 3NW= paulnimmon rickwb Sandycat35 3NW= ma fung BP1450 hfs42 3NW= Shanks34 kmnbchmn fmueller1 3NW= substan mafasa Poklada 1NW+3 substan polkma ianisw1948 sgore19 2NW+2 arthound acamsaces alizane dfb36 mummiez 2NW+2 Briggett onenez Don Moss 2NW+1 harelliott Laproff2 cckey 2NW+1 harelliott Laproff2 cckey 2NW+1 Rockies1 mafrige belle68 1NW+2 arehk tblpepper FackCE 2NW+1 klritter vandrayton Sharky6 2NW+1 blueduck lgh1201 debalexand 2NW= jcsells D_Golfer STRIKEOUTS 2NW= JacksRWild Stricky57 ggolf48 2♦S-1 ycraft Yvonnes34 2NW-1 linkay01 3NW-1 KERR Jack38 2GoodHands 3NW-1 harmony7 memcdonald westex37 3NW-1

Losing Trick Count

I started using Losing Trick Count a few years ago as a tool to evaluate opening hands in 1st and 2nd seats. Shape and fit are often more accurate measures for determining the optimal level of a makeable contract. I don't open 12 point hands if they have 8+ losers. I will open a 10 or a rare 9 count at the one level with 7 or fewer losers. LTC is applicable for Suit Contracts after a Trump fit has been established.

The LTC Formula

- A. Count your losers
- **B.** Add Partner' losers
- C. Deduct this total from 24
- D. The answer is the number of tricks a Partnership can expect to take

The Losing Trick Count In Bridge

Posted 30 October 2013 by Ron Klinger

The Losing Trick Count

Counting losers is a sound way of estimating the playing strength of a hand, particularly a hand which contains one or two very long suits. High card points are best to assess the value of a balanced hand, counting losers works better for the more distributional hands.

Counting A AKQJ9765 76 42 as 14 HCP is missing the true value of the hand which is nine playing tricks. If you bid this as a 14-point hand you will be making a gross underbid. The Loser Count comes into play usually only after you and your partner have established at least an 8-card trump fit (see The Modern Losing Trick Count for a comprehensive exposition of this approach). Nevertheless, it often pays you to count your losers anyway. It will give you an idea of the potential of your own cards and if you can gauge how many tricks partner is likely to provide, you can estimate the combined playing strength of the partnership.

Many systems describe various bids or sequences not just in terms or points, but also in terms of losers or in terms of points and losers. A jump raise by a passed hand (No: 1 - 3 - 10) for example would be described as showing 10-12 points and 8 losers. The value is in giving partner a clearer idea of the hand opposite.

Counting Your Losers

Void: No losers

Singleton suit: Count one loser, except for ace singleton (0).

Doubleton suit: Count two losers except for A-K (0), A-x (1) or K-x (1). Count Q-x as 2 losers.

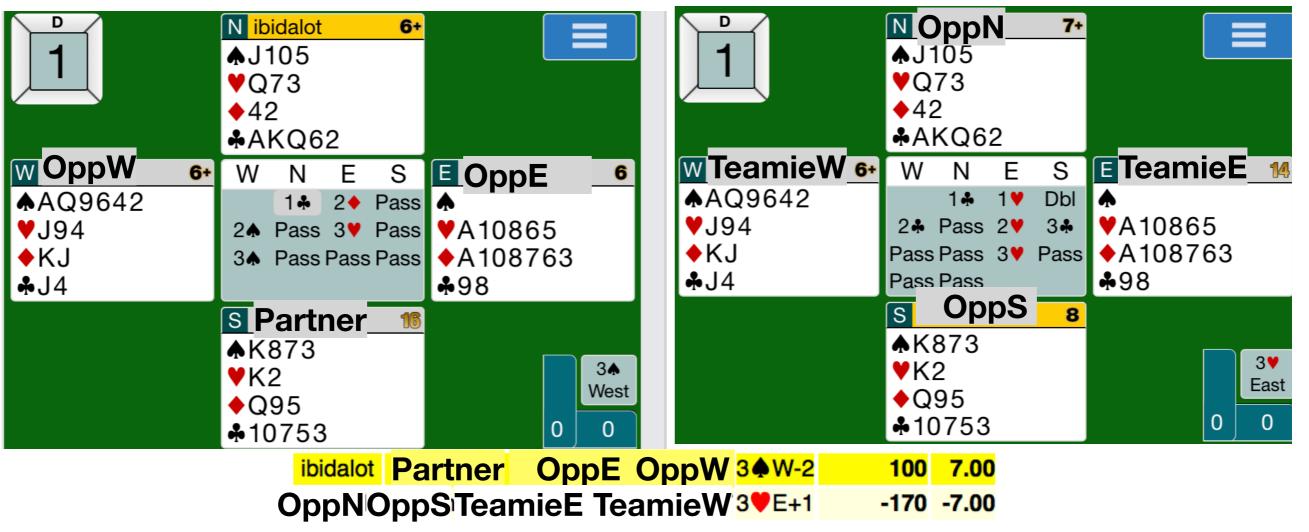
3-card or longer suit: Count three losers but deduct one for the ace, king or queen. Deduct one loser for each of these top cards.

Examples

In a 3-card or longer suit, count the queen as a winner as long as there is at least one other honour in the suit. If not, count the queen as only half a winner.

Your losers minus partner's winners is one way to estimate the combined strength (7 losers - 4 winners = 3 losers, i.e. 10 tricks). Alternatively, count your losers, add partner's losers, deduct the total from 24. The answer is the trick-taking potential.

