

<b>ENGLAND</b>	<b>CAMROSE 6-7 DEC 2003 – MANCHESTER</b> Captain – John Williams	<b>IRELAND</b>	<b>SESSION 1.</b> Captain – Tom Hanlon
GH AM PB MJ PK AMc	Gary Hyett Alan Mould Paul Bowyer Martin Jones Phil King Andrew McIntosh	GK CC DG MO DW RT	Gay Keaveney Ciaran Coyne Donal Garvey Micheal O'Briain David Walsh Rory Timlin

Board 1 Dealer N Vul NIL ♠.A76 ♥.AQ109642 ♦.105 ♣.9 ♠.K85 ♥.J53 ♦.Q643 ♣.1075 ♠.QJ2 ♥.7 ♦.AKJ7 ♣.AQJ42 ♠.10943 ♥.K8 ♦.982 ♣.K863	<b>Open</b> W CC N AMc E DW S PK 1♥ No No 1♠* No 2♥ No No 2♦ No 5♥ No No 3NT No No								<b>Closed</b> W PB N DG E MJ S MO 1♥ No No 1♣ No 2♠* No No 2NT No 3♥ No No 3NT No 4♥ No No No No																																				
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**Open.**

W did not use 4<sup>th</sup>-Suit Forcing over the 2♦ reverse and later made a natural invitational 5♥ call – not accepted by E.

**Closed.**

This time W did use F.S.F. and then the slow 3♥ and 4♥ calls were a mild slam-try without having to reach the 5 level.

N led ♠5 to ♠J, ♠9 and ♠6. ♥7 to ♥Q then ♥A and ♥10 to N – ♥J – S discarding ♦2. ♦6 to ♦A.

♣A then ♣Q not covered and ♠7 discarded – 12 tricks.

Board 2 Dealer E Vul N-S ♠.AJ1082 ♥.Q ♦.1083 ♣.AJ65 ♠.9 ♥.K8753 ♦.KJ765 ♣.84 ♠.K76 ♥.AJ10962 ♦.A92 ♣.7 ♠.Q543 ♥.4 ♦.Q4 ♣.KK10932	<b>Open</b> W CC N AMc E DW S PK X No No 1♥ 2♣ 2♠ No No 2♥ No 4♠ No No 3♠ No No								<b>Closed</b> W PB N DG E MJ S MO 1♠ No No 1♥ No 3♣ No No 2♥ No 4♠ No No 3♠ No																																				
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**Open.**

**Closed.**

N led ♦6 ducked to ♦Q. ♠3 back to ♠J. ♥Q ran then ♣A and ♣5 ruffed with ♠7. ♥A ruffed by S with ♠5 and over-ruffed ♠8.

♣6 ruffed with ♠K. ♦A cashed then ♥J ruffed with ♠2 and exit ♦10 to ♦J – S discarded ♣. W now comes to ♠A10 for 10 tricks.

Board 3 Dealer S Vul E-W ♠.9762 ♥.A984 ♦.Q ♣.K952 ♠.A108 ♥.KQJ762 ♦.K10 ♣.106 ♠.43 ♥.5 ♦.AJ976532 ♣.84 ♠.KQJ5 ♥.103 ♦.84 ♣.AQJ73	<b>Open</b> W CC N AMc E DW S PK No 1♥ No 1♠ No 2♦* X No No 2♥ No 4♥ No No No							<b>Closed</b> W PB N DG E MJ S MO No 2♥ No 3♣* No 3♦* No 3♥ No 4♥ No No No						
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**Closed.**  
N-S play a canapé style so 1♠-2♥-3♣ showed 4♠ and 5♣.  
♠4 to ♠J then ♥10 ducked and ♥3 to ♥A. ♦Q to ♦K and ♦A. (Covering the ♦Q is a mistake as E has to be awake to overtake ♦Q with ♦A and then give W a ♦ ruff). ♦J cashed then ♣8 to ♣A. Cross to ♠A to draw trumps then back to ♠KQ for ♣10 discard.

