

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 7 6 4

♥ -

♦ J T 8 6 3 2

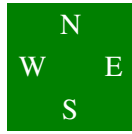
♣ J 7 4

♠ A 5

♥ A J T 9 6 2

♦ K Q 7

♣ 6 3



♠ T 9 8 3 2

♥ Q 4 3

♦ 5 4

♣ A 8 5

♠ K Q

♥ K 8 7 5

♦ A 9

♣ K Q T 9 2

rebid shows better than average strength and six trumps.

Just what SOUTH was hoping for. She bids Blackwood - her plan is to bid 7

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

if NORTH has three Aces, bid 6

if he has two Aces,

and stop at 5

6 ♥ by South

if he has just one. If North has no Aces SOUTH will get a new partner.

Board 2

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 8 3
♥ 8 6 4 2
♦ A T 7 6 3
♣ 9 4

♠ K J 9 7 2

♥ A 9 5

♦ Q 5

♣ K Q T

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♠ 5

♥ T 3

♦ 9 8 4 2

♣ A 8 7 6 3 2

♠ A Q T 6 4

♥ K Q J 7

♦ K J

♣ J 5

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
Pass	4♥	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

4 ♠ by South

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SOUTH indicates an above normal opening with five
by her 3NT rebid.

NORTH also has some extra strength so he makes a
Control showing bid of 4

.

Despite both partners showing extra strength South
merely signs of at 4 Why? Because NORTH's

Control bid of 4

denied first-round control in both and

s. SOUTH realized she was off two Aces.

Board 3

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ -
♥ 6 5
♦ K J T 7 3 2
♣ J T 9 7 3

♠ K Q J 8 5

♥ K J 7

♦ Q 8 5

♣ 8 4

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♠ T 9 4 2

♥ T 9 3 2

♦ A 6

♣ A 6 5

♠ A 7 6 3

♥ A Q 8 4

♦ 9 4

♣ K Q 2

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

Pass

2NT

Pass

4 ♠

All Pass

4 ♠ by North

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NORTH has a minimum opening hand with no extra features to brag about.

So after SOUTH's Jacoby 2NT bid he merely signs off at 4 .

SOUTH would have cooperated if NORTH had made a slam try, but she doesn't have enough

to initiate the investigation herself.

Board 4

South Deals
Both Vul

♠ K J T 9 2
♥ 3
♦ A 8 6 2
♣ T 7 3

♠ A 7 6 5
♥ Q J T 7
♦ K Q 7 5
♣ 4

N
W E
S

♠ 3
♥ 9 6 5
♦ J T 9 3
♣ A Q 8 6 2

♠ Q 8 4
♥ A K 8 4 2
♦ 4
♣ K J 9 5

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	4 ♣	Pass	4 ♥
All Pass			

4 ♥ by South

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NORTH's 4 is a Splinter bid.

He promises 13+ points, at least four

s and a singleton or void in s.

SOUTH is obviously forced to game, but she is not thrilled to hear about NORTH's shortness. In fact,

it does nothing to help the value of her hand. So she bids the

game.

Board 5

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ T 2
♥ 9 8 5 4 3
♦ 4
♣ A T 9 7 2

♠ A Q 9 8 6 4

♥ Q J 7

♦ J 2

♣ K Q

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 3

♥ A T 2

♦ A T 7 6 5 3

♣ 6 5 4

♠ K J 7 5

♥ K 6

♦ K Q 9 8

♣ J 8 3

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

Pass

2NT

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

4 ♠

All Pass

4 ♠ by South

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NORTH bids 3 to show the 6-card suit plus some extra strength.

SOUTH's failure to make a Control bid in either s,

s

or

s, means just one thing -

She doesn't have any controls.

So NORTH settles for game.