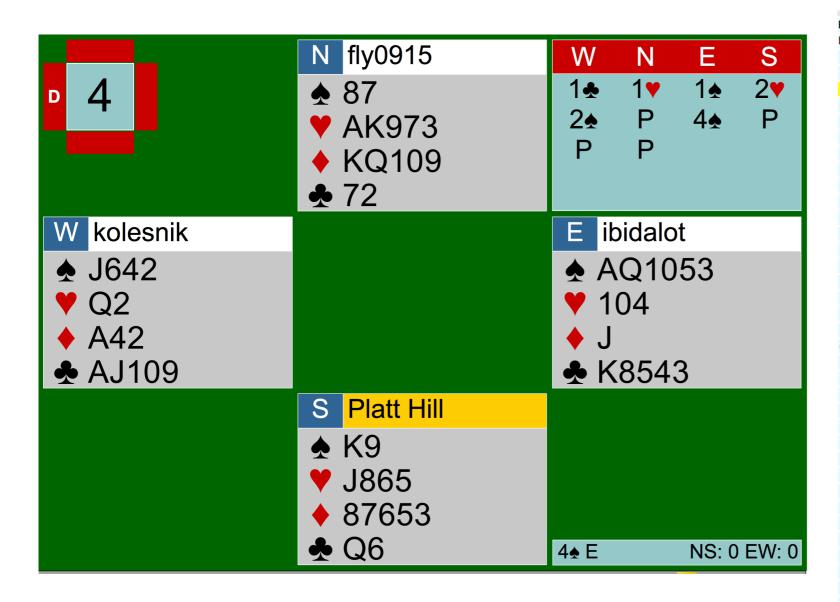
Evaluate your hand based on Trick Taking Ability-Not Points!



At my table, East elected to make a preemptive 2D overcall after my 1C (could be as few as 2) opening. Yet, East is 6-5 with only 6 losers. East should consider overcalling 2N showing the 2 Lower Unbid Suits. Then, it's clear to West that Hearts is the trump suit.

At the Other Table, Teamie East overcalled 1H, although he has longer diamonds. West offers the cue bid showing a limit raise or better. Although, it's possible the cue bid could be a general forcing bid. East can bid 3D, and the partnership can proceed to their 4H game.

5-5 Come Alive



If I'm 5-5, and find a fit, I'm jumping to game!

RogerN1241	rebecca55	enxie	ladyapb	5 ♥ xN-3	800 1	00.00%
buhumphrey	brucesm22	cgbell	charsa5	4 ♠ E+1	650	96.08%
devilscoup	mamia1	darkrage	gartinmale	4 ♠ E+1	650	96.08%
kathieflor	JuliaFL	mmbridge	jrfox	4 ♠ E+1	650	96.08%
fly0915	Platt Hill	ibidalot	kolesnik	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
willwats	yoshka	aleatory	vandy1029	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
mzeller	Paul SeK	susbul	hflsh	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
rdonathan	undigala	LFriedman1	Dantastic4	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
dunitz	iftibaqai	Purrple	sweeper	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
Iboardman	ScrabbleEx	better45	garsou	4 ♠ W=	620	68.63%
Tall25girl	Idlspinks	sjlove1944	judy_eo	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
maks	frances17	Fredp	elsco	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
slog	asabb0	ericxiao1	xiaogh	4 . ₩=	620	68.63%
georgiabrn	mollbridge	carlosp	rajda	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
zapnow	stevew13	ronkral	mspooner	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
Ensifera	Gr8 Ape	bree leant	ejksw	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
Alfoxy	luckysue	mslair	nersi2009	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
argong1	rsmiller	kalyanv	vinesh	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
7Clubs	oschireson	kbarrett	Bob Solick	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
crispinb	leobell711	fourscore	brdg23	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
elaynedawe	kenking	halli	welcher	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
mikeyd	leisy	pkuhn	lazydaz	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
nd67	agrawalxy	valani	caroleliss	4 . ₩=	620	68.63%
bfalgout	rpopper	bobthomson	dharmababe	4 ∳ E=	620	68.63%
twelve13	Yin325	kenprop	compton	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
tomopp	cardiodog	jmharris	Humboldt2	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
pd15	n_vilas	cjvilla	Milliebg	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
Bernie NYC	Chicago42	SUBBAR	Kady1	4 ♠ E=	620	68.63%
mstitt326	HIBari	faile04	atakdog	4 ♠ W=	620	68.63%
tbreur	wolfsnare	lolido02	nffellman	5 ♦ xN-2	500	43.14%
behingerty	PrecisionL	running73	jjr4300	4 ♥ N-3	300	41.18%
bobk	saraemily	akjxxx	dbrower	3 ♥ N-2	200	39.22%
karenemcd	yahsure	ingrid333	janoronha	3 ♠ E+1	170	32.35%
Orioles1	Wayne Burt	bosi2	PVKing	3 ♠ E+1	170	32.35%
jpmnbr	mseligman	suemunday	jmunday	3 ♠ E+1	170	32.35%
rjeyakumar	danrai	Pingaksha4	1moppy	2 ♠ E+2	170	32.35%
stopgaap	marsjc	rbs2	dwar0123	3 ♠ E+1	170	32.35%
nwiebe	Evie44	blanch17	amyrho	3 ♠ E+1	170	32.35%
pjbb	budnbeth	Clinician	81348	3 ♠ E=	140	25.49%
DrDallas	BCRPro	honestgolf	peterpeng	4 ♣ W=	130	23.53%
hellerbl	clayhall	deanp	notro	4 ♠ E-1	-100	11.76%
jade	Zorrito99	Ayla710	ekolesnik	5♠W-1	-100	11.76%
profB	poijlkj	rg99	stevenel	4 ♠ E-1	-100	11.76%
dboye	pdovell	rduran1216	hilto37	4♠E-1	-100	11.76%
YaoMing11	barmar	weishu1	SHSurprise		-100	11.76%
bschmidt	Thescoop9	wiple	dkwv	4♠E-1	-100	11.76%
rathia	GHS_Edmund	rags04		4♠E-1	-100	11.76%
skiba	Ellis10	jludwig	glenne	4♠E-1	-100	11.76%
chrismoh	kmtnyc	LolaTX	anncal	4♠E-1	-100	11.76%
2brigadoon	mrmscolreb	reese13	tommcdow	5♠W-1	-100	11.76%
sheub	umpire2220	stugoo	gowani	4♠E-1	-100	11.76%
tfogarty	Elyk25	penalized	gtripleg	5 ♠ E-2	-200	0.00%

