

## North hands (Practice Page)

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|           |           |                              |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 1  | ♠ —       | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ J95     |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ AKQJ98  | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ J862    |                              |
| Board: 2  | ♠ Q86     | West Doubles 3♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ Q942    |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ A       | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ AJ972   |                              |
| Board: 3  | ♠ —       | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ 65      |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ KQJ9853 | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 10   | ♣ A542    |                              |
| Board: 4  | ♠ AQ109   | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ AKJ2    |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ A965    | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 18   | ♣ 6       |                              |
| Board: 5  | ♠ 10      | East Doubles 3♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ J3      |                              |
| Vul: None | ♦ AQ10642 | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ AQJ6    |                              |

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Board: 1  
Dealer: S  
Vul: Both  
North HCP: 12  
South HCP: 12  
Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
♠ —  
♥ J95  
♦ AKQJ98  
♣ J862

South:  
♠ K976  
♥ Q  
♦ 10652  
♣ AK105

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 4♠ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♦              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper |                 |      |                 |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 2  
Dealer: N  
Vul: EW  
North HCP: 13  
South HCP: 10  
Contract: 5♣ N

North:  
♠ Q86  
♥ Q942  
♦ A  
♣ AJ972

South:  
♠ —  
♥ 75  
♦ KQ763  
♣ KQ10854

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         | 1♣              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> |
| X                       | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♣              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 3  
Dealer: S  
Vul: EW  
North HCP: 10  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
♠ —  
♥ 65  
♦ KQJ9853  
♣ A542

South:  
♠ QJ64  
♥ K942  
♦ A1076  
♣ K

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 5♦              | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 4  
Dealer: N  
Vul: Both  
North HCP: 18  
South HCP: 15  
Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
♠ AQ109  
♥ AKJ2  
♦ A965  
♣ 6

South:  
♠ J4  
♥ Q  
♦ KQJ1072  
♣ AQ107

| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|                          | 1♦              | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass                     | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♣ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♦               |
| Pass                     | 6♦              | AP   |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |                 |      |                  |
| 4. A=0/5 or 3/5          |                 |      |                  |

Board: 5

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 14

South HCP: 12

Contract: 5♦ S

North:

♠ 10

♥ J3

♦ AQ10642

♣ AQJ6

South:

♠ K92

♥ KQ54

♦ KJ987

♣ 9

| West | North | East | South |
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|  |  |  | 1♦ |
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| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | X | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
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| Pass | 5♦ | AP |  |
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1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

## South hands (Practice Page)

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|-----------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 1  | ♠ K976    | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ Q       |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ 10652   | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ AK105   |                              |
| Board: 2  | ♠ —       | West Doubles 3♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ 75      |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ KQ763   | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 10   | ♣ KQ10854 |                              |
| Board: 3  | ♠ QJ64    | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ K942    |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ A1076   | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ K       |                              |
| Board: 4  | ♠ J4      | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ Q       |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ KQJ1072 | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 15   | ♣ AQ107   |                              |
| Board: 5  | ♠ K92     | East Doubles 3♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ KQ54    |                              |
| Vul: None | ♦ KJ987   | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ 9       |                              |

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Board: 1  
Dealer: S  
Vul: Both  
North HCP: 12  
South HCP: 12  
Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
♠ —  
♥ J95  
♦ AKQJ98  
♣ J862

South:  
♠ K976  
♥ Q  
♦ 10652  
♣ AK105

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 4♠ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♦              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper |                 |      |                 |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 2  
Dealer: N  
Vul: EW  
North HCP: 13  
South HCP: 10  
Contract: 5♣ N

North:  
♠ Q86  
♥ Q942  
♦ A  
♣ AJ972

South:  
♠ —  
♥ 75  
♦ KQ763  
♣ KQ10854

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         | 1♣              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> |
| X                       | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♣              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 3  
Dealer: S  
Vul: EW  
North HCP: 10  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
♠ —  
♥ 65  
♦ KQJ9853  
♣ A542

South:  
♠ QJ64  
♥ K942  
♦ A1076  
♣ K

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 5♦              | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 4  
Dealer: N  
Vul: Both  
North HCP: 18  
South HCP: 15  
Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
♠ AQ109  
♥ AKJ2  
♦ A965  
♣ 6

South:  
♠ J4  
♥ Q  
♦ KQJ1072  
♣ AQ107

| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|                          | 1♦              | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass                     | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♣ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♦               |
| Pass                     | 6♦              | AP   |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |                 |      |                  |
| 4. A=0/5 or 3/5          |                 |      |                  |

Board: 5

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 14

South HCP: 12

Contract: 5♦ S

North:

♠ 10

♥ J3

♦ AQ10642

♣ AQJ6

South:

♠ K92

♥ KQ54

♦ KJ987

♣ 9

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|------|-------|
|------|-------|------|-------|

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|--|--|--|----|
|  |  |  | 1♦ |
|--|--|--|----|

|      |                 |   |                 |
|------|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | X | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
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|      |    |    |  |
|------|----|----|--|
| Pass | 5♦ | AP |  |
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1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

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| Board: 6  | ♠ A1087 | West Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ AQ74  |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ Q     | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ 10975 |                              |

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|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 7  | ♠ QJ2     | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ J72     |                           |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ AKQ1082 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ 2       |                           |

|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 8  | ♠ K109  | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ KQ75  |                           |
| Vul: Both | ♦ J9543 | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ K     |                           |

|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 9  | ♠ 74     | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ —      |                           |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ KQJ854 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 15   | ♣ AKQ86  |                           |

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Board: 6  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 12  
 South HCP: 10  
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:  
 ♠ A1087  
 ♥ AQ74  
 ♦ Q  
 ♣ 10975

South:  
 ♠ 93  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ K10974  
 ♣ AQJ843

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         | 1♣              | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |
| X                       | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♣              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 7  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
 ♠ QJ2  
 ♥ J72  
 ♦ AKQ1082  
 ♣ 2

South:  
 ♠ AK76  
 ♥ 10  
 ♦ J954  
 ♣ KQ98

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 4♣ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♥ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 5♦              | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 8  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: Both  
 North HCP: 12  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 5♦ N

North:  
 ♠ K109  
 ♥ KQ75  
 ♦ J9543  
 ♣ K

South:  
 ♠ 632  
 ♥ 9  
 ♦ AKQ762  
 ♣ A85

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         | 1♦              | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass                    | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♦              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 9  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 15  
 South HCP: 15  
 Contract: 6♦ S

North:  
 ♠ 74  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ KQJ854  
 ♣ AKQ86

South:  
 ♠ KJ96  
 ♥ AK84  
 ♦ A962  
 ♣ 4

| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|                          |                 |      | 1♦               |
| Pass                     | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup>  |
| Pass                     | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♠ <sup>5</sup> | Pass | 6♦               |
| AP                       |                 |      |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |                 |      |                  |
| 5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1  |                 |      |                  |



## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |          |                              |
|-----------|----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 6  | ♠ 93     | West Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ —      |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ K10974 | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 10   | ♣ AQJ843 |                              |
| Board: 7  | ♠ AK76   | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ 10     |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ J954   | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ KQ98   |                              |
| Board: 8  | ♠ 632    | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ 9      |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ AKQ762 | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ A85    |                              |
| Board: 9  | ♠ KJ96   | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ AK84   |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ A962   | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 15   | ♣ 4      |                              |

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Board: 6  
Dealer: N  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 12  
South HCP: 10  
Contract: 5♣ N

North:  
♠ A1087  
♥ AQ74  
♦ Q  
♣ 10975

South:  
♠ 93  
♥ —  
♦ K10974  
♣ AQJ843

|                         |                 |      |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|                         | 1♣              | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |
| X                       | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♣              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 7  
Dealer: S  
Vul: EW  
North HCP: 13  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
♠ QJ2  
♥ J72  
♦ AKQ1082  
♣ 2

South:  
♠ AK76  
♥ 10  
♦ J954  
♣ KQ98

|                         |                 |      |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 4♣ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♥ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 5♦              | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 8  
Dealer: N  
Vul: Both  
North HCP: 12  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 5♦ N

North:  
♠ K109  
♥ KQ75  
♦ J9543  
♣ K

South:  
♠ 632  
♥ 9  
♦ AKQ762  
♣ A85

|                         |                 |      |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|                         | 1♦              | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass                    | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♦              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 9  
Dealer: S  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 15  
South HCP: 15  
Contract: 6♦ S

