

**Deal 1**      ♠ A Q 10 6 4

North Deals

None Vul

♣ J 5

♠ 8 5 3

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♦ 10 5  
♦ 9 8 3  
♣ A 9 7 6 3

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	N		♠ —
W		E	♥ 8 6 4 2
	S		♦ A 10 7 6 4 2
			♣ 8 4 2

West

## North      East

South

1 ♠

Pass

NT F

Pass 4

Pass

4 ♠ b

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s. NORTH realized she was off two Aces.

NORTH indicates an above normal opening with five  $\spadesuit$ 's by her 3 NT rebid.

SOUTH also has some extra strength so he makes a Control showing bid of 4

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Despite both partners showing extra strength North merely signs off at 4 $\spadesuit$ . Why? Because SOUTH's

Control bid of 4

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denied first-round control in both  $\mathcal{L}_S$  and

**Deal 2**South Deals  
None Vul

♠ 9  
♥ 6 5 3 2  
♦ J 7 6  
♣ A 10 7 5 3

<sup>15</sup>  
5 8  
<sub>12</sub>

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



♠ 10 4 2  
♥ 10 9  
♦ A K 10 3 2  
♣ J 9 6

♠ K Q J 8 5  
♥ K J 7  
♦ Q 8 5  
♣ 8 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	2 NT	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	4 ♠
4 ♠ by South			

SOUTH has a minimum opening hand with no extra features to brag about.

So after NORTH's Jacoby 2 NT bid he merely signs off at 4<sup>â™</sup>.

NORTH would have cooperated if SOUTH had made a slam try, but she doesn't have enough

to initiate the investigation herself.

**Deal 3**North Deals  
None Vul

♠ J 10 9 2  
 ♥ 9 6 3  
 ♦ A J 10  
 ♣ 6 3 2

<sup>13</sup>  
6 9  
<sub>12</sub>

West  
Pass  
Pass  
4 ♥ by North

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

N  
W E  
S

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

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

North  
1 ♥  
4 ♥

East  
Pass  
Pass

South  
4 ♣  
Pass

SOUTH's 4♦ is a Splinter bid.

He promises 13+ points, at least four

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s and a singleton or void in ♦s.

NORTH is obviously forced to game, but she is not thrilled to hear about SOUTH's ♦ shortness. In fact,

it does nothing to help the value of her hand. So she bids the

♦

game.

**Deal 4**

South Deals	♠ K J 7 5
None Vul	♥ K 6
	♦ K Q 9 8
	♣ J 8 3
♠ 10 3	♠ 2
♥ A 10 5 3	W N E
♦ 10 7 6 4	♦ 9 8 4 2
♣ 9 6 4	♦ A 5 3

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

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

SOUTH bids 3 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$  to show the 6-card suit plus some extra strength.

NORTH's failure to make a Control bid in either  $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathfrak{E}s$ ,

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}!$

s

or

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}Y$

s, means just one thing -

She doesn't have any controls.

So SOUTH settles for game.

**Deal 5**

North Deals  
None Vul

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

14	♠ A 9 8 3
4 6	♥ K Q 8 3
16	♦ A K 4
	♣ 7 2



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

NORTH's 3

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bid shows extra strength and a 6-trump hand.

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

**Deal 6**  
 South Deals  
 None Vul

♠ 10 5 2  
 ♥ Q 9 7 5  
 ♦ 5 2  
 ♣ 9 7 5 4

N  
 W     E  
S

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

♠ J  
 ♥ 10 6 2  
 ♦ A J 10 7 6 4 3  
 ♣ 10 6

**16**  
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**16**  
 ♣ Q J 2

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

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.