

1

♠ KQ72	
♥ Q53	
♦ K10	
♣ AJ75	
♠ 543	♠ AJ10
♥ A97	♥ J6
♦ A43	♦ Q985
♣ Q843	♣ K1092
	♠ 986
	♥ K10842
	♦ J762
	♣ 6

Dealer: North
 Neither Vulnerable

West	North	East	South
	1 NT	Pass	2 ♦
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening Lead: ♠ 9

South has a weak hand and bids 2D as a transfer. North accepts the transfer by bidding 2H and South then passes. This leaves N in a makeable 2H contract and the strong hand remains hidden.

2

♠ 82	
♥ 972	
♦ 108753	
♣ K54	
♠ AJ93	♠ KQ1064
♥ K108	♥ AQJ
♦ AQ4	♦ J2
♣ J103	♣ 972
	♠ 75
	♥ 6543
	♦ K96
	♣ AQ86

Dealer: East
 N-S Vulnerable

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

Opening Lead:

W bids 2NT to show 4 card support and 13 plus HCP. E rebids at the 4 level to show a basic opener which W who has a flat hand is happy to pass.

3

♠ K732	
♥ 987	
♦ KJ3	
♣ KJ5	
♠ J8	♠ 54
♥ AK105	♥ J62
♦ 1062	♦ A9875
♣ 10973	♣ 864
	♠ AQ1096
	♥ Q43
	♦ Q4
	♣ AQ2

Dealer: South
 E-W Vulnerable

West	North	East	South
			1 NT
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening Lead: ♥ A

W should lead AH ... asking for attitude. E should play the 6 saying no p, I do not have a shortage and I do not hold the Q. W then switches to a trump to defeat the contract. How do you pick 6H as E's highest? A couple of clues: which ones can you see that are missing? why did declarer NOT play the 2? Tip for declarers - the 2 is a very telling card. You should think twice before showing that you have it.

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♠ 732	
♥ 854	
♦ A85	
♣ AJ107	
♠ A10	♠ QJ964
♥ A7	♥ KJ963
♦ KQ107	♦ 92
♣ KQ932	♣ 8
	♠ K85
	♥ Q102
	♦ J643
	♣ 654

Dealer: West
 Both Vulnerable

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

Opening Lead:

W reverses, bidding C first and then bidding beyond his opening suit, beyond 2C by bidding 2D. This promises 16 plus HCP. Once E explains his hand by showing a repeat in Hs W puts E back to the first bid suit in case it is a 6 card suit. NTs in a misfit is rarely a good option as transport between hands becomes problematic.

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♠ AKJ87
 ♥ 98
 ♦ J72
 ♣ K32

♠ 106
 ♥ K1042
 ♦ K1084
 ♣ J84

♠ 92
 ♥ J53
 ♦ AQ963
 ♣ Q95

♠ Q543
 ♥ AQ76
 ♦ 5
 ♣ A1076

Dealer: North
 N-S Vulnerable

West	North	East	South
	1 ♠	Pass	4 ♦
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening Lead:

South is able to splinter on the way to game. With the recalculation by N after the splinter, and falling short of 26 TP, N stops in game.

6

♠ 97643
 ♥ J107
 ♦ 109
 ♣ A107

♠ A5
 ♥ Q63
 ♦ J743
 ♣ KQ42

♠ 2
 ♥ AK952
 ♦ AK52
 ♣ 983

♠ KQJ108
 ♥ 84
 ♦ Q86
 ♣ J65

Dealer: East
 E-W Vulnerable

West	North	East	South
		1 ♥	1 ♠
4 ♥	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Dbl	Pass	?	

Opening Lead:

W makes an immediate raise to game anxious to cut out further interference by the opposition. N bids 4Ss easily at this vulnerability. E is in difficulties doubling with his spade holding. W should X giving p option of penalties or bidding 5H. In fact 5H does not make on this hand but 4SX goes 3 light and is a steal for the NS pair bidding according to LTT

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♠ A84
 ♥ A84
 ♦ Q109632
 ♣ 5

♠ 97
 ♥ Q92
 ♦ 85
 ♣ K109864

♠ KJ1062
 ♥ 76
 ♦ A7
 ♣ QJ72

♠ Q53
 ♥ KJ1053
 ♦ KJ4
 ♣ A3

Dealer: South
 Both Vulnerable

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	4 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening Lead:

N uses Aussie Bergen to explain 3 card H support and 10 to 12 HCP. With this information S decides with shape there is enough to go to straight to game.