North:  
♠ 74  
♥ —  
♦ KQJ854  
♣ AKQ86

South:  
♠ KJ96  
♥ AK84  
♦ A962  
♣ 4

|                          |                 |      |                  |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|                          |                 |      | 1♦               |
| Pass                     | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup>  |
| Pass                     | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♠ <sup>5</sup> | Pass | 6♦               |
| AP                       |                 |      |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |                 |      |                  |
| 5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1  |                 |      |                  |

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|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 10 | ♠ A964  | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ KQ8   |                           |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ Q9742 | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 11   | ♣ 4     |                           |

|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 11 | ♠ 5      | East Bids 4♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ 72     |                           |
| Vul: Both | ♦ AQ104  | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ AKJ875 |                           |

|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 12 | ♠ J543  | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ AK64  |                           |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ KQ104 | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ 8     |                           |

|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 13 | ♠ 6      | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ A7     |                           |
| Vul: Both | ♦ AKJ753 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 19   | ♣ AK62   |                           |

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Board: 10  
Dealer: N  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 11  
South HCP: 17  
Contract: 5♦ N

North:  
♠ A964  
♥ KQ8  
♦ Q9742  
♣ 4

South:  
♠ Q  
♥ J2  
♦ AKJ1085  
♣ AQ82

| West | North           | East | South            |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|      | 1♦              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 5♦ <sup>4</sup> | AP   |                  |

- Splinter
- Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
- Blackwood 0314, for ♦
- A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 11  
Dealer: S  
Vul: Both  
North HCP: 14  
South HCP: 12  
Contract: 5♣ S

North:  
♠ 5  
♥ 72  
♦ AQ104  
♣ AKJ875

South:  
♠ KQJ  
♥ J  
♦ K975  
♣ Q9432

| West | North           | East | South |
|------|-----------------|------|-------|
|      |                 |      | 1♣    |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | 4♥   | Pass  |
| Pass | 5♣              | AP   |       |

- Splinter

Board: 12  
Dealer: N  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 13  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
♠ J543  
♥ AK64  
♦ KQ104  
♣ 8

South:  
♠ A  
♥ 97  
♦ AJ9632  
♣ KJ54

| West | North            | East | South           |
|------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♦               | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup>  | Pass | 4♠ <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♥ <sup>5</sup> |
| Pass | 6♦               | AP   |                 |

- Splinter
- Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
- Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
- Blackwood 0314, for ♦
- A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0

Board: 13  
Dealer: S  
Vul: Both  
North HCP: 19  
South HCP: 12  
Contract: 6♦ S

North:  
♠ 6  
♥ A7  
♦ AKJ753  
♣ AK62

South:  
♠ QJ75  
♥ KQ105  
♦ Q986  
♣ Q

| West | North            | East | South            |
|------|------------------|------|------------------|
|      |                  |      | 1♦               |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup>  |
| Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♣ <sup>4</sup>  |
| Pass | 5♥               | Pass | 5NT <sup>5</sup> |
| Pass | 6♦               | AP   |                  |

- Splinter
- Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
- Blackwood 0314, for ♦
- A=0/5 or 3/5
- ♦ queen no ♠ king no ♣ king

## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |           |                           |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 10 | ♠ Q       | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ J2      |                           |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ AKJ1085 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 17   | ♣ AQ82    |                           |

|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 11 | ♠ KQJ   | East Bids 4♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ J     |                           |
| Vul: Both | ♦ K975  | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ Q9432 |                           |

|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 12 | ♠ A      | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ 97     |                           |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ AJ9632 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ KJ54   |                           |

|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 13 | ♠ QJ75  | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ KQ105 |                           |
| Vul: Both | ♦ Q986  | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ Q     |                           |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 10  
Dealer: N  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 11  
South HCP: 17  
Contract: 5♦ N

North:  
♠ A964  
♥ KQ8  
♦ Q9742  
♣ 4

South:  
♠ Q  
♥ J2  
♦ AKJ1085  
♣ AQ82

| West | North           | East | South            |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|      | 1♦              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 5♦ <sup>4</sup> | AP   |                  |

- Splinter
- Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
- Blackwood 0314, for ♦
- A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 11  
Dealer: S  
Vul: Both  
North HCP: 14  
South HCP: 12  
Contract: 5♣ S

North:  
♠ 5  
♥ 72  
♦ AQ104  
♣ AKJ875

South:  
♠ KQJ  
♥ J  
♦ K975  
♣ Q9432

| West | North           | East | South |
|------|-----------------|------|-------|
|      |                 |      | 1♣    |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | 4♥   | Pass  |
| Pass | 5♣              | AP   |       |

- Splinter

Board: 12  
Dealer: N  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 13  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
♠ J543  
♥ AK64  
♦ KQ104  
♣ 8

South:  
♠ A  
♥ 97  
♦ AJ9632  
♣ KJ54

| West | North            | East | South           |
|------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♦               | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup>  | Pass | 4♠ <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♥ <sup>5</sup> |
| Pass | 6♦               | AP   |                 |

- Splinter
- Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
- Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
- Blackwood 0314, for ♦
- A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0

Board: 13  
Dealer: S  
Vul: Both  
North HCP: 19  
South HCP: 12  
Contract: 6♦ S

North:  
♠ 6  
♥ A7  
♦ AKJ753  
♣ AK62

South:  
♠ QJ75  
♥ KQ105  
♦ Q986  
♣ Q

| West | North            | East | South            |
|------|------------------|------|------------------|
|      |                  |      | 1♦               |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup>  |
| Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♣ <sup>4</sup>  |
| Pass | 5♥               | Pass | 5NT <sup>5</sup> |
| Pass | 6♦               | AP   |                  |

- Splinter
- Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
- Blackwood 0314, for ♦
- A=0/5 or 3/5
- ♦ queen no ♠ king no ♣ king

## North hands (Practice Page)

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|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 14 | ♠ A87    | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ AK104  |                           |
| Vul: None | ♦ 5      | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 17   | ♣ AQ1083 |                           |

|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 15 | ♠ Q      | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ J9     |                           |
| Vul: Both | ♦ AKJ742 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ Q1095  |                           |

|           |        |                           |
|-----------|--------|---------------------------|
| Board: 16 | ♠ Q543 | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ A964 |                           |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ AK73 | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ 7    |                           |

|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 17 | ♠ KQ6    | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ KQ9    |                           |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ QJ9832 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ J      |                           |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 14  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: None  
 North HCP: 17  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
 ♠ A87  
 ♥ AK104  
 ♦ 5  
 ♣ AQ1083

South:  
 ♠ Q  
 ♥ 52  
 ♦ AK74  
 ♣ KJ9754

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         | 1♣              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass                    | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♣              |
| Pass                    | 6♣              | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 15  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: Both  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
 ♠ Q  
 ♥ J9  
 ♦ AKJ742  
 ♣ Q1095

South:  
 ♠ AK87  
 ♥ K542  
 ♦ Q1098  
 ♣ 2

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 5♦              | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 16  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
 ♠ Q543  
 ♥ A964  
 ♦ AK73  
 ♣ 7

South:  
 ♠ A87  
 ♥ Q  
 ♦ QJ96542  
 ♣ A6

| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|                          | 1♦              | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass                     | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♣ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♦               |
| Pass                     | 6♦              | AP   |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |                 |      |                  |
| 4. A=0/5 or 3/5          |                 |      |                  |

Board: 17  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 14  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
 ♠ KQ6  
 ♥ KQ9  
 ♦ QJ9832  
 ♣ J

South:  
 ♠ J1072  
 ♥ A  
 ♦ AK1064  
 ♣ 854

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 4♣ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♥ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 5♦              | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper |                 |      |                 |



## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 14 | ♠ Q      | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ 52     |                           |
| Vul: None | ♦ AK74   | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ KJ9754 |                           |

|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 15 | ♠ AK87  | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ K542  |                           |
| Vul: Both | ♦ Q1098 | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ 2     |                           |

|           |           |                           |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 16 | ♠ A87     | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ Q       |                           |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ QJ96542 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ A6      |                           |

|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 17 | ♠ J1072  | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ A      |                           |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ AK1064 | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ 854    |                           |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 14  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: None  
 North HCP: 17  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
 ♠ A87  
 ♥ AK104  
 ♦ 5  
 ♣ AQ1083

