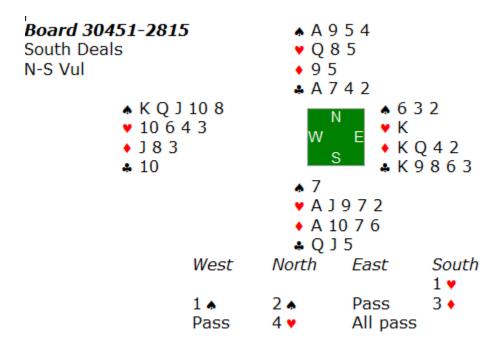
COMPETE FOR YOUR RIGHTS



Bidding Commentary:

Some would not open with this hand at unfavorable vulnerability, but I did in an *iBridgePlus* Team Game. My partner cuebid to show an invitational strength hand in support of my hearts. Most would have just rebid 3♥ to show a light opening, but I forgot I was light and made a long suit help try in my good 4-card diamond suit. North was encouraged and took me to game. The robots ended in 3♠ - down one.

Play Commentary:

I won the spade lead and led a low heart to my hand. East popped up with the \forall K. The only time anyone does this without the queen is when they are forced to by virtue of a singleton. Winning the \forall A, I next led a low heart to finesse the \forall 8. I picked up all the trump without a loss.

While I was playing the next two trump, I noticed that East was discarded two of his clubs. I noted that for my next suit choice. After I won the ♥Q in the dummy, I played a low club to my hand. East played low, thankfully. I pulled the last trump and led the ♣J. East had to take that but I could win whatever he returned and take my ten tricks.