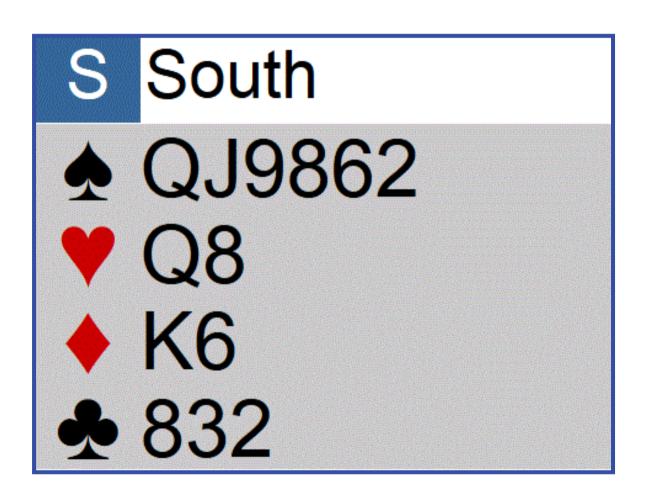
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Pre-emptive bidding

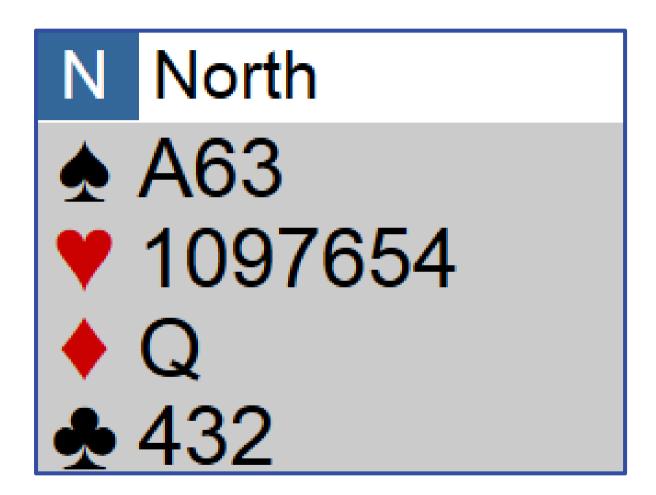
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What is a pre-empt?

A pre-emptive bid is an opening or overcalling bid in your long suit



6-11 HCP 6+ card suit Fully describe your hand both length and points in just one bid

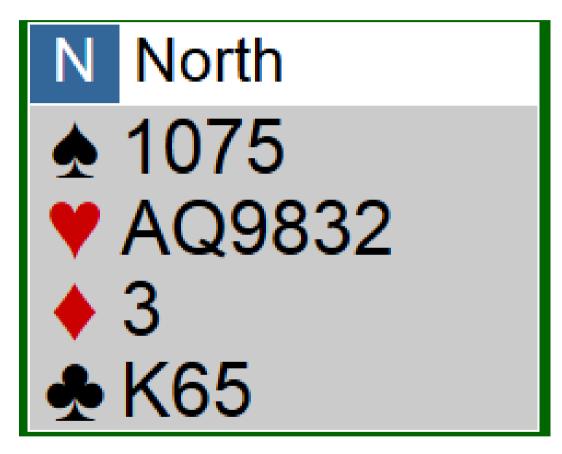
Make opponents bid at a higher level than if you had not bid



General guidelines before making a Pre-emptive Bid

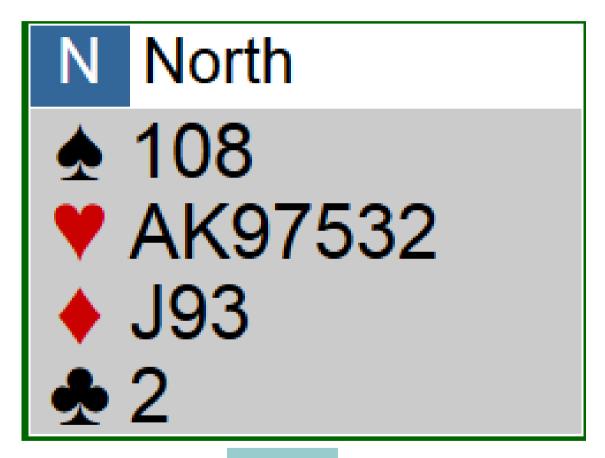
- **2 Level** = 7-10 points, 6 cards, preferably with two honour cards in bid suit.
- **3 Level** = 7-10 points, 7 cards with one honour card in bid suit
- 4 Level = 8 cards, close to opening strength





















What to bid after partner's pre-empt?

"Law of 25"

25 points and fit with partner = bid game (in trumps)

- Pass = Less than 15 points and no fit for partner
- 3 partners suit = 15-16 with fit, inviting to game
- 4 partners suit = 25 points with partner's minimum and fit OR 4+ fit and less than 8 points
- New suit = 5 suit and 15+ points forcing 1 round
- 3NT = 25 points with partner's minimum























More pre-empting

