

For a Future LSBC Newsletter and Corner

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When partner is showing a self sufficient long suit, especially a major, even with modest support, play in it unless you are fairly certain you have an entry to it.

10	6♠N=	1430	12.1	
11	3NTS+2	460	2.5	
12	4♠S+1	650	2.4	
			28.4	9.1

S 2C (22 hcp, 3 aces, 6 quick tricks: Ace of spades, AKQ of hearts, Ace of diamonds, KQ of clubs. Suited KQ = 1 quick trick. And a decent 5 card suit)

N 2S (5+ spades headed by at least the KQ)

S 2NT (3C is an option. But notrump looks like a superior contract)

N 3S (Should show a 6th spade)

S 3NT

N 6S (Self sufficient spade suit)

S Pass (That was enough notrump bids. Since I only have the stiff ace, I can only reach dummy when dummy has an entry outside of spades. If I had Ace small of spades, I would bid 6NT)

If I bid 6NT like some did, I never reach dummy.

East leads the ace of clubs:

Player	Hand
N Robot	♠ KQJ10876 ♥ 93 ♦ 8 ♣ 97
W Robot	♠ 92 ♥ J84 ♦ KQJ102 ♣ 108
E Robot	♠ 543 ♥ 7652 ♦ 9743 ♣ J
S texashen	♠ A ♥ AKQ10 ♦ A65 ♣ KQ63

Contract: 10♦

Club suit: ♣ 4, ♣ 5, ♣ A, ♣ 2

Score: 0 - 1 (North)

The defense gets their ace of clubs then I can take:

7 spades

4 hearts (the jack falls)

1 diamond

2 clubs

14 total tricks