

Deal 1North Deals
None Vul

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



<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	6 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 ♠ by North			

NORTH realizes SOUTH has fewer than 8 points, but the 3♦ support bid is enough

for her to try a RKCB 4 NT bid.

SOUTH shows two Key Cards and NORTH figures they will be the ♠K and one of the

red Aces. So she bids 6♦. If instead the Key Cards are the two red Aces NORTH

might possibly make all thirteen tricks with a finesse.

Deal 2

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

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♠ K Q J 5
 ♥ A K 6 5 2
 ♦ 6
 ♣ A K Q

<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 South			

NORTH's 3

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bid is "encouraging" so SOUTH bids 4 NT.

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

other Ace. To find out about the

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Q he

bids 5

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, the Queen Ask.

NORTH has the

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Q but no King so she jumps

to 6

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Deal 3
 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



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 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 4
 South Deals
 None Vul

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

	♠ Q 4
	♥ 3 2
	♦ A 9 8 6
	♣ J 9 7 4 2

$\begin{matrix} 17 \\ 4 \quad 7 \\ 12 \end{matrix}$	♠ 8 5
	♥ K Q 9 6 4
	♦ 7 3

♣ A K 8 5

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

Pass
 6 ♥ by South

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

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

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

to 6
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when SOUTH shows two Key Cards and the trump Queen.