

Deal 1North Deals
None Vul

♠ 2
 ♥ A K J
 ♦ J 10 6 3 2
 ♣ A 9 7 2

♠ A K 7 5 4
 ♥ 10 8 5
 ♦ A K
 ♣ 8 5 4

	N		E	
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♠ 10
 ♥ 9 6 4 3
 ♦ 9 7 5
 ♣ K Q 10 6 3

♠ Q J 9 8 6 3
 ♥ Q 7 2
 ♦ Q 8 4
 ♣ J

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
4 ♠ by North			
Lead: ♣ K			

You are West. The bidding has been as shown. Partner led the ♣ K, dummy's singleton was played and it is your play.

When you have made your choice

East will look at your ♣ 9 and perhaps think for an instant that you want him to play another ♣.

But it will be a short instant because a look at dummy makes it absolutely clear to everybody that playing another ♣ could not help your side. Dummy has so many trumps that repeated ♣ leads would do nothing.

OK. If it's not an encouraging Attitude signal, what is it? Suit preference of course. Since it is a high spot card you are asking East to switch to the higher suit (choosing between ♦s and ♥s).

East dutifully plays a ♥ and you take the next three tricks. Had he switched to a ♦ instead, North would have been able to discard one of his ♥ losers on South's ♦ Q.

Deal 2East Deals
None Vul

♠ A 10 6
 ♥ A K Q 4
 ♦ Q 10 3
 ♣ Q J 2

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 11 6

West 4 ♠
 4 ♠ by East
 Lead: ♣ A

♠ 8 3
 ♥ J 10 6 2
 ♦ K J 9 5 4 2
 ♣ 3

♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2
 ♥ 8 5
 ♦ 6
 ♣ 10 7 5

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♠ 5
 ♥ 9 7 3
 ♦ A 8 7
 ♣ A K 9 8 6 4

North East South
 3 ♠ Pass
 Pass Pass

You are North. The bidding has been as shown. Partner led the ♣ A. Seeing your ♣ 3 he next played the ♦ A. What will you play on this trick?

When you have made your choice

Normally with this holding you would play the ♦ 9 to encourage South to play a second ♦ through dummy's ♦ Q T.

But this time you really want him to take his ♣ K. So play the discouraging ♦ 2 and hope he gets the message to go back to ♣ s. If he does play the ♣ K next it will win and he can then give you a ♣ ruff.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 8 5

♥ K Q 8 5 3

♦ 9 6 2

♣ J 4

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6 6
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West

♠ 6 4 2
♥ 9 6 4
♦ K Q 8 3
♣ K 7 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J 10 7 3
♥ J 7 2
♦ 10 7 5
♣ A 9 5

♠ A K Q
♥ A 10
♦ A J 4
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

North

East

South

Pass

3 NT

Pass

2 NT

Pass

Pass

3 NT by South

Lead: ♥ 5

You are East. The bidding has been as shown. Partner led the ♥ 5, you put on the ♥ J, South won with the ♥ A. The second trick was ♦ A, ♦ 2, ♦ 3, ♦ 5. The third trick was ♦ J, ♦ 6, ♦ 8, ♦ 7. South then put the ♣ Q on the table.

When you have made your choice

Does it look to you like South is trying to create an entry to dummy so he can cash the 2 ♦ winners? That's what he wants it to look like, hoping someone holds up their ♣ A.

But don't believe Declarer, believe your partner. On the first ♦ West played the ♦ 2. On the second ♦ he played the ♦ 6. He has an odd number of ♦s, obviously 3. And South must also have a third one, so he is up to some trickery with that ♣ Q.

So grab your ♣ A and return partner's ♥ suit.

Deal 4West Deals
None Vul

♠ A Q J 2
 ♥ J 10 3
 ♦ A K 10
 ♣ J 10 3

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♠ 10 3
 ♥ K Q 8 5
 ♦ 9 7 5 4
 ♣ Q 8 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 NT	Pass	2 ♥	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	5 NT	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
6 ♠ by West			
Lead: ♠ 5			

♠ 7 5
 ♥ 9 7 4 2
 ♦ 8 6 2
 ♣ 7 6 5 2

♠ K 9 8 6 4
 ♥ A 6
 ♦ Q J 3
 ♣ A K 9

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W E
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You are South. The bidding has been as shown. The 2 ♥ bid was a transfer. The 5 NT bid meant to choose either 6 ♠ or 6 NT. West liked the suit. Partner led the ♠ 5, won by West's ♠ Q. West pulls one more trump with his ♠ A, then wins three high ♦s. Next comes dummy's ♥ A on which he plays the ♥ 3 and North plays the ♥ 9. Then he leads dummy's ♥ 6 which you win with the ♥ Q. On this trick West drops the ♥ J and North the ♥ 2. It is your play.

