

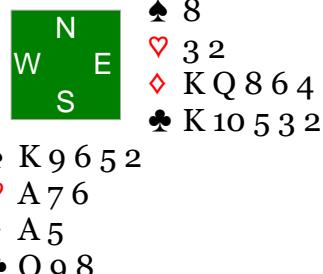
Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10
♥ 10 9 8 4
♦ 10 9 7 2
♣ A J 6 4

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5 8
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<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♠	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♥
Pass	6 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 ♠ by North			

This is the companion to Deal 4.

After NORTH bids $3\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$ to show shortage, SOUTH makes a Control-showing bid

of 3

\hat{a}^{TM}

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NORTH no longer worries about losing two quick

\hat{a}^{TM}

s. He uses

Blackwood to check for Aces, then bids $6\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$.

Deal 2East Deals
None Vul

♠ K Q
♥ K 8 7 5
♦ A 9
♣ K Q 10 9 2

5
17 14
4

♠ 10 9 7 4

♥ 3
♦ 10 8 6 5 2
♣ A J 7

♠ A 5
♥ A J 10 9 6 2
♦ K Q 7
♣ 6 3

♠ J 8 6 3 2
♥ Q 4
♦ J 4 3
♣ 8 5 4

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

EAST's 3

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rebid shows better than average strength and six trumps.

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

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if EAST has three Aces, bid 6

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if he has two Aces,

and stop at 5

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if he has just one. If East has no Aces WEST will get a new partner.

Deal 3
 South Deals
 None Vul

♠ —	♦ Q 5	♣ K Q 10
♥ 8 6 4 2	♦ A 10 7 6 4 2	♣ 8 4 2
	W N E	S

♠ A Q 10 6 4
 ♥ K Q J 7
 ♦ K J
 ♣ J 5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 NT
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

4 ♠ by South

SOUTH indicates an above normal opening with five \hat{a}^{TM} s by her 3 NT rebid.

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

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\ddot{Y}$

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Despite both partners showing extra strength South merely signs off at 4 \hat{a}^{TM} . Why? Because NORTH's

Control bid of 4

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\ddot{Y}$

denied first-round control in both \hat{a}^{TM} s and

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\ddot{I}$

s. SOUTH realized she was off two Aces.

Deal 4West Deals
None Vul

♠ K Q J 8 5
 ♥ K J 7
 ♦ Q 8 5
 ♣ 8 4

5
 12 15
 8

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

W	N
S	E

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 ♠	Pass	2 NT	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
4 ♠ by West			

WEST has a minimum opening hand with no extra features to brag about.

So after EAST's Jacoby 2 NT bid he merely signs off at 4 \hat{a} TM.

EAST would have cooperated if WEST had made a slam try, but she doesn't have enough

to initiate the investigation herself.