

Improvers' Bidding Challenge No 9

This challenge is aimed at players ranked District/Local/Club Masters and Novices. We aim to have the questions both instructive and thought-provoking. Entries from those in classes are particularly welcome.

Please submit your entries to russell.frame45@gmail.com by 10th December. Look out for the scores and comments of the panel of teachers in the next edition of Scottish Bridge News and on the SBU website under "Bronze", "Articles for New Players".

Generally speaking the system in use is 12-14 NT and 4-card majors. Any deviation from this will be indicated.

1. ♠ A3 EW Vul
 ♥ Q85 Teams
 ♦ T642
 ♣ AT72

N	E	S	W
-	1♣	2♣*	3♣
?			

*at least 5-5 in majors, weak or strong

2. ♠ KJ964 NS Vul
 ♥ KQJ2 Pairs
 ♦ -
 ♣ AQ74

N	E	S	W
-	3♦	Pass	Pass
?			

3. ♠ A8763 All Vul
 ♥ A854 Pairs
 ♦ AK9
 ♣ J

N	E	S	W
-	Pass	Pass	1♣
?			

4. ♠ KQ7 Love All
 ♥ 8 Teams
 ♦ A976
 ♣ KJ872

N	E	S	W
-	-	1♥	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♠	Pass
?			