When you have made your choice

If you believe West is now out of ♥s then you shoud not play your ♥ K because it would give him a ruff-sluff.

But you shouldn't believe West when your partner has sent you a clear signal

that he holds an EVEN number of ♥s. In this case an even number must be 4 which means that West has one more ♥. So you play your ♥ K. He ruffs in dummy of course, but then has no way to get rid of that ♣ loser when the finesse fails.

If you had not been paying attention to North's signal you might have decided to risk a ♣ lead - with a disastrous result.

Deal 5

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 8 7 5 2
 ♥ 10 5
 ♦ 9 7 4 3
 ♣ Q 2

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West	North	East	South
		1♣	Pass
Pass	1♥	Pass	2♣
Pass	4♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4♥ by North			
Lead: ♣ A			

♠ K J 3
 ♥ K Q 7 6 4 3
 ♦ K 10
 ♣ J 9



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

♠ 6 4
 ♥ A J 8
 ♦ A Q J 6
 ♣ 8 7 5 4

You are East. The bidding has been as shown. You led the ♣ A, West played the ♣ 2 and North the ♣ 9. What should you play to the second trick?

When you have made your choice

On first thought West's ♣ 2 seems to be a discouraging signal. Think again.

After the first trick you know the location of every ♣ except the ♣ Q and ♣ J. If West started with ♣ J 2 he would have signaled with the ♣ J. If West started with ♣ Q J 2 he would have signaled with the ♣ Q. Since he did neither he started either with singleton ♣ 2 or with ♣ Q 2. In either case you should play a low ♣ now which he will either win with his ♣ Q or he will ruff.

It turns out that he wins with the ♣ Q,

then leads a ♣ back to your ♣ A Q.

Deal 6

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A K 7 5 4

♥ 10 8 5

♦ A K

♣ 8 5 4

♠ 2

♥ A K J

♦ J 10 6 3 2

♣ A 9 7 2

N
W E
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♠ 10

♥ 9 6 4 3

♦ 9 7 5

♣ K Q 10 6 3

♠ Q J 9 8 6 3

♥ Q 7 2

♦ Q 8 4

♣ J

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Deal 7

South Deals	♠ 8 3
Both Vul	♥ J 10 6 2
	♦ K J 9 5 4 2
	♣ 3
♠ A 10 6	♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2
♥ A K Q 4	♥ 8 5
♦ Q 10 3	♦ 6
♣ Q J 2	♣ 10 7 5
	♠ 5
18 5 6 11	♥ 9 7 3
	♦ A 8 7
	♣ A K 9 8 6 4

N
W E
S

Deal 8

West Deals ♠ 6 4 2
None Vul ♥ 9 6 4
 ♦ K Q 8 3
 ♣ K 7 3

♠ 9 8 5 ♠ J 10 7 3
♥ K Q 8 5 3 N
♦ 9 6 2 W E
♣ J 4 S

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6 6
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♠ A K Q
♥ A 10
♦ A J 4
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

Deal 9

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 7 5
♥ 9 7 4 2
♦ 8 6 2
♣ 7 6 5 2

♠ A Q J 2
♥ J 10 3
♦ A K 10
♣ J 10 3

N
W E
S

♠ K 9 8 6 4
♥ A 6
♦ Q J 3
♣ A K 9

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♠ 10 3
♥ K Q 8 5
♦ 9 7 5 4
♣ Q 8 4

Deal 10

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ K J 3

♥ K Q 7 6 4 3

♦ K 10

♣ J 9

♠ 9 8 7 5 2

♥ 10 5

♦ 9 7 4 3

♣ Q 2

N
W E
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♠ A Q 10

♥ 9 2

♦ 8 5 2

♣ A K 10 6 3

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♠ 6 4
♥ A J 8
♦ A Q J 6
♣ 8 7 5 4

Deal 11

♠ A K 7 5 4

South Deals ♥ 10 8 5

None Vul ♦ A K

♣ 8 5 4

♠ 2

♥ A K J

♦ J 10 6 3 2

♣ A 9 7 2

N
W E
S

♠ 10

♥ 9 6 4 3

♦ 9 7 5

♣ K Q 10 6 3

♠ Q J 9 8 6 3

♥ Q 7 2

♦ Q 8 4

♣ J

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13 5

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Deal 12

West Deals
N-S Vul
♠ A 10 6
♥ A K Q 4
♦ Q 10 3
♣ Q J 2

♠ 8 3
♥ J 10 6 2
♦ K J 9 5 4 2
♣ 3

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♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2
♥ 8 5
♦ 6
♣ 10 7 5