South:  
 ♠ Q  
 ♥ 52  
 ♦ AK74  
 ♣ KJ9754

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         | 1♣              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass                    | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♣              |
| Pass                    | 6♣              | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 15  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: Both  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
 ♠ Q  
 ♥ J9  
 ♦ AKJ742  
 ♣ Q1095

South:  
 ♠ AK87  
 ♥ K542  
 ♦ Q1098  
 ♣ 2

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 5♦              | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 16  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
 ♠ Q543  
 ♥ A964  
 ♦ AK73  
 ♣ 7

South:  
 ♠ A87  
 ♥ Q  
 ♦ QJ96542  
 ♣ A6

| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|                          | 1♦              | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass                     | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♣ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♦               |
| Pass                     | 6♦              | AP   |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |                 |      |                  |
| 4. A=0/5 or 3/5          |                 |      |                  |

Board: 17  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 14  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
 ♠ KQ6  
 ♥ KQ9  
 ♦ QJ9832  
 ♣ J

South:  
 ♠ J1072  
 ♥ A  
 ♦ AK1064  
 ♣ 854

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 4♣ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♥ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 5♦              | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper |                 |      |                 |

## North hands (Practice Page)

### P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M

|           |         |                              |
|-----------|---------|------------------------------|
| Board: 18 | ♠ KQ85  | West Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ A1086 |                              |
| Vul: None | ♦ QJ109 | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ Q     |                              |

|           |           |                              |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 19 | ♠ QJ4     | East Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ —       |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ AKQ9643 | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ Q87     |                              |

|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 20 | ♠ AJ94  | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ K872  |                           |
| Vul: None | ♦ 7     | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ A1086 |                           |

|           |           |                           |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 21 | ♠ 3       | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ AJ2     |                           |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ A987652 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ AJ      |                           |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 18  
Dealer: N  
Vul: None  
North HCP: 14  
South HCP: 16  
Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
♠ KQ85  
♥ A1086  
♦ QJ109  
♣ Q

South:  
♠ A4  
♥ J  
♦ AK86542  
♣ A83

| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|                          | 1♦              | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup>  |
| X                        | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♦ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 6♦               |
| AP                       |                 |      |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |                 |      |                  |
| 4. A=1/5 or 4/5          |                 |      |                  |

Board: 19  
Dealer: S  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 14  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
♠ QJ4  
♥ —  
♦ AKQ9643  
♣ Q87

South:  
♠ AK32  
♥ KQ6  
♦ J10875  
♣ 5

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> | X    | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♦              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper |                 |      |                 |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 20  
Dealer: N  
Vul: None  
North HCP: 12  
South HCP: 14  
Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
♠ AJ94  
♥ K872  
♦ 7  
♣ A1086

South:  
♠ 10  
♥ AQ  
♦ K985  
♣ KQ5432

| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|                          | 1♣              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass                     | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♠ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 6♣               |
| AP                       |                 |      |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |                 |      |                  |
| 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1  |                 |      |                  |

Board: 21  
Dealer: S  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 14  
South HCP: 17  
Contract: 6♦ S

North:  
♠ 3  
♥ AJ2  
♦ A987652  
♣ AJ

South:  
♠ AK95  
♥ Q  
♦ KQJ104  
♣ Q75

| West                     | North            | East | South           |
|--------------------------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|                          |                  |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                     | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  | Pass | 4♥ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                     | 4NT <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♠ <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass                     | 6♦               | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter              |                  |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  |                  |      |                 |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |                  |      |                 |
| 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1  |                  |      |                 |

## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |           |                              |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 18 | ♠ A4      | West Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ J       |                              |
| Vul: None | ♦ AK86542 | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 16   | ♣ A83     |                              |
| Board: 19 | ♠ AK32    | East Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ KQ6     |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ J10875  | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ 5       |                              |
| Board: 20 | ♠ 10      | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ AQ      |                              |
| Vul: None | ♦ K985    | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ KQ5432  |                              |
| Board: 21 | ♠ AK95    | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ Q       |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ KQJ104  | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 17   | ♣ Q75     |                              |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 18  
Dealer: N  
Vul: None  
North HCP: 14  
South HCP: 16  
Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
♠ KQ85  
♥ A1086  
♦ QJ109  
♣ Q

South:  
♠ A4  
♥ J  
♦ AK86542  
♣ A83

| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|                          | 1♦              | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup>  |
| X                        | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♦ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 6♦               |
| AP                       |                 |      |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |                 |      |                  |
| 4. A=1/5 or 4/5          |                 |      |                  |

Board: 19  
Dealer: S  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 14  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
♠ QJ4  
♥ —  
♦ AKQ9643  
♣ Q87

South:  
♠ AK32  
♥ KQ6  
♦ J10875  
♣ 5

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> | X    | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♦              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper |                 |      |                 |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 20  
Dealer: N  
Vul: None  
North HCP: 12  
South HCP: 14  
Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
♠ AJ94  
♥ K872  
♦ 7  
♣ A1086

South:  
♠ 10  
♥ AQ  
♦ K985  
♣ KQ5432

| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|                          | 1♣              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass                     | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♠ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 6♣               |
| AP                       |                 |      |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |                 |      |                  |
| 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1  |                 |      |                  |

Board: 21  
Dealer: S  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 14  
South HCP: 17  
Contract: 6♦ S

North:  
♠ 3  
♥ AJ2  
♦ A987652  
♣ AJ

South:  
♠ AK95  
♥ Q  
♦ KQJ104  
♣ Q75

| West                     | North            | East | South           |
|--------------------------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|                          |                  |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                     | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  | Pass | 4♥ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                     | 4NT <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♠ <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass                     | 6♦               | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter              |                  |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  |                  |      |                 |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |                  |      |                 |
| 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1  |                  |      |                 |

## North hands (Practice Page)

### P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M

|           |        |                           |
|-----------|--------|---------------------------|
| Board: 22 | ♠ A    | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ 6532 |                           |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ K972 | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ AK52 |                           |

|           |           |                           |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 23 | ♠ 8       | East Bids 4♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ J54     |                           |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ AKQJ109 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ Q62     |                           |

|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 24 | ♠ AKQ2   | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ K      |                           |
| Vul: Both | ♦ A10972 | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 17   | ♣ J42    |                           |

|           |            |                           |
|-----------|------------|---------------------------|
| Board: 25 | ♠ Q8       | East Bids 3♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ Q        |                           |
| Vul: None | ♦ QJ109753 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ AQ6      |                           |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 22  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 14  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
 ♠ A  
 ♥ 6532  
 ♦ K972  
 ♣ AK52

South:  
 ♠ K94  
 ♥ K107  
 ♦ AQJ1063  
 ♣ 6

| West | North           | East | South           |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♦              | Pass | 4♣ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♦              |
| Pass | 6♦              | AP   |                 |

1. Splinter  
 2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 23  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 6♦ S

North:  
 ♠ 8  
 ♥ J54  
 ♦ AKQJ109  
 ♣ Q62

South:  
 ♠ —  
 ♥ AK62  
 ♦ 87432  
 ♣ AJ84

| West | North           | East | South            |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|      |                 |      | 1♦               |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | 4♣   | 4NT <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass | 5♠ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 6♦               |
|      | AP              |      |                  |

1. Splinter  
 2. Blackwood 0314, for ♦  
 3. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

Board: 24  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: Both  
 North HCP: 17  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
 ♠ AKQ2  
 ♥ K  
 ♦ A10972  
 ♣ J42

South:  
 ♠ —  
 ♥ 1063  
 ♦ KQJ854  
 ♣ AQ105

| West | North           | East | South            |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|      | 1♦              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass | 4♥ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 5♠ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 6♦               |
|      | AP              |      |                  |

1. Splinter  
 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  
 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦  
 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

Board: 25  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: None  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
 ♠ Q8  
 ♥ Q  
 ♦ QJ109753  
 ♣ AQ6

South:  
 ♠ 2  
 ♥ J1062  
 ♦ AK84  
 ♣ KJ54

| West | North           | East | South            |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|      |                 |      | 1♦               |
| Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> | 3♠   | 4NT <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass | 5♦ <sup>3</sup> | AP   |                  |

