

- (1) You should bid your 5 card Spade suit (yes, it is a weak suit, but you must show it – Partner may have 3 or 4 Spades, or it may help Partner find 3NT if he has very few Spades)
- (2) Should North have bid 4C? I think so, as South must have 5 Clubs for the bid, and it looks like a cross-ruff will be on
- (3) South is looking for North to have some of HK, HJ, CK, CQ or CJ. Given North has bid twice, I would bid 6C

At our Table, South signed off at 5C

THE PLAY

West led DJ, South won in Dummy throwing a Heart from Hand, drew Clubs, ending in Dummy, played another top Diamond throwing another Heart. He then led H6, covered East's HJ with HQ, taken by West's HK. It was then all over with 2 heart ruffs in Dummy, making 12 tricks -

MORAL OF THE STORY

With very shapely Hands, you should bid high. Here I would have bid 6C

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Bridge lover

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