

Deal 1

North Deals
None Vul

♠ 8 5 3
♥ 10 3
♦ 9 8 3
♣ A 9 7 6 3

17
4 4
15

West

Pass
Pass
Pass

4 ♠ by North

♠ A Q 10 6 4

♥ K Q J 7

♦ K J

♣ J 5



♠ K J 9 7 2

♥ A 9 5

♦ Q 5

♣ K Q 10

North

1 ♠
3 NT
4 ♠

East

Pass
Pass
Pass

South

2 NT
4 ♥
Pass

NORTH indicates an above normal opening with five \hat{a}^{TM} s by her 3 NT rebid.

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

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

.

Despite both partners showing extra strength North merely signs of at 4 \hat{a}^{TM} . Why? Because SOUTH's

Control bid of 4

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

denied first-round control in both $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\text{£s}$ and

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

s. NORTH realized she was off two Aces.

Deal 2

East Deals

None Vul

♠ A 7 6 3
 ♥ A Q 8 4
 ♦ 9 4
 ♣ K Q 2

8
 15 12
 5

West

2 NT

Pass

4 ♠ by East

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

N
 W E
 S

♠ 9
 ♥ 6 5 3 2
 ♦ J 7 6
 ♣ A 10 7 5 3

North

Pass

Pass

♠ K Q J 8 5
 ♥ K J 7
 ♦ Q 8 5
 ♣ 8 4

East

1 ♠

4 ♠

South

Pass

Pass

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

So after WEST's Jacoby 2 NT bid he merely signs off at 4th.

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

to initiate the investigation herself.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K 3

♥ 5

♦ 9 8 6 3 2

♣ A Q 10 8 7

12
9 6
13

West

Pass

Pass

4♥ by South

♠ A 7 6 5

♥ Q J 10 7

♦ K Q 7 5

♣ 4



♠ Q 8 4

♥ A K 8 4 2

♦ 4

♣ K J 9 5

North

4♣

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

South

1♥

4♥

NORTH's 4th is a Splinter bid.

He promises 13+ points, at least four

4ths and a singleton or void in 4ths.

SOUTH is obviously forced to game, but she is not thrilled to hear about NORTH's 4th shortness. In fact,

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

4th

game.

Deal 4

West Deals

None Vul

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

♠ 10 3

♥ A 10 5 3

♦ 10 7 6 4

♣ 9 6 4



4
15 13
8

♠ 2

♥ 9 8 4 2

♦ A 5 3

♣ A 10 7 5 2

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

WEST bids 3TM to show the 6-card suit plus some extra strength.

EAST's failure to make a Control bid in either TM£s,

TM!

s

or

TM¥

s, means just one thing -

She doesn't have any controls.

So WEST settles for game.

Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 2
 ♥ 5 4 2
 ♦ 10 6 5
 ♣ K J 8 4 3

14
 4 6
 16

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♥ by North

♠ K Q
 ♥ A J 10 9 7 6
 ♦ 9 7
 ♣ A 9 6



♠ A 9 8 3
 ♥ K Q 8 3
 ♦ A K 4
 ♣ 7 2

North

1 ♥

3 ♥

4 ♣

6 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 NT

3 ♠

4 ♦

Pass

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

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K 7 6 3

♥ J 8 3

♦ K Q

♣ A K 8 3

6
16 16
2

West

2 NT

4 ♣

4 NT

6 ♠

6 ♠ by East

♠ J

♥ 10 6 2

♦ A J 10 7 6 4 3

♣ 10 6

N
W E
S

♠ 10 5 2

♥ Q 9 7 5

♦ 5 2

♣ 9 7 5 4

North

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

East

1 ♠

3 NT

4 ♥

5 ♥

Pass

South

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

EAST shows extra strength / five trumps.

4TM£ and 44TM¥

are Control-showing bids.

WEST knows they are missing the

4TM!

A, she uses

Blackwood just to make certain EAST holds the trump Ace.