

Notes for Euvid Lesson at the BIL

PAB 18

Hand diagram for PAB18-1. The board shows the following cards:

- North:** ♠ 94, ♥ 652, ♦ KJ53, ♣ 7642
- West:** ♠ K532, ♥ 43, ♦ 76, ♣ Q10853
- East:** ♠ Q1087, ♥ A1098, ♦ 1092, ♣ A9
- South:** ♠ AJ6, ♥ KQJ7, ♦ AQ84, ♣ KJ

Bidding sequence:

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Score: NS: 0, EW: 0

PAB18- 1

West leads the ♣5. If East wins the ♣A and thoughtlessly returns a club, declarer makes the contract. If West holds the ♣K-10-8-5-3, there is no hurry. East should switch to spades, leading the ♠10. If South inserts the ♠J, West wins the ♠K and returns a spade. Eventually, defenders take 3 spades, 1 club and 1 diamond.

Hand diagram for PAB18-2. The board shows the following cards:

- North:** ♠ 963, ♥ K8764, ♦ 4, ♣ J1097
- West:** ♠ Q74, ♥ 3, ♦ K109763, ♣ 852
- East:** ♠ AJ10, ♥ QJ952, ♦ A2, ♣ AK4
- South:** ♠ K852, ♥ A10, ♦ QJ85, ♣ Q63

Bidding sequence:

West	North	East	South
2♦	P	P	3N
P	P	P	P

Score: NS: 0, EW: 0

PAB18-2

Declarer must set up the necessary 3 tricks in diamonds. That requires an entry into dummy to use them. First, win the spade lead with the ♠A. That allows declarer to force his way into the dummy later using the two spade honors. Second, take the safety play of the ♦A and another diamond to the ♦10. If the finesse is won by East, the suit breaks 3-2 and all is well. Here the ♦10 wins and the diamonds will set up with the necessary spade entry in the dummy.

Hand PAB18-3: 3NT contract. North is declarer. The hand is: North (AQ974, QJ4, AJ875, 5), West (AKJ, 532, KQ3, AJ96), East (865, AK7, 42, K10843), South (1032, 10986, 1096, Q72). The bidding sequence is: West 1♣, North Dbl, East Rdbl, South Pass; West 3♦, North Pass, East 3♥, South Pass; West 3NT, North Pass, East Pass, South Pass.

PAB18-3

When declarer, West, wins the first diamond lead, South becomes the dangerous defender. He can send a diamond through. Therefore, the clubs must be taken in such a way that South doesn't get in. If North wins the club finesse he must lead away from his ♦A. If North doubles West's 1♣ opening, East can respond 2NT to show support for clubs and between 10 and 12 points. Then West can either bid 3NT if he has stoppers in all the suits, or cue bid his controls to get to 3NT

Hand PAB18-4: 4♦ contract. North is declarer. The hand is: North (85, 63, K7, AKJ9763), West (Q632, Q42, 84, Q1085), East (J1097, KJ109, AJ1096), South (AK4, A875, Q532, 42). The bidding sequence is: West 3NT South, North Pass, East Pass, South Pass.

PAB18-4

Because there are no entries to the dummy outside the clubs, declarer must finesse the ♠9 on the second trick, to guard against the 4-0 split. Now he can lead a diamond to set up the trick in that suit and finesse again, making 2 overtricks.

Hand PAB18-5: 5♦ contract. North is declarer. The hand is: North (A3, 542, AKQ9863, 3), West (108752, 983, J754, 5), East (KQJ9, QJ107, A7642), South (64, AK6, 102, KQJ1098). The bidding sequence is: West 3NT North, North Pass, East Pass, South Pass.

PAB18-5

East leads the ♠K, won by declarer. Declarer must ditch the ♦10 on the first diamond lead of the ♦A. When East shows out, declarer can go to dummy and lead the ♦2, finessing the ♦9, for 7 club tricks; 2 hearts and 1 spade. Failure to ditch the ♦10 will irrevocably block the suit.

Hand PAB18-6: Contract 6♦. Dummy (North): ♠A853, ♥J743, ♣QJ1098. Declarer (South): ♠K72, ♥Q1096, ♦Q5, ♣K752. East: ♠94, ♥AK, ♦AKJ10987, ♣63. South: ♠QJ106, ♥852, ♦6432, ♣A4. Bidding: 1♥, 3N, 1♦, 3♦, 1♠, 3♠, 1♣, 3♣, 1♣, 3♣, 1♣, 3♣.

PAB18-6

North leads the ♣Q. South, winning the initial club lead, should look at the dummy and see 9 tricks ready to run. Even if declarer is missing the ♦Q, it is finesseable. The only hope for the defense is to abandon clubs and switch to spades. This gives the defenders 4 spades and the ♣A.

Hand PAB18-7: Contract 7♦. Dummy (North): ♠AK10, ♥874, ♣J983. Declarer (South): ♠652, ♥KJ93, ♦A4, ♣10542. East: ♠98743, ♥A65, ♦832, ♣76. South: ♠QJ, ♥Q102, ♦KQ1097, ♣AKQ. Bidding: P, 1N, P, 1♦, P, P, P, 3N.

PAB18-7

Declarer needs to set up the diamonds to produce the 3 needed tricks to meet the contract. West must read the lead of the ♠9 as top of nothing. West must not return a spade when he wins the ♦A, but instead, switch to a low heart. This means he wants to take tricks in hearts. East wins the ♥A and returns a heart to defeat the contract.

Hand PAB18-8: Contract 3NT. Dummy (North): ♠KJ82, ♥Q9862, ♦97, ♣A4. Declarer (South): ♠A103, ♥1073, ♦108542, ♣63. West: ♠Q96, ♥AKJ, ♦QJ3, ♣K752. East: ♠754, ♥54, ♦AK6, ♣QJ1098. Bidding: 1NT, Pass, 3NT, Pass, Pass, Pass.

PAB18-8

East will win an early trick with his ♣A, because declarer must set up that suit for the necessary tricks. He should see that declarer has 9 tricks ready to run. His only hope is the partner has the necessary honors in the spade suit. He should shift to a LOW spade; saying he wants to take tricks in the spades. If he returned a high spade, it would mean he wanted a return of his original suit, hearts.