

# Bob Jones May 20 Quiz

Goren on Bridge: Weekly bridge quiz

GOREN BRIDGE MAY 20, 2023

Q1 – Neither vulnerable

♠Void ♥A 9 6 4 ♦J 8 7 3 ♣A K T 9 8

SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST

1♣ Pass 1♠ Pass

?

Q 3 – East-West vulnerable

♠T 6 ♥K J 9 4 ♦A Q 7 ♣A 9 8 5

EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH

1♦ ?

What call would you make?

Q 5 – North-South vulnerable

♠A Q T 6 ♥K T 7 6 ♦A K Q 7 ♣3

NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST

1♦ Pass 1♥ Pass

1NT Pass 2♦\*

2♥ Pass 3♦ Pass

3NT Pass ?

\*Artificial game force

What call would you make?

Q 2 – North-South vulnerable

♠A 7 3 ♥9 7 6 3 ♦T 9 8 4 ♣4 2

WEST NORTH EAST SOUTH

1♣ 1♥ 1♠ 2♥

Dbl\* Redbl 2♠ ?

\*3-card spade support

What is partner's redouble and what call would you make?

Q 4 – Both vulnerable

♠K 7 4 ♥Q T 7 ♦Q 2 ♣K 8 7 5 4

NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST

1NT 2♦\* ?

\*Both majors

What call would you make?

Q 6 – East-West vulnerable

♠K 5 2 ♥K 5 2 ♦A 7 ♣K J 8 5 3

SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST

?

What call would you make?

Look for answers on Monday.

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### Question 1

Q1 – Neither vulnerable

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SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST

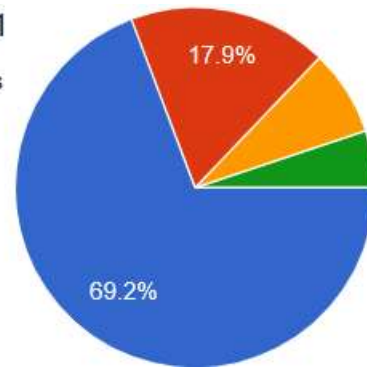
1♣ Pass 1♠ Pass

?

### Question 1

39 responses

- 2C
- 1NT
- 2D
- 2H



Bob Jones 2♣ Both 2♥ and 2♦ would show extras, which this hand cannot deliver. Bid 2♣.

Steve Vogel 2♣ With this minimum opener (given partner's 1♠ response), the only rebid I would consider is 2♣. I would not consider rebidding 1NT with a void.

Joe Muenks 2♣ Epls if you open 1♣, rebid 2♣. My style is usually to open this 1♦ and bid 2♣ over the impending 1s bid but the club vs diamond strength might lead me to open 1♣ on this particular hand since with 12 in 1st seat it's 50-50 whether we'll be on defense and I want a club lead.

Bob Fisk 2♣ Don't rebid 1NT with a singleton or void, even (especially) if it's in partner's suit. Here, if you rebid 1NT, you're promising at least two Spades. Partner's next bid will be 4♠ holding KJ9753 (or worse) of Spades. Ouch.

Steve Moese 2♣ Informing partner we do not have a balanced hand (and not 3 spades - we would have raised - nor 2 spades - we might have rebid 1NT). While I usually strain to have 6 cards for a minor suit rebid, this is one of several exceptions. For those rebidding 1NT, I hope you are prepared to partner's 3♠ invitational rebid. 11 opposite 11 with a misfit should avoid the 3-level.

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### Question 2

Q 2 – North-South vulnerable

♠A 7 3 ♥9 7 6 3 ♦T 9 8 4 ♣4 2

WEST NORTH EAST SOUTH

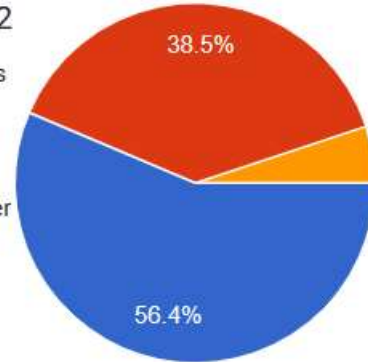
1♣ 1♥ 1♠ 2♥

Dbl Redbl 2♠ ?

### Question 2

39 responses

Pass  
3H  
No Answer



Bob Jones **3♥** Partner has a good hand for his overcall and wants you to decide how best to proceed.

