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## Solutions

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### Workshop 3

- How do you rule?
- Simulations

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#### **Solutions**

- 1. If you're playing a social game and North is your wife then allow the change. A good TD who wants to apply the laws will quote Law25A2, "... A change of call may be allowed because of a mechanical error or a slip of the tongue, but not because of a loss of concentration... "
- 2. Law 25A3 states "A player is allowed to replace an unintended call if the conditions described in A1 above are met, no matter how he may have become aware of his error. .." (No UI implications)
- 3. As above (2.)
- 4. No. The laws are lenient for declarer, e.g, no penalty cards. Here Law 45C2 comes into play. Y29 states "...Declarer's card must be played if it is held face-up touching or nearly touching the table or held in a position to indicate it has been played."
- 5. The Simplified Book covers this nicely. See page 36 "When a Defender faces a lead when it is his Partner's turn to play, the Director should say to the Declarer, 'You have FOUR options'. These are:
  - (A) You may accept the lead out of turn and you play as normal.
  - (B) You may have the spade as a major penalty card: the correct leader may lead what he likes, but his Partner's spade must be played at the first legal opportunity.
  - (C) You may require the correct leader to lead a spade: the lead out of turn is picked up and the Defender who led out of turn may play any legal card.
  - (Ď) You máy forbid the correct leader from leading a spade for as long as he retains the lead: the lead out of turn is picked up. " (Law 50D)
- The above 4 options apply at when an opening lead is led out of turn as well. However, declarer has an additional option he can accept the lead out of turn and opt to become dummy! Y35 (Law 54)

- 7. Normally the hand to play next is usually given the option after an infraction. This law is different. *Either defender* can may accept the lead. Law 55A adds, "If the defenders choose differently then the option expressed by the player next in turn to the irregular lead shall prevail."
- 8. A "Switched Mitchell" is simply a Mitchell but usually the last round (last 2 rounds if > 9 tables) is "switched" i.e., the N-S pair will play the cards belonging to E-W and vice versa and scored appropriately. Implications are One winner only and a more balanced movement. At Benoni Bridge Club, we always switch in the last round!
- 9. This hand was adjudicated by the Appeals Committee of the EBU. TD reported. "I was called to the table after the 4♦ bid by East. North pointed out that West had thought 'for 15 seconds' before bidding. I remained until the opening lead had been made. I was called back at the end of the hand and North invited me to consider whether there were alternatives (principally pass) to East's 4♥ bid. I polled five players of whom two bid 4♥, two passed and one passed but considered 4♥. I therefore deemed that pass was a logical alternative to 4♥.

The Appeals Committee ruled "There was a logical alternative of pass to East after 4 was doubled out of tempo. Given that East had not raised 2 or 3 to 4 on the previous rounds, we feel that the slow double of 4 persuaded East to bid 4 when he had a clear logical alternative of pass. " Decision: 4 making. Result at table: 4 x + 1 by West; NS - 690