♠ 5
♥ 9 7 3
♦ A 8 7
♣ A K 9 8 6 4

18 5 6
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Deal 13

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

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6 6
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N
W E
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♠ A K Q
♥ A 10
♦ A J 4
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

Deal 14

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 75

♥ 9742

♦ 862

♣ 7652

♠ A Q J 2

♥ J 10 3

♦ A K 10

♣ J 10 3

N
W E
S

♠ K 9 8 6 4

♥ A 6

♦ Q J 3

♣ A K 9

♠ 10 3
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♥ K Q 8 5
♦ 9 7 5 4
♣ Q 8 4

Deal 15 ♠ K J 3
South Deals ♥ K Q 7 6 4 3
N-S Vul ♦ K 10
 ♣ J 9

♠ 9 8 7 5 2
♥ 10 5
♦ 9 7 4 3
♣ Q 2

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2 13
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N
W E
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♠ A Q 10
♥ 9 2
♦ 8 5 2
♣ A K 10 6 3

♠ 6 4
♥ A J 8
♦ A Q J 6
♣ 8 7 5 4

Deal 16

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A K 7 5 4

♥ 10 8 5

♦ A K

♣ 8 5 4

♠ 2

♥ A K J

♦ J 10 6 3 2

♣ A 9 7 2

N
W E
S

♠ 10

♥ 9 6 4 3

♦ 9 7 5

♣ K Q 10 6 3

♠ Q J 9 8 6 3

♥ Q 7 2

♦ Q 8 4

♣ J

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13 5

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Deal 17

North Deals
None Vul
**♠ A 10 6
♥ A K Q 4
♦ Q 10 3
♣ Q J 2**

**♠ 8 3
♥ J 10 6 2
♦ K J 9 5 4 2
♣ 3**

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	S	

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

**♠ 5
♥ 9 7 3
♦ A 8 7
♣ A K 9 8 6 4**

**18 5 6
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Deal 18

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 6 4 2

♥ 9 6 4

♦ K Q 8 3

♣ K 7 3

♠ 9 8 5

♥ K Q 8 5 3

♦ 9 6 2

♣ J 4

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6 6
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W N E S

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

Deal 19

South Deals	♠ 7 5
E-W Vul	♥ 9 7 4 2
	♦ 8 6 2
	♣ 7 6 5 2
♠ A Q J 2	♠ K 9 8 6 4
♥ J 10 3	♥ A 6
♦ A K 10	♦ Q J 3
♣ J 10 3	♣ A K 9
16 17 7	♠ 10 3 ♥ K Q 8 5 ♦ 9 7 5 4 ♣ Q 8 4

Deal 20

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ K J 3
♥ K Q 7 6 4 3
♦ K 10
♣ J 9

♠ 9 8 7 5 2
♥ 10 5
♦ 9 7 4 3
♣ Q 2

N
W E
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♠ A Q 10
♥ 9 2
♦ 8 5 2
♣ A K 10 6 3

♠ 6 4
♥ A J 8
♦ A Q J 6
♣ 8 7 5 4

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Deal 21 ♠ A K 7 5 4

North Deals ♥ 10 8 5

N-S Vul ♦ A K

♣ 8 5 4

♠ 2

♥ A K J

♦ J 10 6 3 2

♣ A 9 7 2

N
W E
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♠ 10

♥ 9 6 4 3

♦ 9 7 5

♣ K Q 10 6 3

♠ Q J 9 8 6 3

♥ Q 7 2

♦ Q 8 4

♣ J

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13 5

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Deal 22

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 8 3
♥ J 10 6 2
♦ K J 9 5 4 2
♣ 3

♠ A 10 6
♥ A K Q 4
♦ Q 10 3
♣ Q J 2

N
W E
S

♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2
♥ 8 5
♦ 6
♣ 10 7 5

♠ 5
♥ 9 7 3
♦ A 8 7
♣ A K 9 8 6 4

18 5 6
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Deal 23

South Deals
Both Vul

♠ 9 8 5
♥ K Q 8 5 3
♦ 9 6 2
♣ J 4



♠ 6 4 2
♥ 9 6 4
♦ K Q 8 3
♣ K 7 3

♠ J 10 7 3
♥ J 7 2
♦ 10 7 5
♣ A 9 5

♠ A K Q
♥ A 10
♦ A J 4
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

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6 6
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Deal 24