5-5 Come Alive

2	 N Helen115 ♠ A9765 ♥ 875 ♠ Q108 ♣ 32 	W N E P 1♥ P 2⁴ 4♥ P P	S P 2♠ P
W ibidalot♠ 8♥ KQ964♠ KJ654♣ K10		 E Bresson50 ♠ QJ ♥ AJ10 ♠ A73 ♣ 87654)
	S janisw1948♠ K10432♥ 32♦ 92♣ AQJ9	4♥ W NS	: 0 EW: 0

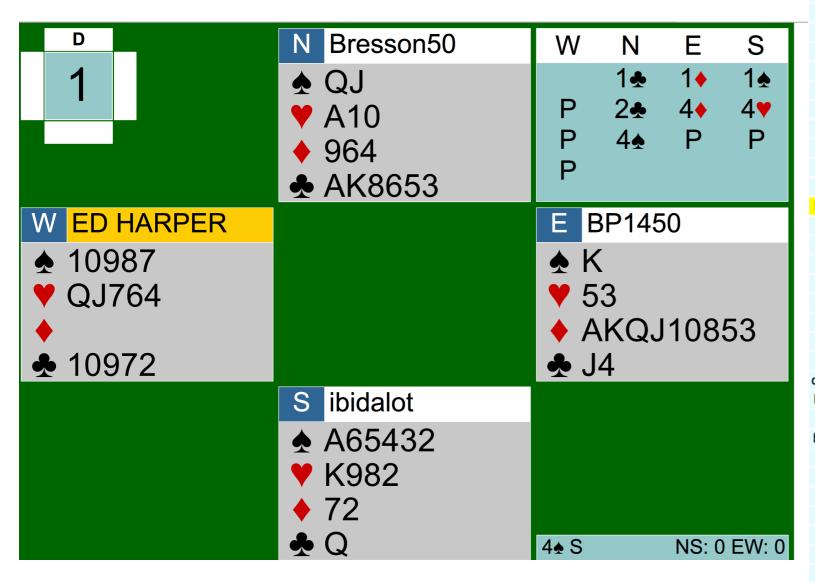
	Gold88	Maxl5151	bamabelle7	YNY1968	5 ♠ xS-3	800 100.00%
	Nanf	struts1	spbelding1	minky75	4 ♥ W+1	450 97.62%
	charlie_h	hsuhui	dcb2	nbrownjr	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	Ariel L	mom630	akjxxx	juliewh44	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	alanzlove	patrol55	sammylou	Jonbrie	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	Chuckieg	haroldsqzu	JoyceR	pjwinkle	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	alice1952	ysm9988	belle68	Simone61	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	stevau0524	ekim123	gentrymp	jacksROK	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	Day 5	sharcam	billdiii	annodear	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	LolaTX	harelliott	bobat3333	starzecb	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	Calvatia	geastrales	hcmayor	raldast	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	cbmeyer	maconda	kurt00	dticen	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	gbgg4957	charley9	57froggy	linkaykay	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	rmcw	viking1242	ерј3	klritter	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	sgore19	PJBTEXAS	BROnstott	janebooz	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	pedett	luck2u2	Linda LB	cmw43	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	Ajoypruett	gosee	texashen	substan	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	tmbnkngwd	doctor q	hook_em	cmath9	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	chorimaiya	bbshrestha	mafrige	gail1947	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	Helen115	janisw1948	Bresson50	ibidalot	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	louida	JayHeck	bsl11	arehk	4 ♥ W=	420 73.81%
	nancer	LL77	betsybaby	yogisdad	4 ♠ xS-1	200 46.43%
	studebaker	lynnps	trudysmith	dhss	4 ♠ xS-1	200 46.43%
	Robin5617	spacy117	SDP2020	clif9819	4 ♠ xS-1	200 46.43%
	RLDuble	nickpace11	dsenior	armshap	3 ♥ W+2	200 46.43%
	jcsells	jayevert	Shanks34	kirby2	3 ♥ W+1	170 39.29%
	Sandycat35	Lindy12	mgoldberg2	che_3years	3 ♥ W+1	170 39.29%
	masse	sebbear	ragmannfw	Yvonnes34	2♥W+1	140 34.52%
	cckey	plcuneo	rickwb	bkiehnhoff	3 ♥ W=	140 34.52%
	wacky1	cowboy_bob	maven10	aizane	3 ♠ N-1	100 30.95%
	D_Golfer	STRIKEOUTS	01208772	JA420	4 ♥ W-1	-50 20.24%
	pattyw5865	ARMLU	bridgeany1	blueduck	4 ♥ W-1	-50 20.24%
	Marlee123	TXJOAN	RodeoBBQ62	wpgiirl	4 ♥ W-1	-50 20.24%
	testiecat1	TSJ999	rbl1148	vbob60	4 ♥ W-1	-50 20.24%
	tblpepper	jmgore	wilhitejc	betsydubos	4 ♥ W-1	-50 20.24%
	SLucky	pkeedy	janmingju	mingie1948	4 ♥ W-1	-50 20.24%
	linkay01	Poklada	edzwald	JWald	5 ♥ W-1	-50 20.24%
	kdickson54	pam1022	ABS	wolfmeistr	4♥W-1	-50 20.24%
	hfs42	mafasa	BP1450	ED HARPER	4 ♥ W-2	-100 8.33%
	phillip	papaaaa	Jack38	2GoodHands	5 ♥ W-2	-100 8.33%
	tonya100	spanisheye	leeiandad	hsrdc	3 ♠ S+1	-170 4.76%
	chuston	pafiorin	carolft	lucky727	5 ♥ W-4	-200 2.38%
1	sml7151	marshab1	reggibsonc	memcdonald	3 ♠ xS+1	-930 0.00%

East passed in 1st seat with 12 HCP and 9 losers.

An opening hand has 7 or fewer losers. I opened in 3rd seat with12 HCP. Partner bid 2C Reverse Drury showing

A limit raise. I bid game, because you only decline an invitation with a balanced minimum (11-12).

