

Take All Your Chances 1

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“The road to becoming a better player includes preparing for unpleasant surprises.”

Eddie Kantar

Some Odds

36% 3-3 break

68% 3-2 break

48% 4-2 break

28% 4-1 break

50% AQx finesse

50% Kxxx finesse

26% 10 card fit-King drops

33% 8 card fit-Queen drops singleton or doubleton

37% AKJx xx Cash AK and ruff a club-Queen will drop

22% AQ65 x Cash A and ruff twice-King appears

Example

♠AQJ654 ♥AQ ♦2 ♣AK107
♠K532 ♥82 ♦A952 ♣432

Q♦ was led against 6♠

Draw Trump and lose a club to East

If West gets in he will play a heart and the finesse decision will have to be made before the club fit can be investigated

Clubs 3-3

36%

Clubs not 3-3

64%

Heart Finesse

Works

50%

Does not work

50%

Slam makes: $36\% + 64\% * 50\% = 68\%$