

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ T
 ♥ A T 8 3
 ♦ 7 6 5 4 3
 ♣ A 9 6

♠ A K Q 9 8 3

♥ 2

♦ A K

♣ K Q J 8

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♠ 6 5

♥ J 9 7 6

♦ Q J T 9

♣ T 4 2

♠ J 7 4 2

♥ K Q 5 4

♦ 8 2

♣ 7 5 3

West	North	East	South
	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♣
Pass	5♠	All Pass	

5 ♠ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set7 1

SOUTH's 3 supporting bid is enough to convince NORTH to make a slam try.

NORTH bids Blackwood 4NT. If SOUTH shows one Ace NORTH plans to bid 6 but

when SOUTH bids 5 NORTH settles for 5

Board 2

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q 9 7 5

♥ 3

♦ 8 7 5 2

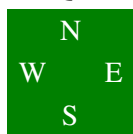
♣ 9 8 5

♠ A 6 4

♥ K J 9

♦ A K Q J 9

♣ K Q



♠ T 8 2

♥ 7 5 4 2

♦ 6 4

♣ A 6 3 2

♠ J 3

♥ A Q T 8 6

♦ T 3

♣ J T 7 4

West

North

East

South

Pass

4NT

Pass

5♦

Pass

6♥

All Pass

6♥ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set7 2
SOUTH makes a positive 3

response to NORTH's 2 opener.

This promises at least 8 points and a 5-card suit with two or more honors.

NORTH only needs to know one thing - how many Aces in the SOUTH hand.

A Blackwood 4NT tells her the answer is one, so she bids 6

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Board 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ T 6 5 4
 ♥ A 9 8 5
 ♦ T 7 5
 ♣ T 8

♠ A 9 7

♥ Q J 4 2

♦ K Q 8 6

♣ A 5



♠ J 8 3 2

♥ T 7 3

♦ J 9 3 2

♣ 6 4

♠ K Q

♥ K 6

♦ A 4

♣ K Q J 9 7 3 2

West	North	East	South
	1NT	Pass	4♣
Pass	4♠	Pass	6NT
All Pass			

6NT by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set7 3

When NORTH opens 1NT, point-count alone tells SOUTH that 6NT can surely be made.

NORTH is bound to hold at least two Aces. But SOUTH doesn't want to miss a Grand slam.

SOUTH bids 4 (Gerber), and NORTH admits to just two Aces.

So SOUTH settles for the small slam.

Board 4

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ T 7
 ♥ Q T 2
 ♦ J 6 5 2
 ♣ J 6 4 3

♠ J 9 5 2
 ♥ A J 7 4 3
 ♦ A Q
 ♣ 9 8



♠ 8
 ♥ 9 8 6
 ♦ T 9 8 4
 ♣ Q T 7 5 2

♠ A K Q 6 4 3
 ♥ K 5
 ♦ K 7 3
 ♣ A K

West	North	East	South
	1 ♥	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5 ♥	Pass	7NT
All Pass			

7NT by South

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SOUTH has a powerhouse and knows she will reach a slam somewhere. When NORTH

supports the ♠ it seems she has found her spot.

Blackwood tells her that NORTH has two Aces.

She can see there are 12 tricks available and decides to take a chance that

NORTH will have a thirteenth trick somewhere among his opening hand points.

She bids 7NT.

Board 5

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 9 8 6
 ♥ 7 2
 ♦ 5 4
 ♣ A 9 4 3 2

♠ J 7 3
 ♥ A J T 9 8
 ♦ 8 3 2
 ♣ Q 8



♠ T 5 4
 ♥ 4 3
 ♦ A T 9 7 6
 ♣ T 7 5

♠ A K 2
 ♥ K Q 6 5
 ♦ K Q J
 ♣ K J 6

West	North	East	South
			2♣
Pass	2♥	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♦	Pass	5♥
All Pass			

5♥ by South

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 SOUTH is tempted to go right to 6

when she hears NORTH's positive

response. BUT, she should use Blackwood first.

It's good thing she did because NORTH admits to only one Ace - they are missing two Aces.

Board 6

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 8 5 2

♥ J 9 4 2

♦ 6

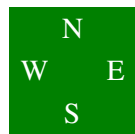
♣ J T 6 2

♠ K Q 4

♥ A 8

♦ K Q J T 7 3

♣ K 5



♠ T 9 7

♥ Q 6 5 3

♦ 8 5 2

♣ A 4 3

♠ A 6 3

♥ K T 7

♦ A 9 4

♣ Q 9 8 7

West

North

East

South

1 ♦

Pass

2NT

Pass

4 ♣

Pass

4 ♠

Pass

6NT

All Pass

6NT by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set7 6

NORTH not only has 20 points, he also has a lot of winners.

So when SOUTH jumps to 2NT, showing 13-15 points, NORTH uses Gerber.

SOUTH shows two Aces so NORTH decides 6NT will be just right.