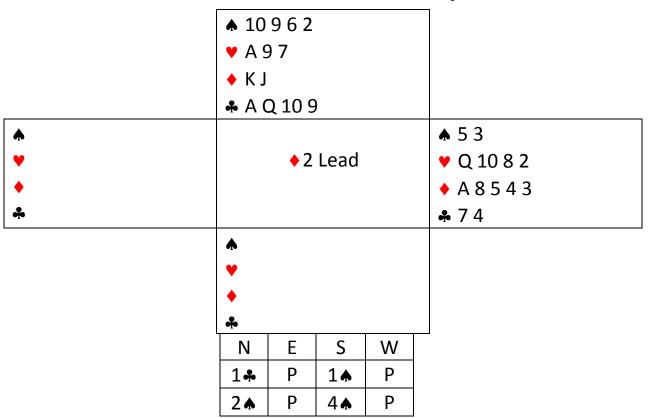
Suit Contract Surround Play Defense Key Point: Surround Play refers to dummy's cards

Suit Contract=Surround Play Defense



Few players have studied this area of defensive play, and its relationship to the handling of card combinations...Partner led the ◆2, you winning with ◆A and pausing for thought. The fear is that declarer would dump heart losers on dummys clubs, hence you immediately shift to the ♥2. South played low. Partner played ♥K, forcing out ♥A...Declarer still made his contract because we failed to use "surround play" defense..Where did we go wrong class??

Richard Anthony's Defense

Handout

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	1 0	962			
	♥ A 9	7			
	♦ K J				
	♣ A (Q 10 9)		
♠ K 7					♦ 5 3
♥ K 5 3		♦ 2	Lead		♥ Q 10 8 2
◆ Q972					◆ A 8 5 4 3
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	♠ A (Q J 8 4	ļ		
	♥ J 6	4			
	• 10	6			
	♣ K J	8			
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	1.	Р	1	Р	
	2♠	Р	4	Р	

At trick two, the ♥10 is correct lead (before trump is pulled and clubs are established). The ♥8 and ♥Q "surround dummy's ♥9. This play can not cost and may be essential. South covers with ♥J, playing low won't help. Later, West gets in with ♠K to lead thru dummy's ♥9 and ♥7 defeating declarer.!!

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	♠ K7	6 2			
	V A 9	9 6			
	• K 7	7 3			
	. 76	5 2			
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	1 🖍	Р	3♠	Р	
	4♠	Р	Р	Р	

Declarer took your ♣J with his ♣A, cashed the ♥AK then ruffed a heart in dummy. Declarer now led a club. You cashed your ♣KQ...What do we do now class?? Leading a heart creates a ruff and sluff...

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	♠ K7	62			
	♥ A 9	9 6			
	♦ K 7	7 3			
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♦ AJ42					◆ 10 8 6
4 10 9 8 4					♣ K Q J
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	♦ Q 9	9 5			
	♣ A 5	5 3			
	N	E	S	W	
	1 🖍	Р	3♠	Р	
	4 🆍	Р	Р	Р	

Its time for that "surround play" again...!! Lets examine each diamond to determine the "correct" diamond return....Very Good Class...!!

No OLLI Bridge this fall....I'll be taking a break from teaching....