

♠♥♦♣ ENLIST THE OPPONENTS' HELP ♠♥♦♣

You are the dealer, with this hand:

S	South
♠	8
♥	AKQ742
♦	953
♣	Q93

You open 1♥ and your partner responds 3♥. This is a limit raise, promising 4 Hearts and 11-12 points. You raise to 4♥. You may be a little short on points but you hope that the singleton Spade will produce an extra trick.

West leads the ♦J and this is your dummy:

N	North
♠	J54
♥	J653
♦	AK7
♣	K106

West's Lead: ♦J

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You have no losers in Hearts, but you do have one loser in each of the pointed suits. That means you can only afford 1 loser in Clubs.

The ♣A and ♣J are outstanding. If you could guess their positions, you could take 2 Club tricks. If you knew the ♣J was in West and the ♣A in East, you could lead up to the dummy and finesse the ♣10. Or if the two outstanding honors were reversed, you could lead up to the ♣K for a successful finesse, providing you with only 1 Club loser.