Board 4 Dealer W Vul ALL ♠.K952 ♥.A8653 ♦.A32 ♣.K ♠.8 ♥.KQ74 ♦.QJ105 ♣.AJ94 ♠.A1074 ♥.J102 ♦.K974 ♣.108 ♠.QJ63 ♥.9 ♦.86 ♣.Q76532	<b>Open</b> W CC N AMc E DW S PK 1♥ No 2♥* No No No							<b>Closed</b> W PB N DG E MJ S MO 1♥ No 1♠ No 2♠ No No No						
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**Open.**  
E-W play 5 card majors with Bergen raises so the 2♥ call was known to be only 3 card support.  
W managed to play the ♠ suit correctly once he had discovered N had the ♥ winners.  
**Closed.**  
♣6 to ♣K and ♣A then ♦Q to ♦A. ♥3 ducked to N – ♥Q. ♦J to ♦K. ♥10 – S discards ♣2 to ♥A. ♥5 to N – ♥K who cashed ♦10.  
N then made mistake of leading ♥7 – ruffed with ♠7 so W was now in control. If N had forced W in ♣ then 2♠ may have been defeated.

Board 5 Dealer N Vul N-S ♠.J103 ♥.A9543 ♦.A5 ♣.Q108 ♠.Q6 ♥.KJ ♦.KJ863 ♣.J962 ♠.K875 ♥.86 ♦.Q3 ♣.K7543 ♠.A942 ♥.Q1072 ♦.10972 ♣.A	<b>Open</b> W CC N AMc E DW S PK 1♥ No No No 1NT No 1♠ No 1NT No No No							<b>Closed</b> W PB N DG E MJ S MO No 1♦* No 1♠* 2♥ 1NT No No 2♥ No No No						
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**Open.**  
W did not have much of a chance in 1NT even after ♦Q won at trick 1.  
**Closed.**  
The aggressive 1♦ opener would have led to 3♦ by N-S but as N-S were playing a Strong-♣ system it could have been a prepared bid so S could not support. He also has some defence to the 2♥ call by W.  
N also led ♦6 to the ♦Q and W played ♥A and another to N who then switched to ♠Q to help W to make 2♥.

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2NT response was Jacoby showing a good raise to 4♥ or more – the 4♥ response showed a minimum opener. S led ♠8 to ♠A – draw trumps and claim 10 tricks – (♦ loser goes on the ♣J.)

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E-W must play very sound protective 2♥ overcalls for W to directly raise to 4♥. W could have cue-bid 2♠ and then E bids 4♥ to show the better hand. I think that E should overcall 3♥ in 4<sup>th</sup> seat (unless this is a WJO) to show an intermediate hand. S led ♥3 to ♥9 then ♥5 to ♥A. Next ♦AK and another ♦ to establish a discard of ♠4. Later take ♣ finesse for 11.

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The 5 card Weak-2♠ got E-W quickly to game. If N had overcalled 3♥ then N-S would have found the cheap 5♥ save. N led ♥10 to ♥A. ♦9 to ♦A. N-S must come to 3 tricks.

Board 9 Dealer N Vul E-W ♠.Q32 ♥.10 ♦.1073 ♣.KQ9876 ♠.AK874 ♥.K987 ♦.AK ♣.A3 ♠.10965 ♥.AJ632 ♦.984 ♣.2 ♠.J ♥.Q54 ♦.QJ652 ♣.J1054	<table border="1"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td>E</td></tr> </table>	N	W	S	E	<b>Open</b>				<b>Closed</b>																							
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**Open.**

A normal 1♠ opener led to the more natural 3NT game.

**Closed**

The choice of a 2NT opener caused this swing as N felt S must have 4♥ to go through Puppet Stayman.

E led ♣2 to ♣10 ♣Q and ♣A. ♥7 to ♥Q and ♥10 drops. ♠J to ♠K then ♦AK (mistake) and ♠4 ruffed with ♥5. ♦J cashed – discarding ♣3. Then a further mistake of ♥4 from dummy so E can draw trumps and come to ♠10 and a long ♥ for 1 down. N needed to use ♦AK as entries for 2♠ ruffs then the last ♠ goes on ♦J. E can then only make 3 trump tricks.

