

Deal 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K 5 3

♥ A 9 5 2

♦ 8 5 4

♣ 6 5 4

♠ —

♥ J 8 6

♦ 10 9 7 6 2

♣ K J 10 8 3



♠ 10 9 7 4

♥ 10 4 3

♦ A 3

♣ Q 9 7 2

♠ A Q J 8 6 2

♥ K Q 7

♦ K Q J

♣ A

7
5 6
22

*West**North**East**South*

Pass

2 ♦

Pass

2 ♣

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

5 ♥

Pass

4 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♠

6 ♠ by South

SOUTH realizes NORTH has fewer than 8 points, but the 3rd support bid is enough

for her to try a RKCB 4 NT bid.

NORTH shows two Key Cards and SOUTH figures they will be the thK and one of the

red Aces. So she bids 6th. If instead the Key Cards are the two red Aces SOUTH

might possibly make all thirteen tricks with a finesse.

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 8 3

♥ J 3

♦ K 10 7 4 2

♣ J 10 5

6
5 7
22

♠ A 7 2

♥ Q 7 4

♦ 9 8 5

♣ 9 8 4 3

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♠ K Q J 5

♥ A K 6 5 2

♦ 6

♣ A K Q

♠ 10 6 4

♥ 10 9 8

♦ A Q J 3

♣ 7 6 2

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

6 ♥ by South

NORTH's 3

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bid is "encouraging" so SOUTH bids 4 NT.

When NORTH shows one Key Card, (an Ace), SOUTH is afraid he may have a trump loser as well the

other Ace. To find out about the

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Q he

bids 5

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, the Queen Ask.

NORTH has the

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Q but no King so she jumps

to 6

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Deal 3

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 3
♥ 10 3
♦ A K 10 7 2
♣ J 10 9 7 6

5
8 5
22

♠ A 7 2
♥ J 9 8 7 4
♦ 8 5
♣ 8 4 3



♠ K Q J 5
♥ A K 6 5 2
♦ 6
♣ A K Q

♠ 10 9 8 6 4
♥ Q
♦ Q J 9 4 3
♣ 5 2

West	North	East	South
			2 ♣
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♣	Pass	5 ♦
Pass	6 ♥	Pass	Pass
6 ♥ by South			

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anyway.

This is the companion to Deal 22.

Again, worried about a possible trump loser in addition to the missing Ace, SOUTH

bids 5

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, the Queen Ask.

NORTH definitely does NOT have the

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Q. But with five trumps she

does know that SOUTH probably does not have a trump loser so she jumps

to 6

Deal 4

South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 10 7 2
♥ 10 8
♦ J 10 5 4
♣ Q 10 3

17
4 7
12

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♥ by South

♠ A K 9 6 3

♥ A J 7 5

♦ K Q 2

♣ 6



♠ 8 5

♥ K Q 9 6 4

♦ 7 3

♣ A K 8 5

North

2 ♠

3 ♥

4 NT

6 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♥

3 ♣

4 ♥

5 ♠

Pass

NORTH cannot use RKCB at her second bid because trumps have not been agreed. So she bids

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to set trumps, knowing SOUTH cannot pass after her jump-shift.

SOUTH tries to stop at game but NORTH is too strong so she now uses RKCB and gets

to 6

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when SOUTH shows two Key Cards and the trump Queen.