

# Weekly Bridge Quiz #34



August 22, 2025

**Q1:** Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

S-AJ94 H-K D-QJ5 C-AJ865 SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST 1C 1H 1S Pass

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What call would you make?

Pros' Answer: The king of hearts probably has no value as a high card, but the singleton does have value. Is this hand worth a jump raise? We think it is. Bid 3S.

(Note: If you play **2H** as a cue bid raise showing spade support, give yourself credit. Not sure way the pros did not mention it.)

#### Question 1

| Bid | Totals | 1NT | 2H | 25  | 35  | 45 |
|-----|--------|-----|----|-----|-----|----|
| #   | 48     | 1   | 3  | 10  | 32  | 2  |
| %   | 100%   | 2%  | 6% | 21% | 67% | 4% |

| Al S:  | 28         | Annie D:                      | 38  | Betty G:  | 3\$        |
|--|------------|-------------------------------|---|-----------|------------|
| Betty W:                                       | 3S         | Betty/Kim K:                  | <b>3S</b>   | Bill B:   | 2\$        |
| Bill S:  | 3S         | Bob P:                        | <b>3S</b>   | Candace:  | 3\$        |
| Cheryl S:                                      | 3S         | Dean L:                       | <b>2S</b>   | Denny:    | 3\$        |
| Diane M:                                       | 3S         | Donald R:                     | 3S Dwayne/Marcia: if pard would understand as strong raise?. 3S otherwise |           | 2Н         |
| Elaine S:                                      | 1NT        | Fran B:                       | <b>2S</b>   | Francine: | 3\$        |
| George R:                                      | 28         | <b>Greg F:</b> slight overbid | 3\$   | Helene G: | 3\$        |
| Jackie R:                                      | 3\$        | Jan W:                        | 2H  | Jean C:   | 3\$        |
| Jeannine:                                      | 3S         | Jim P:                        | 3\$   | Joseph H: | 3S         |
| Larry M:                                       | 3\$        | Lowell L:                     | 25  | Mack:     | <b>4</b> S |
| Marge G:                                       | 3S         | Marilyn H:                    | <b>3S</b>   | Mark:     | 3S         |
| Maureen M: (que bid better than direct raise?) | 2Н         | Molly:                        | 3\$   | Nancy H:  | 38         |
| Nancy S:                                       | 3S         | Pat S:                        | <b>2S</b>   | Peter S:  | 3S         |
| Phil M:  | 3S         | Phyllis/Rusty:                | 3S  | Rick W:   | <b>2S</b>  |
| Robert T:                                      | <b>4</b> S | Rod G:                        | 3S  | Roland:   | <b>2S</b>  |
| Steve C:                                       | 3S         | Warren T:                     | <b>3S</b>   | Wes L:    | <b>2S</b>  |

**Q2:** North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

With the opponents silent, you open 1D and partner responds 2C. What is your rebid?

Pros' Answer: Partner may have a 4-card major and longer clubs, so we bid 2H. People who play that this shows extras, as they did in Charles Goren's day, must bid 2NT.

|     | Question 2 |     |     |     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----|------------|-----|-----|-----|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Bid | Totals     | 2H  | 2NT | 3NT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| #   | 48         | 14  | 32  | 2   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| %   | 100%       | 29% | 67% | 4%  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| A1 S:             | 2 <b>H</b>  | Annie D:         | 2NT        | Betty G:       | 2NT         |
|-------------------|-------------|------------------|------------|----------------|-------------|
| Betty W:          | 2 <b>H</b>  | Betty/Kim K:     | 2 <b>H</b> | Bill B:        | 2 <b>H</b>  |
| Bill S:           | 2NT         | Bob P:           | 2H         | Candace:       | 2NT         |
| Cheryl S:         | 2NT         | Dean L:          | 2NT        | Denny:         | 2 <b>H</b>  |
| Diane M:          | 2NT         | Donald R:        | 2NT        | Dwayne/Marcia: | 2NT         |
| Elaine S:         | 2NT         | Fran B:          | 2H         | Francine:      | 2NT         |
| George R:         | 2NT         | Greg F:          | 2NT        | Helene G:      | 2NT         |
| Jackie R:         | 2NT         | Jan W:           | 2NT        | Jean C:        | 2NT         |
| Jeannine:         | 2 <b>H</b>  | Jim P:           | 2 <b>H</b> | Joseph H:      | 2NT         |
| Larry M:          | 2 <b>H</b>  | Lowell L:        | 2 <b>H</b> | Mack:          | 2NT         |
| Marge G:          | 2NT         | Marilyn H:       | 2NT        | Mark:          | 2NT         |
| Maureen M: (a     | 2NT         | Molly:           | 2 <b>H</b> | Nancy H:       | 2NT         |
| coward dies a     |             |                  |            |                |             |
| thousand deaths   |             |                  |            |                |             |
| .)                |             |                  |            |                |             |
| Nancy S:          | 2NT         | Pat S:           | 2NT        | Peter S:       | 2NT         |
| Phil M:           | 2NT         | Phyllis/Rusty:   | 2H         | Rick W:        | 2NT         |
|                   |             | playing 2 Over 1 |            |                |             |
| Robert T: no fit, | 3 <b>NT</b> | Rod G:           | 2 <b>H</b> | Roland:        | 2NT         |
| points for game   |             |                  |            |                |             |
| Steve C:          | 2NT         | Warren T:        | 2NT        | Wes L:         | 3 <b>NT</b> |
|                   |             |                  |            |                |             |

