

# Weak Twos

- What do we mean by the expression “three weak twos”?
- It refers to bidding weak twos in three suits:-
  - Spades
  - Hearts
  - Diamonds

# Weak Twos - Week 2

- Responding to a weak two with a strong hand
- Opposition bidding against weak twos

# Weak Twos Revision

- Six cards in Spades, Hearts or Diamonds
- 5-9 hcps (6-10 if vulnerable)
- Responder bids to the “level of the fit” with 3 or more cards in support

# Responding to a Weak two with a Strong Hand (“Ogust”)

- Partner of weak 2 opener has 3 card support for partner’s suit and 15 or more hcps
- Need to know strength of partner’s opening hand as game could be on
- Responder bids 2NT saying “how strong are you”

# Openers Response to the 2NT Ogust Enquiry

- Need to show point count and top honours in the 6 card suit
- With **low** end of points range (5-7) bid a **minor**:-
  - With **1** of top 3 honours bid 3 clubs
  - With **2** of top 3 honours bid 3 diamonds
- With **high** end of points range (8-10) bid a **major**
  - With **1** of top 3 honours bid 3 hearts
  - With **2** of top 3 honours bid 3 spades

Or

- With **3** of top 3 honours bid 3NT

**One, two, one, two, three**

# Ogust

- One
- Two
- One, Two, Three



# Bidding over Opponent's Weak Two Opening

- Difficult to bid against a weak two – but that is the main point of them
- Four main options
  - Overcall in a suit
  - Overcall in NT
  - Double
  - Pass

# Opposition Bidding v Weak Two

## Option 1 – Suit Overcall

- Hand should contain close to opening bid values
- At the 3 level suit should contain 6 cards or **very good** 5 cards
- Be more cautious when overcalling at the 3 level if vulnerable



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## Option 2 Overcall in NT

- Bid 2NT with 16-18 balanced and stopper in opponent's suit
- Bid 3NT with 19+ balanced and stopper (preferably 2 stoppers) in opponent's suit

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## Option 3 – Double

- Make take out double with 12+ pts. Need shortage in opponent's suit and tolerance for the other 3 suits

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## Option 4 – Pass

- Pass with balanced hand up to 15 points and no other suitable bid