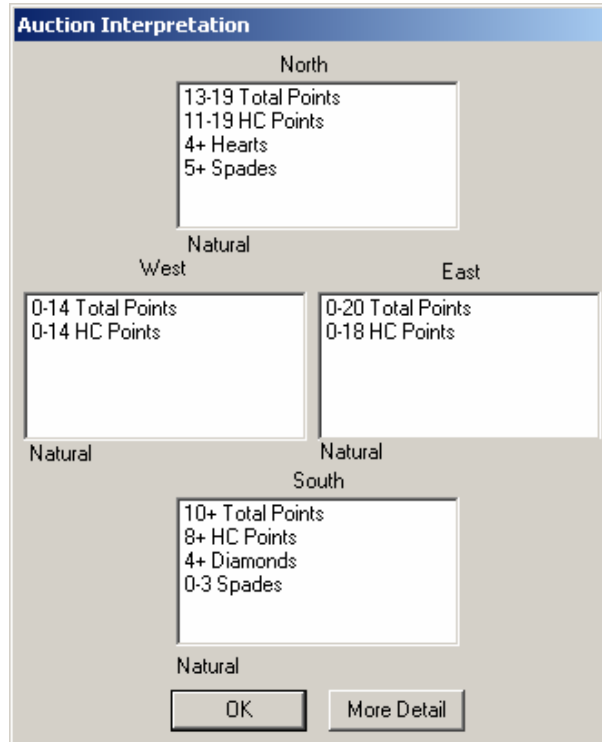
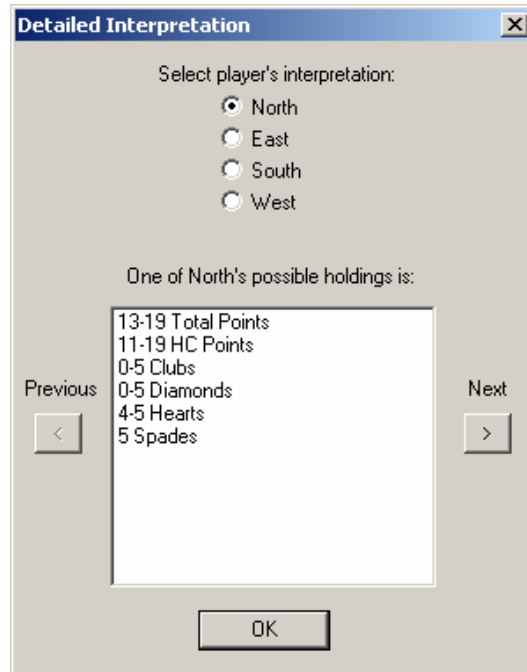


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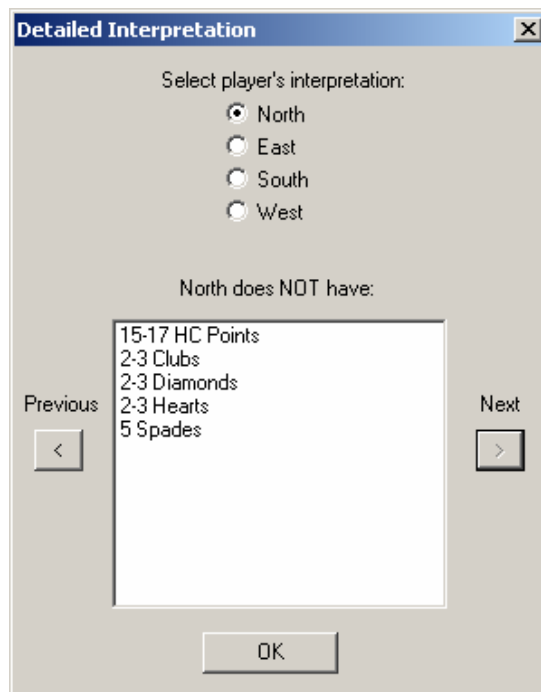
When an auction is conducted in Bridge Baron, the program keeps track of what every bid means, and draws inferences from that information about each player's hand. A summary of all that information is available to you when you click the **Interpret** button. Here is an example of the **Interpret** window after, with North as the dealer, the auction has gone 1♠-P-2♦-P-2♥-P:



As you can see, since we are playing a bidding system with 5-card Majors, North's 1♠ opening bid showed five or more spades. His 2♥ bid indicated at least four hearts, and limited his point total to about 19 at the most. Similar information is displayed about what the computer has inferred from the bids of the other players. This feature is not new. For Bridge Baron 20, we have allowed the user to dig even deeper into what the program "knows" about each individual player's hand from their bids. To access this new feature, click **More Detail**. When you do, the window will change to look like this:



In this window, you can look in great detail at everything Bridge Baron knows about all the hands. Simply select the player you want more information about at the top, and the information will be displayed in the white box below. To start, North is selected, and you can scroll through the individual pieces of information the program has about North's hands by clicking the **Next** > and **Previous** < buttons. One possibility for what North has, for example, is a hand with exactly five spades and either four or five hearts. If you hit **Next** > twice, you will see that another possibility is that North has exactly five spades and six or more hearts. If you hit **Next** > one more time, you will see this screen:



This indicates that, in addition to knowing some of the possible hands North could hold, Bridge Baron also knows that North should definitely NOT have a hand that looks like the one displayed, as that is a hand that would have opened 1NT.

This type of information is available for each hand, at all times. Sometimes this information will be more useful than others. If a player responds 2♠ to a 2♣ Stayman conventional call, for example, Bridge Baron would know that not only does that player have at least four spades, but the bid also implicitly indicates the player does NOT have four hearts. Generally, all the information you need to make your bidding decisions should be available in the main **Interpret** window, but any time you feel like digging a little deeper into exactly what Bridge Baron knows about each hand, that information is available by clicking **More Detail**.