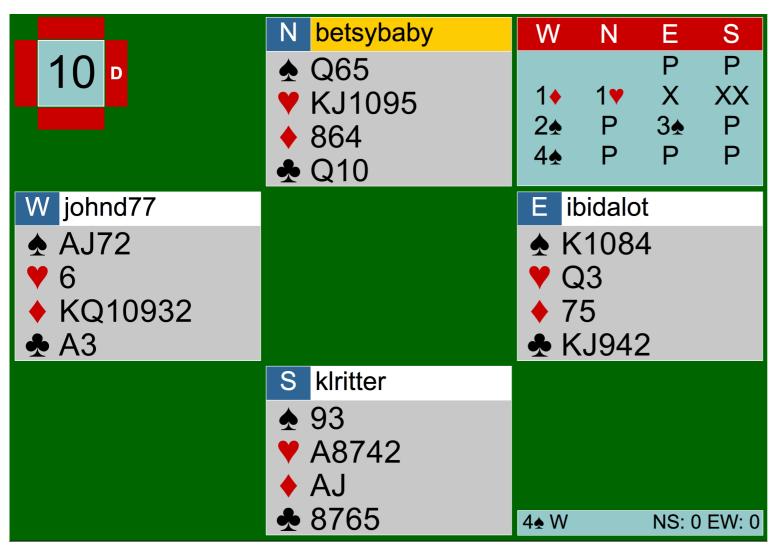
6-4 BID MORE



The opening lead was the 7 of trumps.
I lost a heart and 2 trumps.
We won 77% of the matchpoints.

SLucky	pkeedy	mafrige	gail1947	5 ♦ xE-3	500 92.00%
grammiea	cpano1	sml7151	marshab1	5 ♦ xE-3	500 92.00%
chuston	pafiorin	tmbnkngwd	doctor q	5 ♦ xE-3	500 92.00%
vbob60	paulnimmon	marymimi	JoJo2413	5 ♦ xE-3	500 92.00%
arthound	enegue12	fayemv	jouster	5 ♦ xE-3	500 92.00%
01208772	JA420	gentrymp	jacksROK	5 ♦ xE-3	500 92.00%
ABS	wolfmeistr	Claudiejea	•	5 ♦ xE-3	500 92.00%
ysm9988	Yin325	flare	hfs42	5 ♦ xE-3	500 92.00%
hcmayor	Raldast	millie4912	Georgia6	5 ♦ xE-3	500 92.00%
LolaTX	harelliott	FackCE	JacksRWild	4 ♠ S+1	450 82.00%
3nbill	JimOc	dcb2	nbrownjr	4 ♠ S=	420 77.00%
don moss	onenez	Roswallace	belle68	4 ♠ S=	420 77.00%
Bresson50	ibidalot	BP1450		4 ♠ S=	420 77.00%
JKR40	J CRUMP	RPWJ	dantex	4 ♠ S=	420 77.00%
leeiandad	hsrdc	louida	JayHeck	4 ♦ xE-2	300 70.00%
mummiez	dfb36	plcuneo	cckey	4 ♦ xE-2	300 70.00%
juliewh44	akjxxx	minky75	JoyfulB	4 ♦ xE-2	300 70.00%
bkiehnhoff	rickwb	testiecat1	TSJ999	3 ♠ S+2	200 66.00%
texashen	substan	nickpace11	RLDuble	3 ♠ S+1	170 63.00%
Smandel	sdomsall	struts1	lovey12	3 ♠ S+1	170 63.00%
armshap	dsenior	jng1	sgore19	5 ♦ E-3	150 58.00%
che_3years	mgoldberg2	pjwinkle	JoyceR	5 ♦ E-3	150 58.00%
lizanddon2	txrussell	billdiii	annodear	5 ♦ E-3	150 58.00%
gold88	MaxI5151	moogal	Marlee123	3 ♦ S=	140 50.00%
bbshrestha	jesoller	rmcw	viking1242	3 ♠ S=	140 50.00%
Helen115	janisw1948	cmath9	hook_em	3 ∮ S=	140 50.00%
MW539	mikejwells	lindaxxx	johnd77	3 ∮ S=	140 50.00%
Phillip	рараааа	leeamac	teresac11	2 ♠ S+1	140 50.00%
gbgg4957	charley9	jcsells	jayevert	4 ♦ E-2	100 40.00%
Linda L B	cmw43	Bulletier	SDP2020	4 ♦ E-2	100 40.00%
kickerkid	katmac99	darlyn61	GERosen	4 ♦ E-2	100 40.00%
epj3	klritter	hogen	blueduck	4 ♦ E-2	100 40.00%
ерјо Crumbdar24		betsybaby	yogisdad	4 ♦ E-2	100 40.00%
kdickson54	pam1022	wpgiirl	RodeoBBQ62		50 31.00%
cys123	tonya100	Xiomara	Shelly35	3 ♦ E-1	50 31.00%
Lindy12	Sandycat35	mingie1948	linkaykay	3 ♦ E-1	50 31.00%
D_Golfer	STRIKEOUTS	•	hans07	3 ♦ E-1	50 31.00%
alice1952	II2p1taw	Patlevy	bk2	3♥E-1 4♣N-1	-50 22.00%
	mom630	kirby2	Shanks34	4♠N-1 4♠S-1	-50 22.00% -50 22.00%
adamsaces			filterman	4 ♠ S-1 4 ♠ S-1	-50 22.00% -50 22.00%
pinky1943	gayr maconda	stone2ja		4 ♠ S-1 4 ♠ S-1	-50 22.00% -50 22.00%
cbmeyer kmnbchmn	kgb1171	ragmannfw	Yvonnes34 starzecb	4 ♠ S-1 4 ♠ S-1	-50 22.00% -50 22.00%
dick788	ddurand	frogus pedett	luck2u2	4 ♠ S-1 4 ♠ S-2	-50 22.00% -100 11.00%
				4 ♠ S-2 4 ♠ S-2	-100 11.00%
05Lawrence	Myranell ekim123	crestedb RJE394	cbdon fmueller1	4 ♠ S-2 6 ♠ S-2	
stevau0524					-100 11.00%
kurt00	dticen	charlie_h	hsuhui Danka46	5 ♠ S-2	-100 11.00%
syedraza	ujaini	harmony7	Danka46	4 ♠ S-2	-100 11.00%
studebaker	lynnps	memcdonald	00	4♠S-2	-100 11.00%
Robin5617	spacy117	maven10	aizane	3♦E=	-110 4.00%
hockeylove	popsicle2	Chuckieg		4 ♦ E=	-130 2.00%
sofargood	peiyun99	bamabelle7	yny1968	4 ♠ S-3	-150 0.00%