Q3: East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

## S-75 H-54 D-AK763 C-AK86

Partner opens 2H, weak, and right-hand opponent passes. What call would you make?

Pros' Answer: "When partner pre-empts in your shortest suit, stay out of the auction unless you have the values of a strong no trump or better." Pass.

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| Bid | Totals | Pass | 2NT | 3D | 3H  | 4H  |
|-----|--------|------|-----|----|-----|-----|
| #   | 48     | 21   | 11  | 3  | 6   | 7   |
| %   | 100%   | 44%  | 23% | 6% | 13% | 15% |

| A1 S:              | 2NT        | Annie D:          | Pass | Betty G:       | 3 <b>D</b> |
|--------------------|------------|-------------------|------|----------------|------------|
| Betty W:           | Pass       | Betty/Kim K:      | 2NT  | Bill B:        | 2NT        |
|                    |            | (Ogust)           |      |                |            |
| Bill S:            | <b>3D</b>  | Bob P:            | Pass | Candace:       | 3 <b>H</b> |
| Cheryl S:          | 4H         | Dean L:           | 4H   | Denny:         | Pass       |
| Diane M:           | Pass       | Donald R:         | Pass | Dwayne/Marcia: | Pass       |
| Elaine S:          | 3 <b>H</b> | Fran B:           | Pass | Francine:      | Pass       |
| George R:          | 3 <b>H</b> | Greg F:           | Pass | Helene G:      | Pass       |
| Jackie R:          | Pass       | Jan W:            | Pass | Jean C:        | 4H         |
| Jeannine:          | 4H         | Jim P:            | 2NT  | Joseph H:      | 4H         |
| Larry M:           | 2NT        | Lowell L: (Ogust) | 2NT  | Mack:          | Pass       |
| Marge G:           | 3 <b>H</b> | Marilyn H:        | Pass | Mark:          | Pass       |
| Maureen M:         | 2NT        | Molly:            | Pass | Nancy H:       | 4H         |
| Nancy S:           | 3 <b>H</b> | Pat S: Ogust      | 2NT  | Peter S: Ogust | 2NT        |
| Phil M:            | Pass       | Phyllis/Rusty:    | Pass | Rick W:        | 3 <b>D</b> |
| Robert T: got any- | 2NT        | Rod G:            | 2NT  | Roland:        | 3 <b>H</b> |
| thing else?        |            |                   |      |                |            |
| Steve C:           | 4H         | Warren T:         | Pass | Wes L:         | Pass       |

**Q4:** Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

What call would you make?

Pros' Answer: 1NT would not be the worst bid ever made, but with 3 decent trumps and a ruffing value, we prefer to raise. Bid 2S.

(Note: If you don't play Spiral, MiniMax, etc., and therefore don't support in this bidding situation with just 3 cards in the suit, give yourself credit for bidding 1NT.)

