

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ Q J 7

♦ A J 3

♣ A 8 2

♠ 2

♥ 10 9 3 2

♦ Q 10 8 7 5 2

♣ 7 4

16

2 4

18

♠ K Q J 4

♥ K 6

♦ K 4

♣ K Q J 10 5

West

North

East

South

1 NT

Pass

4 NT

Pass

6 NT by North



♠ 10 9 5 3

♥ A 8 5 4

♦ 9 6

♣ 9 6 3

When NORTH opens 1 NT SOUTH hopes his hand includes all four Aces so she can bid 7 NT.

So she uses Gerber to find out.

But, when she discovers they are missing an Ace she settles for 6 NT.

Deal 2East Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 7 2
♥ K J 5 3
♦ K 7
♣ 7 6 4 2

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♠ Q J 10 8 5
♥ 8 7 4
♦ 6 2
♣ 10 8 3

♠ A K
♥ A Q 10 9 6
♦ A Q J 3
♣ A K

♠ 6 4 3
♥ 2
♦ 10 9 8 5 4
♣ Q J 9 5

West *North* *East* *South*
 2 ♣ 2 ♥ Pass
 2 ♦ Pass 2 ♥ Pass
 3 ♥ Pass 4 NT Pass
 5 ♣ Pass 5 NT Pass
 6 ♥ Pass 7 NT ALL

Pass

7 NT by East

Baker Bidpractice/Set 7 17

Deal 3

Deal 3East Deals
None Vul

♠ A 6 2
 ♥ A 10 4
 ♦ K 7 5
 ♣ K 8 6 2

2
14 **20**
4

West North East South
 2 NT Pass 1 ♦ Pass
 4 ♠ Pass 4 ♣ Pass
 5 ♠ Pass 5 ♣ Pass
 Pass Pass 7 NT Pass
 7 NT by West

♠ 10 9 8 4 3

♥ Q 8 6

♦ 8 2

♣ 10 9 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K 7
 ♥ K 9
 ♦ A Q J 10 4
 ♣ A Q J 7

♠ Q J 5
 ♥ J 7 5 3 2
 ♦ 9 6 3
 ♣ 5 4

EAST is just shy of a 2 \hat{a} opening bid,
 and when WEST shows 13-15 points
 EAST

wants to be in a slam.

EAST cannot use Blackwood because
 4 NT would be a natural invitation, but
 with WEST's latest bid

being 2 NT he can use Gerber.

Two Major Aces and two Minor Kings fill
 the holes in EAST's hand so he bids 7 NT.

Deal 4North Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 9 7 4
 ♥ Q 6 3 2
 ♦ A 8
 ♣ 7 6 3

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8 6
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♠ 6
 ♥ K 4
 ♦ K J 9 7 4
 ♣ A Q J 9 2

N
W E
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♠ J 10 8 3 2
 ♥ A J 10 9 8 5
 ♦ 2
 ♣ 5

♠ A K 5
 ♥ 7
 ♦ Q 10 6 5 3
 ♣ K 10 8 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♦	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	4 ♣	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♦
Pass	Pass	Pass	

5 ♦ by North

NORTH thinks slam may be possible, so she uses Blackwood.

And that's what Blackwood is really good for - keeping you out of slams when you are

missing two Aces!

Deal 5
 West Deals
 None Vul
 ♠ A Q J 7 3
 ♥ A J 8 6
 ♦ 5 3
 ♣ 8 7

12 7
 16 5
 ♠ 10 5
 ♥ 3 2
 ♦ K 10 9 8
 ♣ Q 10 9 6 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♥	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	4 NT	Pass
5 ♥	Pass	6 ♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		
6 ♥ by East			

♠ 9 8 6 2
 ♥ 7 4
 ♦ Q J 4 2
 ♣ K J 3
 ♠ K 4
 ♥ K Q 10 9 5
 ♦ A 7 6
 ♣ A 5 4

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 W E
 S

EAST knows WEST has at least five ♠'s, and they might provide discards for two or three

of her minor suit losers.

She tries Blackwood and, sure enough, WEST comes through with two Aces.

Even with all the Aces EAST knows there are not enough points for Grand,

so she bids 6

♦ Aces

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