

Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 8
♥ 3 2
♦ K Q 8 6 4
♣ K 10 5 3 2

13
8 5
14

♠ K 9 6 5 2
♥ A 7 6
♦ A 5
♣ Q 9 8



♠ A Q J 7 4 3
♥ K Q J 5
♦ J 3
♣ 7

♠ 10
♥ 10 9 8 4
♦ 10 9 7 2
♣ A J 6 4

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 ♣
Pass	3 ♦	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♥	Pass	6 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 ♠ by South			

This is the companion to Deal 4.

After SOUTH bids 3TM to show shortage, NORTH makes a Control-showing bid

of 3

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SOUTH no longer worries about losing two quick

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s. He uses

Blackwood to check for Aces, then bids 6TM.

Deal 2

South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 8 6 3 2
♥ Q 4
♦ J 4 3
♣ 8 5 4

17
4 5
14

♠ K Q
♥ K 8 7 5
♦ A 9
♣ K Q 10 9 2



♠ A 5
♥ A J 10 9 6 2
♦ K Q 7
♣ 6 3

♠ 10 9 7 4
♥ 3
♦ 10 8 6 5 2
♣ A J 7

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

SOUTH's 3

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rebid shows better than average strength and six trumps.

Just what NORTH was hoping for. She bids Blackwood - her plan is to bid 7

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if SOUTH has three Aces, bid 6

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if he has two Aces,

and stop at 5

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if he has just one. If South has no Aces NORTH will get a new partner.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

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

15
4 4
17

♠ A Q 10 6 4
♥ K Q J 7
♦ K J
♣ J 5

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

SOUTH indicates an above normal opening with five ♠s by her 3 NT rebid.

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

♠

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Despite both partners showing extra strength South merely signs off at 4♠. Why? Because NORTH's

Control bid of 4

♠

denied first-round control in both ♠s and

♠

s. SOUTH realized she was off two Aces.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 9
 ♥ 6 5 3 2
 ♦ J 7 6
 ♣ A 10 7 5 3

15
 5 8
 12

West

North

East

South

Pass

2 NT

Pass

1 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♠

4 ♠ by South

♠ A 7 6 3

♥ A Q 8 4

♦ 9 4

♣ K Q 2



♠ K Q J 8 5

♥ K J 7

♦ Q 8 5

♣ 8 4

♠ 10 4 2

♥ 10 9

♦ A K 10 3 2

♣ J 9 6

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 4th .

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

to initiate the investigation herself.