

Sligo - Tuesday 24th May 2022

| Board | Contract | By | Lead | Topic of the hand |
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| 1 | 4S | S | DK | Avoid CQ guess by drawing trumps, ruffing out the hearts and exiting on DJ. Now defenders have to open the club suit. |
| 2 | 3NT | E | HK | Hold up and finesse diamonds twice into the safe North hand. |
| 3 | 3NT | N | D5 | Win trick 1 and go to dummy and take the heart finesse into the safe East hand. |
| 4 | 4H | S | SA | West is a passed hand and can't have CQ |
| 5 | 4S | N | HK | Devil's Coup - Trump tricks crash with side suit tricks. |
| 6 | 3NT | E | CQ | Declarer can guarantee 9 tricks by playing on spades. |
| 7 | 4S | W | HA | loser on loser - transfer ruff - discard a diamond on the third heart and now you can ruff a diamond rather than a heart for your 10th trick. |
| 8 | 4H | W | | The diamond suit is frozen - so exit on club. |
| 9 | 4S | N | | 10th trick HA onside or clubs 3-3 keep west out - duck DK lead or dump club on diamond later if west asleep |
| 10 | 3NT | E | | Hold up DA |
| 11 | 3NT+3 | S | | Rectify the count |
| 12 | 4H | W | | N must have HK |
| 13 | 7NT | N | | Bidding with gerber |
| 14 | 4H | S | | loser on loser |
| 15 | 3NT | S | | duck a club |
| 16 | 6H | W | | Dummy Reversal |
| 17 | 4S | E | | South 0-5 so drop SK but need a relook |
| 18 | 4S | N | | scissors coup |