

Board 1

East Deals

None Vul

♠ A 7 2
♥ Q 5 2
♦ K 8 7 4
♣ Q J T

♠ K 9 3

♥ 7 4

♦ Q J 6 5

♣ A 8 3 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q J 8 6 4
♥ A T 9 8 3
♦ 3
♣ 7 6

♠ T 5
♥ K J 6
♦ A T 9 2
♣ K 9 5 4

West	North	East	South
		1♦	2♦
Pass	2♠	All Pass	

2 ♠ by North

Baker Michaels 1

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

A perfect Michaels example; 5-5 in the Majors and 9 points. You bid 2♦ and partner says 2♠. What do you bid next?

You have a rather minimum Michaels type hand and you asked partner to choose a Major suit. He chose ♠s. But don't start thinking about what great support you have for his ♠ suit, he doesn't HAVE a ♠ suit, he is just supporting yours. In other words, you pass.

Board 2

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A T 8 6 3
♥ A T 9 7 4
♦ 8 6
♣ 5

♠ 7 2

♥ J 6 5 2

♦ K 9 3

♣ A J 4 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J 9 5
♥ K 8 3
♦ A J T 5
♣ 9 7 6

♠ K Q 4
♥ Q
♦ Q 7 4 2
♣ K Q T 8 2

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

2♥ by East

Baker Michaels 2

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You have a fair hand with a guaranteed 8-card fit in either Major. You are not, however, strong enough to jump the bidding. So you bid 2♥, which is passed out.

Board 3

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 9
♥ A K 6 4 2
♦ A J 8 6 2
♣ 2

♠ 7 5
♥ 9
♦ K T 9 7 4
♣ K Q J 6 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K Q T 8 3
♥ J T 5
♦ 5
♣ T 8 7 4

♠ A 6 4 2
♥ Q 8 7 3
♦ Q 3
♣ A 9 5

West	North	East	South
1♥	2NT	Pass	3♣

All Pass

3♣ by South

Baker Michaels 3

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You have a pretty good hand for an Unusual Notrump, but not so good that you wouldn't use the convention. You bid 2NT and partner says 3♣. What do you say next?

As mentioned, you have a pretty good hand, but partner only bid because you forced him to and he showed nothing more than minimum. So you pass.

Board 4

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 7 5
 ♥ A J 9 7 3
 ♦ 9 6 5
 ♣ J 2

♠ A Q T 8 3 2

♥ K Q T

♦ A

♣ 8 6 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9 6
 ♥ 4
 ♦ K Q J 8 4
 ♣ K Q T 7 5

♠ K 4
 ♥ 8 6 5 2
 ♦ T 7 3 2
 ♣ A 9 4

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

3♦ by West

Baker Michaels 4

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Your best suit is ♥s. But partner didn't ask you to bid ♥s, he asked you to pick a Minor. You know you will have an 8-card fit in ♦s so you take the safe approach and bid 3♦. Everybody passes.

Board 5

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q T 5

♥ 6

♦ K Q J T 8 4

♣ 9 7 4

♠ 8 6 3

♥ K 7 5 3 2

♦ A 9 7 5

♣ Q

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A K J 9 4 2

♥ A Q

♦ 3 2

♣ A 8 6

♠ 7

♥ J T 9 8 4

♦ 6

♣ K J T 5 3 2

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

4♥ by North

Baker Michaels 5

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Of course you bid a Michaels Cue-Bid of 2♠. Partner says 4♥.

Partner's jump might indicate he has a really good hand, or he might just have a really good fit. You certainly don't have the strength to make another move so you pass. A good thing, too. Partner might get lucky and make this but it looks like the other guys are cold for 4♠. Even if partner loses 2 ♥ tricks and goes down 1 it will turn out to be a good sacrifice.