

Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 7 5 2
♥ J 10 9 5 2
♦ A 8 4
♣ 9 4

8
5 6
21

♠ A 8 4
♥ A 8 7 3
♦ 10 9 5
♣ 7 5 2



♠ K Q J 9 6
♥ 4
♦ K Q J 7
♣ A K Q

♠ 10 3
♥ K Q 6
♦ 6 3 2
♣ J 10 8 6 3

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

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

SOUTH makes a slam try.

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

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, 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

North Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 5
♥ A 9 7 6
♦ 10 9 3 2
♣ J 9 4

17
5 2
16

West

North

East

South

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♠ by South

1 ♥

4 ♠

5 ♦

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

1 ♠

4 NT

6 ♠

♠ K 10 7 4
♥ K Q J 8 4
♦ A 6
♣ A 3



♠ A Q 8 6 3 2
♥ 5
♦ K Q 7
♣ K Q 5

♠ J
♥ 10 3 2
♦ J 8 5 4
♣ 10 8 7 6 2

NORTH jumps to 4[♠], confident that SOUTH could make 10 tricks

even if he just has 6 points.

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

NORTH's 5

[♠]₁

response shows zero or three Keycards.

So which is it? Zero or three?

NORTH bid much too strongly to have no Aces. SOUTH

bids a confident 6[♠], knowing NORTH has either three Aces or two Aces plus the

[♠] 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.