

Board 1

South Deals  
None Vul

♠ T 7 2  
♥ T 9 7 2  
♦ K T 9 5 3  
♣ 7

♠ A J 9 6 3  
♥ A 4  
♦ A Q J 6  
♣ K 5

N  
W     E  
S

♠ 4  
♥ K Q 8 5  
♦ 4 2  
♣ T 9 8 6 3 2

♠ K Q 8 5  
♥ J 6 3  
♦ 8 7  
♣ A Q J 4

West	North	East	South
			1 ♣
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4NT	Pass	5 ♠
Pass	5NT	Pass	6 ♣
Pass	6 ♠	All Pass	

6 ♠ by North

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When SOUTH gives immediate support, NORTH's thoughts naturally

turn to slam. This is a good hand to use Blackwood on, so NORTH bids 4NT.

SOUTH's 5

answer shows one Ace, which NORTH cleverly deduces

must be the A.

NORTH bids 6 since SOUTH has not bid strongly enough to think about 7.

**Board 2**  
West Deals  
N-S Vul

♠ K Q J  
♥ A K T  
♦ K Q 2  
♣ K Q 7 3

♠ T 9 8 7 3  
♥ 5 3 2  
♦ T 7  
♣ A J 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A 6 4  
♥ Q J 9 8 7 4  
♦ J 9 8 3  
♣ -

♠ 5 2  
♥ 6  
♦ A 6 5 4  
♣ T 9 8 6 5 4

West	North	East	South
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♠	Pass
4NT	Pass	6♣	Pass
6♥	All Pass		

6♥ by West

, knowing they must lose the

A.

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WEST expects to bid 2NT at his second turn, but EAST gives a positive 2

response and his thinking changes! First he supports

s, setting the

trump suit.

EAST then bids 3♠ showing first round control.  
WEST tries 4NT (Blackwood) and

EAST replies 6♣ This shows a void and one Ace, obviously the ♠ A.

WEST bids 6

Board 3

South Deals  
E-W Vul

♠ Q J 9 3  
♥ 2  
♦ Q 5 2  
♣ K T 5 3 2

♠ A 8 4 2  
♥ Q J 8 6  
♦ A 9 8 6 3  
♣ -

N  
W     E  
S

♠ T 7 6  
♥ 9 4  
♦ J T 4  
♣ A Q 8 7 4

♠ K 5  
♥ A K T 7 5 3  
♦ K 7  
♣ J 9 6

West	North	East	South
			1♥
Pass	4♣	Pass	4NT
Pass	5NT	Pass	7♥
All Pass			

7♥ by South

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NORTH's jump to 4 is a Splinter bid, at least 4-card

support,  
at least opening hand, and a Singleton or Void.

SOUTH bids 4NT, Blackwood.

NORTH's 5NT reply shows two Aces and a Void somewhere, obviously s.

SOUTH counts thirteen tricks and bids 7

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**Board 4**

West Deals

Both Vul

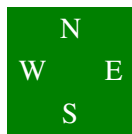
♠ K 5 3  
 ♥ K Q J T 3  
 ♦ A  
 ♣ K Q T 6

♠ T 7 6 2

♥ 8 4 2

♦ Q J 5 3

♣ A 4



♠ -

♥ A 9 7 5

♦ K 9 8 6 4

♣ J 9 3 2

♠ A Q J 9 8 4

♥ 6

♦ T 7 2

♣ 8 7 5

West	North	East	South
1 ♥	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4NT	Pass	6 ♥	All Pass

6 ♥ by East

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WEST figures that if EAST holds two Aces he will bid the slam.

EAST only has one Ace, but she has something else just as good - a void in a suit which

is higher-ranking than

s.

WEST manages to figure out that EAST has a void and bids the slam anyway.

**Board 5**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q  
♥ T 6  
♦ T 9 4 3 2  
♣ A Q T 9 8

♠ A 9 8 6 4

♥ A K Q

♦ 7

♣ K J 6 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J T 2

♥ 9 5 4 3 2

♦ K Q J

♣ 5 2

♠ K 7 5 3

♥ J 8 7

♦ A 8 6 5

♣ 7 4

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

4 ♠

All Pass

4 ♠ by North

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NORTH may have a good hand but SOUTH merely gave a simple raise.

Even if SOUTH has a maximum there won't be a slam.

**Board 6**

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 7 5 3  
 ♥ T 9 4 2  
 ♦ A 8  
 ♣ K J 4

♠ K J 8 4 2

♥ 5

♦ Q 6 5 4

♣ 9 8 7

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ -

♥ K Q J 8 6 3

♦ K J 2

♣ A Q 6 5

♠ A T 9 6

♥ A 7

♦ T 9 7 3

♣ T 3 2

West

North

East

South

3 ♥

Pass

4 ♣

Pass

4 ♦

Pass

6 ♥

All Pass

6 ♥ by East

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EAST has a tough decision after the two

Control-showing bids.

If he uses Blackwood and WEST shows two Aces he will be no better off, because he won't know if one

of the Aces is the useless    ~~A~~Based on knowing that WEST holds the

A,

he bids 6

, hoping that he can at least make that and that 7 isn't a laydown!