

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 3
♥ K Q 6
♦ 6 3 2
♣ J 10 8 6 3

♠ K Q J 9 6

♥ 4

♦ K Q J 7

♣ A K Q

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W		E	
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♠ 7 5 2
♥ J 10 9 5 2
♦ A 8 4
♣ 9 4

♠ A 8 4
♥ A 8 7 3
♦ 10 9 5
♣ 7 5 2

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 2East Deals
None Vul

♠ K J
 ♥ Q J 8 5
 ♦ Q 10 9 7
 ♣ Q 4 2

4
 11 20
 5

West
 3 ♥
 5 ♦
 Pass
 5 ♥ by East

♠ 9 8 5 4
 ♥ A 3
 ♦ 6 5 4
 ♣ 9 7 6 3



♠ A Q 7
 ♥ K 10 7 4 2
 ♦ K J 3
 ♣ A K

♠ 10 6 3 2
 ♥ 9 6
 ♦ A 8 2
 ♣ J 10 8 5

North East South
 Pass 1 ♥ Pass
 Pass 4 NT Pass
 Pass 5 ♥ Pass

WEST has a decent Limit Raise, and EAST tries RKC Blackwood.

WEST replies to the 4 NT bid with 5

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, zero or three Keycards.

So which is it, zero or three?

Pretty simple - since EAST holds three Keycards himself WEST can hardly have three also since there

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

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Deal 3North Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 5
♥ A 9 7 6
♦ 10 9 3 2
♣ J 9 4

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5 2
16

♠ K 10 7 4
♥ K Q J 8 4
♦ A 6
♣ A 3

♠ J
W N E
S ♠ 10 3 2
♦ J 8 5 4
♣ 10 8 7 6 2

♠ A Q 8 6 3 2
♥ 5
♦ K Q 7
♣ K Q 5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	1 ♥	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♦	Pass	6 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 ♠ by South			

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NORTH jumps to 6â™, confident that SOUTH could make 10 tricks

even if he just has 6 points.

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

NORTH's 5

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response shows zero or three Keycards.

So which is it? Zero or three?

NORTH bid much too strongly to have no Aces. SOUTH

bids a confident 6â™, knowing NORTH has either three Aces or two Aces plus the

Deal 4
 West Deals
 None Vul

♠ 6 ♥ A K 9 7 5 4 ♦ 6 ♣ K Q J 10 3 7 13 10	♠ 8 3 2 ♥ J 6 ♦ Q 10 3 2 ♣ A 8 7 6 ♠ A 7 5 ♥ Q 10 8 3 ♦ A 8 5 4 ♣ 9 2 ♠ K Q J 10 9 4 ♥ 2 ♦ K J 9 7 ♣ 5 4
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<i>West</i> 1 ♥ 4 NT 6 ♥ 6 ♥ by West	<i>North</i> Pass Pass Pass	<i>East</i> 3 ♥ 5 ♠ Pass	<i>South</i> Pass Pass Pass
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With eleven cards in the "round" suits WEST has a lot of playing strength. So when EAST bids

a Limit Raise in

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s WEST wants to know about Aces.

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

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is practically a certainty.

Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 6 5
♥ 9 7 2
♦ A K 5
♣ 10 7 5 2

16
7 6
11

N
W E
S

♠ A K 9 8 4 2
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ 8 4
♣ A

♠ —
♥ 8 4 3
♦ Q J 9 7
♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

♠ Q J 7 3
♥ A J 5
♦ 10 6 3 2
♣ K 4

West North East South
Pass 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 4â™£. (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 4â™ because neither partner controls

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Deal 6
 West Deals
 None Vul

\spadesuit 6 \heartsuit K Q 8 7 2 \diamond A K 9 6 3 \clubsuit K Q	\spadesuit Q 10 9 \heartsuit A 10 9 5 4 \diamond 5 4 \clubsuit 8 7 3	\spadesuit A J 7 \heartsuit J 6 \diamond Q J 10 8 7 \clubsuit A 6 4
$\begin{matrix} 6 \\ 17 \quad 13 \\ 4 \end{matrix}$		$\begin{matrix} \spadesuit \quad K \quad 8 \quad 5 \quad 4 \quad 3 \quad 2 \\ \heartsuit \quad 3 \\ \diamond \quad 2 \\ \clubsuit \quad J \quad 10 \quad 9 \quad 5 \quad 2 \end{matrix}$

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 \heartsuit	Pass	2 \diamond	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 \spadesuit	Pass
6 \diamond	Pass	Pass	Pass
6 \diamond by East			

WEST decides it is unlikely that EAST is Aceless, so all he wants to know is the number of Aces EAST does have.

