

# Improvers' Bidding Challenge No 23

This challenge is aimed at all Bronze category players (ranked below the level of Regional Master). We aim to have the questions both instructive and thought-provoking. Entries from those in classes are particularly welcome.

Please submit your entries to [liz.mcgowan@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:liz.mcgowan@blueyonder.co.uk) by 15 June 2021. 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.

## Problem 1 Teams NS Vul

|       | N | E | S | W |
|-------|---|---|---|---|
| ♠Q    | - | - | - | P |
| ♥AK53 | ? |   |   |   |
| ♦J742 |   |   |   |   |
| ♣QT76 |   |   |   |   |

## Problem 2 Teams EW Vul

|         | N  | E | S  | W |
|---------|----|---|----|---|
| ♠AK9875 |    | P | 1♥ | P |
| ♥542    | 1♠ | P | 2♣ | P |
| ♦5      | ?  |   |    |   |
| ♣A85    |    |   |    |   |

## Problem 3 Teams All Vul

|        | N   | E | S  | W  |
|--------|-----|---|----|----|
| ♠K9    | -   | - | P  | 1♠ |
| ♥AT    | Dbl | P | 2♥ | 2♠ |
| ♦KJ982 | ?   |   |    |    |
| ♣AKQ2  |     |   |    |    |

## Problem 4 Teams All Vul

|         | N | E  | S   | W |
|---------|---|----|-----|---|
| ♠6      | - | -  | -   | P |
| ♥KT93   | P | 1♦ | Dbl | P |
| ♦73     | ? |    |     |   |
| ♣QJ9752 |   |    |     |   |