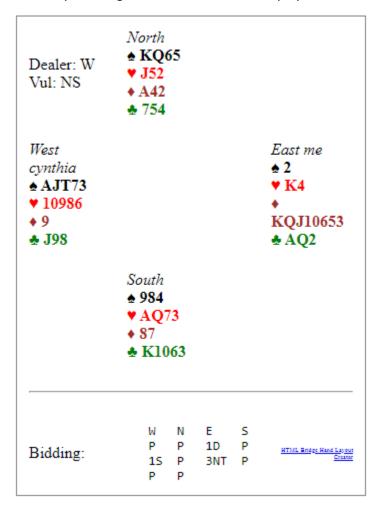
On Monday morning 2nd March I was about to play Hand 12 when I looked at my cards and had an



epiphany. Great looking hand, I could

open 1 Diamond and then rebid 3 Diamonds. Then I thought, ("if partner bids 1 Spade I could rebid a number of NT".) Then I thought, "If I do that they will probably lead a Club or a Heart, giving me an extra trick immediately, and if partner has the Ace of Diamonds, that would be 9 tricks". Partner bid 1 Spade, just as I hoped.

So I bid 3NT. I received a Club lead and quickly made 3NT. Only a Spade or Diamond lead beats 3NT.

It was an exciting morning, the scores on our first 3 hands were 1NT doubled, making 380,

then 5 Diamonds redoubled making 800.

Then 3 Spades doubled making, minus 530.

Just another social day out.