He invokes RKC Blackwood.

Since no trump suit has been agreed, EAST bids as if

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s, the

last-bid suit prior to 4 NT is agreed. EAST has two Key-cards plus the trump Queen, so she bids $5\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$.

WEST bids 6

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If EAST had just one Key-card, WEST would bid 5

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over the $5\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$ reply.

Deal 7

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q J 9 6

♥ 4

♦ K Q J 7

♣ A K Q

♠ 10 3

♥ K Q 6

♦ 6 3 2

♣ J 10 8 6 3



♠ 7 5 2

♥ J 10 9 5 2

♦ A 8 4

♣ 9 4

♠ A 8 4

21
6 5

♥ A 8 7 3

8

♦ 10 9 5

♣ 7 5 2

Deal 8

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 8 5 4

♥ A 3

♦ 6 5 4

♣ 9 7 6 3

♠ K J

♥ Q J 8 5

♦ Q 10 9 7

♣ Q 4 2



♠ A Q 7

♥ K 10 7 4 2

♦ K J 3

♣ A K

♠ 10 6 3 2

♥ 9 6

♦ A 8 2

♣ J 10 8 5

4
11 20
5

Deal 9North Deals
E-W Vul

♠ K 10 7 4
♥ K Q J 8 4
♦ A 6
♣ A 3

♠ 9 5
♥ A 9 7 6
♦ 10 9 3 2
♣ J 9 4

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5 2
16

N
W E
S

♠ J
♥ 10 3 2
♦ J 8 5 4
♣ 10 8 7 6 2

♠ A Q 8 6 3 2
♥ 5
♦ K Q 7
♣ K Q 5

Deal 10 ♠ 8 3 2
East Deals ♥ J 6
Both Vul ♦ Q 10 3 2
 ♣ A 8 7 6

♠ 6 ♠ A 7 5
♥ A K 9 7 5 4 ♥ Q 10 8 3
♦ 6 ♦ A 8 5 4
♣ K Q J 10 3 ♣ 9 2

N
W E
S

♠ K Q J 10 9 4
♥ 2
♦ K J 9 7
♣ 5 4

7
13 10

Deal 11 ♠ A K 9 8 4 2

South Deals ♥ K Q 10 6

None Vul ♦ 8 4

♣ A

♠ 10 6 5

♥ 9 7 2

♦ A K 5

♣ 10 7 5 2

N
W E
S

♠ —

♥ 8 4 3

♦ Q J 9 7

♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

16
7 6
11

♠ Q J 7 3

♥ A J 5

♦ 10 6 3 2

♣ K 4

Deal 12

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 10 9

♥ A 10 9 5 4

♦ 5 4

♣ 8 7 3

♠ 6

♥ K Q 8 7 2

♦ A K 9 6 3

♣ K Q

W N E S

♠ A J 7

♥ J 6

♦ Q J 10 8 7

♣ A 6 4

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2

♥ 3

♦ 2

♣ J 10 9 5 2

6
17 13
4

Deal 13North Deals
Both Vul

♠ K Q J 9 6

♥ 4

♦ K Q J 7

♣ A K Q

♠ 10 3
♥ K Q 6
♦ 6 3 2
♣ J 10 8 6 3

W N E S

♠ 7 5 2
♥ J 10 9 5 2
♦ A 8 4
♣ 9 421
6 5
8
♠ A 8 4
♥ A 8 7 3
♦ 10 9 5
♣ 7 5 2

Deal 14

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 8 5 4

♥ A 3

♦ 6 5 4

♣ 9 7 6 3

♠ K J

♥ Q J 8 5

♦ Q 10 9 7

♣ Q 4 2



♠ A Q 7

♥ K 10 7 4 2

♦ K J 3

♣ A K

♠ 10 6 3 2

♥ 9 6

♦ A 8 2

♣ J 10 8 5

4
11 20
5

Deal 15

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K 10 7 4

♥ K Q J 8 4

♦ A 6

♣ A 3

♠ 9 5

♥ A 9 7 6

♦ 10 9 3 2

♣ J 9 4



♠ J

♥ 10 3 2

♦ J 8 5 4

♣ 10 8 7 6 2

