

Fundamental IV ~ Defense

8-Week Course ~ Classes may be taken on an individual basis.

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Lesson 1 Modern Notrumps Leads

Join BAND's ACBL Certified Instructors as they walk through the thought process in choosing the killing opening lead against notrump contracts. In this class, you will learn about defensive strategy along with which suit and which card to lead depending on the auction and your choices. All types of leads will be discussed including long-suit leads and sequence leads. 4 lesson hands and a quiz are included with the lesson bundle.

Lesson 2 Modern Suit Leads

Join this fun-filled class on aggressive vs passive defenses as they affect suit contract opening leads. Short-suit leads, trump leads and which card to lead within the chosen suit will be explored. 4 lesson hands and a quiz are included with the lesson bundle.

Lesson 3 3rd Hand Guidelines

We all know the sound bite "Third Hand High". The exceptions oftentimes make the difference between setting the contract or allowing declarer to make the contract. Dummy is the key...This class walks you through the goals and exceptions to 3rd Hand Play. 4 lesson hands and a quiz are included with the lesson bundle.

Lesson 4 2nd Hand Guidelines

This class discusses the defender's guidelines as 2nd Hand. We have heard the saying "2nd Hand Low" but there are times when one should play high. What about cover an honor with an honor...does it matter how many honors are visible? Join BAND's ACBL Certified Instructors to answer these questions and more. 4 lesson hands are included with the lesson bundle.

Lessons 5-8 on Reverse Side

Lesson 5 Attitude Signals

Attitude signals are the primary signal when partner leads a suit. This signal guides the defense versus notrump and suit contracts. This is the first of three lessons on signaling and is the most important signal in any defense. 4 lesson hands and a quiz are included with the lesson bundle.

Lesson 6 Count Signals

You have attitude signals down when partner leads. What about when declarer's leads? Then the signal is count. We can usually send the signal, but does partner know which signal you are sending? If not, bring them along! This class also explores returning partner's suit, inferences and the hold-up play. 4 lesson hands are included with the lesson bundle.

Lesson 7 Suit Preference Signals

Adding suit preference signals to your defense results in fabulous results! The four types of suit preference signals are discussed along with how to send and read these signals. 4 lesson hands and a quiz are included with the lesson bundle.

Lesson 8 Developing Defensive Tricks

Now that you have all of the fundamental defensive tools, it is time to look at the big picture including taking sure tricks, promoting tricks, long-suit establishment, finesses and trumping declarer's winners. 8 lesson hands and a quiz are included with the lesson bundle.

See Course Syllabi for Topics and Dates

\$40/Class with BAND ACBL Certified Instructors

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