The fourth trump entitles you to bid 3♥.

Steve Vogel **Pass** If I were to redouble in this situation, I would be showing extras looking for game.

I don't think South, as advancer, should be willing to accept an invitation, even with 4-card support and an Ace. I would not be in this situation, however, as I would have bid 3♥ the first time around, showing 4-card support and less than a constructive raise.

Joe Muenks **Pass** We double and bid with 17+ and a good suit. At times you do not hold a good suit, so need to only overcall then show strength later if possible. Partner has 17+ here. You pass now to show that you're minimum (very minimum) for your earlier raise.

Bob Fisk **3♥** It's useful to play a redouble here as "We were 100% making 2♥." You can also agree to play it as shortness if you don't play Kokish Game Tries.

I would have bid 3♥ immediately over East's 1♠ bid to show a 4-card preemptive raise. Let partner make the next decision. On this auction, where my 2♥ bid can be many hands, I need to let partner know about my fourth Heart, but I don't have enough for game.

Steve Moese **Pass** Penalties - SOS redoubles apply when we do NOT have a fit. Here we do have one. Partner is saying I have a good hand for my overcall and we are making 2♥.

PASS! Partner has 3 spade cards! (Please take the time to see why). That's too many losers in their suit when we are Vulnerable and they are not. Better to pass and hope to defend. There's a reason we did NOT jump to 3♥ immediately over 1♠ - Adverse Vulnerability!

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### Question 3

Q 3 – East-West vulnerable

♠T6 ♥KJ94 ♦AQ7 ♣A985

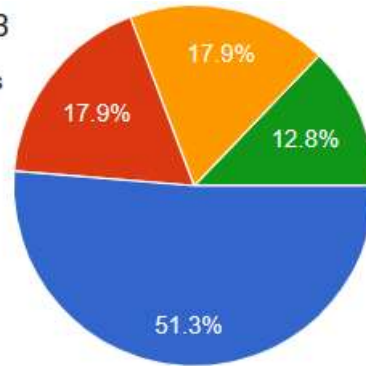
EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH

1♦ ?

### Question 3

39 responses

- Pass
- 1NT
- Double
- 1H



Bob Jones **1♥** Pass will not lose you any friends, but some modern experts will overcall 1♥ with a hand like this. Your choice. We don't mind 1♥.

Steve Vogel **1NT** Non-vulnerable, I will upgrade the AQ of diamonds, and with my good intermediates, I will take a chance on a 1NT overcall. It's either that, a 1♥ overcall with 4, or pass. I think the notrump overcall is the best option.

Joe Muenks **1NT** My 1NT overcalls are 15-18, but in practice there are some 14 point hands that beg to be bid, like here where my ♦Q is likely as good as the ♦K positionally.

Bob Fisk **1NT** (15-18 HCP). If partner is a point counter, I'll tell them that one of my Nine's looked like a Jack.

Steve Moese **1♥** Pass is also OK as long as partner is disciplined. When I have a reasonable suit and 13+ HCP (and no stop in their suit if 15-18) a 4-card suit overcall AT THE ONE LEVEL is a fine way to start.

Say the auction goes: (1♦) - P - (1♠) - P - (1NT) - X : My second round double is takeout of SPADES, implies an opening had with the wrong shape for a takeout double, and tricks in opener's first suit (D). You can take this to the bank among good players.

(If you are playing someone from Scandinavia, or someone influenced by their methods, any double is for takeout. Maybe that's why they're so happy).

Change the auction to (1♦) - P - (1♠) - P - (2♦) - X : and now the double is the same but passing for penalties becomes a live option.

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### Question 4

Q 4 – Both vulnerable

♠K 7 4 ♥Q T 7 ♦Q 2 ♣K 8 7 5 4

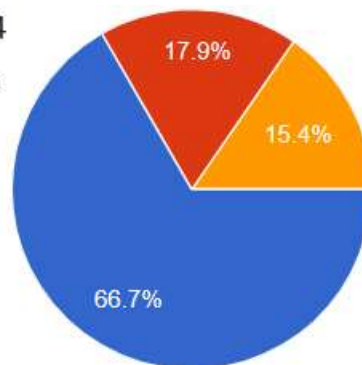
NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST

1NT 2♦ ?

### Question 4

39 responses

● 3NT  
● 2NT  
● Double



Bob Jones **3NT** Who is this East\*? Just a nuisance. Bid 3NT.

Steve Vogel **2NT** (Lebensohl) Do I think that we will set a 2-level bid 3 tricks? It's possible, but I view it as more likely that we will set them 1 or 2 tricks (probably 3+ tricks in the majors and 2+ tricks in the minors), and they may make occasionally. I would prefer to take the chance on 3NT, even though we may occasionally go down. If you play that a 3NT bid shows no stoppers in the majors, you should bid 2NT (Lebensohl) first, then 3NT over 3♣.

Joe Muenks **2NT** Lebensohl bid, followed by 3NT over the 3♣ relayed response, promising a stopper in whichever suit you and partner agreed to show a stopper in. When the opponents are distributional it can be difficult to get 800 at the 2 level. If we were not vulnerable, I'd penalty double every bid they make starting now since 500 will beat our nv game.

Bob Fisk **3NT** 3♣ would be natural and game forcing, but I'm sort of end playing partner with that bid. The last thing you want partner to do is raise Clubs. Don't give them that chance.

Steve Moese **3NT** We have 10 HCP, values in all suits and partner has shown 15-17. What's not to like? There might be times when doubling a major suit contract makes sense, but you won't get rich there at this vulnerability. Do please sort out what the difference is between an immediate double of 2♦ (I suggest cards/penalty) and a double of their Major suit fit (I suggest takeout). This hand might have a penalty double but does not have a takeout of either Major. Future meanings of bids inform our immediate choice.

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### Question 5

Q 5 – North-South vulnerable

♠A Q T 6 ♥K T 7 6 ♦A K Q 7 ♣3

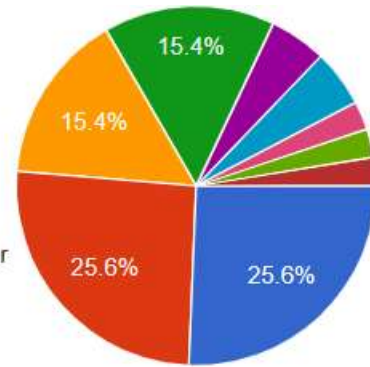
NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
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1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♦	Pass
3NT	Pass	?	

### Question 5

39 responses

● Pass	● 4S
● 4D	● 4H
● 4C	● 6D
● 4NT	● No Answer
● 6NT	



Bob Jones 4♦ You have done a lot, but you have not shown slam interest yet. Bid 4♦.

Steve Vogel 4♦ (Minorwood) I plan to bid 6♦ unless partner shows no Aces (which is possible, but not likely).

Joe Muenks 4♦ I'd bid keycard if 4♦ is keycard just to keep partner honest. If you're not playing that, just bid 6♦ and give up on 7. Partner should not bid 3NT in this auction often; so they have KJx in spades and KJx or AJT in clubs probably to warrant their lack of cooperation in showing a control over your 3♦ power bid.

Bob Fisk 4♦ (Minorwood). Partner has fewer than four Spades, exactly three Hearts, and at least four Diamonds. Partner has claimed wasted values in Clubs (unfortunately) with their 3NT bid, but I can still easily envision slam. How about Kx AQx xxxx Axxx. That's a 13 count, and we make 7♦. That's a lot. By the way, you're not surprised that partner didn't jump at the chance for a Diamond slam holding Jxxx at best, are you?

Steve Moese 4♠ You want to know how many Key cards partner has. You suspect their shape is either 3-3-4-3, 2-3-4-4. 2-3-5-3 or 3-3-5-2. Partner does not have 4 spades (they bid them over 3♦). With 4-card hearts they raise immediately. (Your bid will be whatever Keycard style you choose - Minorwood simply bids 4♦. Since 4♥ is a possible contract on this auction, those who play kickback (me) cannot bid 4♥ to ask for Keys. Instead we bid the next higher strain - here 4♠. Those who do not play Minorwood or Kickback have to bid 4NT - do you see a trap? 4NT is also a quantitative raise of Notrump. 4♣ as Gerber is a possibility but many require Gerber to be a jump over NT so 4♣ would be a real suit here).

Having bid 4♠ to ask for keycards we hope to hear 5♦ - showing 2 keys. Now we ask for specific Kings with 5♠ - and partner can show the SPADE King first with 4NT (4NT takes the place of the STRAIN used to ask!).

Why such complexity? We have a much clearer view whether 6♦, 6NT or 7♦ will score best.

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### Question 6

Q 6 – East-West vulnerable

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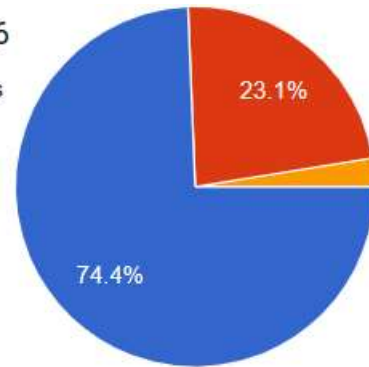
SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST

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### Question 6

39 responses

● 1C  
● 1NT  
● Pass



Bob Jones **1♣** Some would promote this hand to a 1NT opening, but the lack of intermediates argues against that. Bid **1♣**.

Steve Vogel **1NT** 14 HCP with a 5-card club suit, I will open this hand 1NT non-vulnerable, even with poor intermediates.

Joe Muenks **1♣** I had to look a few times to see if there was a problem here. Then I remembered those 14 and 5 card suit NT opener people. With bare kings and lack of intermediates (8 cards 8 and under), I wouldn't, I just wouldn't, Sam I Am.

Bob Fisk **1♣** Your pitiful spot cards don't warrant you upgrading this to 1NT. Nope.

Steve Moese **1♣** Sorry, even with the 5-card club suit this hand does not deserve a 1NT opening. K&R Puts the hand at 13.85 HCP!

<http://bridge.thomasoandrews.com/evaluator/#K52,K52,A7,KJ853>

## Bob Jones May 20 Quiz

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Bob Jones	2♣	3♥	1♥	3NT	4♦	1♣
Steve Vogel	2♣	Pass	1NT	2NT	4♦	1NT

Joe Muenks	2♣	Pass	1NT	2NT	4♦	1♣
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Bob Fisk	2♣	3♥	1NT	3NT	4♦	1♣
Steve Moese	2♣	Pass	1♥	3NT	4♠	1♣

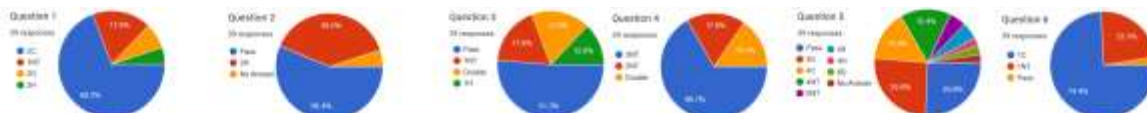
SM: Plan to play often at the Flying Pig. Use the HOMETOWN ADVANTAGE - stay home and commute!

Al Venosa	1NT	3♥	Pass	X	Pass	1NT
AnnR	2♣	Pass	Pass	2NT	4♦	1NT
Bob K	2♣	3♥	1♥	3NT	Pass	1NT
Carl Willig	1NT	Pass	X	3NT	4♦	1♣
Carol Wilson	2♦	Pass	Pass	3NT	4♦	1NT
Cathy W.	1NT	3♥	Pass	3NT	4NT	1NT
Chuck	1NT	N/A	1NT	X	4♦	1♣
Dave	2♦	Pass	Pass	3NT	4♣	1♣
Dean Congbalay	2♣	3♥	1NT	3NT	4♣	1NT
Doug Edwards	2♣	3♥	X	3NT	4♣	1♣
Ed	2♣	3♥	1♥	2NT	4♣	1♣
Gary Herrington	2♣	3♥	X	3NT	4♣	1♣
Greg	2♣	3♥	Pass	3NT	Pass	1♣
James Jacobson	1NT	Pass	X	3NT	Pass	1♣
Jay Gala	1NT	3♥	X	3NT	4NT	1♣
JohnMcQ	2♣	Pass	Pass	3NT	Pass	1♣
Jon Hoak	2♣	Pass	X	X	4♥	1♣
Kevin C.	2♣	3♥	Pass	X	4♦	1♣
Kevin H.	2♣	Pass	Pass	X	6♦	1♣
Lanny	2♣	3♥	X	3NT	6NT	1NT
Linda	2♣	Pass	Pass	X	4NT	1♣
Martha	2♣	Pass	Pass	3NT	6NT	1NT
Mike Burns	2♣	Pass	Pass	3NT	Pass	1♣
Mónica	2♣	Pass	Pass	3NT	4♣	1♣
Pam Campbell	2♣	N/A	1NT	3NT	4♦	1♣
Pete Outcalt	2♣	Pass	Pass	2NT	Pass	1♣
Phyllis	2♦	Pass	Pass	3NT	Pass	1♣
Rick Read	2♥	3♥	1♥	2NT	4NT	1♣
Rod	2♥	3♥	Pass	3NT	4♠	Pass
Sue	2♣	Pass	Pass	2NT	Pass	1♣
Terri Mackey	2♣	Pass	Pass	3NT	4NT	1♣
Vijay Doshi	2♣	Pass	1NT	3NT	4NT	1♣
Zigang Pan	1NT	Pass	Pass	3NT	N/A	1♣
	2♣	Pass	Pass	3NT	Pass	1♣



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The Field



	Question 1 18 responses	Question 2 18 responses	Question 3 17 responses	Question 4 18 responses	Question 5 18 responses	Question 6 18 responses	Question 7 18 responses	Question 8 18 responses	Question 9 18 responses	
<b>25/03/23</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
<b>Bob Jones</b>	2P Bob Jones and 2P would agree where this hand cannot follow the 2K	3P Partner has a good hand for to overcall and wants you to decide how best to proceed	1P The hand looks enticing you to see 2P	3P Pass will not lose you any tricks, but some modern experts will overcall 1P with a hand like this. Your choice. Use don't mind 1P	3P What is the best? Just a waitress. Bid 2NT	4P You have come a bit, but you have not shown your interest yet. Bid 3P	1P Some would promote the hand to a 1NT opening, but the lack of information is a good argument against that bid.			
<b>Neville Boyd</b>	2P With this minimum opener (over partner's 1K) I would call the only legal double (unless it's 2K) I could not consider redoubling 1NT with a void.	Pass If I were to redouble in this situation, I would be showing extra looking for game.	1NT I don't think South, in this situation, would be willing to accept an invasion, even with 4-card support and an Ace. I would not be in this situation, however, as I would have bid 2P the first time around, showing 4-card support and less than a constructive view.	1NT Not constructive. I will upgrade the AQ of diamonds, and with no great information, I will take a chance on a 1NT contract. It's either that, or 1P overcall with 4, or pass. I think the notrump contract is the best option.	2NT Liberators! Do I think that we will get a 7-trick bid? I think it's possible, but I view it as more likely that we will get 7 or 8 tricks. I would prefer to have the choice of 2NT, even though we may occasionally go down. If you play that a 2NT bid shows 10 HCP in the minors, you should bid 2NT. Liberators! That bid 2NT says 7K.	4P Redoubled! I plan to bid 4P unless partner shows no Aces (which is possible, but not likely).	1NT 14 HCP with a 5-card club suit. I will open the hand. Not constructive. Even with poor information.			
<b>Joe Mavris</b>	2P Open if you open 1K, expect 2K. My style is usually to open 1P and bid 2P over the opening. It is not so clear cut as opening strength might lead me to open 1K on this particular hand with 12-14 HCP. It's 10-10 whether we are defensive and I need a club bid.	Pass The double and bid with 1K and a good suit. At least you do not hold a good suit so need to call overcall. Don't show straight take if possible. Partner has 13+ HCP.	1NT You pass now to show that you're minimum (only scenario for you earlier here).	1NT My 1NT overcall is 10-14, but in practice there are some 14 point hands that beg to be bid. I see how many my 1K is likely to go as per the video.	2NT Liberators bid, followed by 2NT over the 10-14 HCP response. I am assuming you are overcall with a 4-card club suit. I will bid 2NT. I am assuming you are overcall with a 4-card club suit. I will bid 2NT.	4P Do bid 4NT 4P or 4NT. 4NT is a keycard bid to see partner's Aces. If you're not playing that, bid 4P and give on 2P. Partner should not bid 2NT in this situation. As they have K in spades and K in A, it is likely to be a good result. I am assuming you are overcall with a 4-card club suit. I will bid 2NT.	1P I had to look a few times to see if there was a problem here. Then I remembered those 14 and 5 card suit NT opener people. With 10-14 HCP, I would not bid 2NT.			