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5 2
16

♠ A Q 8 6 3 2

♥ 5

♦ K Q 7

♣ K Q 5

Deal 16 ♠ 8 3 2
West Deals ♥ J 6
E-W Vul ♦ Q 10 3 2
 ♣ A 8 7 6

♠ 6 ♠ A 7 5
♥ A K 9 7 5 4 ♥ Q 10 8 3
♦ 6 ♦ A 8 5 4
♣ K Q J 10 3 ♣ 9 2

N
W E
S

♠ K Q J 10 9 4
♥ 2
♦ K J 9 7
♣ 5 4

7
13 10

Deal 17 ♠ A K 9 8 4 2

North Deals ♥ K Q 10 6

None Vul ♦ 8 4

♣ A

♠ 10 6 5

♥ 9 7 2

♦ A K 5

♣ 10 7 5 2

N
W E
S

♠ —

♥ 8 4 3

♦ Q J 9 7

♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

16
7 6
11

♠ Q J 7 3

♥ A J 5

♦ 10 6 3 2

♣ K 4

Deal 18

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 10 9

♥ A 10 9 5 4

♦ 5 4

♣ 8 7 3

♠ 6

♥ K Q 8 7 2

♦ A K 9 6 3

♣ K Q



♠ A J 7

♥ J 6

♦ Q J 10 8 7

♣ A 6 4

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2

♥ 3

♦ 2

♣ J 10 9 5 2

6
17 13
4

Deal 19

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q J 9 6

♥ 4

♦ K Q J 7

♣ A K Q

♠ 10 3

♥ K Q 6

♦ 6 3 2

♣ J 10 8 6 3

W N E S

♠ 7 5 2

♥ J 10 9 5 2

♦ A 8 4

♣ 9 4

21
6 5
8♠ A 8 4
♥ A 8 7 3
♦ 10 9 5
♣ 7 5 2

Deal 20

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ 9 8 5 4

♥ A 3

♦ 6 5 4

♣ 9 7 6 3

♠ K J

♥ Q J 8 5

♦ Q 10 9 7

♣ Q 4 2



♠ A Q 7

♥ K 10 7 4 2

♦ K J 3

♣ A K

♠ 10 6 3 2

♥ 9 6

♦ A 8 2

♣ J 10 8 5

4
11 20
5

Deal 21

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K 10 7 4

♥ K Q J 8 4

♦ A 6

♣ A 3

♠ 9 5

♥ A 9 7 6

♦ 10 9 3 2

♣ J 9 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J

♥ 10 3 2

♦ J 8 5 4

♣ 10 8 7 6 2

♠ A Q 8 6 3 2

♥ 5

♦ K Q 7

♣ K Q 5

17
5 2
16

Deal 22 ♠ 8 3 2
East Deals ♥ J 6
E-W Vul ♦ Q 10 3 2
 ♣ A 8 7 6

♠ 6 ♠ A 7 5
♥ A K 9 7 5 4 ♥ Q 10 8 3
♦ 6 ♦ A 8 5 4
♣ K Q J 10 3 ♣ 9 2

N
W E
S

♠ K Q J 10 9 4
♥ 2
♦ K J 9 7
♣ 5 4

7
13 10
10

Deal 23 ♠ A K 9 8 4 2

South Deals ♥ K Q 10 6

Both Vul ♦ 8 4

♣ A

♠ 10 6 5

♥ 9 7 2

♦ A K 5

♣ 10 7 5 2

N
W E
S

♠ —

♥ 8 4 3

♦ Q J 9 7

♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

16
7 6
11

♠ Q J 7 3

♥ A J 5

♦ 10 6 3 2

♣ K 4

Deal 24

West Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10 9

♥ A 10 9 5 4

♦ 5 4

♣ 8 7 3

♠ 6

♥ K Q 8 7 2

♦ A K 9 6 3

♣ K Q

N
W S E

♠ A J 7

♥ J 6

♦ Q J 10 8 7

♣ A 6 4

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2

♥ 3

♦ 2

♣ J 10 9 5 2

6
17 13
4

Deal 25

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q J 9 6

♥ 4

♦ K Q J 7

♣ A K Q

♠ 10 3

♥ K Q 6

♦ 6 3 2

♣ J 10 8 6 3

N
W E
S

♠ 7 5 2

♥ J 10 9 5 2

♦ A 8 4

♣ 9 4

21
6 5
8

♠ A 8 4
♥ A 8 7 3
♦ 10 9 5
♣ 7 5 2

Deal 26

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 9 8 5 4

♥ A 3

♦ 6 5 4