Board 10 Dealer E Vul ALL ♠.1042 ♥.KQJ6 ♦.QJ65 ♣.AK ♠.J7 ♥.975 ♦.AK432 ♣.J42 ♠.A86 ♥.10842 ♦.7 ♣.109753 ♠.KQ953 ♥.A3 ♦.1098 ♣.Q86	<table border="1"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td>E</td></tr> </table>	N	W	S	E	<b>Open</b>				<b>Closed</b>																							
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Lead	♦10	Tricks	8	Score	-90																												

**Open**

W won the ♦J and had an easy 7 tricks.

**Closed**

The normal action following a XX is for the pass of 2♣ to show a sound opener unable to X for penalty – N is then expected to take further action. Clearly N-S were playing this the other way round.

N led ♦K then ♠J ducked and ♠7 to ♠A. ♣AK next then ♥K to ♥A. S cashed ♠Q but then failed to play another ♠ for N-S to make the ♣J and ♣Q separately.

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Board 11 Dealer S Vul NIL ♠.J10 ♥.864 ♦.J873 ♣.A853  ♠.KQ942 ♥.Q7 ♦.52 ♣.K1072  ♠.A76 ♥.K95 ♦.AQ6 ♣.QJ94	<b>Open</b>				<b>Closed</b>											
	W	DW	N	AMc	E	DW	S	CC	W	AM	N	GK	E	GH	S	RT
	No		2♦*		No		2♥*		No		2♦*		No		2♥*	
	No		2♠*		No		4♥		No		2NT		No		4♥	
		No	No	No				No		No		No				
	Lead	♥4	Tricks	10	Score	420			Lead	♠J	Tricks	10	Score	420		
	IMP		0	IMP												
	England		18	Ireland		1										

**Open.**

The ♥4 lead picked up the ♥Q for an easy ride to 10 tricks.

**Closed**

W led ♠J ducked then ♠10 to ♠Q and ♠A. S showed good technique by ♥K then ♥5 to ♥A to drop the ♥Q. This line gains as if the ♦ can be cashed for 4 tricks he can get a ♠ loser away. ♣6 to ♣Q and ♣A came next. (N should have inserted ♣9 as the ♣QJ can then be used to first park the ♠8 and later the ♦ loser). ♥8 exit to ♥10. Another ♥ was cashed then the ♠8 went to E who returned ♠9 ruffed with ♥3. Next came ♦10 to ♦AQ and ♦6 back – W at this point left the table to fill up a glass of water – on return S took the right view to insert the ♦9 – 10 tricks for a flat board.

Board 12 Dealer W Vul N-S ♠.A ♥.KJ52 ♦.AKQ7 ♣.J1084  ♠.QJ8643 ♥.63 ♦.102 ♣.K53  ♠.K95 ♥.A10974 ♦.94 ♣.976	<b>Open</b>				<b>Closed</b>											
	W	DW	N	AMc	E	DW	S	CC	W	AM	N	GK	E	GH	S	RT
	1♦		No		1♠		No		1♥		No		1♠		No	
	2♥		No		2NT*		No		2NT		No		3♠		No	
3♣		No		3♦		No		3NT		No		No		No		
		No	No													
	Lead	♠7	Tricks	6	Score	150			Lead	♦3	Tricks	9	Score	-400		
	IMP		2	IMP												
	England		20	Ireland		1										

**Open**

I don't understand why E cannot bid 2♠ over the 2♥ reverse – 3♦ had no chance.

**Closed**

N led ♦3 to ♦10. ♥3 to ♥J lost to ♦Q and ♦5 came back to ♦K. ♣10 now and N rose with ♣A. He then made mistake of ♣Q to ♣K. W had no choice now other than ♥6 from dummy – S rose with ♥A and returned ♦10. As W cashed ♦ winners S saved time by discarding the ♣9 so W knew the ♣8 was the 9<sup>th</sup> trick.

