

Board 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 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

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

♠ 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

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

6 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set 8 1
2NT shows a balanced hand with 8+ points, and when NORTH then supports s

SOUTH makes a slam try.

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

Board 3North Deals
None Vul

♠ 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

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

6 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set 8 3
NORTH jumps to 4 confident that SOUTH could make 10 tricks

even if he just has 6 points.

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

NORTH's 5

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 6 knowing NORTH 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

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| | N | | ♠ K J T 9 2 |
| W | | E | ♥ - |
| | S | | ♦ 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 |
|----------|-------|------|-------|
| | | | 1♥ |
| Pass | 3♥ | Pass | 4NT |
| Pass | 5♠ | Pass | 6♥ |
| All Pass | | | |

6♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set 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.

RKCB Blackwood tells him that NORTH has two Aces plus the trump Queen, so SOUTH can see that 6

is practically a certainty.