



Adventures in Bridge

Leaders in Bridge Entertainment and Education

www.advinbridge.com

This Week in Bridge

Signaling on Defense – Suit Preference & Discards

© AiB

Robert S. Todd

robert@advinbridge.com

Mechanics of Signaling – Suit Preference

- Suit Contracts
 - Other 2 Suits
 - Not the Trump Suit
 - Low Card for Lower Suit
 - High Card for Higher Suit
- NT Contracts
 - Not Suit Lead
 - Eliminate one suit logically
 - Low Card for Lower Suit
 - High Card for Higher Suit

Suit Contacts

- Trump Suit Preference when no future in suit lead
- More Common – Singleton in Dummy
 - Partner Leads Ace
 - Partner Leads King
- Known Singleton in Declarer's Hand

NT Contracts

- Ace or King Lead
 - QJxx in Dummy
 - Eliminate one of the suits logically

Trump Suit Preference

- High-Low for Higher of other 2-suits
- High-Low “give me a ruff”
- Up the line – Lower suit or no meaning