8

♠ K873
 ♥ 97
 ♦ 94
 ♣ A9732

♠ QJ4
 ♥ AQJ
 ♦ KQJ7
 ♣ J84

♠ A102
 ♥ 8653
 ♦ A10632
 ♣ Q

♠ 965
 ♥ K1042
 ♦ 85
 ♣ K1065

Dealer: West
 Neither Vulnerable

West	North	East	South
1 NT	Pass	2 ♣	Pass
3 NT	Pass	5 ♦	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening Lead:

E uses Puppet Stayman and receives the reply 3NT, no 5 card major, no 4 card major, max points. E takes the safer line of moving the partnership into 5D. The lucky slam of 6D should not be bid as it relies on two successful finesses.

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♠ A10743	
♥ KJ72	
♦ A10	
♣ J2	
♠ Q82	♠ J5
♥ 85	♥ Q10643
♦ K7	♦ 9652
♣ AQ8754	♣ K9
	♠ K96
	♥ A9
	♦ QJ843
	♣ 1063

Dealer: North
 E-W Vulnerable

West	North	East	South
	1 ♠	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening Lead:

S does an Aussie Bergen raise in response to ps 1S opener. 3H, which must be alerted, shows 3 card spade support and 10 to 12 HCP. N decides with shape that is enough for game.

10

♠ J64	
♥ AK	
♦ 5432	
♣ J984	
♠ A1075	♠ KQ832
♥ J2	♥ 986
♦ J109	♦ K76
♣ AQ75	♣ K2
	♠ 9
	♥ Q107543
	♦ AQ8
	♣ 1063

Dealer: East
 Both Vulnerable

West	North	East	South

Opening Lead:

11

♠ 9543	
♥ AK5	
♦ KQ873	
♣ 8	
♠ J7	♠ 62
♥ 74	♥ Q108
♦ J4	♦ A1062
♣ AK65432	♣ J1097
	♠ AKQ108
	♥ J9632
	♦ 95
	♣ Q

Dealer: South
 Neither Vulnerable

West	North	East	South

Opening Lead:

12

♠ AK10	
♥ 107	
♦ QJ98	
♣ J874	
♠ Q72	♠ 9643
♥ AJ852	♥ Q963
♦ 6	♦ 7432
♣ 10965	♣ 3
	♠ J85
	♥ K4
	♦ AK105
	♣ AKQ2

Dealer: West
 N-S Vulnerable

West	North	East	South
2 ♥	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening Lead:

EW are not vul against vul ops. Remember ... not vul against vul ... licence to thrill! W opens 2H and immediately gives N problems with 11 HCP on whether to bid at all. If N passes or if N doubles .. E should not hesitate. With 2 HCP and knowing p has a max of 10 opposite game is on for the ops and it is a vulnerable game. With E shape you could be bold and bid 4H. What is S going to do? You will be doubled but you can afford to go 3 light for 500 and a top board while other pairs either bid the NT or the minor game. Daylight robbery thanks to Muiderberg 2s!

13

♠ AK10
 ♥ AKJ107542
 ♦ 64
 ♣

♠ 2
 ♥ Q93
 ♦ 102
 ♣ KQJ10864

♠ QJ643
 ♥ 86
 ♦ AQJ8
 ♣ A3

Dealer: North
 Both Vulnerable

West	North	East	South
	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♠
Pass	6 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening Lead:

S's 2S response promises at least 5 spades and 7+ points. He shows 2 key cards and QS in response to the RKCB bid. Although he knows there is at least an 8-card fit in S's, N has 8 H's of his own - any that S may have are a bonus. The knowledge that QS and two black aces are with S makes 6H almost bomb-proof.

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♠ A98
 ♥ K52
 ♦ AJ92
 ♣ K62

♠ 5
 ♥ QJ4
 ♦ Q876
 ♣ J10854

♠ J72
 ♥ A9763
 ♦ K43
 ♣ AQ

♠ KQ10643
 ♥ 108
 ♦ 105
 ♣ 973

Dealer: East
 Neither Vulnerable

West	North	East	South
		1 ♥	1 ♠
2 ♥	3 ♥	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening Lead:

N can cue bid to ask p how good was that overcall. S confirms it was very weak.

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♠ K7532
 ♥ K2
 ♦ K652
 ♣ A2

♠ AQ
 ♥ J973
 ♦ QJ7
 ♣ J975

♠ J108
 ♥ 1054
 ♦ 943
 ♣ 10643

Dealer: South
 N-S Vulnerable

West	North	East	South

Opening Lead: