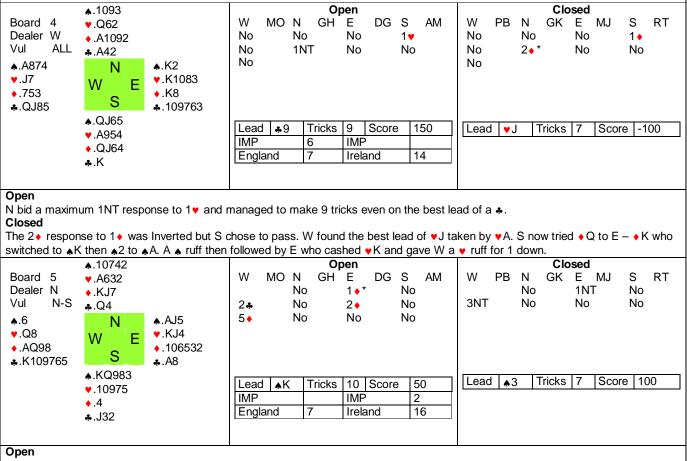
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#### Open

The 2NT response to 2\* led to 6NT from the wrong hand. W made the deceptive \*7 lead and S inserted the \*10 to the \*J. E got safely off lead with the \*8. Convinced that E had \*KJ S later finessed W for the  $\diamond Q - 1$  down. I don't know how the full play went but if S had cashed 8 major winners then he notes that E has more minors than W so has to decide if W is 2-3 or 3-2 in  $\diamond$  and  $\bigstar$ . With the former the odds are to play E for the  $\diamond Q$ . If S goes back to trick 1 and inserts the  $\bigstar Q$  then the hand is over for an easy 12 tricks. Even if the  $\bigstar Q$  loses to the  $\bigstar K$  he still has the chance of a  $\bigstar/\diamond$  squeeze on E when the majors are cashed. **Closed** 

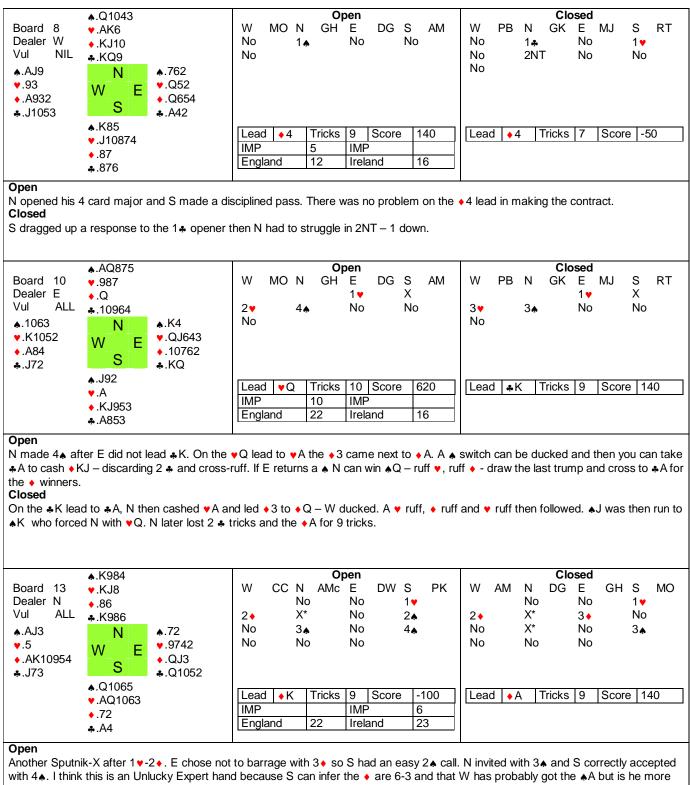
Although 6NT is cold by N, N-S got to the alternative 4-3 fit 6 . The +4 found the +K. A + ruff later became the 13 trick.



# 5♦ is very unlucky to go down as ♦ have to be ♦ KJx offside.

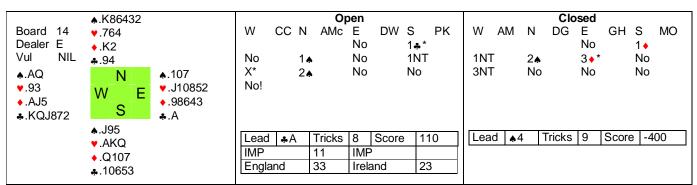
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Even on the  $\Rightarrow$ 3 lead to  $\Rightarrow$ 10 and  $\Rightarrow$ J, E can only develop 8 tricks in 3NT at most. In practice he played  $\Rightarrow$  to  $\Rightarrow$ Q and  $\Rightarrow$ K so now only had 7 tricks when N-S cleared the  $\Rightarrow$  stopper.



Another Sputnik-X after  $1 \checkmark -2 \diamondsuit$ . E chose not to barrage with  $3 \blacklozenge$  so S had an easy  $2 \blacktriangle$  call. N invited with  $3 \blacktriangle$  and S correctly accepted with  $4 \clubsuit$ . I think this is an Unlucky Expert hand because S can infer the  $\blacklozenge$  are 6-3 and that W has probably got the  $\clubsuit$ A but is he more likely to have  $2 \clubsuit$  than  $3 \clubsuit$ . If it is  $2 \blacktriangle$  the normal line is the  $\clubsuit$ 5 towards the  $\clubsuit$ K and finesse E for the  $\clubsuit$ J on the way back. If it is  $3 \clubsuit$  then play the  $\clubsuit$ Q and finesse W for the  $\clubsuit$ J. Note how W can give declarer no chance by  $\blacklozenge$ K lead – E drops  $\blacklozenge$ Q to show  $\blacklozenge$ QJ. W now switches to the  $\blacktriangledown$ 5. He then pops up with the  $\clubsuit$ A and under leads to the  $\blacklozenge$ J for E to give him a  $\checkmark$  ruff. Did this happen at the table? **Closed** 

N-S avoided the game even though N had shown extra values by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sputnik-X so had an easy 9 tricks in 3 .



### Open

S opened a prepared-\* and W kept quiet. He then axed the 1NT re-bid but then fell asleep again when it was removed to 2\* - surely he has to risk 3\* now.

#### Closed

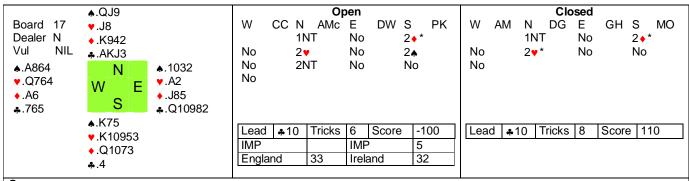
To the prepared-1  $\diamond$  opener W opted for 1NT and N competed to 2 $\diamond$ . 3 $\diamond$  by E is Rubensohl – a transfer to 3 $\checkmark$  just showing competing values. With a good 1NT overcall W did well to bid 3NT. The reward was when N led a  $\diamond$  to give the contract.

	<b>▲</b> .Q98					Op	ben							Clo	sed			
Board 15 Dealer S	♥.862 ♦.Q3		W	СС	Ν	AMc		DW	S 1NT	PK	W	AM	Ν	DG	Е	GH	S 1NT	MO
Vul N-S	<b>♣</b> .QJ1042		No		No		Х		No		No		2♠*		3¥		No	
<ul> <li>▲.J10653</li> <li>♥.109</li> <li>♦.10854</li> <li>♣.75</li> </ul>	N E W E S ∧.A7	<ul> <li>▲.K42</li> <li>✓.AKQ53</li> <li>◆.A76</li> <li>♣.63</li> </ul>	2♠		No		No		No		No		No					
	♥.J74		Lead	♣Q	ר	Fricks	8	Score	e -1	10	Lea	d 🐥	A   7	Fricks	8	Score	e 50	)
	◆.KJ92		IMP				IMP		4									
	•.AK98		Engla	nd	3	33	Irela	and	27	7								

# Open

S opened a Strong-1NT and E made an old fashioned penalty double removed to 2 s by W. It looks like this should have gone 1 down as after +QJ N switches to +Q to +A. W can cash h +AKQ to discard the +5 but when another + is cashed and another + discarded N ruffs with +8 puts S in with +J to lead another + for N to ruff with +Q. The +A then comes to 1 down. Closed

