

**A deal in South American Open Championship 2011**

Deal No 23 Dealer : S Vul : N-S	Pellegrin ♠ Q64 ♥ AQ10963 ♦ 93 ♣ 94	
Caracci (Chile) ♠ 97 ♥ 82 ♦ AKQJ85 ♣ J102		Robles ♠ AK102 ♥ K5 ♦ 1076 ♣ AK65
	Cambert (Argentina) ♠ J853 ♥ J74 ♦ 42 ♣ Q873	

**Closed room bidding::--**

South	West	North	East
Pass	1 Diamond	2 Heart	X
Pass	3 Diamond	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 Spade	Pass	6 Diamond
All Pass			

Caracci (west) and Robles of Chile bid this hand to a reasonable slam of 6 Diamond. Note that Caracci had not preempted with a 3 Diamond bid as was done in open room. He had a good opening hand of 11 points, rebiddable Diamond suit, 7 loser hand and lead directing bid if Opponents became declarer. It is all the more important that with an unpassed partner, is is better to bid as per system.

The lead was Heart Ace, and a small Heart to H King.of dummy.

Now Caracci had sure 11 tricks > 2 Spades + 1 Heart+ 6 Diamond + 2 Clubs. Where would he get his 12<sup>th</sup> trick?

He cast a cloud over South's eyes by discarding 2 small clubs from Dummy to 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Diamonds

Poor South thought that he had to keep length with RHO in Spade suit and kept 4 Spades in hand throwing 2 small clubs.

Declarer cashed Club Ace and Club King and was relieved to find Club Q falling, thus his Club Jack became the 12<sup>th</sup> trick (1370) – entry is Spade ruff.

A score of 12 IMPs to Chile as in Open room 3NT made 6 (690).

**Open Room**

South	West	North	East
Pass	3 Diamond	Pass	3 NT
All Pass			

In open room against 3Nt, Club 7 was led and dclarer covered it with Club Jack which held. Now he Proceeded to run Diamonds and in the end claimed 12 tricks.

The moral of this hand is not to preempt an unpassed partner when another bid is available.

The modern trend of bidding is to obstruct opponants' bidding, rather than finding an optimum contract for one's side.