

**Board 1**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 7 6 4

♥ -

♦ J T 8 6 3 2

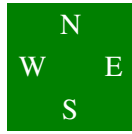
♣ J 7 4

♠ A 5

♥ A J T 9 6 2

♦ K Q 7

♣ 6 3



♠ 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

rebid shows better than average strength and six trumps.

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

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

if NORTH has three Aces, bid 6

if he has two Aces,

and stop at 5

6 ♥ by South

if he has just one. If North has no Aces SOUTH will get a new partner.

# Board 2

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K J 9 7 2  
♥ A 9 5  
♦ Q 5  
♣ K Q T

♠ 5

♥ T 3

♦ 9 8 4 2

♣ A 8 7 6 3 2

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♠ A Q T 6 4

♥ K Q J 7

♦ K J

♣ J 5

♠ 8 3

♥ 8 6 4 2

♦ A T 7 6 3

♣ 9 4

West

North

East

South

2NT

Pass

3NT

Pass

4♥

Pass

4♠

All Pass

4♠ by East

s. EAST realized she was off two Aces.

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

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

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

Control bid of 4

denied first-round control in both and

**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 ♠

All Pass

4 ♠

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**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q 8 4  
♥ A K 8 4 2  
♦ 4  
♣ K J 9 5

♠ 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

West

1 ♥

4 ♥

North

Pass

All Pass

East

4 ♣

South

Pass

4 ♥ by West

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EAST's 4 ♣ is a Splinter bid.

He promises 13+ points, at least four

s and a singleton or void in s.

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

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

game.

**Board 5**

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 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

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 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

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

Pass

2NT

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

4 ♠

All Pass

4 ♠ by South

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

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

s

or

s, means just one thing -

She doesn't have any controls.

So NORTH settles for game.