Fwd: For a Future LSBC Newsletter and a corner piece

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Here you go. ------ Forwarded message ------From: **Jeff Kroll** <<u>texas.blue.hen@gmail.com</u>> Date: Thu, Jul 21, 2022 at 8:30 PM Subject: For a Future LSBC Newsletter and a corner piece To: Julia Gibson <<u>reggibson@comcast.net</u>> Cc: Ron Francey <<u>revronfrancey@hotmail.com</u>>, Mary Anne Wilkinson <<u>maryannewilkinson@gmail.com</u>>

Count tricks during the bidding. Points are just an aide.

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S 3S (This shows 5+ spades and 16-17 points. With a better hand I would bid 4S. I have 12 hcp + 2 for the 5th and 6th spade in a good suit that partner supported + 1 point for all the 10's = 15 points. A point short for the bid. Counting tricks I have:

5-6 spades (it should be 6, unless I am unlucky enough to have the King of spades behind me.)

2 clubs (unless I am unlucky enough to have both the King and Queen behind me)

That's 8 likely tricks. If partner has the King of spades, I need partner to have 2 more tricks for game. If partner does not have the King of spades, I need the King to be onside, then I only need 2 more tricks from partner. If it's offside I need 3 more tricks from partner.

Partner should have 2-3 tricks for me with partner's 2S bid. So, that's enough for me to invite game - which I did.)

S 3NT (Show a 10 point hand in support of spades. I would have just bid 4S)

N 4S

I lose 1 heart, 1 diamond and 1club making 4S.

The play was unremarkable. Here it is if anyone is interested.

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