| Question 4 |        |      |     |           |    |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------|--------|------|-----|-----------|----|--|--|--|--|--|
| Bid        | Totals | Pass | 1NT | <b>2S</b> | 3S |  |  |  |  |  |
| #          | 48     | 1    | 39  | 7         | 1  |  |  |  |  |  |
| %          | 100%   | 2%   | 81% | 15%       | 2% |  |  |  |  |  |

| A1 S:             | 1NT       | Annie D:       | 1NT                        | Betty G:       | Pass      |
|-------------------|-----------|----------------|----------------------------|----------------|-----------|
| Betty W:          | 1NT       | Betty/Kim K:   | 1NT                        | Bill B:        | 1NT       |
| Bill S:           | 1NT       | Bob P:         | 1NT                        | Candace:       | 1NT       |
| Cheryl S:         | <b>2S</b> | Dean L:        | <b>2S</b>                  | Denny:         | 1NT       |
| Diane M:          | <b>2S</b> | Donald R:      | 1NT                        | Dwayne/Marcia: | 1NT       |
| Elaine S:         | <b>2S</b> | Fran B:        | 1NT                        | Francine:      | 1NT       |
| George R:         | 1NT       | Greg F:        | 1NT                        | Helene G:      | 1NT       |
| Jackie R:         | 3\$       | Jan W:         | Jan W: 1NT Jean C:         |                | 1NT       |
| Jeannine:         | 1NT       | Jim P:         | 1NT Joseph H:              |                | 1NT       |
| Larry M:          | 1NT       | Lowell L:      | 1NT                        | Mack:          | <b>2S</b> |
| Marge G:          | 1NT       | Marilyn H:     | 1NT                        | Mark:          | 1NT       |
| Maureen M: (for   | 1NT       | Molly:         | 1NT                        | Nancy H:       | 1NT       |
| now)              |           |                |                            |                |           |
| Nancy S:          | <b>2S</b> | Pat S:         | 1NT                        | Peter S:       | 1NT       |
| Phil M:           | 1NT       | Phyllis/Rusty: | Phyllis/Rusty: 1NT Rick W: |                | <b>2S</b> |
| Robert T: tell me | 1NT       | Rod G:         | 1NT                        | Roland:        | 1NT       |
| more              |           |                |                            |                |           |
| Steve C:          | 1NT       | Warren T:      | 1NT                        | Wes L:         | 1NT       |

**Q5:** North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

Partner opens 3D and right-hand opponent passes. What call would you make?

Pros' Answer: Partner has pre-empted in your shortest suit and you do not have the values for a bid. Pass.

## **Question 5**

| Bid | Totals | Pass | 3H  | 4D | 4H |
|-----|--------|------|-----|----|----|
| #   | 48     | 29   | 16  | 2  | 1  |
| %   | 100%   | 60%  | 33% | 4% | 2% |

| Al S:               | Pass       | Annie D:       | Pass       | Betty G:       | 3 <b>H</b> |
|---------------------|------------|----------------|------------|----------------|------------|
| Betty W:            | 3 <b>H</b> | Betty/Kim K:   | 3 <b>H</b> | Bill B:        | 3 <b>H</b> |
| Bill S:             | 4D         | Bob P:         | Pass       | Candace:       | Pass       |
| Cheryl S:           | 3 <b>H</b> | Dean L:        | Pass       | Denny:         | Pass       |
| Diane M:            | 3 <b>H</b> | Donald R:      | Pass       | Dwayne/Marcia: | 3 <b>H</b> |
| Elaine S:           | Pass       | Fran B:        | 3 <b>H</b> | Francine:      | Pass       |
| George R:           | Pass       | Greg F:        | Pass       | Helene G:      | Pass       |
| Jackie R:           | 3 <b>H</b> | Jan W:         | Pass       | Jean C:        | Pass       |
| Jeannine:           | Pass       | Jim P:         | Pass       | Joseph H:      | 3 <b>H</b> |
| Larry M:            | Pass       | Lowell L:      | Pass       | Mack:          | Pass       |
| Marge G:            | 3 <b>H</b> | Marilyn H:     | 3 <b>H</b> | Mark:          | Pass       |
| Maureen M: (you     | Pass       | Molly:         | Pass       | Nancy H:       | Pass       |
| can't win or steal  |            |                |            |                |            |
| them all, don't     |            |                |            |                |            |
| want to get us in   |            |                |            |                |            |
| too aggressively    |            |                |            |                |            |
| optimistic trouble) |            |                |            |                |            |
| Nancy S:            | 4D         | Pat S:         | Pass       | Peter S:       | Pass       |
| Phil M:             | Pass       | Phyllis/Rusty: | Pass       | Rick W:        | 3 <b>H</b> |
| Robert T:           | 4H         | Rod G:         | 3 <b>H</b> | Roland:        | Pass       |
| Steve C:            | 3 <b>H</b> | Warren T:      | 3 <b>H</b> | Wes L:         | Pass       |

**Q6:** East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

Partner opens 1S and right-hand opponent doubles. What call would you make?

