Fwd: bidding dilemma

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Date: Tue, Sep 13, 2022 at 1:56 PM Subject: Re: bidding dilemma

To: Cindy Skeels < skeelscindy@gmail.com>

Hi Cindy,

Tough question. Just because partner doubled one major doesn't mean partner has 4+ in the other major. Although, most of the time they do. So, when in doubt bid the other major when you have 4. Always bid the other major if you have 5 or more.

Also when partner doubles, you should jump with 9 or 10-12 points, and Q bid with 13+. Marty Bergen says voids are magical and your void is in the opponents' suit. So, you are too strong to bid 2C.

The first decision is whether you should Q bid or jump, you have 10 hcp, a nice 5 card club suit and a void in spades. It's a tough decision. I would push it and bid 2S as Phyllis suggested. My second choice would be 3C hoping partner didn't pass and then hopefully bid hearts on my next turn. That's a lot of hoping.

West's first bid should not be a take out double, that promises an opener and 3+ cards in the 3 unbid suit, or 17+ which is strong enough to double and bid. West should bif 1NT with 15 hcp and a spade stop.

The bidding should go: S 1S (too strong for 2S)

W 1NT

N P (non vul I would bid 2S. If I had a more shapely hand I would bid 3S non vul)

E 2C (Stayman)

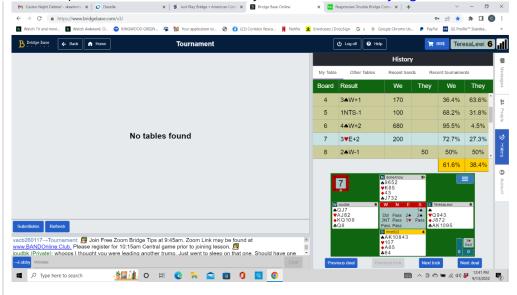
S P (non vul I would bid 2S to use up bidding space)

W₂H

NΡ

E 4H

On Tue, Sep 13, 2022 at 12:47 PM Cindy Skeels < skeelscindy@gmail.com> wrote:



Jeff,

After S bid of 1 s, P doubled. I was looking at 5 clubs and 4 hearts. Did not know which to bid. I chose clubs. P bid 2 nt which I hated. I then bid hearts. We wound up in 3 h and made game though.

Questions:

When partner doubles a major, are you supposed to bid the other major if you have 4--regardless of the other suits?

Phyllis thought I could have solved this by bidding 2 s over her double.

Can you clarify what I should have done?

Cindy