

**Board 1**

North Deals

None Vul

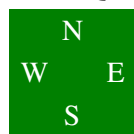
♠ T 7 3  
 ♥ Q 9 5  
 ♦ A 4 3  
 ♣ 8 6 4 3

♠ K Q J 9 6

♥ 4

♦ K Q J 7

♣ A K Q



♠ 5 2

♥ K J T 6 2

♦ 8 6 2

♣ J T 9

♠ A 8 4

♥ A 8 7 3

♦ T 9 5

♣ 7 5 2

| West | North | East     | South |
|------|-------|----------|-------|
|      | 2♣    | Pass     | 2NT   |
| Pass | 3♠    | Pass     | 4♠    |
| Pass | 4NT   | Pass     | 5♥    |
| Pass | 6♠    | All Pass |       |

6 ♠ by North

**Baker Bidpractice/Set8 1**

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

NORTH makes a slam try.

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

**Board 2**  
 South Deals  
 None Vul

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

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

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|   | N |   |
| W |   | E |
|   | S |   |

♠ T 9 8 5 3  
 ♥ -  
 ♦ A 4  
 ♣ T 8 7 6 5 3

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

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

5 ♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set8 2  
 NORTH has a decent Limit Raise, and SOUTH tries  
 RKC Blackwood.

NORTH replies to the 4NT 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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**Board 3**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 9  
 ♥ T 9 7  
 ♦ J T 9 3 2  
 ♣ J T 9 7

♠ A Q 8 6 3 2

♥ 5

♦ K Q 7

♣ K Q 5

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|---|---|---|
|   | N |   |
| W |   | E |
|   | S |   |

♠ J 5

♥ A 6 3 2

♦ 8 5 4

♣ 8 6 4 2

♠ K T 7 4

♥ K Q J 8 4

♦ A 6

♣ A 3

| West | North | East     | South |
|------|-------|----------|-------|
|      |       |          | 1 ♥   |
| Pass | 1 ♠   | Pass     | 4 ♠   |
| Pass | 4NT   | Pass     | 5 ♦   |
| Pass | 6 ♠   | All Pass |       |

6 ♠ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set8 3

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 4NT.

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.

**Board 4**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 8 4 3

♥ J 6 2

♦ K 9 3

♣ A 8 5

♠ A 7 5

♥ Q T 8 3

♦ A 8 5 4

♣ 9 2



♠ K J T 9 2

♥ -

♦ Q J T 7 2

♣ 7 6 4

♠ 6

♥ A K 9 7 5 4

♦ 6

♣ K Q J T 3

West

North

East

South

Pass

3♥

Pass

4NT

Pass

5♠

Pass

6♥

All Pass

6♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set8 4

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

a Limit Raise in

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.