

Deal 1

North Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 3
♥ K Q 6
♦ 6 3 2
♣ J 10 8 6 3

21
6 5
8

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♠ by North

♠ K Q J 9 6

♥ 4

♦ K Q J 7

♣ A K Q



♠ A 8 4

♥ A 8 7 3

♦ 10 9 5

♣ 7 5 2

North

2 ♣

3 ♠

4 NT

6 ♠

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 NT

4 ♠

5 ♥

Pass

2 NT shows a balanced hand with 8+ points, and when SOUTH then supports 2 NT.

NORTH makes a slam try.

NORTH bids RKC Blackwood 4 NT. SOUTH shows two Keycards (two Aces) and NORTH bids 6 NT.

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 6 3 2

♥ 9 6

♦ A 8 2

♣ J 10 8 5

11
5 4
20

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

5 ♥ by South

♠ K J

♥ Q J 8 5

♦ Q 10 9 7

♣ Q 4 2

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♠ A Q 7

♥ K 10 7 4 2

♦ K J 3

♣ A K

North

3 ♥

5 ♦

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♥

4 NT

5 ♥

NORTH has a decent Limit Raise, and SOUTH tries RKC Blackwood.

NORTH replies to the 4 NT bid with 5

♠TM!

, zero or three Keycards.

So which is it, zero or three?

Pretty simple - since SOUTH holds three Keycards himself NORTH can hardly have three also since there

are only five total. She must have zero and SOUTH signs off at 5

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Deal 3

South Deals
None Vul

♠ J
♥ 10 3 2
♦ J 8 5 4
♣ 10 8 7 6 2

16
2 5
17

♠ A Q 8 6 3 2
♥ 5
♦ K Q 7
♣ K Q 5



♠ K 10 7 4
♥ K Q J 8 4
♦ A 6
♣ A 3

♠ 9 5
♥ A 9 7 6
♦ 10 9 3 2
♣ J 9 4

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

SOUTH jumps to 4TM, confident that NORTH could make 10 tricks

even if he just has 6 points.

NORTH knows he can make more and bids RKCB 4 NT.

SOUTH's 5

âTM!

response shows zero or three Keycards.

So which is it? Zero or three?

SOUTH bid much too strongly to have no Aces. NORTH

bids a confident 6TM, knowing SOUTH has either three Aces or two Aces plus the âTM K.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 8 3 2
 ♥ J 6
 ♦ Q 10 3 2
 ♣ A 8 7 6

10
 7 10
 13

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♥ by South

♠ A 7 5
 ♥ Q 10 8 3
 ♦ A 8 5 4
 ♣ 9 2



♠ 6
 ♥ A K 9 7 5 4
 ♦ 6
 ♣ K Q J 10 3

North

3 ♥

5 ♠

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♥

4 NT

6 ♥

With eleven cards in the "round" suits SOUTH has a lot of playing strength. So when NORTH bids

a Limit Raise in

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s SOUTH wants to know about Aces.

RKCBlackwood tells him that NORTH has two Aces plus the trump Queen, so SOUTH can see that 6

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is practically a certainty.