♣ 9 7 6 3

♠ K J

♥ Q J 8 5

♦ Q 10 9 7

♣ Q 4 2

N
W E
S

♠ A Q 7

♥ K 10 7 4 2

♦ K J 3

♣ A K

♠ 10 6 3 2

♥ 9 6

♦ A 8 2

♣ J 10 8 5

4
11 20
5

Deal 27 ♠ K 10 7 4
South Deals ♥ K Q J 8 4
None Vul ♦ A 6
 ♣ A 3

♠ 9 5 ♠ J
♥ A 9 7 6 ♥ 10 3 2
♦ 10 9 3 2 ♦ J 8 5 4
♣ J 9 4 ♣ 10 8 7 6 2

N
W E
S

♠ A Q 8 6 3 2
♥ 5
♦ K Q 7
♣ K Q 5

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5 2
16

Deal 28 ♠ 8 3 2
West Deals ♥ J 6
N-S Vul ♦ Q 10 3 2
 ♣ A 8 7 6

♠ 6 ♠ A 7 5
♥ A K 9 7 5 4 ♥ Q 10 8 3
♦ 6 ♦ A 8 5 4
♣ K Q J 10 3 ♣ 9 2

N
W E
S

♠ K Q J 10 9 4
♥ 2
♦ K J 9 7
♣ 5 4

7
13 10

Deal 29 ♠ A K 9 8 4 2

North Deals ♥ K Q 10 6

Both Vul ♦ 8 4

♣ A

♠ 10 6 5

♥ 9 7 2

♦ A K 5

♣ 10 7 5 2

N
W E
S

♠ —

♥ 8 4 3

♦ Q J 9 7

♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

16
7 6
11

♠ Q J 7 3

♥ A J 5

♦ 10 6 3 2

♣ K 4

Deal 30

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10 9

♥ A 10 9 5 4

♦ 5 4

♣ 8 7 3

♠ 6

♥ K Q 8 7 2

♦ A K 9 6 3

♣ K Q

W N E S

♠ A J 7

♥ J 6

♦ Q J 10 8 7

♣ A 6 4

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2

♥ 3

♦ 2

♣ J 10 9 5 2

6
17 13
4

Deal 31

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q J 9 6

♥ 4

♦ K Q J 7

♣ A K Q

♠ 10 3

♥ K Q 6

♦ 6 3 2

♣ J 10 8 6 3

W N E
S

♠ 7 5 2

♥ J 10 9 5 2

♦ A 8 4

♣ 9 4

♠ A 8 4

21 6 5

8

♥ A 8 7 3

♦ 10 9 5

♣ 7 5 2

Deal 32

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 9 8 5 4

♥ A 3

♦ 6 5 4

♣ 9 7 6 3

♠ K J

♥ Q J 8 5

♦ Q 10 9 7

♣ Q 4 2



♠ A Q 7

♥ K 10 7 4 2

♦ K J 3

♣ A K

♠ 10 6 3 2

♥ 9 6

♦ A 8 2

♣ J 10 8 5

4
11 20
5

Deal 33 ♠ K 10 7 4
North Deals ♥ K Q J 8 4
None Vul ♦ A 6
 ♣ A 3

♠ 9 5 ♠ J
♥ A 9 7 6 ♥ 10 3 2
♦ 10 9 3 2 ♦ J 8 5 4
♣ J 9 4 ♣ 10 8 7 6 2

N
W E
S

♠ A Q 8 6 3 2
♥ 5
♦ K Q 7
♣ K Q 5

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5 2
16

Deal 34

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 8 3 2

♥ J 6

♦ Q 10 3 2

♣ A 8 7 6

♠ 6

♥ A K 9 7 5 4

♦ 6

♣ K Q J 10 3

W N E
S

♠ A 7 5
♥ Q 10 8 3
♦ A 8 5 4
♣ 9 2

♠ K Q J 10 9 4

♥ 2

♦ K J 9 7

♣ 5 4

7
13 10

Deal 35 ♠ A K 9 8 4 2

South Deals ♥ K Q 10 6

E-W Vul ♦ 8 4

♣ A

♠ 10 6 5

♥ 9 7 2

♦ A K 5

♣ 10 7 5 2

N
W E
S

♠ —

♥ 8 4 3

♦ Q J 9 7

♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

16
7 6
11

♠ Q J 7 3

♥ A J 5

♦ 10 6 3 2

♣ K 4

Deal 36

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q 10 9

♥ A 10 9 5 4

♦ 5 4

♣ 8 7 3

♠ 6

♥ K Q 8 7 2

♦ A K 9 6 3

♣ K Q

N
W S E

♠ A J 7

♥ J 6

♦ Q J 10 8 7

♣ A 6 4

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2

♥ 3

♦ 2

♣ J 10 9 5 2

6
17 13
4