

		<i>North me</i>			
Dealer: W		♠ 765			
Vul: None		♥ 763			
		♦ AQ53			
		♣ J52			
<i>West</i>		<i>East</i>			
♠ T8		♠ 4			
♥ AKQJT542		♥ 9			
♦ 2		♦ JT9874			
♣ Q8		♣ AKT73			
		<i>South</i>			
		♠ AKQJ932			
		♥ 8			
		♦ K6			
		♣ 964			
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Bidding:		W	N	E	S
		4H	P	P	4S
		5H	5S	P	P
		P			
		<a href="#">HTML Bridge Hand Layout Creator</a>			

Board 24 on Wednesday evening , 30<sup>th</sup> September.

I found the results on this hand very interesting in a number of areas. Firstly the bidding at our table seemed reasonably normal, but when looking at the scoresheet that was not the case.

West opened 4H, and after 2 passes, South competed with 4S. So far normal, right? West, thinking that they had little defence, bid 5 Hearts, and North, that was me, bid 5 Spades.

I don't think many Norths thought the same way as I did, but it looked reasonable to me. It drifted one off for minus 50 and a very good board for us.

**Of course both West and myself were completely wrong!** 4 Spades doubled goes 3 light for 500 and a complete top. And rather obviously 5 Spades doubled is worse.

Have a look at the 4 hands and see if you can see how to put 4 Spades 3 light. If you cannot see it, come to my session on Friday morning at 11.30.