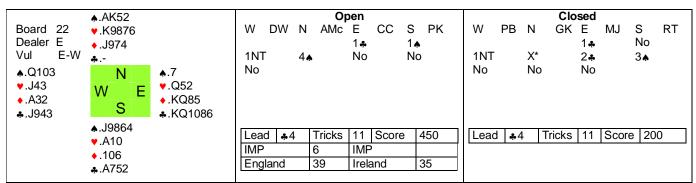
N bid 2\* to show a raise to 2NT after the strong 1NT. E bid of  $3^{\checkmark}$  looks a bad choice – why not pass and then X or just defend the subsequent 2NT or 3NT contract. S led \*A and N dropped \*Q to show \*QJ. S switched to  $\checkmark$ 4 to  $\checkmark$ 9 then  $\checkmark$ AQ. The \*2 went to \*J and \*Q. N cashed \*J but then failed to switch to  $\diamond$ Q – leading \* ruffed then \*K sets up the discards in dummy – 1 down.



# Open

After the Strong-1NT then 2 transfer to 2 the 2 bid showed 5 with a raise to 2NT. This should have made on the 10 lead as N can play on for 3 tricks + 2 + 3 . Even if he plays on ( J) he can finesse E for the J to get to dummy and come to 8. **Closed** 

2 v played by N is an easy contract after the ♣10 lead. W organised a ♦ ruff so E-W made 5 tricks.



### Open

Just goes to show you how aggression can pay. The 1 A overcall is not a thing of beauty but N now has an easy 4 A raise – 11 tricks. Closed

S was more disciplined and passed over 1... He competed to 3... when N made a T/O-X. Should he have bid 4... or should N have raised to 4... because of the good shape? 11 tricks on a ... lead as the ... can be set up to discard a ... loser from the S hand.

<b>▲</b> .J7	Open	Closed
Board 24 Dealer W Vul NIL •.3964 •.476543 •.4K652 •.962 •.8753 •.K1098 •.0842 •.AK652 • •.J2	W DW N AMC E CC S PK No No 1 2 2 3 3 4 No No No No No	W PB N GK E MJ S RT No 3♣ 4♣* No 4♥ No No No
<ul> <li>▲.9843</li> <li>♥.K74</li> <li>◆.AKQ102</li> <li>♣.Q</li> </ul>	Lead• 3Tricks10Score-50IMP9IMPEngland48Ireland35	Lead •6 Tricks 10 Score -420

# Open

After passing N bid 3\* to show some value also with a • fit. E bid 4\* and S wanted to defend. N took the 5• save. Was a pass by E now forcing or did W just not fancy bidding again?

#### Closed

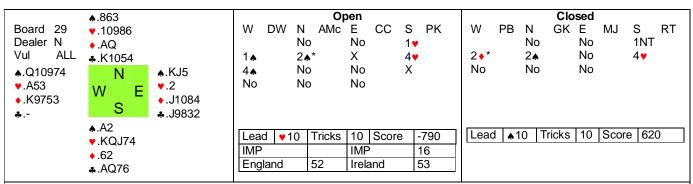
The 4♣ cue-bid after 3♣ showed a major 2-suiter and W showed preference to 4♥. This time the 3♣ pre-empt had lost N-S their ♦ fit so the 5♦ save was not found.

<b>▲</b> .K104			0	pen							Clo	sed			
Board 27 v.A Dealer S •.J98	WC	DW N	AMc	Ē	CC	S No	PK	W	PB	Ν	GK	Е	MJ	S No	RT
Vul NIL .QJ8763 •.Q6 •.Q1083 •.Q432 •.K105 Vul NIL .QJ8763 •.A8732 •.A8732 •.J52 •.K75 *.A4	No No	3	÷.	No		No		No No		1 <b></b> .** No		1 <b>∧</b> No		2♥	
<ul> <li>▲.J95</li> <li>♥.K9764</li> <li>◆.A106</li> <li>◆.92</li> </ul>	Lead IMP Engla	1 • =	Tricks 4 52	9 IMF Irela		-	10 36	Lead	<b>▲</b> (	ד ג	ricks	7	Score	e -50	0

