## Hands for Lesson 18



Lead: $\$$.

West draws trump and establishes hearts


Lead: $\vee 8$.

Draw 2 rounds of trump, play clubs to get to dummy to take the diamond finesse


Lead: $\vee \mathrm{J}$.

Always raise partner with support

All Pass

Lead: $\vee 6$

North needs a club ruff for 9 tricks and must play clubs before drawing all the trump

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Lead: $\downarrow 7$.

Note the power of the long suit


Lead: ^ 9 .

West leads partner's suit. South ducks a diamond to establish the suit

| Deal 18.8 | $\rightarrow$ J <br> - KJT54 <br> - AQ83 <br> * Q84 | None Vul Dealer W |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ^AT72 <br> - AQ97 <br> - T6 <br> * 975 | $\mathrm{W}_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{N}} \mathrm{E}$ | ^ K9 <br> - 62 <br> - KJ54 <br> * AKJT3 |
|  | - Q86543 <br> - 83 <br> - 972 <br> - 62 |  |
| West | North East | South |
| Pass | $1 \vee$ 2* | Pass |
| 2NT | Pass 3NT | All Pas |

Lead: $\downarrow \mathbf{J}$
Having already passed, West has a good 2NT bid: a good heart holding, some help in clubs and 10 points. By finessing against the $\leftarrow \mathrm{Q}, 3 \mathrm{NT}$ can be made.