<b>Beth Fish</b>	2P Don't raise 1NT with a singleton or void, even if you have 13 HCP in partner's suit. Heck, if you raise 1NT, you're promising at least 10 HCP. Partner's hand has 10 HCP. I would not raise 1NT with a singleton or void, even if you have 13 HCP in partner's suit. Heck, if you raise 1NT, you're promising at least 10 HCP. Partner's hand has 10 HCP.	3P It's useful to play a notrump hand as 10-14 HCP, making 2P. I can also open to play it as shortness if you don't play Kewish Games Trys.	1NT I would raise 1K immediately over 2K. It's not to show a 4-card constructive view. Let partner make the next decision. On this auction, where my 2P bid can be really handy, I need to let partner know about my point count, but I don't have enough to game.	1NT 10-14 HCP. If partner has a point count, it is not clear that one of my hands would be the best.	3P I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP.	4P Partner has 10 HCP. I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP.	1P I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP.			
<b>Vivian Moore</b>	2P Opening partner we do not have a balanced hand and not 12 spades. We would have raised... 2P... we might have bid 1NT. I think I usually don't have 8 cards for a minor suit raise. This is one of several scenarios. For this hand, I would bid 1NT. I would bid 1NT. I would bid 1NT.	Pass Penalties... 3P... I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP.	1P I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP.	3P I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP.	2P I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP.	4P I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP.	1P I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP. I would bid 1K HCP.			
<p>BP: This Friday after the 7pm Quiz. Use the ROBINSON SCORES! See below and consider them!</p>										
<b>All Venues</b>	1NT	2P	Good hand	Pass	X	Penalty	Pass		1NT	
<b>Asch</b>	2P	Pass	Values	Pass	2NT		4P		1NT	
<b>Bob E</b>	2P	2P	1P	2P	2NT		2P		2NT	
<b>Carl Utley</b>	1NT	Pass	X	2NT			4P		1P	
<b>Carol Wilson</b>	2P	Pass	Like making 2P	Pass	2NT		4P		1NT	
<b>Carly W</b>	1NT	2P	Bad	Pass	3NT		4P		1NT	
<b>Chuck</b>	1NT	N/A	N/A	1NT	X		4P		1P	
<b>Dave</b>	1P	Pass	Strong hand	Pass	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>David Conbridge</b>	2P	3P	Opening bid	1NT	2NT		4P		3NT	
<b>David Edwards</b>	2P	3P	Not too heart strength	X	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>Ed</b>	2P	2P	Not	1P	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>Edw Reynolds</b>	2P	3P	upper end of overall	X	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>Eric</b>	2P	2P		Pass	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>James Lockwood</b>	1NT	Pass		X	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>Joe Galt</b>	1NT	2P		X	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>John Hill</b>	2P	Pass	Opener	Pass	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>John Hill</b>	2P	Pass		X	X		4P		1P	
<b>Kevin D</b>	2P	3P	Some value	Pass	X		4P		1P	
<b>Kevin D</b>	2P	Pass		Pass	X		4P		1P	
<b>Lenny</b>	2P	2P	Values	X	2NT		4P		1NT	
<b>Linah</b>	2P	Pass	Like making 2P	Pass	X		4P		1P	
<b>Martha</b>	2P	Pass	Good suit	Pass	2NT		4P		1NT	
<b>Mike Barry</b>	2P	Pass	Values	Pass	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>Melissa</b>	2P	Pass	Takeout/yacht	Pass	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>Paul Leavelle</b>	2P	N/A	Opening hand	1NT	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>Paul Mavris</b>	2P	Pass	Opponents will be doubled	Pass	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>Phyllis</b>	2P	Pass		Pass	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>Rita Reed</b>	2P	3P	efficient trump	1P	2NT		4P		1NT	
<b>Scott</b>	2P	3P	Full opener, partner	Pass	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>Sue</b>	2P	Pass	1-3NT known	Pass	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>Toni Mackay</b>	2P	Pass	Opening hand	Pass	2NT		4P		1P	
<b>Vivian Dashi</b>	2P	Pass	Maximal O/S/W	1NT	1NT-14/17 overcall, or stopper		4P		1P	
<b>Wynne Fox</b>	1NT	Pass	Strength	Pass	1NT playing 10-11		4P		1P	
<b>Yvonne</b>	2P	Pass		Pass	2NT		4P		1P	