1. Splinter  
 2. Blackwood 0314, for ♦  
 3. A=1/5 or 4/5



## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |           |                           |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 22 | ♠ K94     | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ K107    |                           |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ AQJ1063 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ 6       |                           |
| Board: 23 | ♠ —       | East Bids 4♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ AK62    |                           |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ 87432   | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ AJ84    |                           |
| Board: 24 | ♠ —       | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ 1063    |                           |
| Vul: Both | ♦ KQJ854  | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ AQ105   |                           |
| Board: 25 | ♠ 2       | East Bids 3♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ J1062   |                           |
| Vul: None | ♦ AK84    | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ KJ54    |                           |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 22  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 14  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
 ♠ A  
 ♥ 6532  
 ♦ K972  
 ♣ AK52

South:  
 ♠ K94  
 ♥ K107  
 ♦ AQJ1063  
 ♣ 6

| West | North           | East | South           |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♦              | Pass | 4♣ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♦              |
| Pass | 6♦              | AP   |                 |

1. Splinter  
 2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 23  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 6♦ S

North:  
 ♠ 8  
 ♥ J54  
 ♦ AKQJ109  
 ♣ Q62

South:  
 ♠ —  
 ♥ AK62  
 ♦ 87432  
 ♣ AJ84

| West | North           | East | South            |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|      |                 |      | 1♦               |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | 4♣   | 4NT <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass | 5♠ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 6♦               |
|      | AP              |      |                  |

1. Splinter  
 2. Blackwood 0314, for ♦  
 3. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

Board: 24  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: Both  
 North HCP: 17  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
 ♠ AKQ2  
 ♥ K  
 ♦ A10972  
 ♣ J42

South:  
 ♠ —  
 ♥ 1063  
 ♦ KQJ854  
 ♣ AQ105

| West | North           | East | South            |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|      | 1♦              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass | 4♥ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 5♠ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 6♦               |
|      | AP              |      |                  |

1. Splinter  
 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  
 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦  
 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

Board: 25  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: None  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
 ♠ Q8  
 ♥ Q  
 ♦ QJ109753  
 ♣ AQ6

South:  
 ♠ 2  
 ♥ J1062  
 ♦ AK84  
 ♣ KJ54

| West | North           | East | South            |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|      |                 |      | 1♦               |
| Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> | 3♠   | 4NT <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass | 5♦ <sup>3</sup> | AP   |                  |

1. Splinter  
 2. Blackwood 0314, for ♦  
 3. A=1/5 or 4/5

## North hands (Practice Page)

### P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M

|           |            |                              |
|-----------|------------|------------------------------|
| Board: 26 | ♠ AK104    | West Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ K852     |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ QJ106    | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ 10       |                              |
| Board: 27 | ♠ Q93      | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ —        |                              |
| Vul: None | ♦ AKQ10974 | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ K65      |                              |
| Board: 28 | ♠ AQ6      | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ K1053    |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ 2        | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 11   | ♣ Q8765    |                              |
| Board: 29 | ♠ A        | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ QJ3      |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ K106     | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ QJ10762  |                              |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 26  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 11  
 Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
 ♠ AK104  
 ♥ K852  
 ♦ QJ106  
 ♣ 10

South:  
 ♠ 32  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ AK9742  
 ♣ KJ986

| West | North            | East | South           |
|------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♦               | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |
| X    | 4♣ <sup>2</sup>  | Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♥ <sup>5</sup> |
| Pass | 6♦               | AP   |                 |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0

Board: 27  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: None  
 North HCP: 14  
 South HCP: 11  
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
 ♠ Q93  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ AKQ10974  
 ♣ K65

South:  
 ♠ AJ7  
 ♥ KQ42  
 ♦ J8652  
 ♣ 10

| West | North           | East | South           |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|      |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♦              |
|      | AP              |      |                 |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 28  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 11  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:  
 ♠ AQ6  
 ♥ K1053  
 ♦ 2  
 ♣ Q8765

South:  
 ♠ 3  
 ♥ A6  
 ♦ J764  
 ♣ AKJ1092

| West | North           | East | South           |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♣              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 4♠ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♣              |
|      | AP              |      |                 |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 29  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 18  
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
 ♠ A  
 ♥ QJ3  
 ♦ K106  
 ♣ QJ10762

South:  
 ♠ KJ76  
 ♥ AK105  
 ♦ 8  
 ♣ AK93

| West | North           | East | South           |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|      |                 |      | 1♣              |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass | 5♣              | Pass | 6♣              |
|      | AP              |      |                 |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |           |                              |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 26 | ♠ 32      | West Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ —       |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ AK9742  | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 11   | ♣ KJ986   |                              |
| Board: 27 | ♠ AJ7     | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ KQ42    |                              |
| Vul: None | ♦ J8652   | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 11   | ♣ 10      |                              |
| Board: 28 | ♠ 3       | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ A6      |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ J764    | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ AKJ1092 |                              |
| Board: 29 | ♠ KJ76    | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ AK105   |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ 8       | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 18   | ♣ AK93    |                              |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 26  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 11  
 Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
 ♠ AK104  
 ♥ K852  
 ♦ QJ106  
 ♣ 10

South:  
 ♠ 32  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ AK9742  
 ♣ KJ986

| West | North            | East | South           |
|------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♦               | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |
| X    | 4♣ <sup>2</sup>  | Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♥ <sup>5</sup> |
| Pass | 6♦               | AP   |                 |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0

Board: 27  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: None  
 North HCP: 14  
 South HCP: 11  
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
 ♠ Q93  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ AKQ10974  
 ♣ K65

South:  
 ♠ AJ7  
 ♥ KQ42  
 ♦ J8652  
 ♣ 10

| West | North           | East | South           |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|      |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♦              |
|      | AP              |      |                 |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 28  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 11  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:  
 ♠ AQ6  
 ♥ K1053  
 ♦ 2  
 ♣ Q8765

South:  
 ♠ 3  
 ♥ A6  
 ♦ J764  
 ♣ AKJ1092

| West | North           | East | South           |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♣              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 4♠ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♣              |
|      | AP              |      |                 |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 29  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 18  
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
 ♠ A  
 ♥ QJ3  
 ♦ K106  
 ♣ QJ10762

South:  
 ♠ KJ76  
 ♥ AK105  
 ♦ 8  
 ♣ AK93

| West | North           | East | South           |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|      |                 |      | 1♣              |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass | 5♣              | Pass | 6♣              |
|      | AP              |      |                 |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

## North hands (Practice Page)

### P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M

|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 30 | ♠ 964   | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ QJ73  |                           |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ AKJ86 | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ Q     |                           |

|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 31 | ♠ A87    | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ 10     |                           |
| Vul: Both | ♦ KQ9    | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ A97642 |                           |

|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 32 | ♠ 3      | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ K1093  |                           |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ AQ4    | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ AJ1084 |                           |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 30  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 5♦ N

North:  
 ♠ 964  
 ♥ QJ73  
 ♦ AKJ86  
 ♣ Q

South:  
 ♠ K105  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ Q109542  
 ♣ AK62

|      |       |      |                 |
|------|-------|------|-----------------|
| West | North | East | South           |
|      | 1♦    | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |

|      |                 |      |                 |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|

|      |                  |      |                 |
|------|------------------|------|-----------------|
| Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♦ <sup>5</sup> |
|------|------------------|------|-----------------|

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 31  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: Both  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 15  
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
 ♠ A87  
 ♥ 10  
 ♦ KQ9  
 ♣ A97642

South:  
 ♠ —  
 ♥ KJ9  
 ♦ AJ86  
 ♣ KQJ1085

|      |       |      |       |
|------|-------|------|-------|
| West | North | East | South |
|      |       |      | 1♣    |

|      |                 |      |                 |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|

|      |                 |      |                  |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|

|      |                 |      |    |
|------|-----------------|------|----|
| Pass | 5♥ <sup>5</sup> | Pass | 6♣ |
|------|-----------------|------|----|

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

Board: 32  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 14  
 South HCP: 14  
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
 ♠ 3  
 ♥ K1093  
 ♦ AQ4  
 ♣ AJ1084

South:  
 ♠ AJ10  
 ♥ A  
 ♦ 105  
 ♣ KQ96532

|      |       |      |                 |
|------|-------|------|-----------------|
| West | North | East | South           |
|      | 1♣    | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |

|      |                 |      |                  |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
| Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|

|      |                 |      |    |
|------|-----------------|------|----|
| Pass | 5♣ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 6♣ |
|------|-----------------|------|----|

