

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 9 2

♥ T 6

♦ J T 6 4 3

♣ T 5 4

♠ K 8 6

♥ A 9 3

♦ K Q 8

♣ A K J 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A J T 5 3

♥ 8

♦ 7 5

♣ Q 8 7 6 3

♠ 7 4

♥ K Q J 7 5 4 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ 9

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

6♥ by South

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After NORTH opens 2NT, SOUTH is pretty sure there will be a slam in

s.

But, the contract should be played from the NORTH side so the opening lead doesn't go through any vulnerable

holding NORTH might have.

SOUTH transfers NORTH to

s, then uses Blackwood to be sure they aren't

off two Aces. Missing one Ace he settles for 6

Board 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 7 3 2

♥ T 4

♦ J 9 3

♣ A Q 8 3 2

♠ K 9 8 5

♥ Q 7

♦ K 8 7

♣ J 9 6 5

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q J T 4	
♥ A 9 8 6 2	
♦ Q T 2	
♣ 4	

♠ A 6

♥ K J 5 3

♦ A 6 5 4

♣ K T 7

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	2NT	All Pass	

2 NT by North

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NORTH has an invitational hand, (9 points), after SOUTH's 1NT opening.

With a 4-card suit she uses Stayman.

SOUTH then shows his 4-card

suit.

With no

fit, NORTH can only invite with 2NT, an invitation which

SOUTH declines.

Board 3

South Deals
E-W Vul

♠ J T 3 2
♥ T 4 2
♦ 7
♣ A J 8 7 5

♠ K 9 8 6 4
♥ A K 5 3
♦ J 8
♣ 6 4

N
W E
S

♠ Q
♥ 9 8 7
♦ Q T 9 6 4 3
♣ K 3 2

♠ A 7 5
♥ Q J 6
♦ A K 5 2
♣ Q T 9

West	North	East	South
Pass	2♣	Pass	1NT
Pass	3♠	Pass	2♦
All Pass			4♠

4 ♠ by South

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Because NORTH holds a 4-card Major suit, (

s), he starts his

responses with Stayman.

SOUTH denies holding any 4-card Major suit so
NORTH gives up on

s.

He next bids showing five of them. He jumps to
3 giving SOUTH the choice
between 4 or 3NT.

With three trumps SOUTH chooses 4 .

Board 4

South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 9 4
♥ A 9 3
♦ 8 7 4
♣ T 8 7 2

♠ Q 8 6 5

♥ K 7 6 4

♦ A 3 2

♣ 5 4

N
W E
S

♠ T 2
♥ T 8 5
♦ K Q T 9 6
♣ A 9 3

♠ A K 7 3
♥ Q J 2
♦ J 5
♣ K Q J 6

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

4 ♠ by East

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NORTH has a poor 9 points, but does have two 4-card Majors. So he uses Stayman.

When SOUTH bids ♠ NORTH isn't strong enough to bid game herself, so she temporizes

with a 3♦ invitation.

SOUTH has a full 17 points so he accepts the invitation.

Board 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9 4 3
♥ K 4 2
♦ J 7 6
♣ 9 5 3

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

♠ J T 8 7 6 5
♥ 9
♦ A Q 5
♣ T 7 2

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

4 ♠ by North

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 SOUTH, with 9 points and a 6-card suit, knows they should play in s.

The question is: how high?

SOUTH transfers NORTH to s then invites by raising to 3 .

NORTH has only two trumps, (good ones, admittedly), but she has a maximum 17 point hand.

So she bids the game.