

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 4
♥ 6 3 2
♦ 7 6 3
♣ 9 7 6 5 3

16
2
5
17

♠ J 9 8 2

♥ A 9 5

♦ A J 4

♣ K Q J

♠ Q 4
♥ 6 3 2
♦ 7 6 3
♣ 9 7 6 5 3

16
2
5
17

♠ 10 7 5
♥ J 8 7
♦ 10 9 2
♣ A 10 8 4

♠ A K 6 3
♥ K Q 10 4
♦ K Q 8 5
♣ 2

West	North	East	South
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♥	Pass	5 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

5 ♠ by North

♠ Q 4
♥ 6 3 2
♦ 7 6 3
♣ 9 7 6 5 3

16
2
5
17

♠ 10 7 5
♥ J 8 7
♦ 10 9 2
♣ A 10 8 4

♠ A K 6 3
♥ K Q 10 4
♦ K Q 8 5
♣ 2

This is the companion hand to Deal 18.

Again, SOUTH uses RKCB after the 4-4
â™ fit is discovered.This time NORTH shows two Key Cards
without the â™ Q.Now SOUTH realizes that in addition to
one outside Ace, there is a very possible
loser

in trumps. So she stops at 5â™ .

Deal 2

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 6	♦ 10 7 3 2
♥ 10 8	◆ K Q J 10 9 6

♠ 7 3 2

♥ A K Q 8 6 4

♦ 5 3

♣ 8 7

6	9	19
9	6	

West

2 ♥

3 NT

3 NT by East

N	
W	E
S	

♠ A K 4	♦ J 9 5
♥ —	◆ A K 7 6
♣ A 5 4	

♠ Q J 10 9 8 5

♥ —

♦ Q J 9 4 2

♣ 3 2

North

Pass

Pass

Pass

East

2 NT

Pass

Pass

South

Pass

Pass

Pass

The chances of a slam on this hand are very small, and if EAST decides to use RKCB it will

just confuse matters when WEST shows two Key Cards.

EAST has a better way to find out about the hand. She bids 2 NT asking WEST to further describe

his hand. WEST should then bid 3 NT, showing a solid suit headed by AKQ.

WEST cannot have as much as an extra Jack, so EAST just passes 3 NT.

Deal 3South Deals
None Vul

♠ —
 ♥ J 8 6
 ♦ 10 9 7 6 2
 ♣ K J 10 8 3

5 7
 6 22

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K 5 3
 ♥ A 9 5 2
 ♦ 8 5 4
 ♣ 6 5 4

♠ 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

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

SOUTH realizes NORTH has fewer than 8 points, but the 3â™ 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 â™ K and one of the

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

might possibly make all thirteen tricks with a finesse.

Deal 4
 West Deals
 None Vul

♠ K Q J 5 ♥ A K 6 5 2 ♦ 6 ♣ A K Q	♠ 9 8 3 ♥ J 3 ♦ K 10 7 4 2 ♣ J 10 5	♠ A 7 2 ♥ Q 7 4 ♦ 9 8 5 ♣ 9 8 4 3
	5 22 6 7	♠ 10 6 4 ♥ 10 9 8 ♦ A Q J 3 ♣ 7 6 2

<i>West</i> 2 ♣ 2 ♥ 4 NT 5 ♦ Pass 6 ♥ by West	<i>North</i> Pass Pass Pass Pass Pass	<i>East</i> 2 ♦ 3 ♥ 5 ♣ 6 ♥ Pass	<i>South</i> Pass Pass Pass Pass Pass	
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EAST's 3
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bid is "encouraging" so WEST bids 4 NT.

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

other Ace. To find out about the

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

Q he

bids 5

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathbb{I}$

, the Queen Ask.

EAST has the

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

Q but no King so she jumps

to 6

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

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Deal 5
 North Deals
 None Vul

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

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



22
 5 8 ♠ A 7 2
 5 ♥ J 9 8 7 4
 ♦ 8 5
 ♣ 8 4 3

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

6 ♥ by North

This is the companion to Deal 22.

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

bids 5

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, the Queen Ask.

SOUTH definitely does NOT have the

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Q. But with five trumps she

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

to 6

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anyway.

Deal 6
East Deals
None Vul

♠ A K 9 6 3
♥ A J 7 5
♦ K Q 2
♣ 6

17 7
17 12
4

♠ Q 4
♥ 3 2
♦ A 9 8 6
♣ J 9 7 4 2

W N E S

♠ 8 5
♥ K Q 9 6 4
♦ 7 3
♣ A K 8 5

♠ J 10 7 2
♥ 10 8
♦ J 10 5 4
♣ Q 10 3

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

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

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

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

to 6

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when EAST shows two Key Cards and the trump Queen.