

**Board 1**

South Deals

None 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	♠ 3
	W	♥ 9 6 5
	E	♦ J T 9 3
	S	♣ 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 2**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 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



♠ 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

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

4 ♠ by North

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

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

s

or

s, means just one thing -

She doesn't have any controls.

So SOUTH settles for game.

**Board 3**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 5 2

♥ 5

♦ T 8 6 3 2

♣ K Q J 8 5

♠ A 9 8 3

♥ K Q 8 3

♦ A K 4

♣ 7 2



♠ J T 7 6 4

♥ 4 2

♦ Q J 5

♣ T 4 3

♠ K Q

♥ A J T 9 7 6

♦ 9 7

♣ A 9 6

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SOUTH's 3

bid shows extra strength and a 6-trump hand.

The next three bids are all Control-showing cue bids.

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

6♥ by South

**Board 4**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ J 2  
♥ T 6 5  
♦ J 6 3 2  
♣ T 7 6 4

♠ K 7 6 3

♥ J 8 3

♦ K Q

♣ A K 8 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ T 5

♥ Q 9 7 2

♦ A T 7 5 4

♣ 9 5

♠ A Q 9 8 4  
♥ A K 4  
♦ 9 8  
♣ Q J 2

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

6 ♠ by North

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SOUTH shows extra strength / five trumps.

4 and 4

are Control-showing bids.

NORTH knows they are missing the

A, she uses

Blackwood just to make certain SOUTH holds the trump Ace.