

Partnership Week 1 Notes

Where to Find Partners

- Ask at your club or ask your local guru
- Go to a class
- Go to a tournament/look up the tournament chair
- Become a mentor

When You Play

- ALWAYS BE FRIENDLY AND RESPECTFUL TO PARTNER
- Every time you play, you are presenting yourself as a potential partner
- Talk to other players, ask them if they'd like to play

Partnership Timeline

- The Blind Date (Sessions 1 and 2)
- Building a relationship (sessions 3-10)
- A lasting partnership (sessions 11+)

The Blind Date. The first sessions

- Always be respectful
- Make sure you both know that it might be a one time experience
- Don't make too many agreements
- Don't correct partner's mistakes

Developing Agreements

- Now you can slowly add conventions back if needed
- ONE CONVENTION AT A TIME! Don't overload yourselves
- ASBAF (All strange bids are forcing)

Lasting Partnership

- Be careful not to slide into bad habits (familiarity sometimes breeds contempt)
- Avoid adding conventions just for the sake of it
- Travel together to tournaments! Keep it fresh!
- Still be open to other partners.