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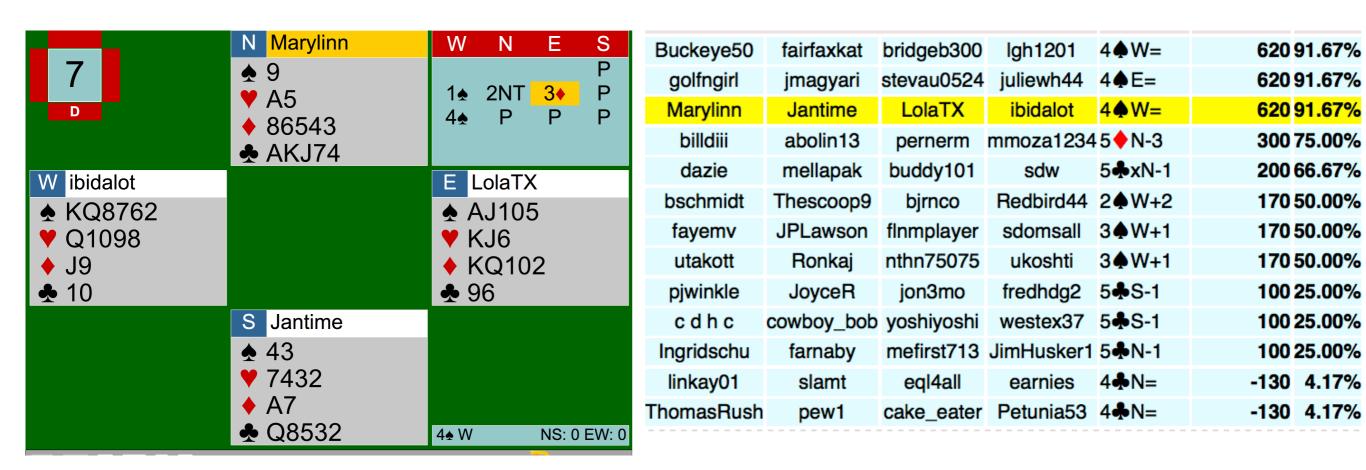
With West's 6-4 hand and only 5 losers, I would have jumped to 3S. I took another call because of my 5 card club suit, and anticipated that S would bid 3H.

1 2021-01-06 17:00	flare	maxl5151	isabel18	bridgeany1	4 ♠ E+1	650 87.84%
2 <mark>2021-01-06 17:01</mark>	betsybaby	klritter	ibidalot	johnd77	4 ♠ W+1	650 <mark>87.84%</mark>
3 2021-01-06 17:01	ggolf48	kiwoclark	rickwb	Sandycat35	4 ♠ E+1	650 87.84%
42021-01-06 17:03	RodeoBBQ62	? Raldast	koco2020	mom630	4 ♠ W+1	650 87.84%
5 2021-01-06 17:03	memcdonald	westex37	danmorse	tmbnkngwd	4 ♠ E+1	650 87.84%
62021-01-06 17:03	plcuneo	che_3years	yogisdad	arpee	4 ♠ W+1	650 87.84%
72021-01-06 17:04	adamsaces	JoyfulB	alice1952	Yin325	4 ♠ W+1	650 87.84%
8 2021-01-06 17:05	D_Golfer	STRIKEOUTS	II2p1taw	janmingju	4 ♠ W+1	650 87.84%
9 2021-01-06 17:06	masse	LolaTX	starzecb	JA420	4 ♠ W+1	650 87.84%
10 2021-01-06 17:06	cckey	Laproff2	bamabelle7	harelliott	4 ♠ W+1	650 87.84%
11 2021-01-06 17:00	dln2	carjenand	ekim123	stevau0524	4 ♠ W=	620 62.16%
122021-01-06 17:02	Rockies1	gail1947	lynnps	wpgiirl	4 ♠ W=	620 62.16%
13 2021-01-06 17:03	ysm9988	jacksROK	prosczar	ddurand	4 ♠ E=	620 62.16%
142021-01-06 17:03	kickerkid	hsuhui	reggibsonc	billdiii	4 ♠ W=	620 62.16%
15 2021-01-06 17:07	stone2ja	ED HARPER	marshab1	TXJOAN	4 ♠ W=	620 62.16%
162021-01-06 17:04	mummiez	dfb36	jdfrick	JimOc	4 ♠ W=	620 62.16%
172021-01-06 17:04	pafiorin	harmony7	rmcw	viking1242	4 ♠ E=	620 62.16%
18 2021-01-06 17:04	pkeedy	SLucky	Daffy2018	RioVicky	4 ♠ W=	620 62.16%
19 2021-01-06 17:06	kghudson2	wacky1	janisw1948	sgore19	4 ♠ W=	620 62.16%
20 2021-01-06 17:03	Robin5617	spacy117	ariel L	hcmayor	4 ♥ xN-2	500 48.65%
21 2021-01-06 17:01	hfs42	bcmom92	donv	dticen	3 ♠ W+2	200 36.49%
22 2021-01-06 17:01	studebaker	aizane	Roswallace	jschnid	2 ♠ E+3	200 36.49%
23 2021-01-06 17:03	levycraft	Yvonnes34	nancer	junie15	3 ♠ E+2	200 36.49%
24 2021-01-06 17:03	kmj77586	GERosen	luck2u2	briggett	2 . ₩+3	200 36.49%
25 2021-01-06 17:03	Linda LB	cmw43	rportgal	marymimi	3 ♠ E+2	200 36.49%
26 2021-01-06 17:08	Phillip	bk2	nickpace11	beachgal1	3 ♠ W+2	200 36.49%
27 2021-01-06 17:04	dcb2	nbrownjr	jimcab	RLDuble	4♥N-2	200 36.49%
28 2021-01-06 17:05	jack38	2GoodHands	hogen	blueduck	4 ♥ N-2	200 36.49%
29 2021-01-06 17:02	FackCE	tblpepper	lucky727	Jonbrie	2 ♠ E+2	170 16.22%
30 2021-01-06 17:02	vt1221	Shanks34	Dewayne K	hans07	3 ♠ W+1	170 16.22%
31 2021-01-06 17:03	mafrige	belle68	Coach Gio	mafasa	3 ♠ W+1	170 16.22%
322021-01-06 17:03	Bulletier	LWL40	hook_em	cmath9	3 ♠ W+1	170 16.22%
33 2021-01-06 17:03	JWald	edzwald	FRH37	fayemv	3 ♠ W+1	170 16.22%
34 2021-01-06 17:05	sdomsall	Juanitaval	Patlevy	gentrymp	3 ♠ W+1	170 16.22%
35 2021-01-06 17:05	haroldsqzu	Chuckieg	millie4912	Searles	2 ♠ E+2	170 16.22%
36 2021-01-06 17:05	ерј3	TAPR1001	grammiea	cpano1	3 ♠ W=	140 5.41%
37 2021-01-06 17:04	kmnbchmn	fmueller1	pinky1943	ShuShu2	3♥N-1	100 2.70%