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1



## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |           |                           |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 30 | ♠ K105    | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ —       |                           |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ Q109542 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ AK62    |                           |

|           |           |                           |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 31 | ♠ —       | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ KJ9     |                           |
| Vul: Both | ♦ AJ86    | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 15   | ♣ KQJ1085 |                           |

|           |           |                           |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 32 | ♠ AJ10    | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ A       |                           |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ 105     | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ KQ96532 |                           |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 30  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 5♦ N

North:  
 ♠ 964  
 ♥ QJ73  
 ♦ AKJ86  
 ♣ Q

South:  
 ♠ K105  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ Q109542  
 ♣ AK62

| West | North | East | South           |
|------|-------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♦    | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |

|      |                 |      |                 |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|

|      |                  |      |                 |
|------|------------------|------|-----------------|
| Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♦ <sup>5</sup> |
|------|------------------|------|-----------------|

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 31  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: Both  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 15  
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
 ♠ A87  
 ♥ 10  
 ♦ KQ9  
 ♣ A97642

South:  
 ♠ —  
 ♥ KJ9  
 ♦ AJ86  
 ♣ KQJ1085

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|------|-------|
|      |       |      | 1♣    |

|      |                 |      |                 |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|

|      |                 |      |                  |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|

|      |                 |      |    |
|------|-----------------|------|----|
| Pass | 5♥ <sup>5</sup> | Pass | 6♣ |
|------|-----------------|------|----|

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

Board: 32  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 14  
 South HCP: 14  
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
 ♠ 3  
 ♥ K1093  
 ♦ AQ4  
 ♣ AJ1084

South:  
 ♠ AJ10  
 ♥ A  
 ♦ 105  
 ♣ KQ96532

| West | North | East | South           |
|------|-------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♣    | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |

|      |                 |      |                  |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
| Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|

|      |                 |      |    |
|------|-----------------|------|----|
| Pass | 5♣ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 6♣ |
|------|-----------------|------|----|

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1

## North hands (Practice Page)

### P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M

|           |           |                           |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 33 | ♠ —       | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ A72     |                           |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ KQJ8653 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 11   | ♣ J96     |                           |

|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 34 | ♠ Q1075 | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ KQ96  |                           |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ 5     | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ KQ107 |                           |

|           |           |                           |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 35 | ♠ A83     | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ Q       |                           |
| Vul: None | ♦ A109653 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ K97     |                           |

|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 36 | ♠ AJ93  | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ K864  |                           |
| Vul: None | ♦ K1062 | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 15   | ♣ A     |                           |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 33

Dealer: S

Vul: NS

North HCP: 11

South HCP: 20

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ —

♥ A72

♦ KQJ8653

♣ J96

South:

♠ KQJ10

♥ K

♦ A1094

♣ AK103

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♠<sup>1</sup> Pass 4♣<sup>2</sup>

Pass 4♥<sup>3</sup> Pass 4NT<sup>4</sup>

Pass 5♠<sup>5</sup> Pass 6♦

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

Board: 34

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♣ N

North:

♠ Q1075

♥ KQ96

♦ 5

♣ KQ107

South:

♠ J82

♥ A

♦ K83

♣ AJ8654

West North East South

1♣ Pass 3♥<sup>1</sup>

Pass 4♦<sup>2</sup> Pass 5♣

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 35

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 11

Contract: 5♦ S

North:

♠ A83

♥ Q

♦ A109653

♣ K97

South:

♠ Q106

♥ A1053

♦ KQ842

♣ 10

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♥<sup>1</sup> Pass 4♣<sup>2</sup>

Pass 4♦ Pass 4♥<sup>3</sup>

Pass 5♦ AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 36

Dealer: N

Vul: None

North HCP: 15

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♦ N

North:

♠ AJ93

♥ K864

♦ K1062

♣ A

South:

♠ Q2

♥ 2

♦ AQ9543

♣ KQ106

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♥<sup>1</sup>

Pass 4♣<sup>2</sup> Pass 4♦

Pass 4NT<sup>3</sup> Pass 5♦<sup>4</sup>

Pass 6♦ AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
4. A=1/5 or 4/5

## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 33 | ♠ KQJ10 | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ K     |                           |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ A1094 | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 20   | ♣ AK103 |                           |

|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 34 | ♠ J82    | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ A      |                           |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ K83    | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ AJ8654 |                           |

|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 35 | ♠ Q106  | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ A1053 |                           |
| Vul: None | ♦ KQ842 | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 11   | ♣ 10    |                           |

|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 36 | ♠ Q2     | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ 2      |                           |
| Vul: None | ♦ AQ9543 | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ KQ106  |                           |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 33

Dealer: S

Vul: NS

North HCP: 11

South HCP: 20

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ —

♥ A72

♦ KQJ8653

♣ J96

South:

♠ KQJ10

♥ K

♦ A1094

♣ AK103

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♠<sup>1</sup> Pass 4♣<sup>2</sup>

Pass 4♥<sup>3</sup> Pass 4NT<sup>4</sup>

Pass 5♠<sup>5</sup> Pass 6♦

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

Board: 34

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♣ N

North:

♠ Q1075

♥ KQ96

♦ 5

♣ KQ107

South:

♠ J82

♥ A

♦ K83

♣ AJ8654

West North East South

1♣ Pass 3♥<sup>1</sup>

Pass 4♦<sup>2</sup> Pass 5♣

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 35

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 11

Contract: 5♦ S

North:

♠ A83

♥ Q

♦ A109653

♣ K97

South:

♠ Q106

♥ A1053

♦ KQ842

♣ 10

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♥<sup>1</sup> Pass 4♣<sup>2</sup>

Pass 4♦ Pass 4♥<sup>3</sup>

Pass 5♦ AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 36

Dealer: N

Vul: None

North HCP: 15

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♦ N

North:

♠ AJ93

♥ K864

♦ K1062

♣ A

South:

♠ Q2

♥ 2

♦ AQ9543

♣ KQ106

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♥<sup>1</sup>

Pass 4♣<sup>2</sup> Pass 4♦

Pass 4NT<sup>3</sup> Pass 5♦<sup>4</sup>

Pass 6♦ AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
4. A=1/5 or 4/5

## North hands (Practice Page)

### P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M

|           |          |                              |
|-----------|----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 37 | ♠ K10    | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ 5      |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ AKJ2   | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ Q98752 |                              |
| Board: 38 | ♠ K852   | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ K92    |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ J      | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ KQ976  |                              |
| Board: 39 | ♠ J62    | East Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ —      |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ A98762 | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 11   | ♣ AQ54   |                              |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 37

Dealer: S

Vul: EW

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 17

Contract: 6♣ S

North:

♠ K10

♥ 5

♦ AKJ2

♣ Q98752

South:

♠ AJ32

♥ AK86

♦ 10

♣ AJ64

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♥<sup>1</sup> Pass 4♦<sup>2</sup>

Pass 4♠<sup>3</sup> Pass 4NT<sup>4</sup>

Pass 5♦<sup>5</sup> Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

5. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 38

Dealer: N

Vul: Both

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 16

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ K852

♥ K92

♦ J

♣ KQ976

South:

♠ Q

♥ A5

♦ KQ76

♣ AJ10842

West North East South

1♣ Pass 3♠<sup>1</sup>

Pass 4♦<sup>2</sup> Pass 4NT<sup>3</sup>

Pass 5♦<sup>4</sup> Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 39

Dealer: S

Vul: Both

North HCP: 11

South HCP: 12

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ J62

♥ —

♦ A98762

♣ AQ54

South:

♠ KQ85

♥ 8652

♦ KJ103

♣ K

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♥<sup>1</sup> X 4♣<sup>2</sup>

Pass 4♦ Pass 4NT<sup>3</sup>

Pass 5♥<sup>4</sup> Pass 6♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦

4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0



## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |           |                              |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 37 | ♠ AJ32    | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ AK86    |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ 10      | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 17   | ♣ AJ64    |                              |
| Board: 38 | ♠ Q       | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ A5      |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ KQ76    | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 16   | ♣ AJ10842 |                              |
| Board: 39 | ♠ KQ85    | East Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ 8652    |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ KJ103   | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ K       |                              |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 37

Dealer: S

Vul: EW

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 17

Contract: 6♣ S

North:

♠ K10

♥ 5

♦ AKJ2

♣ Q98752

South:

