

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 9 2

♥ T 6

♦ J T 6 4 3

♣ T 5 4

♠ K 8 6

♥ A 9 3

♦ K Q 8

♣ A K J 2



♠ 7 4

♥ K Q J 7 5 4 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ 9

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

6♥ by South

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After NORTH opens 2NT, SOUTH is pretty sure there will be a slam in

S.

But, the contract should be played from the NORTH side so the opening lead doesn't go through any vulnerable

holding NORTH might have.

SOUTH transfers NORTH to

s, then uses Blackwood to be sure they aren't

off two Aces. Missing one Ace he settles for 6

Board 2

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K 9 8 5

♥ Q 7

♦ K 8 7

♣ J 9 6 5

♠ Q J T 4

♥ A 9 8 6 2

♦ Q T 2

♣ 4



♠ A 6

♥ K J 5 3

♦ A 6 5 4

♣ K T 7

♠ 7 3 2

♥ T 4

♦ J 9 3

♣ A Q 8 3 2

West	North	East	South
		1NT	Pass
2♣ 2NT	Pass All Pass	2♥	Pass

2 NT by West

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 WEST has an invitational hand, (9 points), after EAST's 1NT opening.

With a 4-card suit she uses Stayman.

EAST then shows his 4-card

suit.

With no

fit, WEST can only invite with 2NT, an invitation which

EAST declines.

Board 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q
♥ 9 8 7
♦ Q T 9 6 4 3
♣ K 3 2

♠ A 7 5

♥ Q J 6

♦ A K 5 2

♣ Q T 9

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K 9 8 6 4
♥ A K 5 3
♦ J 8
♣ 6 4

♠ J T 3 2
♥ T 4 2
♦ 7
♣ A J 8 7 5

West	North	East	South
	1NT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

4 ♠ by North

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Because SOUTH holds a 4-card Major suit, (

s), he starts his

responses with Stayman.

NORTH denies holding any 4-card Major suit so
SOUTH gives up on

s.

He next bids showing five of them. He jumps to
3 giving NORTH the choice

between 4 or 3NT.

With three trumps NORTH chooses 4 .

Board 4

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ A K 7 3
♥ Q J 2
♦ J 5
♣ K Q J 6

♠ J 9 4

♥ A 9 3

♦ 8 7 4

♣ T 8 7 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q 8 6 5
♥ K 7 6 4
♦ A 3 2
♣ 5 4

♠ T 2
♥ T 8 5
♦ K Q T 9 6
♣ A 9 3

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

4 ♠ by South

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EAST has a poor 9 points, but does have two 4-card Majors. So he uses Stayman.

When WEST bids 3 EAST isn't strong enough to bid game herself, so she temporizes

with a 3 invitation.

WEST has a full 17 points so he accepts the invitation.

Board 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9 4 3
♥ K 4 2
♦ J 7 6
♣ 9 5 3

♠ K Q
♥ A Q 7 5
♦ K T 9
♣ Q J 8 4
N
W E
S
♠ 2
♥ J T 8 6 3
♦ 8 4 3 2
♣ A K 6

♠ J T 8 7 6 5
♥ 9
♦ A Q 5
♣ T 7 2

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

4 ♠ by North

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 SOUTH, with 9 points and a 6-card suit, knows they should play in s.

The question is: how high?

SOUTH transfers NORTH to s then invites by raising to 3 .

NORTH has only two trumps, (good ones, admittedly), but she has a maximum 17 point hand.

So she bids the game.