

**Board 1**

North Deals

None Vul

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

♠ 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

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

6♥ by North

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NORTH's 3

bid shows extra strength and a 6-trump hand.

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

**Board 2**

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



♠ 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 |
|------|-------|----------|-------|
| Pass | 2NT   | Pass     | 1♠    |
| Pass | 4♣    | Pass     | 3NT   |
| Pass | 4NT   | Pass     | 4♥    |
| Pass | 6♠    | All Pass | 5♥    |

6 ♠ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set9 12  
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.

**Board 3**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ T 6

♦ Q 7 5 3

♣ T 8 2

♠ K Q J

♥ K Q J 8 4

♦ 9 4

♣ J 6 5

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

♠ T 9 5 4 2

♥ 7 2

♦ K 8 6

♣ A 7 3

♠ 3

♥ A 9 5 3

♦ A J T 2

♣ K Q 9 4

|      |       |          |       |   |
|------|-------|----------|-------|---|
| West | North | East     | South | . |
|      | 1♥    | Pass     | 3♠    |   |
| Pass | 4♥    | All Pass |       |   |

4♥ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set9 13  
 SOUTH's 3 bid, a double-jump, is a Splinter bid. It shows game-forcing strength, at

least four cards in partner's suit, and a singleton or void in the Splintered suit.

NORTH has just 14 points and the shortness in SOUTH's hand doesn't improve her hand since

she had just one loser anyway. She signs off in 4

**Board 4**

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q J 5 2

♥ 2

♦ 9 8 3

♣ 8 7 3 2

♠ 3

♥ A 9 5 3

♦ A J T 2

♣ K Q 9 4



♠ A T 9 8

♥ T 7 6

♦ Q 7 6 5

♣ J T

| West     | North | East | South |
|----------|-------|------|-------|
|          |       |      | 1♥    |
| Pass     | 3♠    | Pass | 4♣    |
| Pass     | 4♦    | Pass | 4NT   |
| Pass     | 5♥    | Pass | 6♥    |
| All Pass |       |      |       |

6♥ by South

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This is a companion hand to Deal 13.

SOUTH has 14 points, the same strength she had in Deal 13. But what a difference.

This time NORTH's shortness complements her hand very well. She bids 4

to show her Control, and after NORTH shows the

A she

uses Blackwood to make sure NORTH also has the trump Ace.

**Board 5**

North Deals

None Vul

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

♠ A 7 5  
♥ Q J T 7 6  
♦ J 8  
♣ K Q 3

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

♠ T 8 6 4 3  
♥ 9 2  
♦ K T 9  
♣ A 7 4

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

|          |       |      |       |
|----------|-------|------|-------|
| West     | North | East | South |
|          | 1♥    | Pass | 2♣    |
| Pass     | 2NT   | Pass | 4♥    |
| All Pass |       |      |       |

4♥ by South

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SOUTH has 13 points and good 3-card support for NORTH's 1

opening bid.

But he should not bid 2NT since that bid promises 4+ cards in support. South must still insure

they reach game, so he bids a forcing 2 .

When NORTH next says 2NT SOUTH can jump to 4

NOTE: if you used Jacoby 2NT and reached the 4

game, give yourself credit anyway.