paulnimmon anntrammel txrussell 4♠E-1

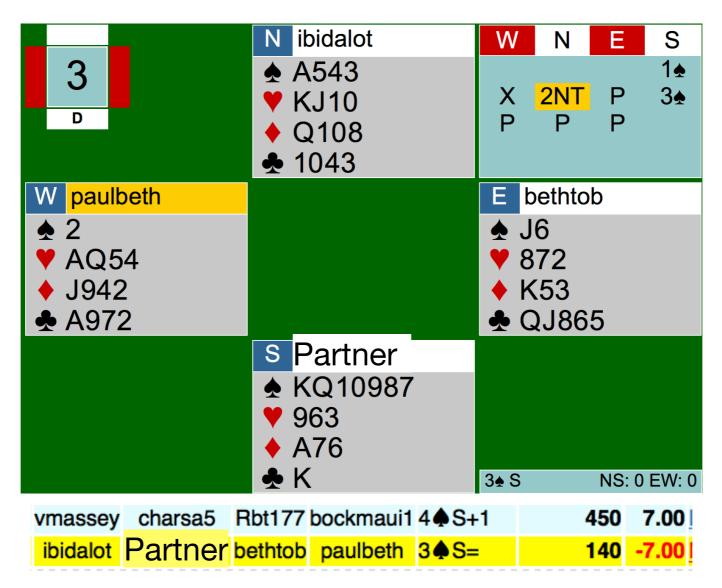
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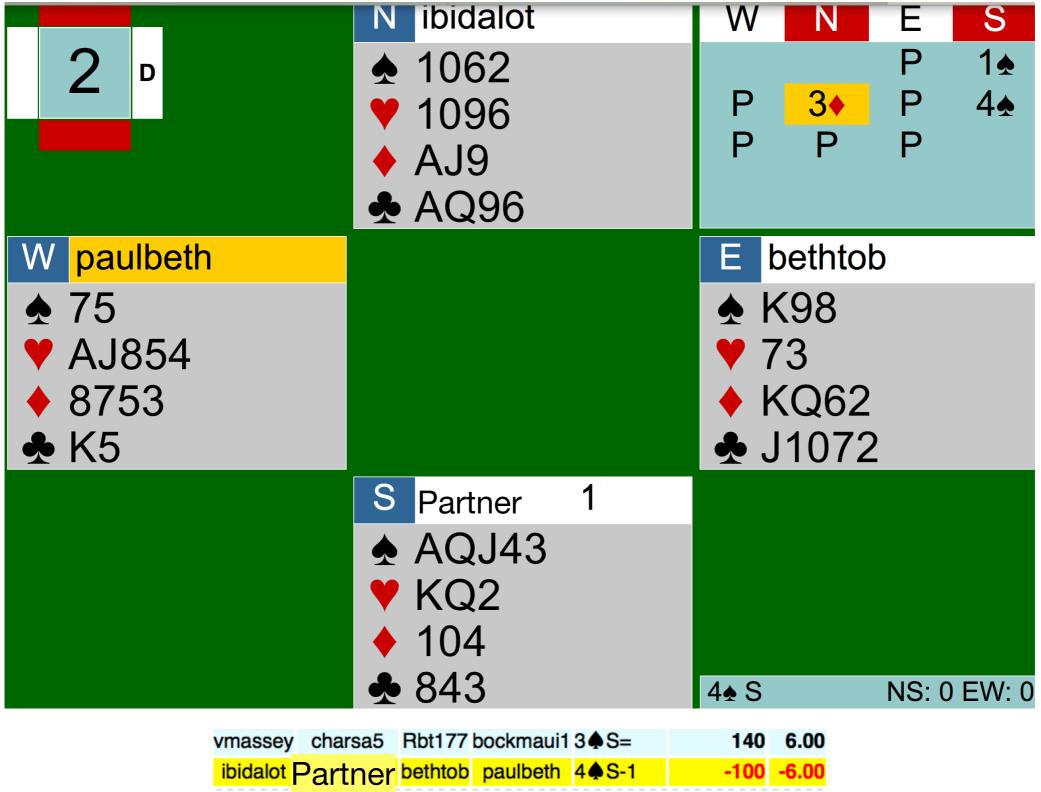
With 8 HCP, and Red on Red, I opened this 6-4 hand in second seat. I had 6 losers, and felt we would lose the tempo of the bidding if I passed. When Partner made the invisible cue bid showing a limit raise or better in Spades, I bid game. Remember, you only decline an invitation with a balanced minimum.

Bid Game, Come to the Party!



Partner, with an extra trump and a singleton, declined my Jordan 4 card limit raise invitation and we lost 7 imps.

