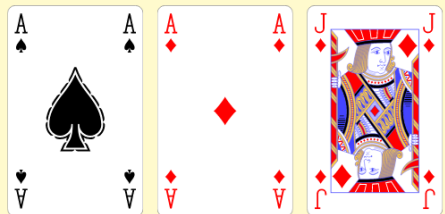
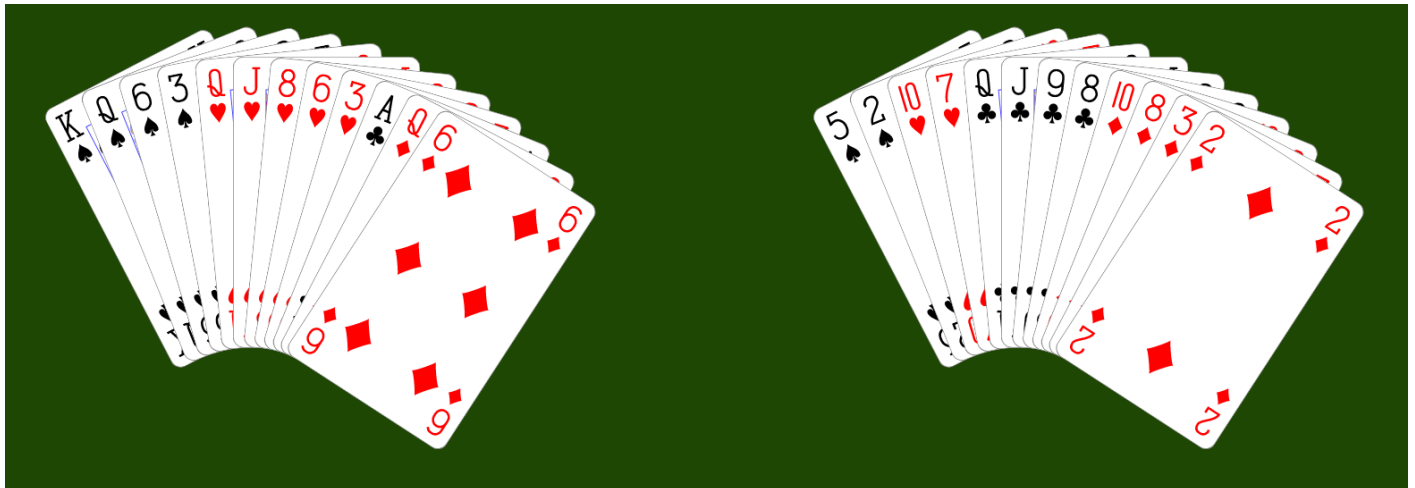


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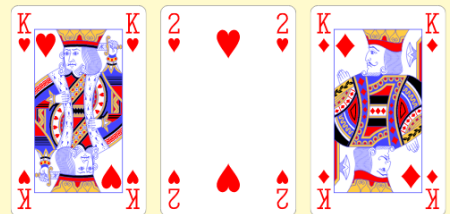


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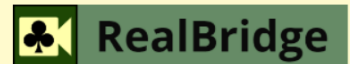
Puzzle 2 (week of April 10) – again answers are based on opening 1NT of 15-17 and 2/1 Bidding System.



W	N	E	S
1♥	P	2♥	P
4♥			



West and East each dropped a card.
 Can you find the missing cards?



Extra Credit-What is East's next call and why?

Answer to Real Bridge Puzzle 2:

W's choices of dropped cards: ♠A, ♦A, ♦J

The dropped card must be at least 4 points as with less, they would not have jumped to 4♥ given that partner only promised 6 points. It can't be the ♠A, as with that they would have opened 1♠, the higher of two now 5 card suits. Therefore, they dropped the ♦A!

E's choices: ♥K, ♥2, ♦K

The dropped card must have point value as without more points they do not have enough to respond. It must also be a heart as without 3 hearts they could not respond 2♥. Therefore, the dropped card must be the ♥K.

Extra credit answer to the question, "What is East's next call?":

Clearly it is to pass, but not because 4♥ is in anyway a sign off. West's 4♥ bid shows 19-21 points, if East had a bigger hand they might have gone on to explore for slam.