Deal 1
North Deals
None Vul

♠ K Q J 9 6
♡ 4
♦ K Q J 7
♣ A K Q

♠ 10 3		♠ 7 5 2
♡ K Q 6	N	♡ J 10 9 5 2
♦ 6 3 2	W E	♦ A 8 4
♣ J 10 8 6 3	S	♣ 9 4

♠ A 8 4
♡ A 8 7 3
♦ 10 9 5
♣ 7 5 2

21
6 5
8

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

6 ♠ by North

2 NT shows a balanced hand with 8+ points, and when SOUTH then supports â™ s

NORTH makes a slam try.

NORTH bids RKC Blackwood 4 NT. SOUTH shows two Keycards (two Aces) and NORTH bids 6â™ .

Deal 2
South Deals
None Vul

♠ K J
♥ Q J 8 5
♦ Q 10 9 7
♣ Q 4 2

♠ 10 6 3 2
♥ 9 6
♦ A 8 2
♣ J 10 8 5

♠ 9 8 5 4
♥ A 3
♦ 6 5 4
♣ 9 7 6 3

N
W E
S

♠ A Q 7
♥ K 10 7 4 2
♦ K J 3
♣ A K

11
5   4
20

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♦	Pass	5 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

5 ♥ by South

NORTH has a decent Limit Raise, and SOUTH tries RKC Blackwood.

NORTH replies to the 4 NT bid with 5

♠¦

, zero or three Keycards.

So which is it, zero or three?

Pretty simple - since SOUTH holds three Keycards himself NORTH can hardly have three also since there

are only five total. She must have zero and SOUTH signs off at 5

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Deal 3
South Deals
None Vul

North hand: ♠ A Q 8 6 3 2 ♡ 5 ◇ K Q 7 ♣ K Q 5

West hand: ♠ J ♡ 10 3 2 ◇ J 8 5 4 ♣ 10 8 7 6 2

East hand: ♠ 9 5 ♡ A 9 7 6 ◇ 10 9 3 2 ♣ J 9 4

South hand: ♠ K 10 7 4 ♡ K Q J 8 4 ◇ A 6 ♣ A 3

16
2   5
17

West	North	East	South
			1 ♡
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ◇
Pass	6 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

6 ♠ by North

SOUTH jumps to 4♥, confident that NORTH could make 10 tricks

even if he just has 6 points.

NORTH knows he can make more and bids RKCB 4 NT.

SOUTH's 5

♥¦

response shows zero or three Keycards.

So which is it? Zero or three?

SOUTH bid much too strongly to have no Aces. NORTH

bids a confident 6♥, knowing SOUTH has either three Aces or two Aces plus the ♥ K.

Deal 4
South Deals
None Vul

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              ♠ A 7 5
              ♡ Q 10 8 3
              ◇ A 8 5 4
              ♣ 9 2
♠ 8 3 2          N          ♠ K Q J 10 9 4
♡ J 6         W     E       ♡ 2
◇ Q 10 3 2       S          ◇ K J 9 7
♣ A 8 7 6                   ♣ 5 4
              ♠ 6
              ♡ A K 9 7 5 4
              ◇ 6
              ♣ K Q J 10 3
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West	North	East	South
			1 ♡
Pass	3 ♡	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♠	Pass	6 ♡
Pass	Pass	Pass	

6 ♡ by South

With eleven cards in the "round" suits SOUTH has a lot of playing strength. So when NORTH bids

a Limit Raise in

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s SOUTH wants to know about Aces.

RKCBlackwood tells him that NORTH has two Aces plus the trump Queen, so SOUTH can see that 6

♡

is practically a certainty.

Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

North hand:
♠ A K 9 8 4 2
♡ K Q 10 6
◊ 8 4
♣ A

West hand:
♠ 10 6 5
♡ 9 7 2
◊ A K 5
♣ 10 7 5 2

East hand:
♠ —
♡ 8 4 3
◊ Q J 9 7
♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

South hand:
♠ Q J 7 3
♡ A J 5
◊ 10 6 3 2
♣ K 4

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  N
W   E
  S
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16
7 6
  11

West	North	East	South
	1♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♡
Pass	4♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

4♠ by North

NORTH has interest in slam after she hears SOUTH's Limit Raise.

BUT, she should not use Blackwood holding two quick losers in the

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suit.

Instead she makes a Control showing bid of 4♣. (Not Gerber since it didn't follow a NT bid.)

SOUTH cooperates by making a Control bid of 4

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NORTH stops at 4♥ because neither partner controls

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