When I Don't Bid A Lot

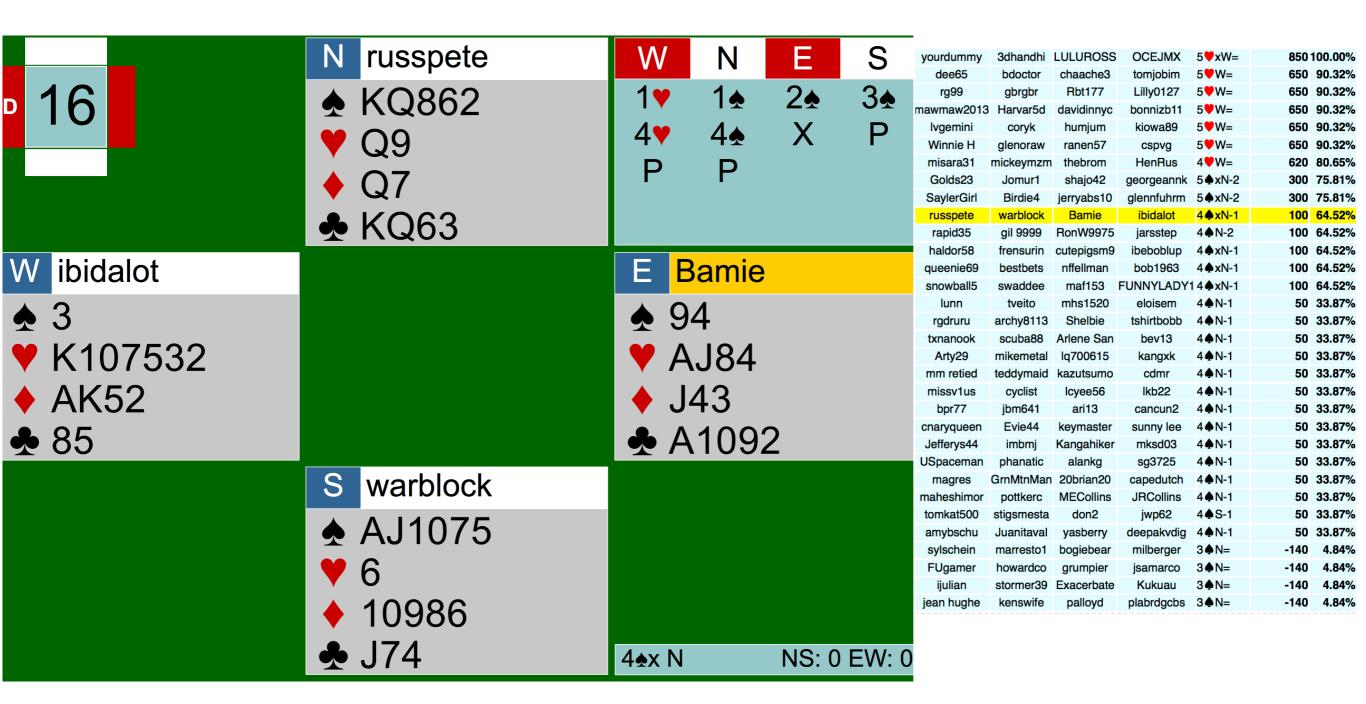


3D is an artificial 3 card limit raise of a Major Opening.

Opener should decline the invitation with a balanced minimum (11-12).

Partner's explained that he didn't want to miss a vulnerable game playing imps.

Don't Preempt With a Good Hand!

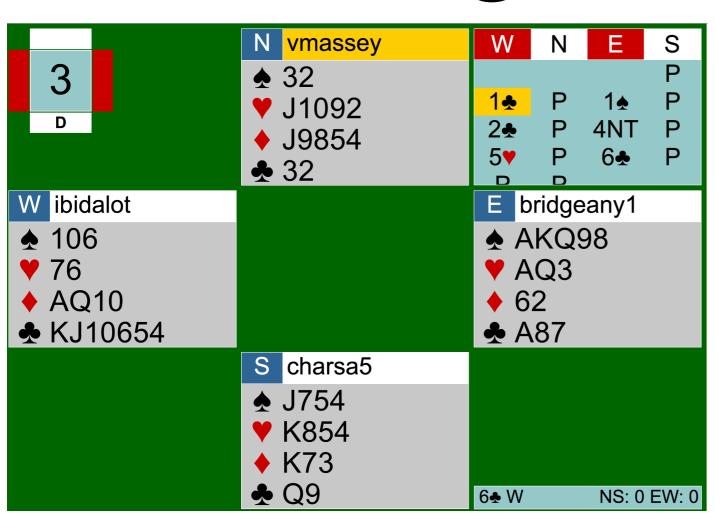


Too often, beginners make the mistake of opening a weak 2 of a Major with 10 HCP.

I cap my weak 2s of a Major at 9 HCP in 1st and 2nd seat.

West has a 6 loser hand, and E/W can take 11 tricks. N/S did outbid us, but East is comfortable doubling the contract, believing West has an opening hand, giving us 64%.

Getting to Slam Using Losing Trick Count



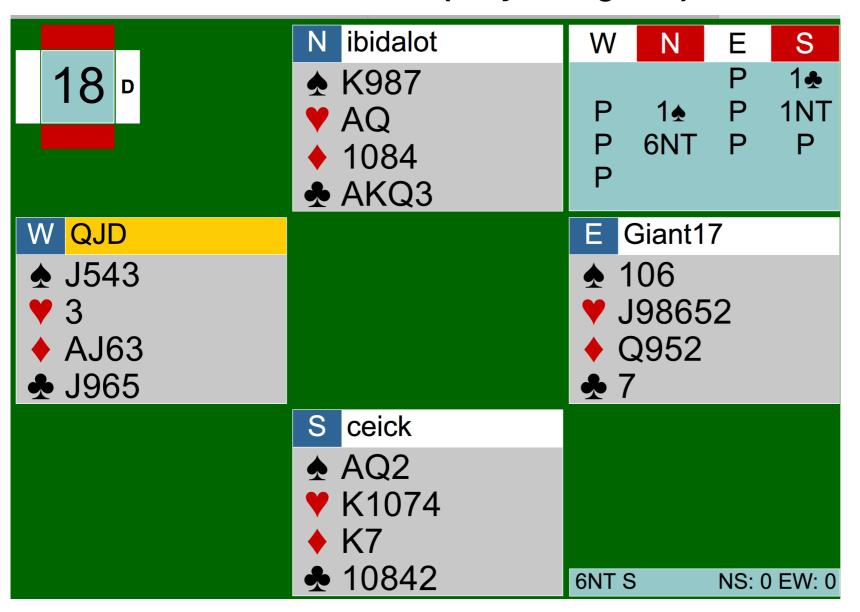
vmasseycharsa5bridgeany1ibidalot6♣W+1139012.00zapnowstevew13jacklacyAlexLabry3NW+2660-12.00

West has 7 losers
East has 5 losers.
7+5=12 losers
24-12=12 the # of
Tricks the hand is
Expected to take.

