

# BRIDGE

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## Good experience

THE Lederer Memorial Trophy was originally restricted to British master players. During the past few years, however, a number of foreign teams have been invited and this has given our top players some useful international experience.

The 1987 event, which is being staged by the London County Contract Bridge Association and sponsored by the Young Chelsea Bridge Club, has attracted an impressive entry. A round-robin competition will be played involving eight teams, six of which will be representing England, Ireland, Netherlands, Scotland, Sweden and London. The field will be completed by the winners of the Woolwich Spring Foursomes and a combined American, Canadian and English team representing Hoechst.

The event is being played at the Young Chelsea Bridge Club, 32 Barkston Gardens, London SW5, on October 10-11. Tickets can be obtained at the door or in advance from the Young Chelsea (tel: 01-373 1665).

There was some thoughtful defence on this hand from the 1951 Lederer competition.

Dealer West North South game

♠ 3 ♥ 762 ♦ Q98653 ♣ 974	♠ QJ52 ♥ KQ8 ♦ 7 ♣ 108652	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;">           N            W E            S         </div>	♠ A109876 ♥ A3 ♦ K1042 ♣ Q
	♠ K4 ♥ J10954 ♦ AJ ♣ AKJ3		

### Bidding

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	1♣	2♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

West led ♠3 and East won the first trick with ♠A, while declarer dropped ♠K. East was not deceived by declarer's naïve false card, but did not rush to give his partner a spade ruff. Instead he beat the contract by switching to ♣Q.

Declarer won the trick with ♣A and led a heart to dummy's ♥Q. East won the trick with ♥A and, at long last, led ♠6 to give his partner a spade ruff. West ruffed with ♥6 and had no difficulty in returning a club. This allowed West to ruff and defeat the contract.