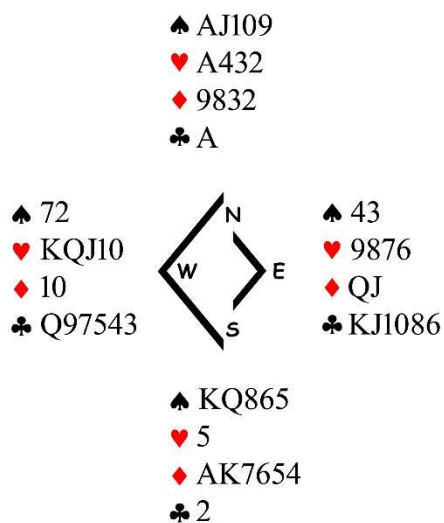


# 319. Two-Suited Grand

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E	S	W	N
P	1♠	P	2♦
P	4NT	P	5♠
P	7♦	P	7♠

All Pass

--East West Vulnerable--

I thought it would be a good way to end the year (or start the year depending on when this gets published) with a grand slam. You may think of Addison Russell of the Cubs, but a grand in bridge is winning all 13 tricks.

## The bidding:

South has 12 HCP's and opens One Spade intending to rebid Two Diamonds. To reverse and show his longer suit, Diamonds, first, he needs 16 HCP's which he does not have. He could reverse with less than 16 HCP's if his Spade suit were better.

North has a full opener himself and bids Two Diamonds showing 10+ points and promising a rebid. He could show Hearts but Two Hearts over One Spade promises

five Hearts.

South likes the Diamond suit and bids 4NT, Blackwood, asking for Aces. North shows three Aces, and South bids the Diamond Grand. North corrects to Spades. When one learns bridge, Stayman, Blackwood and transfers are the only conventions needed.

**Opening Lead:**

Heart King, top of an honour sequence, is a natural lead.

**The Play:**

Declarer wins the opening lead, draws trump and runs Diamonds for 13 tricks and +1510.