**Thursday Bidding Tips 11 Board 13 played on 12/7/2018 Burns Pairs**



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| **Suggested Bidding**  |
| N Dealer | **E**  | S  | W  |
| pass | Pass | 1S | Double (X) |
| Pass | 3H | Pass | Pass |
| Pass |  |  |  |

* Souths Bid of **1 Spade** shows 12-19 Points and a 4-card spade suit
* Wests **Double** shows 12 plus points and a shortage in Spades,

*Double (X)12+ HCP The double shows:*

* *an opening hand*
* *at least three cards in each of the unbid suits*
* *shortage in the opponent’s suit - usually a doubleton or fewer*
* *don’t double with length in the opener’s suit!*
* North with 5 High Card Points and 2 Spades Passes
* East Bids **3 Hearts** showing 10-12 Points and at least 4 Hearts
* West with only 12 points **passes -** worst case the EW partnership has 22 Points (12 plus 10) not enough for game, at best 24 points also not enough for game (*If East has 13 points they should jump to game*)

Suggested Lead from Ace Spades top of sequence

Further notes about Doubles

http://www.nzbridge.co.nz/user/inline/2648/NZB%20Beginner%2008%20-%20Student%20Notes.pdf