Subsequently this board was adjusted back to 3NT-1 with a 0.5 V.P. fine because of a comment by declarer in reply to the possible shapes of the 2NT re-bid. On appeal this was adjusted back to a 50% split between 3NT making and 3NT going 1 down.



Board 16 Dealer W Vul E-W ♠.KJ84 ♥.1093 ♦.109 ♣.KJ98 ♠.1072 ♥.AQ76 ♦.762 ♣.753 ♠.AQ6 ♥.J5 ♦.AKJ3 ♣.A1042 ♠.953 ♥.K842 ♦.Q854 ♣.Q6	<b>Open</b> W DW N AMc E DW S CC No No 1♣ No 1♠ No 2NT No 3NT No No No				<b>Closed</b> W AM N GK E GH S RT No No 1♣ No 1♠ No 2NT No 3NT No No No			
	Lead ♥2 IMP 0 England 32	Tricks 9 IMP Ireland 1	Score -600	CC	Lead ♥4 IMP England 32	Tricks 9 IMP Ireland 1	Score -600	CC

**Open**

**Closed.**

After ♥4 lead N-S cashed 4 tricks then switched to ♦6 to ♦A. E cashed 4 ♠ tricks then ♣A and ♣K dropping ♣Q. If it had not appeared E had the option of then playing N for the ♦Q.

Board 17 Dealer N Vul NIL ♠.K2 ♥.1082 ♦.10653 ♣.10732 ♠.J10974 ♥.AK9763 ♦.- ♣.J9 ♠.A8653 ♥.J4 ♦.AQJ7 ♣.84 ♠.Q ♥.Q5 ♦.K9842 ♣.AKQ65	<b>Open</b> W DW N AMc E DW S CC No 2♥* 2♠ 2NT No 4♥ No No No				<b>Closed</b> W AM N GK E GH S RT No 1♥ 1♠ X X 2♥ No 2♠ No No No 4♥			
	Lead ♠A IMP 0 England 32	Tricks 11 IMP Ireland 1	Score 450	CC	Lead ♠5 IMP England 32	Tricks 11 IMP Ireland 1	Score 450	CC

**Open**

2♥ was either a very strong Weak-2 or Tartan (♥ + another).

**Closed.**

The X of the 2♠ cue-bid encourage a ♠ lead from E. N could have made 12 tricks by winning the ♥ return with ♥Q ruff ♦, ruff ♠ and back to ♣J to draw trumps. The ♣ are then used to park the other ♠ losers.

Board 18 Dealer E Vul N-S ♠.K2 ♥.AQJ63 ♦.J632 ♣.96 ♠.A87654 ♥.10954 ♦.105 ♣.4 ♠.103 ♥.872 ♦.AQ84 ♣.KJ103 ♠.QJ9 ♥.K ♦.K97 ♣.AQ8752	<b>Open</b> W DW N AMc E DW S CC 1♥ No 1♠* No 1♠ 2♥ X* No 2♠ No No				<b>Closed</b> W AM N GK E GH S RT No No No No 1♥ 1♠* 2♠* 3♠			
	Lead ♥2 IMP England 32	Tricks 9 IMP Ireland 2	Score 140 IMP 1 Ireland 2	CC	Lead ♥8 IMP England 32	Tricks 10 IMP Ireland 2	Score 170 IMP 1 Ireland 2	CC

**Open**

The lower level 2♠ contract is safer but this time with everything right 4♠ was on.

**Closed.**

The 1♠ bid showed 5 ♠ after the 1♥ overcall. The normal 2♣ 2-Way-Cue-Bid encouraged N to take the ♣K finesse in the play and come to 10 tricks once ♠ were 2-2 with the ♠K well placed and the also the ♦A.



