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The Last Day of a Tournament Boasts Some Notable Playing

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On the last day of the Edgar Kaplan Winter Regional in Manhattan, held at the end of last year, the Swiss Teams was won by Sylvia Moss, Migry Zur-Campanile and Pietro Campanile of New York City, and Alex Ornstein of Roslyn Heights, N.Y.

NORTH(D)
♠ A K 10 6 3
♥ A 5
♦ A Q
♣ A Q 6 4

WEST EAST
♠ Q 7 ♠ J 8 5 4 2
♥ Q J 7 6 4 3 ♥ 10
♦ 8 5 2 ♦ K 7 4
♣ J 5 ♣ K 10 8 2

SOUTH
♠ 9
♥ K 9 8 2
♦ J 10 9 6 3
♣ 9 7 3

North and South were vulnerable. The bidding:

West	North	East	South
—	1 ♠	Pass	1 N.T.
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 N.T.
Pass	3 N.T.	Pass	Pass
Pass			

West led the heart six.

They finished ahead of Fabrizio Conti from Italy, Fabrizio Biasiolo of Oakland Gardens, N.Y., Joel Salinger of New York City, and Robert De Grande of Hoboken, N.J. Third were Justine Cushing, Melih Ozdil and Joel Wooldridge of New York City, and John Kranyak of Las Vegas.

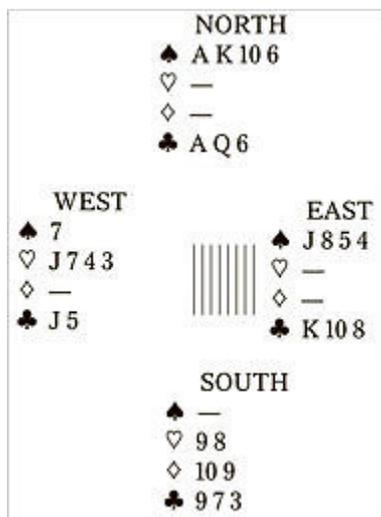
The winners gained a game swing in the diagramed deal.

In the given auction Zur-Campanile (North) decided not to open two clubs. Over one spade Moss (South) responded one no-trump. In the old days players would have passed with her hand, but the modern style is to bid with shortness in partner's suit and length in an unbid

major. North's two-club rebid was artificial, either natural or any hand with 16-plus points (or, coincidentally, both). South's rebid denied eight points, five hearts and three spades.

West led his fourth-highest heart, which declarer correctly won with dummy's ace. South continued with the diamond ace and diamond queen, which East allowed to win.

Now declarer played a low spade to her nine. West won with his queen and returned the heart queen. South took the trick and led the diamond jack to East's king, giving this position:



East was endplayed.

If he had led a club, declarer would have taken dummy's queen and ace, then played a third round to endplay East again.

When he tried a spade, South took dummy's three tricks in that suit and led the last spade to endplay East a second time.

In that nicely played deal Moss took three spades, two hearts, two diamonds and two clubs.

At the other table North was in three no-trump after opening two clubs and rebidding two no-trump.

Campanile (East) led his singleton heart. North won with his ace, took the ace-queen of diamonds, then played a spade to the nine. Ornstein (West) won with his queen and returned the spade seven, covered by the ten and jack. East, endplayed, led a spade to dummy's six.

Now North was in a position to endplay East again (take the spades, cross to the heart king and lead a diamond), but he immediately played a club to dummy's nine. West won with his ten and returned a club, giving the defenders two spades, two clubs and one diamond.

Plus 600 and plus 100 gave the winners 12 international match points on the board.