

**Pros' Answers to Weekly Bridge Quiz #17**  
**April 27**

**Question 1:** Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

S – 4            H – A K 6            D – 10 8 4            C – K Q 10 9 4 3

| South | West | North | East |
|-------|------|-------|------|
| 1C    | Pass | 1H    | 1S   |
| ?     |      |       |      |

As South, what call would you make?

**Pros' Answer:** Many would rebid 2 Clubs, but we disagree. Bid 2 Hearts, instead.

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**Question 2:** North – South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

S – A J 10 9 8            H – Q J 8            D – A 6            C – Q 8 3

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|------|-------|
| 1D   | Pass  | 1S   | ?     |

As South, what call would you make?

**Pros' Answer:** 2 Spades would be natural if you bid it, but why bid with this hand. Pass.

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**Question 3:** East – West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

S – K 8 7 6            H – A 6            D – A 9 6 5 3 2            C – A

| East | South | West | North |
|------|-------|------|-------|
| 1C   | 1D    | 1H   | Pass  |
| 2H   | ?     |      |       |

As South, what call would you make?

**Pros' Answer:** There is too much potential to go quietly. There is danger both in passing and in bidding, but we like bidding 2 Spades.

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**Question 4:** Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

S – void      H – K 10 9 8 5 4      D – A 8 2      C – Q 9 6 3

Your Partner (North) opens 2 Spades Weak (6 – 10 HCP), and your right-hand opponent (East) passes. As South, what call would you make?

**Pros' Answer:** Don't even think about it. Pass!

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**Question 5:** North – South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

S – 2      H – A 4      D – K Q 8 7 5 3      C – A 8 6 4

| South | West | North | East |
|-------|------|-------|------|
| 1D    | Pass | 1H    | Pass |
| 2C    | Pass | 3D    | Pass |
| ?     |      |       |      |

As South, what call would you make ?

**Pros' Answer:** Bid 3 Hearts. Partner will be happy you have Ace Doubleton rather than three small.

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**Question 6:** East – West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

S – K 3      H – A 8      D – Q 10 4      C – A K J 9 7 5

With the opponents passing, you open 1 Club and your partner (North) responds 1 Heart. What call would you make, as South?

**Pros' Answer:** 3 Clubs or 2 No Trump? Semi-balanced with stoppers everywhere, we like 2 No Trump.

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