

Young Chelsea Bridge Club  
 U26 Pairs 29 Jan 2021 – Aidan Woodley

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**Board 1**

	♠ 963	
	♥ K104	
	♦ 64	
	♣ AJ973	
♠ QJ		♠ K107542
♥ 97		♥ J82
♦ A10853		♦ Q72
♣ Q1064		♣ 8
	♠ A8	
	♥ AQ653	
	♦ KJ9	
	♣ K52	

East opened a weak two. You overcalled 3H and ended in 3NT.

You did well to duck the opening Spade lead and win the Second Spade. Assuming Hearts split 3-2 you have eight top tricks.

You successfully finessed Clubs for the ninth – well played!

**Board 18**

♠ K 10 4 2
♥ A 10 9 5
♦ A J 3
♣ J 8

You opened 1NT. Harry bid a 2D transfer, after which you bid 2H. He then bid 3D.

Even if you suspect Harry has forgotten about transfers, you should *always assume your partner has remembered the system*. You may get a bad result on the board, but much more likely he'll remember next time. Also, you'll feel much worse if he actually has remembered (and has a good hand with Hearts and Diamonds), and you have assumed he's forgotten!

**Board 19**

♠ A 10 4
♥ A K 10 8 3
♦ 10 2
♣ 10 4 2

The opponents got to 5S, which you doubled, expecting three tricks. However, it's quite likely that one opponent has a singleton Heart (good opponents wouldn't be investigating a slam with two small Hearts in their hand).

**QUIZ**

1. Declarer should have made 5Sx on Board 19. How should he have played the hand?

♠ KJ96	♠ Q7532
♥ 7	♥ J52
♦ AKJ765	♦ Q3
♣ J3	♣ AQ8

The lead was Ace of Hearts from South, then another Heart.