Pros' Answer: After an overcall, we use a cue bid to show a good raise. After a take-out double, we use 2NT. Bid 2NT.

(Note: If you don't play Jordan 2NT, give yourself credit for rebidding spades. Also, there is merit for a redouble and Bergin if you play it over interference.)

### **Question 6**

| Bid | Totals | XX | 25 | 2NT | 3D | 3S  | 45  |
|-----|--------|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| #   | 48     | 2  | 2  | 5   | 1  | 6   | 32  |
| %   | 100%   | 4% | 4% | 10% | 2% | 13% | 67% |

| Al S: Pass is a rea-   | <b>4</b> S | Annie D: Bergen    | 3 <b>D</b> | Betty G:   | <b>2S</b>  |
|------------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--|------------|
| sonable alternative    |            |                    |            |  |            |
| at these colors        |            |                    |            |  |            |
| Betty W:               | <b>4</b> S | Betty/Kim K:       | <b>4</b> S | Bill B:  | <b>4</b> S |
| Bill S:                | <b>4</b> S | Bob P:             | 3S         | Candace:   | 38         |
| Cheryl S:              | <b>4</b> S | Dean L:            | 3S         | Denny:   | 4S         |
| Diane M:               | <b>3S</b>  | Donald R:          | <b>4</b> S | Dwayne/Marcia:                                     | <b>4</b> S |
| Elaine S:              | <b>4</b> S | Fran B:            | <b>4</b> S | Francine: LoTT plus taking up opp's bidding space. | 48         |
| George R:              | <b>4</b> S | Greg F: Redouble   | XX         | Helene G:  | <b>4</b> S |
| Jackie R:              | <b>4</b> S | Jan W:             | 4S         | Jean C:  | <b>4</b> S |
| Jeannine:              | <b>4</b> S | Jim P:             | <b>4</b> S | Joseph H:  | <b>4</b> S |
| Larry M: Redou-<br>ble | XX         | Lowell L: (Jordan) | 2NT        | Mack:  | <b>4</b> S |
| Marge G:               | <b>4</b> S | Marilyn H:         | <b>4</b> S | Mark:  | <b>4</b> S |
| Maureen M:             | <b>4</b> S | Molly:             | 48         | Nancy H: 3C if Bergen                              | 3\$        |
| Nancy S:               | 3S         | Pat S:             | <b>4</b> S | Peter S:   | <b>4</b> S |
| Phil M: a limit        | 2NT        | Phyllis/Rusty:     | 2NT        | Rick W:  | <b>2S</b>  |
| raise of Spades.       |            | Jordan             |            |  |            |
| Robert T:              | <b>4</b> S | Rod G: (Jordan)    | 2NT        | Roland:  | <b>4</b> S |
| Steve C:               | <b>4</b> S | Warren T:          | <b>4</b> S | Wes L: (Jordan)                                    | 2NT        |