♠ AJ32

♥ AK86

♦ 10

♣ AJ64

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♥<sup>1</sup> Pass 4♦<sup>2</sup>

Pass 4♠<sup>3</sup> Pass 4NT<sup>4</sup>

Pass 5♦<sup>5</sup> Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

5. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 38

Dealer: N

Vul: Both

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 16

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ K852

♥ K92

♦ J

♣ KQ976

South:

♠ Q

♥ A5

♦ KQ76

♣ AJ10842

West North East South

1♣ Pass 3♠<sup>1</sup>

Pass 4♦<sup>2</sup> Pass 4NT<sup>3</sup>

Pass 5♦<sup>4</sup> Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 39

Dealer: S

Vul: Both

North HCP: 11

South HCP: 12

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ J62

♥ —

♦ A98762

♣ AQ54

South:

♠ KQ85

♥ 8652

♦ KJ103

♣ K

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♥<sup>1</sup> X 4♣<sup>2</sup>

Pass 4♦ Pass 4NT<sup>3</sup>

Pass 5♥<sup>4</sup> Pass 6♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦

4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0

## North hands (Practice Page)

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|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 40 | ♠ AJ62  | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ AKJ3  |                           |
| Vul: None | ♦ —     | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ 98753 |                           |

|           |          |                              |
|-----------|----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 41 | ♠ —      | East Doubles 3♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ 765    |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ KJ74   | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 11   | ♣ AK8732 |                              |

|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 42 | ♠ AQ87  | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ A1076 |                           |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ 9     | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ A1042 |                           |

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Board: 40  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: None  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 14  
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
 ♠ AJ62  
 ♥ AKJ3  
 ♦ —  
 ♣ 98753

South:  
 ♠ 7  
 ♥ 86  
 ♦ KQ72  
 ♣ AKQ1064

| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|                          | 1♣              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass                     | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♠ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 6♣               |
| AP                       |                 |      |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |                 |      |                  |
| 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1  |                 |      |                  |

Board: 41  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 11  
 South HCP: 16  
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
 ♠ —  
 ♥ 765  
 ♦ KJ74  
 ♣ AK8732

South:  
 ♠ AJ65  
 ♥ KJ2  
 ♦ A  
 ♣ QJ1064

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♣              |
| Pass                    | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | X    | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 5♣              | Pass | 6♣              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 42  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 14  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
 ♠ AQ87  
 ♥ A1076  
 ♦ 9  
 ♣ A1042

South:  
 ♠ 4  
 ♥ K85  
 ♦ A72  
 ♣ KQJ865

| West                     | North            | East | South           |
|--------------------------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|                          | 1♣               | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass                     | 4♦ <sup>2</sup>  | Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 4NT <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♠ <sup>5</sup> |
| Pass                     | 6♣               | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter              |                  |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  |                  |      |                 |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  |                  |      |                 |
| 4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |                  |      |                 |
| 5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1  |                  |      |                 |

## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |           |                              |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 40 | ♠ 7       | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ 86      |                              |
| Vul: None | ♦ KQ72    | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ AKQ1064 |                              |
| Board: 41 | ♠ AJ65    | East Doubles 3♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ KJ2     |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ A       | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 16   | ♣ QJ1064  |                              |
| Board: 42 | ♠ 4       | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ K85     |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ A72     | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ KQJ865  |                              |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 40  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: None  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 14  
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
 ♠ AJ62  
 ♥ AKJ3  
 ♦ —  
 ♣ 98753

South:  
 ♠ 7  
 ♥ 86  
 ♦ KQ72  
 ♣ AKQ1064

| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|                          | 1♣              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass                     | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♠ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 6♣               |
| AP                       |                 |      |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |                 |      |                  |
| 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1  |                 |      |                  |

Board: 41  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 11  
 South HCP: 16  
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
 ♠ —  
 ♥ 765  
 ♦ KJ74  
 ♣ AK8732

South:  
 ♠ AJ65  
 ♥ KJ2  
 ♦ A  
 ♣ QJ1064

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♣              |
| Pass                    | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | X    | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 5♣              | Pass | 6♣              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 42  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: NS  
 North HCP: 14  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
 ♠ AQ87  
 ♥ A1076  
 ♦ 9  
 ♣ A1042

South:  
 ♠ 4  
 ♥ K85  
 ♦ A72  
 ♣ KQJ865

| West                     | North            | East | South           |
|--------------------------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|                          | 1♣               | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass                     | 4♦ <sup>2</sup>  | Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 4NT <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♠ <sup>5</sup> |
| Pass                     | 6♣               | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter              |                  |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  |                  |      |                 |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  |                  |      |                 |
| 4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |                  |      |                 |
| 5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1  |                  |      |                 |

## North hands (Practice Page)

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|           |           |                              |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 43 | ♠ Q83     | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ A       |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ 974     | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ AKJ986  |                              |
| Board: 44 | ♠ J65     | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ J       |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ AKJ7    | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ K10762  |                              |
| Board: 45 | ♠ —       | East Doubles 3♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ A54     |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ AQJ9543 | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ J85     |                              |
| Board: 46 | ♠ A1052   | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ K632    |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ Q       | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ A1087   |                              |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 43  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 14  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
 ♠ Q83  
 ♥ A  
 ♦ 974  
 ♣ AKJ986

South:  
 ♠ 7  
 ♥ KJ54  
 ♦ AK8  
 ♣ Q7432

| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|                          |                 |      | 1♣               |
| Pass                     | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup>  |
| Pass                     | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♣ <sup>5</sup> | Pass | 6♣               |
| AP                       |                 |      |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |                 |      |                  |
| 5. A=0/5 or 3/5          |                 |      |                  |

Board: 44  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: Both  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:  
 ♠ J65  
 ♥ J  
 ♦ AKJ7  
 ♣ K10762

South:  
 ♠ KQ10  
 ♥ Q87  
 ♦ 10  
 ♣ AQ8543

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         | 1♣              | Pass | 3♦ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass                    | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♣              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 45  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 12  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
 ♠ —  
 ♥ A54  
 ♦ AQJ9543  
 ♣ J85

South:  
 ♠ Q973  
 ♥ KQ109  
 ♦ K1082  
 ♣ Q

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | X    | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♦              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper |                 |      |                 |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper |                 |      |                 |



Board: 46  
Dealer: N  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 13  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
♠ A1052  
♥ K632  
♦ Q  
♣ A1087

South:  
♠ K6  
♥ 7  
♦ AK108  
♣ QJ9653

| West | North            | East | South           |
|------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♣               | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup>  | Pass | 4♠ <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♦ <sup>5</sup> |
| Pass | 6♣               | AP   |                 |

1. Splinter  
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper  
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣  
5. A=1/5 or 4/5

## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |          |                              |
|-----------|----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 43 | ♠ 7      | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ KJ54   |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ AK8    | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ Q7432  |                              |
| Board: 44 | ♠ KQ10   | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ Q87    |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ 10     | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ AQ8543 |                              |
| Board: 45 | ♠ Q973   | East Doubles 3♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ KQ109  |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ K1082  | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ Q      |                              |
| Board: 46 | ♠ K6     | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ 7      |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ AK108  | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ QJ9653 |                              |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 43  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 14  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
 ♠ Q83  
 ♥ A  
 ♦ 974  
 ♣ AKJ986

South:  
 ♠ 7  
 ♥ KJ54  
 ♦ AK8  
 ♣ Q7432

| West                     | North           | East | South            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|                          |                 |      | 1♣               |
| Pass                     | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup>  |
| Pass                     | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♣ <sup>5</sup> | Pass | 6♣               |
| AP                       |                 |      |                  |
| 1. Splinter              |                 |      |                  |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  |                 |      |                  |
| 4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |                 |      |                  |
| 5. A=0/5 or 3/5          |                 |      |                  |

Board: 44  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: Both  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:  
 ♠ J65  
 ♥ J  
 ♦ AKJ7  
 ♣ K10762

South:  
 ♠ KQ10  
 ♥ Q87  
 ♦ 10  
 ♣ AQ8543

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         | 1♣              | Pass | 3♦ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass                    | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♣              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 45  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: EW  
 North HCP: 12  
 South HCP: 12  
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:  
 ♠ —  
 ♥ A54  
 ♦ AQJ9543  
 ♣ J85