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Board 21 Dealer N Vul N-S ♠.765 ♥.J864 ♦.AJ75 ♣.107 ♠.K92 ♥.Q975 ♦.4 ♣.AJ963 ♠.AJ4 ♥.A103 ♦.Q832 ♣.Q82	♠.Q1083 ♥.K2 ♦.K1096 ♣.K54 <table border="1" style="margin: 10px auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		<b>Open</b>	<b>Closed</b>															
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**Open**

N chose to pass but then made a T/O-X of 2♥. 2NT by S was not available as a natural call so S not unreasonably chose 2♠ as the lower level contract.

**Closed.**

The light 1♦ opener by N led to this swing although S did not play 3NT well. The ♥4 was ducked to the ♥Q then the ♥ return won with ♥K. ♠10 was ran and then ♠3 to ♠J. S then played ♦Q which W ducked after some thought. Next came ♦2 to the ♦K and the hand can no longer be made. If S had cashed ♠A before the ♦2 he would make 9 or played ♦2 to ♦9 then 3NT would make 10.

Board 22 Dealer E Vul E-W ♠.AJ74 ♥.AK76 ♦.7 ♣.10984 ♠.1095 ♥.Q2 ♦.K4 ♣.AKQ763 ♠.KQ83 ♥.1053 ♦.10653 ♣.J2	♠.62 ♥.J984 ♦.AQJ982 ♣.5 <table border="1" style="margin: 10px auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		<b>Open</b>	<b>Closed</b>															
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IMP			0	IMP																							
England		Ireland	53		2																						
Lead	♦A	Tricks	11	Score	-660																						

**Open**

This was a nice controlled auction to a quantitative 4NT call by E – correctly passed by W.

**Closed**

E-W were lucky here as W clearly meant 4NT as RKCB. This could have led to 6♣-1. E did well to pass and W was happy when the ♦A was led.

Board 23 Dealer S Vul ALL ♠.42 ♥.K4 ♦.KJ965 ♣.KJ96 ♠.10763 ♥.Q65 ♦.A102 ♣.Q85 ♠.J8 ♥.1098732 ♦.Q8 ♣.A73 ♠.AKQ95 ♥.AJ ♦.743 ♣.1042	<b>Open</b>				<b>Closed</b>										
	W	MO	N	MJ	E	DG	S	PB	W	AM	N	GK	E	GH	S
No			2♠	No		No	1♠	No			3♣*	No			1♠
2NT*			X			3♣	No	No			No				3♠
No			No					No			No				
Lead ♠K				Tricks	8	Score	100	Lead ♠2				Tricks	8	Score	-100
IMP					5	IMP		IMP							
England					58	Ireland	2	England							

**Open**

W balance with 2NT(Minors) and N X to show some defence. E should possibly pass as W will rescue to his better/longer minor. E did not pick up the ♣Q so 1 down.

**Closed**

3♣ was a Bergen-Raise(4 ♠ and mixed values while 3♠ is more barrage). S cashed ♠AK then ♥AJ to establish a discard. E signalled for a ♣ so W did the right thing by leading the ♣J for E-W to take 3 ♣ tricks and still come to 1 ♦ trick.

Board 24 Dealer W Vul NIL ♠.2 ♥.AK2 ♦.AQ1064 ♣.AK65 ♠.Q6 ♥.98753 ♦.82 ♣.QJ103 ♠.AK1097 ♥.QJ4 ♦.K953 ♣.2 ♠.J8543 ♥.106 ♦.J7 ♣.9874	<b>Open</b>				<b>Closed</b>										
	W	MO	N	MJ	E	DG	S	PB	W	AM	N	GK	E	GH	S
1♣*			1NT	2♠		No		1♦			No	1♠			No
2NT			No	3♦		No		3♣			No	4♦			No
4NT*			No	5♥*		No		4♥*			No	4♠*			No
5NT*			No	6♦		No		5♣*			No	5♥*			No
7♦			No	No		No		5♠*			No	7♦			End
Lead ♣8				Tricks	13	Score	-1440	Lead ♦7				Tricks	13	Score	-1440
IMP					0	IMP		IMP							
England					58	Ireland	2	England							

**Open**

A strong-♣ auction sailed to the cold grand slam in 7♦ even though N tried to muddy the waters a little.

