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THE BRIDGE REPORT

by Bob Sutton

I hope you received what you wanted for Christmas and are looking forward to the New Year.

The previous article I wrote may have been a bit too in-depth for some players.

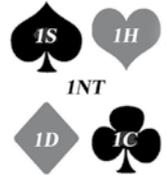
Did I say, "Have fun when you step into the Bridge room"? If you come early at 12:30, a lot of social catching up can be done. Also, if you are partnered with someone new, you will want to go over Bridge strategies. For example, "Do you play Stayman?" (A bidding convention following a 1NT opening bid.)

However, with a regular partner, it is a case of discussing some finer

Bridge points. That is always important because some players forget they are playing Transfers and end up in the wrong suit. That is what you can talk about to learn from last week's lessons, before play begins.

Also, I can never stress too much that the opening lead in a suit or No Trump contract is critical. That is what happened to my partner and I recently. We bid and made 6 Hearts. However, another couple made a call of 7 Hearts, even though they were missing an Ace of Spades. They were successful because, after drawing trump, they were able to get rid of their Spades while playing a long run of Diamonds.

So, if you think you would like to be a part of our Bridge group, come on over to the NKCC and socialize, watch, learn, or play on **Fridays** from 1 to 4 p.m.



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