

**Board 1**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ T 9 8 3 2

♥ Q 4 3

♦ 5 4

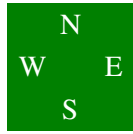
♣ A 8 5

♠ K Q

♥ K 8 7 5

♦ A 9

♣ K Q T 9 2



♠ J 7 6 4

♥ -

♦ J T 8 6 3 2

♣ J 7 4

♠ A 5

♥ A J T 9 6 2

♦ K Q 7

♣ 6 3

rebid shows better than average strength and six trumps.

Just what NORTH was hoping for. She bids Blackwood - her plan is to bid 7

if SOUTH has three Aces, bid 6

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	2NT	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	5 ♥
Pass	6 ♥	All Pass	

if he has two Aces,

and stop at 5

6 ♥ by North

if he has just one. If South has no Aces NORTH will get a new partner.

# Board 2

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 8 3  
♥ 8 6 4 2  
♦ A T 7 6 3  
♣ 9 4

♠ K J 9 7 2

♥ A 9 5

♦ Q 5

♣ K Q T

N  
W E  
S

♠ 5

♥ T 3

♦ 9 8 4 2

♣ A 8 7 6 3 2

♠ A Q T 6 4

♥ K Q J 7

♦ K J

♣ J 5

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

4 ♠ by South

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SOUTH indicates an above normal opening with five  
by her 3NT rebid.

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

.

Despite both partners showing extra strength South  
merely signs of at 4 Why? Because NORTH's

Control bid of 4

denied first-round control in both and

s. SOUTH realized she was off two Aces.

**Board 3**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ T 9 4 2

♥ T 9 3 2

♦ A 6

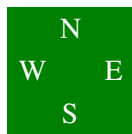
♣ A 6 5

♠ A 7 6 3

♥ A Q 8 4

♦ 9 4

♣ K Q 2



♠ -

♥ 6 5

♦ K J T 7 3 2

♣ J T 9 7 3

♠ K Q J 8 5

♥ K J 7

♦ Q 8 5

♣ 8 4

West

North

East

South

Pass

2NT

Pass

1 ♠

4 ♠

All Pass

4 ♠ by South

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

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

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

to initiate the investigation herself.

**Board 4**

South Deals

Both Vul

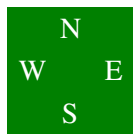
♠ K J T 9 2  
♥ 3  
♦ A 8 6 2  
♣ T 7 3

♠ A 7 6 5

♥ Q J T 7

♦ K Q 7 5

♣ 4



♠ 3

♥ 9 6 5

♦ J T 9 3

♣ A Q 8 6 2

♠ Q 8 4

♥ A K 8 4 2

♦ 4

♣ K J 9 5

West

North

East

South

Pass

4♣

Pass

1♥

All Pass

4♥

4♥ by South

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NORTH's 4 is a Splinter bid.

He promises 13+ points, at least four

s and a singleton or void in s.

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

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

game.

**Board 5**

South Deals

None Vul

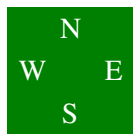
♠ 3  
♥ A T 2  
♦ A T 7 6 5 3  
♣ 6 5 4

♠ K J 7 5

♥ K 6

♦ K Q 9 8

♣ J 8 3



♠ T 2

♥ 9 8 5 4 3

♦ 4

♣ A T 9 7 2

♠ A Q 9 8 6 4

♥ Q J 7

♦ J 2

♣ K Q

West

North

East

South

Pass

2NT

Pass

1 ♠

Pass

4 ♠

All Pass

3 ♠

4 ♠ by North

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

NORTH's failure to make a Control bid in either s,

s

or

s, means just one thing -

She doesn't have any controls.

So SOUTH settles for game.