I opened this 10 HCP hand because it had 7 losers. Partner pushed to slam with 18 HCP, winning 12 imps.

Be Brave

(It's just a game)



As a rule, if partner opens, I bid slam with 18 points. Defense is hard, and if we don't give away too many clues in the bidding, the opponents might make a mistake, and then We win ALL the Matchpoints!

jdd31	seduke	ssbcfan1	rusnakchri	6NS=	1440 99.33%
ibidalot	ceick	Giant17	QJD	6NS=	1440 99.33%
ssbellamy	Bruce127	dianne1024	tryondude	3NS+3	690 96.67%
steph813	JEFF1012	sailorxyz	jmk1030	3NS+3	690 96.67%
BettyKay40	mariegrid	JustLucky	Bidgood13	3NS+2	660 80.00%
tampapa	Irpsl	cenacea	adinsmoor	4NN+1	660 80.00%
gtl4	louzucker	ges4668	JAX STEVE	3NN+2	660 80.00%
sophie13	camello la	alcoff	Ikmita	4NS+1	660 80.00%
nancykgy	stevekgy	cmc91444	shorty63	3NS+2	660 80.00%
bara2020	Slamward	sasrdp	Yellohjket	5NS=	660 80.00%
169cambP	jpking	franemaz	gbw8	3NS+2	660 80.00%
medart22	grdgeorges	SheilaBoz	buckeyebar	4NS+1	660 80.00%
eps7	chrismgrad	purrple	sweeper	3NS+2	660 80.00%
esgkc	pthacker	CurlyHair2	rainbow58	3NS+2	660 80.00%
sjlurie	kailey	yupoyupo	onspock	3NS+2	660 80.00%
aweisz	Linda Lord	farmergir	nicatous	3NS+2	660 80.00%
zuckr	nathanz	vikingmel1	bidfreely	3NS+2	660 80.00%
homeralvin	jeanIII	ButtonsMom	missycat	3NN+2	660 80.00%
bloftus	kimh56	kloveme	nd67	3NS+2	660 80.00%
SparksB	marymudd	mpdo	zed744	3NS+2	660 80.00%
idnug2	CHISHODA	weenana	littlejct	3NS+2	660 80.00%
chickooseb	giart	bingo7891	dharmabum2	23NN+2	660 80.00%
tangzy09	RollandL	gerrymit	Bert2708	3NS+2	660 80.00%
jayhamann	friets	cjmac99	john cook	3NS+2	660 80.00%
nosnillam	markbarl	cpdelino	junglejune	3NS+2	660 80.00%
garryhoden	AlwaysN	shannon316		3NS+2	660 80.00%
donaldjm	eem5	JayRhuda	smnissen	4NS+1	660 80.00%
Tookie26	maryvsd	mimib1	eileen24	3NS+1	630 54.00%
Carol RDH	Sunny6101	Gaildragon	genevagirl	3NS+1	630 54.00%
1993kerry	msgrandy	kohrm	Ron1963	3NN+1	630 54.00%
davedubois	wleesmiles	Subtiliter	prin1	3NN+1	630 54.00%
alexkhr	MissBehave	vesbow	Ed 1946	3NN+1	630 54.00%
wildman12	Lavina86	tryentrump	jinxjones	3NS+1	630 54.00%
Woodygfw		TinaRaeBoy	alexmutt	3NS+1	630 54.00%
ctwilson	uncw	sfriedman2	leopon	3NS+1	630 54.00%
flewemic	andybest	peterp551	suelanma	3NS+1	630 54.00%
Jozee	doctorNO	sam881949	vallejoca	3NS+1	630 54.00%
mazepa	time2glf	divegirl	resadez01	3NS+1	630 54.00%
morriswi01	merrie19	PansyP	pattijk527	3NN+1	630 54.00%
	Vilim	bethk1941	slcdouble	3NS+1	630 54.00%
Goldgri723				3NS+1	
cavehunt1 BKoplen	suzyb65 beb0	tootsig eblane	jbaker75 Mrsmoto	3NN+1	630 54.00% 630 54.00%
jpeled	Rpeled	abazil	Anoliegirl	3NN+1	630 54.00%
duffdad	ninjagal		Redheadgal		620 42.67%
	redfox111	kleo1			
francee		Somaem	jglamothe	5♣S=	600 38.00%
Fwtto	kyosheen	panny	ayjay36	3NS=	600 38.00%
suzyq101	esther_2	howboy59	jenhoward	3NS=	600 38.00%
dliving	Tash9	carlosrv	GMV61	3NS=	600 38.00%
UCity Deb	LKwossek	rodneyseve	Howie HJK		600 38.00%
kimiyo	elambda	poochon	Brenda Gan		600 38.00%
nadelbot	vwolfman	Ayoung121	bevcass	1♠N+4	200 33.33%
clgee	1spruce	MarciaTH	Ibby6776	1♠N+3	170 32.00%
marysmi	LeslieFL	Robbyl	jaybird128	3♣S+2	150 30.00%
sheba2015	bwmerc111	joeg89	dcolket	2♣N+3	150 30.00%
hooekahi	garden738	RonW9975	hotoplay6	4♣S=	130 27.33%
BRpitdad11	mbhaviland	foxyyy	aunt190	3♣N+1	130 27.33%
newpol	Houston609	ted7nt	lda Muma	6NS-1	-100 19.33%