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Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

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



	♠ A K
7	♥ A Q 10 9 6
3 3	♦ A Q J 3
27	♣ A K

<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 NT
Pass	6 ♥	Pass	7 NT
ALL	Pass		
7 NT by South			

Deal 2

Deal 2

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 9 8 4 3

♥ Q 8 6

♦ 8 2

♣ 10 9 3

20

2 4

14

♠ K 7

♥ K 9

♦ A Q J 10 4

♣ A Q J 7



♠ A 6 2

♥ A 10 4

♦ K 7 5

♣ K 8 6 2

♠ Q J 5

♥ J 7 5 3 2

♦ 9 6 3

♣ 5 4

West	North	East	South
	1 ♦	Pass	2 NT
Pass	4 ♣	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	5 ♣	Pass	5 ♠
Pass	7 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			
7 NT by South			

NORTH is just shy of a 2nd opening bid, and when SOUTH shows 13-15 points NORTH

wants to be in a slam.

NORTH cannot use Blackwood because 4 NT would be a natural invitation, but with SOUTH's latest bid

being 2 NT he can use Gerber.

Two Major Aces and two Minor Kings fill the holes in NORTH's hand so he bids 7 NT.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ J 10 8 3 2
 ♥ A J 10 9 8 5
 ♦ 2
 ♣ 5

12
 6 8
 14

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

5 ♦ by South

♠ A K 5

♥ 7

♦ Q 10 6 5 3

♣ K 10 8 4



♠ 6

♥ K 4

♦ K J 9 7 4

♣ A Q J 9 2

North

3 ♦

4 ♠

5 ♦

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♦

4 ♣

4 NT

Pass

SOUTH thinks slam may be possible, so she uses Blackwood.

And that's what Blackwood is really good for - keeping you out of slams when you are

missing two Aces!

Deal 4

North Deals

None Vul

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

12
 5 7
 16

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♥ by South

♠ A Q J 7 3

♥ A J 8 6

♦ 5 3

♣ 8 7



♠ K 4

♥ K Q 10 9 5

♦ A 7 6

♣ A 5 4

North

1 ♠

3 ♥

5 ♥

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♥

4 NT

6 ♥

SOUTH knows NORTH has at least five
 â™ s, and they might provide discards for
 two or three

of her minor suit losers.

She tries Blackwood and, sure enough,
 NORTH comes through with two Aces.

Even with all the Aces SOUTH knows
 there are not enough points for Grand,

so she bids 6

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