

DECEMBER NEWPLICATE HAND

DEALER: South
VUL: E-W

	NORTH	
	♠ 853	
	♥ A63	
	♦ 875	
	♣ 7642	
WEST		EAST
♠ A63		♠ Q74
♥ QJ94		♥ K8
♦ QJ1096		♦ 432
♣ J		♣ Q10953
	SOUTH	
	♠ KJ109	
	♥ 10752	
	♦ AK	
	♣ AK8	

Suggested Bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1NT	P	P	P

Suggested Lead:

♦Q (West): Top of a three-card or longer sequence.

Suggested Play:

South should win and lead spades from the South hand to drive out the ♠A and ♠Q. It is not necessary (and may lead to defeat) to use dummy's ♥A for a spade finesse. Declarer can establish the two additional tricks needed to make the contract by promoting the spades in the South hand.

Tips: Plan the play.

Count your tricks.