West Deals	♠ 7 5
None Vul	♥ 9 7 4 2
	♦ 8 6 2
	♣ 7 6 5 2
♠ A Q J 2	♠ K 9 8 6 4
♥ J 10 3	♥ A 6
♦ A K 10	♦ Q J 3
♣ J 10 3	♣ A K 9
	♠ 10 3
16 17 o 7	♥ K Q 8 5
	♦ 9 7 5 4
	♣ Q 8 4

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W E
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Deal 25 ♠ K J 3
North Deals ♥ K Q 7 6 4 3
E-W Vul ♦ K 10
 ♣ J 9

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

N
W E
S

♠ 6 4
13 ♥ A J 8
2 13 ♦ A Q J 6
12 ♣ 8 7 5 4

Deal 26

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ A K 7 5 4

♥ 10 8 5

♦ A K

♣ 8 5 4

♠ 2

♥ A K J

♦ J 10 6 3 2

♣ A 9 7 2

W N E S

♠ 10

♥ 9 6 4 3

♦ 9 7 5

♣ K Q 10 6 3

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13 5
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♠ Q J 9 8 6 3

♥ Q 7 2

♦ Q 8 4

♣ J

Deal 27

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A 10 6
♥ A K Q 4
♦ Q 10 3
♣ Q J 2

♠ 8 3
♥ J 10 6 2
♦ K J 9 5 4 2
♣ 3

N
W E
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♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2
♥ 8 5
♦ 6
♣ 10 7 5

♠ 5
♥ 9 7 3
♦ A 8 7
♣ A K 9 8 6 4

18 5 6
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Deal 28

West Deals	♠ 6 4 2
N-S Vul	♥ 9 6 4
	♦ K Q 8 3
	♣ K 7 3
♠ 9 8 5	♠ J 10 7 3
♥ K Q 8 5 3	♥ J 7 2
♦ 9 6 2	♦ 10 7 5
♣ J 4	♣ A 9 5
8	♠ A K Q
6 6	♥ A 10
20	♦ A J 4
	♣ Q 10 8 6 2



Deal 29

North Deals	♠ 7 5
Both Vul	♥ 9 7 4 2
	♦ 8 6 2
	♣ 7 6 5 2
♠ A Q J 2	♠ K 9 8 6 4
♥ J 10 3	♥ A 6
♦ A K 10	♦ Q J 3
♣ J 10 3	♣ A K 9
	♠ 10 3
16 17 o 7	♥ K Q 8 5
	♦ 9 7 5 4
	♣ Q 8 4

N
W E
S

Deal 30

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K J 3
♥ K Q 7 6 4 3
♦ K 10
♣ J 9

♠ 9 8 7 5 2
♥ 10 5
♦ 9 7 4 3
♣ Q 2

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2 13
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N
W E
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♠ A Q 10
♥ 9 2
♦ 8 5 2
♣ A K 10 6 3

♠ 6 4
♥ A J 8
♦ A Q J 6
♣ 8 7 5 4

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South Deals ♥ 10 8 5

N-S Vul ♦ A K

♣ 8 5 4

♠ 2

♥ A K J

♦ J 10 6 3 2

♣ A 9 7 2

N
W E
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♠ 10

♥ 9 6 4 3

♦ 9 7 5

♣ K Q 10 6 3

♠ Q J 9 8 6 3

♥ Q 7 2

♦ Q 8 4

♣ J

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Deal 32

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 8 3
♥ J 10 6 2
♦ K J 9 5 4 2
♣ 3

♠ A 10 6
♥ A K Q 4
♦ Q 10 3
♣ Q J 2

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W E
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♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2
♥ 8 5
♦ 6
♣ 10 7 5

♠ 5
♥ 9 7 3
♦ A 8 7
♣ A K 9 8 6 4

18 5 6
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Deal 33

North Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 8 5
♥ K Q 8 5 3
♦ 9 6 2
♣ J 4

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6 6
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N
W E
S

♠ A K Q
♥ A 10
♦ A J 4
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

♠ 6 4 2
♥ 9 6 4
♦ K Q 8 3
♣ K 7 3

♠ J 10 7 3
♥ J 7 2
♦ 10 7 5
♣ A 9 5

Deal 34

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 7 5
♥ 9 7 4 2
♦ 8 6 2
♣ 7 6 5 2

♠ A Q J 2
♥ J 10 3
♦ A K 10
♣ J 10 3

N
W E
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♠ K 9 8 6 4
♥ A 6
♦ Q J 3
♣ A K 9

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16 17
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♣ 10 3
♥ K Q 8 5
♦ 9 7 5 4
♣ Q 8 4

Deal 35

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

N
W E
S

♠ 6 4
13 ♥ A J 8
2 13 ♦ A Q J 6
12 ♣ 8 7 5 4