**Closed.**

A natural auction led to 7♦. The first key bid is the jump to 4♦ over the 3♣ Game-Force. This showed 4♦. A series of cue-bids followed and then 5♥ was GSF with 5♠ showing 0/2. E assumed 2 to bid 7♦.

Board 25 Dealer N Vul E-W ♠.K76 ♥.K94 ♦.K10862 ♣.K9 ♠.- ♥.AQ10832 ♦.53 ♣.A7653 ♠.Q542 ♥.5 ♦.AJ4 ♣.Q10842 ♠.AJ10983 ♥.J76 ♦.Q97 ♣.J	<b>Open</b>				<b>Closed</b>										
	W	MO	N	MJ	E	DG	S	PB	W	AM	N	GK	E	GH	S
No			1♥	No		1♠		No			1♥	No			1NT*
No			2♣	No		3♥		No			2♣	No			3♥
No			4♥	No		No		No			4♥	No			No
No								No							
Lead ♠2				Tricks	9	Score	-50	Lead ♠2				Tricks	9	Score	-50
IMP					0	IMP		IMP							
England					58	Ireland	2	England							

**Open**

**Closed**

1NT showed 5 ♠ and the subsequent 3♥ was invitational. Both rooms had no chance of making this good 4♥ contract because of the ♥3-1 split and the ♣2-5 split.

Board 26 Dealer E Vul ALL ♠.AJ9 ♥.Q943 ♦.AK7 ♣.A104 ♠.Q10832 ♥.KJ7 ♦.965 ♣.J6 N W E S ♠.54 ♥.652 ♦.Q108432 ♣.Q5 ♠.K76 ♥.A108 ♦.J ♣.K98732	<b>Open</b>				<b>Closed</b>										
	W	MO	N	MJ	E	DG	S	PB	W	AM	N	GK	E	GH	S
				No		1♣						No		No	
	X*		1♠	2♦		2♠		1♥		No		No		2♣	
	X*		No	3♦		No		No		No		2♦		No	
	3NT		No	No		No		No		No					
	Lead	♠2	Tricks	9	Score	-600		Lead	♠6	Tricks	9	Score	-110		
	IMP			IMP		10									
	England		58	Ireland		12									

**Open.**  
I have no details of how 3NT was made but E-W have done incredibly well to get to game and also make it. There are a lot of squeeze chances when the ♦ suit is run as both N-S have to keep 2 ♣. Either can then be end-played to open up the ♣ suit and W then takes the right guess.

**Closed.**  
W is looking at the vulnerability when S bids 2♣. If E does not have a 5 suit then any action on the 4-3-3-3 hand could be disastrous. However when E competes all by himself should W now bid 2NT to show some interest?

Board 27 Dealer S Vul NIL ♠.102 ♥.Q75 ♦.A963 ♣.AJ109 ♠.QJ9 ♥.AK108 ♦.Q72 ♣.654 N W E S ♠.A4 ♥.63 ♦.KJ10854 ♣.873 ♠.K87653 ♥.J942 ♦.- ♣.KQ2	<b>Open</b>				<b>Closed</b>										
	W	MO	N	MJ	E	DG	S	PB	W	AM	N	GK	E	GH	S
						2♦									2♦
	NO		2♥	No		2♠		No		3♥*		No		3♠	
	No		No	3♦		No!		No		No		No			
	No		No												
	Lead	♠6	Tricks	9	Score	-110		Lead	♣A	Tricks	11	Score	200		
	IMP			IMP		7									
	England		58	Ireland		19									

Both rooms opened a disgusting Multi-2♦ and then continued to show bad judgement.