# Open

N opened a robust 3♣ and bought it. The cards were well placed so just the ♣AK, ♦Q and ♠A were lost. **Closed** 

1\* by N was prepared and when E overcalled 1\* S had a problem. A Sputnik-X would have worked best as N can re-bid 2\* for a flat board. 1NT was also another possibility. The choice of 2\* did not work well as N did not fancy re-bidding 3\* so passed. W led \*Q to \*K and \*A. E returned \*2 to \*J. S tried \*9 run to \*A. \*8 ruffed by W who then exited \*8 to the \*A. \*8 ran to the \*Q and then \*2 returned. E-W still had to come to \*K and \*Q for 1 down.



# Here was a hand for the Irish to cheer about.

#### Open

After 1 • 1 • the 2 • bid showed a full raise to 3 •. E doubled to show some • values. S bid 4 • and W bid 4 • because he knew E was short in •. S was suckered into a penalty-X. If N had led the • 3 then 4 • X was 1 down but on the • 10 lead W was able to win • A, ruff a •, r

1NT-Strong and off centre, 2 showing + another. N 2 was Staymanic so with a maximum S bid 4. S ducked 10 lead then won A. Q was ducked then W took K with A. 7 was won with A and and 8 ruffed. J draws last trump then AQ and exit 6 for W to give a ruff and discard – neat for 10 tricks.

	<b>▲</b> .K				0	ben							Clo	sed			
Board 30 Dealer E Vul NIL	♥.Q10985 ♦.8752	W	DW	N	AMc	1 🛦	СС	S No		W No	PB		GK	No	MJ	S 1♦ No	RT
<ul> <li>.QJ108</li> <li>.K43</li> <li>.J106</li> <li>.Q43</li> </ul>		3 <b>.</b> ** No		No No		3♠		No		2∧ No		1♥ 3♦ No		X 4▲ No		X	
	▲.A74 ♥.J2	Lea	d∳ł	< .	Fricks	10	Scor	ə -	·170	Lead	•7	r ۱	Fricks	10	Score	ə -{	590
	<ul> <li>.KQ943</li> </ul>	IMP	)	9	)	IMF	)			VP		1	16	VP		1	4
	<ul><li>♣.K105</li></ul>	Eng	land	(	61	Irela	and	Ę	53	Engla	and			Irela	and		

# Open

1 then a 3\*-Bergen Raise for E to sign off in 3\* - making 10 tricks.

#### Closed

E did not fancy a 1  $\triangleq$  opener but later made a T/O-X of 1  $\forall$  and when W jumped to 2  $\triangleq$  felt he had to catch up with a 4  $\triangleq$  raise. S gave this a tickle. N-S can't get to their  $\forall$  winner to beat 4  $\triangleq$ . On the  $\diamond$ 7 lead E won  $\diamond$ A then  $\diamond$ 2 to  $\diamond$ Q and  $\bigstar$ K.  $\diamond$ 7 lost to  $\clubsuit$ K then  $\diamond$ A and exit with  $\diamond$ 7 to  $\diamond$ 8. E was now able to ruff 2  $\diamond$  and park the  $\forall$  loser on the 13<sup>th</sup>  $\Leftrightarrow$  - 10 tricks.

30 Boards Analysis	England	Ireland
Slams bid and made	0	1
Games bid and made	17	14
Large Penalty taken	0	0
Part Scores bid and made	6	7
Slams Defeated	0	1
Games Defeated	1	3
Part Scores Defeated	5	5

90 Boards Analysis	England	Ireland
Slams bid and made	3	4
Games bid and made	51	44
Large Penalty taken	3	1
Part Scores bid and made	19	16
Slams Defeated	0	2
Games Defeated	10	6
Part Scores Defeated	16	5

England	V.P	Ireland	V.P	The analysis shows that England bid and
Match 1	17.5	Match 1	9	made more games and part scores but also
Match 2	25	Match 2	5	significantly beat more contracts - especially
Match 3	16	Match 3	14	part scores.
Total	58.5	Total	28	