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| Recap of Weekly Bridge Quiz #34 Bids - 2025 |                |     |     |      |      |      |            |               |
|---|----------------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------------|---------------|
| #   | Name           | 1   | 2   | 3    | 4    | 5    | 6          |               |
|   | Expert:        | 35  | 2NT | Pass | 25   | Pass | 2NT        | Total Matches |
|   | Expert2:       |     | 2H  |      |      |      |            |               |
| 1   | Al S:          | 2S  | 2H  | 2NT  | 1NT  | Pass | 45         | 2             |
| 2   | Annie D:       | 3S  | 2NT | Pass | 1NT  | Pass | 3D         | 4             |
| 3   | Betty G:       | 3S  | 2NT | 3D   | Pass | 3H   | 25         | 2             |
| 4   | Betty W:       | 3S  | 2H  | Pass | 1NT  | 3H   | 45         | 3             |
| 5   | Betty/Kim K:   | 3S  | 2H  | 2NT  | 1NT  | 3H   | 45         | 2             |
| 6   | Bill B:        | 2S  | 2H  | 2NT  | 1NT  | 3H   | 45         | 1             |
| 7   | Bill S:        | 3S  | 2NT | 3D   | 1NT  | 4D   | 45         | 2             |
| 8   | Bob P:         | 3S  | 2H  | Pass | 1NT  | Pass | 3S         | 4             |
| 9   | Candace:       | 3S  | 2NT | 3H   | 1NT  | Pass | 3S         | 3             |
| 10  | Cheryl S:      | 3S  | 2NT | 4H   | 2S   | 3H   | 45         | 3             |
| 11  | Dean L:        | 2S  | 2NT | 4H   | 2S   | Pass | 3S         | 3             |
| 12  | Denny:         | 3S  | 2H  | Pass | 1NT  | Pass | 45         | 4             |
| 13  | ,<br>Diane M:  | 3S  | 2NT | Pass | 2S   | 3H   | 3S         | 4             |
| 14  | Donald R:      | 3S  | 2NT | Pass | 1NT  | Pass | 4S         | 4             |
| 15  | Dwayne/Marcia: | 2H  | 2NT | Pass | 1NT  | 3H   | 45         | 2             |
| 16  | Elaine S:      | 1NT | 2NT | 3H   | 2S   | Pass | 45         | 3             |
| 17  | Fran B:        | 2S  | 2H  | Pass | 1NT  | 3H   | 45         | 2             |
| 18  | Francine:      | 3S  | 2NT | Pass | 1NT  | Pass | 4S         | 4             |
| 19  | George R:      | 2S  | 2NT | 3H   | 1NT  | Pass | 45         | 2             |
| 20  | Greg F:        | 3S  | 2NT | Pass | 1NT  | Pass | XX         | 4             |
| 21  | Helene G:      | 3S  | 2NT | Pass | 1NT  | Pass | 45         | 4             |
| 22  | Jackie R:      | 3S  | 2NT | Pass | 3S   | 3H   | 45         | 3             |
| 23  | Jan W:         | 2H  | 2NT | Pass | 1NT  | Pass | 45         | 3             |
| 24  | Jean C:        | 3S  | 2NT | 4H   | 1NT  | Pass | 45         | 3             |
| 25  | Jeannine:      | 3S  | 2H  | 4H   | 1NT  | Pass | 45         | 3             |
| 26  | Jim P:         | 3S  | 2H  | 2NT  | 1NT  | Pass | 45         | 3             |
| 27  | Joseph H:      | 3S  | 2NT | 4H   | 1NT  | 3H   | 45         | 2             |
| 28  | Larry M:       | 3S  | 2H  | 2NT  | 1NT  | Pass | XX         | 3             |
| 29  | Lowell L:      | 2S  | 2H  | 2NT  | 1NT  | Pass | 2NT        | 3             |
| 30  | Mack:          | 45  | 2NT | Pass | 2S   | Pass | 45         | 4             |
| 31  | Marge G:       | 3S  | 2NT | 3H   | 1NT  | 3H   | 45         | 2             |
| 32  | Marilyn H:     | 3S  | 2NT | Pass | 1NT  | 3H   | 45         | 3             |
| 33  | ,<br>Mark:     | 3S  | 2NT | Pass | 1NT  | Pass | 45         | 4             |
| 34  | Maureen M:     | 2H  | 2NT | 2NT  | 1NT  | Pass | 45         | 2             |
| 35  | Molly:         | 3S  | 2H  | Pass | 1NT  | Pass | 45         | 4             |
| 36  | Nancy H:       | 3S  | 2NT | 4H   | 1NT  | Pass | 3S         | 3             |
| 37  | Nancy S:       | 3S  | 2NT | 3H   | 25   | 4D   | 3S         | 3             |
| 38  | Pat S:         | 2S  | 2NT | 2NT  | 1NT  | Pass | 4S         | 2             |
| 39  | Peter S:       | 3S  | 2NT | 2NT  | 1NT  | Pass | <b>4</b> S | 3             |

| 40 | Phil M:        | 3S | 2NT | Pass | 1NT        | Pass | 2NT        | 5 |
|----|----------------|----|-----|------|------------|------|------------|---|
| 41 | Phyllis/Rusty: | 3S | 2H  | Pass | 1NT        | Pass | 2NT        | 5 |
| 42 | Rick W:        | 2S | 2NT | 3D   | <b>2</b> S | 3H   | 2S         | 2 |
| 43 | Robert T:      | 4S | 3NT | 2NT  | 1NT        | 4H   | <b>4</b> S | 0 |
| 44 | Rod G:         | 3S | 2H  | 2NT  | 1NT        | 3H   | 2NT        | 3 |
| 45 | Roland:        | 2S | 2NT | 3H   | 1NT        | Pass | 4S         | 2 |
| 46 | Steve C:       | 3S | 2NT | 4H   | 1NT        | 3H   | 4S         | 2 |
| 47 | Warren T:      | 3S | 2NT | Pass | 1NT        | 3H   | 4S         | 3 |
| 48 | Wes L:         | 2S | 3NT | Pass | 1NT        | Pass | 2NT        | 3 |