South:  
 ♠ Q973  
 ♥ KQ109  
 ♦ K1082  
 ♣ Q

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                    | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | X    | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♦              |
| AP                      |                 |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper |                 |      |                 |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper |                 |      |                 |

Board: 46  
Dealer: N  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 13  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
♠ A1052  
♥ K632  
♦ Q  
♣ A1087

South:  
♠ K6  
♥ 7  
♦ AK108  
♣ QJ9653

| West | North            | East | South           |
|------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♣               | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup>  | Pass | 4♠ <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♦ <sup>5</sup> |
| Pass | 6♣               | AP   |                 |

1. Splinter  
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper  
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣  
5. A=1/5 or 4/5

## North hands (Practice Page)

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|           |            |                              |
|-----------|------------|------------------------------|
| Board: 47 | ♠ 6        | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ 875      |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ K6       | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ AKQJ1076 |                              |
| Board: 48 | ♠ K85      | West Doubles 3♦ if possible. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ AQ52     |                              |
| Vul: None | ♦ 10       | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ A10983   |                              |
| Board: 49 | ♠ A        | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ AK3      |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ J98432   | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 15   | ♣ K62      |                              |
| Board: 50 | ♠ AK106    | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ Q42      |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ AK432    | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 16   | ♣ 5        |                              |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 47  
Dealer: S  
Vul: EW  
North HCP: 13  
South HCP: 12  
Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
♠ 6  
♥ 875  
♦ K6  
♣ AKQJ1076

South:  
♠ KQ43  
♥ AK93  
♦ 5  
♣ 9543

| West | North            | East | South           |
|------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|      |                  |      | 1♣              |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  | Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♦ <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass | 6♣               | AP   |                 |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 48  
Dealer: N  
Vul: None  
North HCP: 13  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 5♣ N

North:  
♠ K85  
♥ AQ52  
♦ 10  
♣ A10983

South:  
♠ AQ9  
♥ KJ6  
♦ 4  
♣ QJ7542

| West | North           | East | South           |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♣              | Pass | 3♦ <sup>1</sup> |
| X    | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♣              |
|      | AP              |      |                 |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 49  
Dealer: S  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 15  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 6♦ S

North:  
♠ A  
♥ AK3  
♦ J98432  
♣ K62

South:  
♠ 10952  
♥ 4  
♦ AKQ10  
♣ A1097

| West | North           | East | South            |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|      |                 |      | 1♦               |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup>  |
| Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass | 5♥ <sup>5</sup> | Pass | 6♦               |
|      | AP              |      |                  |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0

Board: 50  
Dealer: N  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 16  
South HCP: 14  
Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
♠ AK106  
♥ Q42  
♦ AK432  
♣ 5

South:  
♠ 3  
♥ K  
♦ Q1098765  
♣ AKQ8

| West | North           | East | South            |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|      | 1♦              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 5♣ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♦               |
| Pass | 6♦              | AP   |                  |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
4. A=0/5 or 3/5

## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |            |                              |
|-----------|------------|------------------------------|
| Board: 47 | ♠ KQ43     | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ AK93     |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ 5        | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ 9543     |                              |
| Board: 48 | ♠ AQ9      | West Doubles 3♦ if possible. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ KJ6      |                              |
| Vul: None | ♦ 4        | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ QJ7542   |                              |
| Board: 49 | ♠ 10952    | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ 4        |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ AKQ10    | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ A1097    |                              |
| Board: 50 | ♠ 3        | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ K        |                              |
| Vul: NS   | ♦ Q1098765 | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ AKQ8     |                              |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 47  
Dealer: S  
Vul: EW  
North HCP: 13  
South HCP: 12  
Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
♠ 6  
♥ 875  
♦ K6  
♣ AKQJ1076

South:  
♠ KQ43  
♥ AK93  
♦ 5  
♣ 9543

| West | North            | East | South           |
|------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|      |                  |      | 1♣              |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  | Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♦ <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass | 6♣               | AP   |                 |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 48  
Dealer: N  
Vul: None  
North HCP: 13  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 5♣ N

North:  
♠ K85  
♥ AQ52  
♦ 10  
♣ A10983

South:  
♠ AQ9  
♥ KJ6  
♦ 4  
♣ QJ7542

| West | North           | East | South           |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♣              | Pass | 3♦ <sup>1</sup> |
| X    | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 5♣              |
|      | AP              |      |                 |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 49  
Dealer: S  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 15  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 6♦ S

North:  
♠ A  
♥ AK3  
♦ J98432  
♣ K62

South:  
♠ 10952  
♥ 4  
♦ AKQ10  
♣ A1097

| West | North           | East | South            |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|      |                 |      | 1♦               |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup>  |
| Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass | 5♥ <sup>5</sup> | Pass | 6♦               |
|      | AP              |      |                  |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0

Board: 50  
Dealer: N  
Vul: NS  
North HCP: 16  
South HCP: 14  
Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
♠ AK106  
♥ Q42  
♦ AK432  
♣ 5

South:  
♠ 3  
♥ K  
♦ Q1098765  
♣ AKQ8

| West | North           | East | South            |
|------|-----------------|------|------------------|
|      | 1♦              | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>  |
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> | Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass | 5♣ <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♦               |
| Pass | 6♦              | AP   |                  |

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
4. A=0/5 or 3/5



## North hands (Practice Page)

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|           |           |                              |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 51 | ♠ AJ3     | East Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ J       |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ K98     | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ A109752 |                              |

|           |         |                           |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|
| Board: 52 | ♠ QJ83  | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ 10976 |                           |
| Vul: None | ♦ KQ102 | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ A     |                           |

|           |           |                           |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 53 | ♠ J       | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ A102    |                           |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ KQ2     | Partner bids first.       |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ A109753 |                           |

|           |          |                           |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Board: 54 | ♠ Q85    | The opponents are silent. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ A1032  |                           |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ 7      | You bid first.            |
| HCP: 11   | ♣ KQ1094 |                           |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 51  
Dealer: S  
Vul: EW  
North HCP: 13  
South HCP: 11  
Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
♠ AJ3  
♥ J  
♦ K98  
♣ A109752

South:  
♠ —  
♥ K42  
♦ QJ52  
♣ KQ8643

| West | North                    | East | South            |
|------|--------------------------|------|------------------|
|      |                          |      | 1♣               |
| Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup>          | X    | 4NT <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass | 5♥ <sup>3</sup>          | Pass | 6♣               |
|      | AP                       |      |                  |
|      | 1. Splinter              |      |                  |
|      | 2. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |      |                  |
|      | 3. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0  |      |                  |

Board: 52  
Dealer: N  
Vul: None  
North HCP: 12  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
♠ QJ83  
♥ 10976  
♦ KQ102  
♣ A

South:  
♠ A102  
♥ Q  
♦ AJ9863  
♣ Q102

| West | North                    | East | South           |
|------|--------------------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♦                       | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup>          | Pass | 4♦              |
| Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup>         | Pass | 5♥ <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass | 6♦                       | AP   |                 |
|      | 1. Splinter              |      |                 |
|      | 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper  |      |                 |
|      | 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |      |                 |
|      | 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0  |      |                 |

Board: 53  
Dealer: S  
Vul: EW  
North HCP: 14  
South HCP: 14  
Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
♠ J  
♥ A102  
♦ KQ2  
♣ A109753

South:  
♠ KQ82  
♥ Q953  
♦ A  
♣ K862

| West | North                    | East | South            |
|------|--------------------------|------|------------------|
|      |                          |      | 1♣               |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>          | Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup>  |
| Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup>          | Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass | 5♥ <sup>5</sup>          | Pass | 6♣               |
|      | AP                       |      |                  |
|      | 1. Splinter              |      |                  |
|      | 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  |      |                  |
|      | 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  |      |                  |
|      | 4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |      |                  |
|      | 5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0  |      |                  |

Board: 54  
Dealer: N  
Vul: EW  
North HCP: 11  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 5♣ N

North:  
♠ Q85  
♥ A1032  
♦ 7  
♣ KQ1094

South:  
♠ 10  
♥ QJ4  
♦ AJ8  
♣ AJ7532

| West | North       | East | South           |
|------|-------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♣          | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass | 5♣          | AP   |                 |
|      | 1. Splinter |      |                 |

## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |          |                              |
|-----------|----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 51 | ♠ —      | East Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ K42    |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ QJ52   | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 11   | ♣ KQ8643 |                              |
| Board: 52 | ♠ A102   | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ Q      |                              |
| Vul: None | ♦ AJ9863 | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ Q102   |                              |
| Board: 53 | ♠ KQ82   | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ Q953   |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ A      | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 14   | ♣ K862   |                              |
| Board: 54 | ♠ 10     | The opponents are silent.    |
| Dealer: N | ♥ QJ4    |                              |
| Vul: EW   | ♦ AJ8    | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ AJ7532 |                              |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 51  
Dealer: S  
Vul: EW  
North HCP: 13  
South HCP: 11  
Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
♠ AJ3  
♥ J  
♦ K98  
♣ A109752

South:  
♠ —  
♥ K42  
♦ QJ52  
♣ KQ8643

| West | North                    | East | South            |
|------|--------------------------|------|------------------|
|      |                          |      | 1♣               |
| Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup>          | X    | 4NT <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass | 5♥ <sup>3</sup>          | Pass | 6♣               |
|      | AP                       |      |                  |
|      | 1. Splinter              |      |                  |
|      | 2. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |      |                  |
|      | 3. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0  |      |                  |

Board: 52  
Dealer: N  
Vul: None  
North HCP: 12  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 6♦ N

North:  
♠ QJ83  
♥ 10976  
♦ KQ102  
♣ A

South:  
♠ A102  
♥ Q  
♦ AJ9863  
♣ Q102

| West | North                    | East | South           |
|------|--------------------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♦                       | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass | 4♣ <sup>2</sup>          | Pass | 4♦              |
| Pass | 4NT <sup>3</sup>         | Pass | 5♥ <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass | 6♦                       | AP   |                 |
|      | 1. Splinter              |      |                 |
|      | 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper  |      |                 |
|      | 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |      |                 |
|      | 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0  |      |                 |

Board: 53  
Dealer: S  
Vul: EW  
North HCP: 14  
South HCP: 14  
Contract: 6♣ S

North:  
♠ J  
♥ A102  
♦ KQ2  
♣ A109753

South:  
♠ KQ82  
♥ Q953  
♦ A  
♣ K862

| West | North                    | East | South            |
|------|--------------------------|------|------------------|
|      |                          |      | 1♣               |
| Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup>          | Pass | 4♦ <sup>2</sup>  |
| Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup>          | Pass | 4NT <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass | 5♥ <sup>5</sup>          | Pass | 6♣               |
|      | AP                       |      |                  |
|      | 1. Splinter              |      |                  |
|      | 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  |      |                  |
|      | 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  |      |                  |
|      | 4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |      |                  |
|      | 5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0  |      |                  |

Board: 54  
Dealer: N  
Vul: EW  
North HCP: 11  
South HCP: 13  
Contract: 5♣ N

North:  
♠ Q85  
♥ A1032  
♦ 7  
♣ KQ1094

South:  
♠ 10  
♥ QJ4  
♦ AJ8  
♣ AJ7532

| West | North       | East | South           |
|------|-------------|------|-----------------|
|      | 1♣          | Pass | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> |
| Pass | 5♣          | AP   |                 |
|      | 1. Splinter |      |                 |

## North hands (Practice Page)

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|           |            |                              |
|-----------|------------|------------------------------|
| Board: 55 | ♠ J        | East Bids 3♠ if possible.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ —        |                              |
| Vul: None | ♦ AQJ10754 | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 10   | ♣ Q9642    |                              |
| Board: 56 | ♠ A42      | West Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ K964     |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ 6        | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 12   | ♣ KQ853    |                              |
| Board: 57 | ♠ 8        | East Doubles 3♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ K5       |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ KQ96     | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ AJ10842  |                              |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 55  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: None  
 North HCP: 10  
 South HCP: 15  
 Contract: 6♦ S

North:  
 ♠ J  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ AQJ10754  
 ♣ Q9642

South:  
 ♠ A  
 ♥ AK62  
 ♦ 9862  
 ♣ A1085

| West                     | North            | East | South           |
|--------------------------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|                          |                  |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                     | 3♥ <sup>1</sup>  | 3♠   | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                     | 4NT <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♣ <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♦               | Pass | 6♦              |
| AP                       |                  |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter              |                  |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper  |                  |      |                 |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |                  |      |                 |
| 4. A=0/5 or 3/5          |                  |      |                 |

Board: 56  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: Both  
 North HCP: 12  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
 ♠ A42  
 ♥ K964  
 ♦ 6  
 ♣ KQ853

South:  
 ♠ KQ  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ KJ982  
 ♣ A109642

| West                     | North            | East | South           |
|--------------------------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|                          | 1♣               | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |
| X                        | 4♦ <sup>2</sup>  | Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 4NT <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♦ <sup>5</sup> |
| Pass                     | 6♣               | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter              |                  |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  |                  |      |                 |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  |                  |      |                 |
| 4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |                  |      |                 |
| 5. A=1/5 or 4/5          |                  |      |                 |

Board: 57  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: Both  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:  
 ♠ 8  
 ♥ K5  
 ♦ KQ96  
 ♣ AJ10842

South:  
 ♠ KJ7  
 ♥ A932  
 ♦ 10  
 ♣ KQ976

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♣              |
| Pass                    | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | X    | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 5♣              | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper |                 |      |                 |

## South hands (Practice Page)

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|           |           |                              |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Board: 55 | ♠ A       | East Bids 3♠ if possible.    |
| Dealer: S | ♥ AK62    |                              |
| Vul: None | ♦ 9862    | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 15   | ♣ A1085   |                              |
| Board: 56 | ♠ KQ      | West Doubles 3♥ if possible. |
| Dealer: N | ♥ —       |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ KJ982   | Partner bids first.          |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ A109642 |                              |
| Board: 57 | ♠ KJ7     | East Doubles 3♠ if possible. |
| Dealer: S | ♥ A932    |                              |
| Vul: Both | ♦ 10      | You bid first.               |
| HCP: 13   | ♣ KQ976   |                              |

# P:\bba\Splinters\_after\_M Both hands (Answers Page)

Board: 55  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: None  
 North HCP: 10  
 South HCP: 15  
 Contract: 6♦ S

North:  
 ♠ J  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ AQJ10754  
 ♣ Q9642

South:  
 ♠ A  
 ♥ AK62  
 ♦ 9862  
 ♣ A1085

| West                     | North            | East | South           |
|--------------------------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|                          |                  |      | 1♦              |
| Pass                     | 3♥ <sup>1</sup>  | 3♠   | 4♣ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                     | 4NT <sup>3</sup> | Pass | 5♣ <sup>4</sup> |
| Pass                     | 5♦               | Pass | 6♦              |
| AP                       |                  |      |                 |
| 1. Splinter              |                  |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper  |                  |      |                 |
| 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦ |                  |      |                 |
| 4. A=0/5 or 3/5          |                  |      |                 |

Board: 56  
 Dealer: N  
 Vul: Both  
 North HCP: 12  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:  
 ♠ A42  
 ♥ K964  
 ♦ 6  
 ♣ KQ853

South:  
 ♠ KQ  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ KJ982  
 ♣ A109642

| West                     | North            | East | South           |
|--------------------------|------------------|------|-----------------|
|                          | 1♣               | Pass | 3♥ <sup>1</sup> |
| X                        | 4♦ <sup>2</sup>  | Pass | 4♥ <sup>3</sup> |
| Pass                     | 4NT <sup>4</sup> | Pass | 5♦ <sup>5</sup> |
| Pass                     | 6♣               | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter              |                  |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper  |                  |      |                 |
| 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper  |                  |      |                 |
| 4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣ |                  |      |                 |
| 5. A=1/5 or 4/5          |                  |      |                 |

Board: 57  
 Dealer: S  
 Vul: Both  
 North HCP: 13  
 South HCP: 13  
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:  
 ♠ 8  
 ♥ K5  
 ♦ KQ96  
 ♣ AJ10842

South:  
 ♠ KJ7  
 ♥ A932  
 ♦ 10  
 ♣ KQ976

| West                    | North           | East | South           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
|                         |                 |      | 1♣              |
| Pass                    | 3♠ <sup>1</sup> | X    | 4♦ <sup>2</sup> |
| Pass                    | 5♣              | AP   |                 |
| 1. Splinter             |                 |      |                 |
| 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper |                 |      |                 |