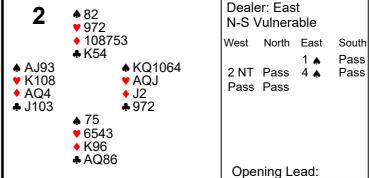
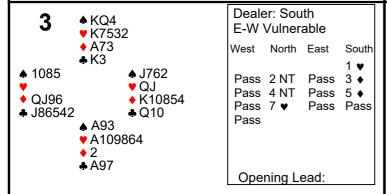


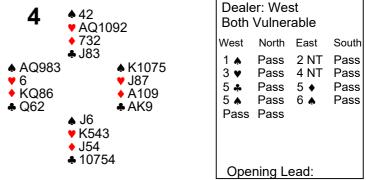
South bids 2NT to show four card support and 13 plus HCP and no singleton or void. North shows the shortage but with values in the short suit South is turned off. South has only 10 TP leaving the partnership well short to 26 TP.



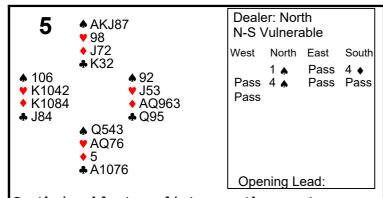
W bids 2NT to show 4 card support and 13 plus HCP. E rebids at the 4 level to show a basic opener which W who has a flat hand is happy to pass.



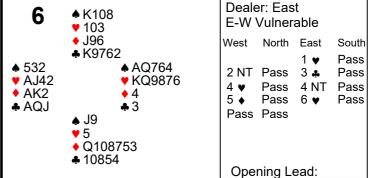
When South shows a singleton or void in diamonds, all that remains for North is to check on aces. South shows three. Now North can see that there are no losers.



E bids 2NT to show at least 4 card support and 13 plus points. After W shows the shortage E does the calculation to 26. Provided the QS is in partners hand a slam looks sure. E uses RKCB and gets the answer 1 or 3. A Q check with the next suit up shows the Q is held allowing E to bid 6S



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.



After learning of the club shortage W is turned off as the magic 26 cannot be reached. However in this instance E knows he has a 4 loser hand despite low points and decides to Keycard anyway. It is a risky slam based upon the spade finesse working. A 50 50 slam in teams should definitely be bid.