

# WORDS OF WISDOM

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	<b>North</b>	
	♠ 9 6 4	
	♥ Q 10	
	♦ Q J 6 4	
	♣ A K J x	
<b>West</b>		<b>East (Dealer)</b>
♠ A x x		♠ K Q J 8 5 2
♥ A 9 8 4 2		♥ 7 3
♦ A 9 8 3		♦ K 3
♣ 3		♣ 10 8 4
	<b>South</b>	
	♠ 10	
	♥ K J 6 5	
	♦ 10 7 2	
	♣ Q 9 7 3 2	

As East, I dealt and opened 2♠. This is a normal-looking weak 2 bid, although I don't to pre-empt in front of my partner. My partner, Dan Fowler, made a good bid of 4♠. You don't really know what you can make, but you might as well take a chance.

Even playing some investigatory bid, you should get to game. If 2NT asks for a feature, am outside A or K, you can almost count 10 tricks. You simple need to ruff a club on the board.

If you play Ogust, you have a good suit and a good hand ... thus, 4♠ should be the final contract.

Incredibly, only 4 of 16 pairs bid the cold game. Three pairs only made 3. You should be able to ruff at least one club on the board, so 10 tricks are easy.