

## **CBF Junior Newsletter – Volume 2 - January 31, 2012**

This newsletter is for Canada's Juniors. There will be one every two weeks. They will be available on the CBF Web Site.

### ***Junior Manager (Bryan Maksymetz)***

Thanks to those who participated in the second practice session – we had 13 – which was awesome.

Next Practice: Saturday, February 4th at 1:00 PM EST. We can meet on BBO in a chat room – look for my BBO id – [maks](#).

We always need new players, so if any of you know of someone you think would be a good addition to the program, please let them know.

### ***CBF Youth and Junior Bridge***

We will be adding a new newsletter run by Daniel Lavee in Toronto – It is called “Tricks are for Kids.”

There will be continue to be new and exciting things added to the **Youth and Junior Bridge** section. Under [Junior Bridge Documents](#).

**Next Practice: Saturday, February 4th at 1:00 PM EST.**

## HANDS – Junior Training – January 21, 2012

**Hand 3**  
EW Vul

**North**  
♠ 10982  
♥ J854  
♦ KJ6  
♣ 103

**West**  
♠ AK763  
♥ AQ32  
♦ A92  
♣ K

**East**  
♠ J54  
♥ 7  
♦ Q73  
♣ AJ9654

**South (D)**  
♠ Q  
♥ K1096  
♦ 10854  
♣ Q872

**Table 1**

W	N	E	S
			P
1♠	P	2♠	P
3♥	P	3♠	P
4♠	All P		

**Table 2**

W	N	E	S
			P
1♠	P	2♠	P
3♣	P	4♠	P
5♠	All P		

One of the key decisions to be made on this hand is what East should respond to 1♠. Do you agree with 2♠? If not, what would your choice be and why?

West has a very good hand – is it good enough to look for slam? If so, what is plan? What are the best methods after 1M 2M?

**Hand 4**  
**All Vul**

**North**  
♠  
♥ KJ109842  
♦ J8  
♣ A987

**West (D)**  
♠ J953  
♥ Q65  
♦ K104  
♣ Q103

**East**  
♠ AQ1064  
♥ A7  
♦ 6532  
♣ 52

**South**  
♠ K872  
♥ 3  
♦ AQ97  
♣ KJ64

**Table 1**

W	N	E	S
P	1♥	1♠	1NT
2♠	3♥	P	3NT
All P			

**Table 2**

W	N	E	S
P	1♥	P	1♠
P	2♣	P	3NT
P	4♥	All P	

At both Tables, North deemed their hand worth an opening bid. This is a very common situation – a good hand with a lot of shape but not the high cards to open. **Do you agree? If you don't approve of opening 1♥, what would be your choice be and why?**

At Table 1, East overcalled 1♠. **Is this hand worth an overcall? Why or why not? Should North pull 3NT to 4♥?**

At Table 2, what would you rebid over partner's 1♠? **Why?**

**Hand 16**  
NS

**North**  
♠ AQ965  
♥ 3  
♦ AQ87  
♣ AQ10

**West (D)**  
♠ 7  
♥ 8762  
♦ J9653  
♣ J94

**East**  
♠ 102  
♥ KQJ5  
♦ 1042  
♣ 8652

**South**  
♠ KJ843  
♥ A1094  
♦ K  
♣ K73

**Table 1**

W	N	E	S
P	1♠	P	4♦
P	4NT	P	5♦
P	5NT	P	6♠
All P			

**Table 2**

W	N	E	S
P	1♠	P	2♥
P	3♦	P	4♠
P	4NT	P	5♠
P	5NT	P	6♥
P	7♠	All P	

The South hand has several options over North's 1♠ opening.. At Table 1, the splinter left **North** as captain and the 6♠ ended the auction. It actually works best on this hand if South does the asking. A splinter with a singleton King may be correct, but a Jacoby 2NT works well. **What is your choice with the South hand and why?**

**Bid this hand with your partner and see how you would do.**

**Here is a summary of the Jacoby 2NT I play with most partners:**

**3♣ = minimum unbalanced**

3♦ asks: SL, SM, SH [short low, middle, high]

**3♦ = balanced, 15+**

**3♥ asks:**

3♠ = 5422 [3NT asks for 4 card suit: LMH]

3NT = 5332; 4♣ = 6322

**3♥ = SL (♣), 15+**

**3♠ = SM (♦), 15+**

**3NT = SH (other Major), 15+**

**4♣/♦ = a good 5 card minor (or void if you choose)**

**4M = minimum balanced**

# HANDS – Junior Training – January 28, 2012

Hand 11

None

North

♠ 107654

♥ 106

♦ AQ108

♣ 108

West

♠ Q8

♥ A953

♦ 9

♣ AQJ753

East

♠ KJ2

♥ K2

♦ 7432

♣ K962

South (D)

♠ A93

♥ QJ874

♦ KJ65

♣ 4

Table 1

W	N	E	S
–	–	–	1♥
2♣	P	3♣	p
3NT	All P		

Recommended Auction

W	N	E	S
–	–	–	1♥
2♣	X	2♥	P
3♥	P	3NT	P
			P/5♣

North has just enough for a negative X. East has a good raise, so Q bids. **Do you agree? If you don't approve of the actions so far?**

West has a very good hand. Once East shows up with a ♥ stopper, it is unlikely that he also has stoppers in both ♦ and ♠. **Would you pass 3NT? Why or why not?**

**What should West bid if he decides to pull 3NT?**

**Hand 14**  
None

**North**  
♠ QJ9875  
♥  
♦ QJ543  
♣ Q10

**West**  
♠ 63  
♥ AK  
♦ K7  
♣ AKJ8543

**East (D)**  
♠ A4  
♥ QJ108643  
♦ A62  
♣ 9

**South (D)**  
♠ K102  
♥ 9752  
♦ 1098  
♣ 762

**Table 1**

W	N	E	S
–	–	1♥	P
2♣	2♠	3♥	P
4NT	P	5♠	P
7♥	All P		

**Suggested Auction**

W	N	E	S
–	–	1♥	P
2♣	2♠	3♥	P
3♠	P	4♦	P
5♥	P	5♠	P
7♥	All P		

This ended up as an excellent contract for East/West. However, it is much more difficult if East does not show 2+Q. It is conceivable that the opponents can cash the Ace and King of ♠. **Do you agree? Would you bid 4NT with the West hand?**

In the second auction, West is asking East for a ♠ control. East would pass with 2 losers, bid 6♥ with 2<sup>nd</sup> round control and 5♠ with first.

How would you play it on a ♠ lead?

**Hand 1**  
None

**North (D)**  
 ♠ A54  
 ♥ A72  
 ♦ 107  
 ♣ AKJ108

**West**  
 ♠ 1072  
 ♥ 1085  
 ♦ K862  
 ♣ 953

**East**  
 ♠ QJ8  
 ♥ Q64  
 ♦ 94  
 ♣ Q7642

**South**  
 ♠ K963  
 ♥ KJ93  
 ♦ AQJ53  
 ♣

**Table 1**

W	N	E	S
—	1NT	P	3♣*1
P	3NT	P	6♦
All P			

**Suggested Auction**

W	N	E	S
—	1NT	P	2♣
P	2♦	P	3♦
P	3NT	P	?

**\*1=Puppet Stayman [partnership plays Weisberger]**

This was not a good contract, but did make. The South hand is excellent opposite a ♦ fit and not much wasted in ♣. If North has most of his hand in ♣, 3NT is probably best.

Many partnerships use a Polish invention that a jump to 3 of a minor shows shortness with 43 or 44 in the majors and game forcing or better strength. **Would you bid raise 3NT to 4NT with the South hand?**