**Open.**  
Surely S can X - 3♦- (T/O) to show a willingness to compete to 3♠ or even just bid 3♠.

**Closed**  
If 3♥\* showed values in the majors then has S not got blood in his veins to bid 4♠?

Board 28 Dealer W Vul N-S ♠.Q62 ♥.A2 ♦.KQJ973 ♣.A6 ♠.A ♥.K1084 ♦.A1065 ♣.J732 N W E S ♠.KJ105 ♥.QJ75 ♦.84 ♣.K95 ♠.98743 ♥.963 ♦.2 ♣.Q1084	<b>Open</b>				<b>Closed</b>										
	W	MO	N	MJ	E	DG	S	PB	W	AM	N	GK	E	GH	S
						No									
	1NT		No	2♠*		No		1♦		No		1♥		No	
	3♦*		No	3NT		No		1NT		No		2♣*		No	
	No		No					3♦		No		3NT		No	
	No		No					No		No					
	Lead	♥4	Tricks	11	Score	-460		Lead	♣3	Tricks	9	Score	-400		
	IMP			IMP		2									
	England		58	Ireland		21									

**Open**  
The ♥4 lead gave W the tempo to make the overtricks.

**Closed**  
N led ♣2 to ♣Q ducked then ♣4 to ♣A. ♠2 to ♠A and ♣J to ♣K came next. ♦4 to ♦4K and ♦A then ♣7 to ♣10 and the ♥3 taken by the ♥A. At this point N was regretting taking the ♦A as W now cashed the ♠ winners and squeezed N in ♦ and ♥ to make 9 tricks. If N had ducked the ♦K and then taken ♦Q when it was played the link to the ♦ suit would have been cut.

Board 29 Dealer N Vul ALL ♠.K109654 ♥.AJ ♦.Q92 ♣.73 ♠.QJ82 ♥.Q6 ♦.K85 ♣.AKJ10 ♠.7 ♥.743 ♦.A1064 ♣.98642 ♠.A3 ♥.K109852 ♦.J73 ♣.Q5	<b>Open</b>				<b>Closed</b>										
	W	MO	N	MJ	E	DG	S	PB	W	AM	N	GK	E	GH	S
			1♠	No		2♥					1NT	No		4♦*	
	No		2NT*	No		3NT		No		4♥		No		No	
	No		No	No				No							
	Lead	♣4	Tricks	10	Score	630		Lead	♠7	Tricks	10	Score	620		
	IMP		0	IMP											
	England		58	Ireland		21									

**Open**

E-W cannot beat 3NT even on the best lead of the ♠7 as N rises with ♠A and sets up the ♥ suit.

**Closed**

In 4♥ N rose with ♠A and led ♥2. W played ♥J to ♥Q then ♥6 to ♥A. W then played passive so N could cross to ♣Q draw the last ♥ and then take the discards on ♠AKJ.

Board 30 Dealer E Vul NIL ♠.AQ962 ♥.A93 ♦.K942 ♣.2 ♠.- ♥.Q1076 ♦.AQJ63 ♣.10743 ♠.K108753 ♥.J84 ♦.108 ♣.85 ♠.J4 ♥.K52 ♦.75 ♣.AKQJ96	<b>Open</b>				<b>Closed</b>										
	W	MO	N	MJ	E	DG	S	PB	W	AM	N	GK	E	GH	S
			5♣	2♦		3♣						2♠*		3♣	
	3♥*		No	No		No		4♠		5♣		No		No	
	No							5♠		6♣		No		No	
								No							
	Lead	♣2	Tricks	12	Score	420		Lead	♠A	Tricks	13	Score	940		
	IMP			IMP		11		VP		17.5	VP		9		
	England		58	Ireland		32		England			Ireland				

**Open**

E-W took the right view to pass 5♣.

**Closed**

After the Weak 2♠ opener W has a difficult decision when 5♣ comes round to him. If ♠ are 1-1 then he has 2 cashing tricks off 6♣, otherwise he may come to the ♦K. The danger of bidding 5♠ is if the ♦A is over the ♦K then you are probably going for 500 and if they bid the slam because ♠ are 2-0 then it will make. This was the wrong moment to bid 5♠ as the cards were well placed for 6♣ to make.

	England	Ireland
Slams bid and made	1	2
Games bid and made	18	15
Part Scores bid and made	7	5
Slams Defeated	0	0
Games Defeated	4	1
Part Scores Defeated	7	0