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Week 13 Slam Bidding part 3



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**Nothing new this week – just a revision of existing material.**

### **Jump Shift**

A change of suit and a jump over partner's last bid. It must be reserved for hands with Slam potential.

The Jump Shifter rebid sets the suit – no argument.

Jump Shift is forcing to game. Invitational to slam.

### **Quantative bidding**

Quantative bidding helps decide if a NT slam is viable.

It is not a convention, but a natural bid of 4NT after partner's NT bid.

Do we have enough HCP for 6NT? Maximum 6NT, minimum Pass.



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### Blackwood

Blackwood **asks** partner how many aces they have

Is a slam viable? Ask partner how many Aces they have.

- After a suit bid (not a NT bid) by partner
- And you KNOW what suit a slam might be played in
- And you know there are enough points to make a slam plausible
- And you have NO VOID.
- And (between you) you have first or second round control of all 4 suits

Response is: 5♣ = 0/4 Aces; 5♦ = 1 Ace; 5♥ = 2 Aces; 5♠ = 3 Aces.

If sufficient Aces, bid the slam, otherwise retreat to agreed suit at lowest possible level.

Do not use Blackwood if the wrong reply takes you past the opt-out bid.



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### Cue bidding

Cue bidding **tells** partner what you have.

- After explicitly agreeing a suit, then a suit bid at the lowest level is a cue bid. “I have first round control of this suit.” (Ace or void).
- Any lower suits that are skipped say I do NOT have first round control of those suits.
- You do not cue bid the agreed trump suit. Sign off with a bid in the trump suit.
- The player starting Cue bidding should **normally** have the Ace of trumps.
- Blackwood can be used after Cue bidding.
- If first round control has been dealt with, a cue bid in that suit is second round control (King or singleton).



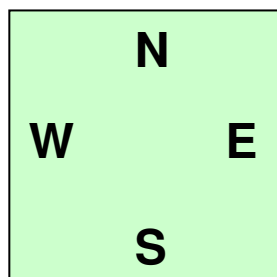
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Hand 1 (Cue bid)

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



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

W	N	E	S
1S	P	3S	P
4D (1)	P	4H (2)	P
4S (3)	P	P	P

(1) FRC♦, denies FRC♣.

(2) FRC♥.

(3) Opt out.

No club control, so opt out into 4S, leaving space for East to show FRC♣. (Hence do not show SRC♦).



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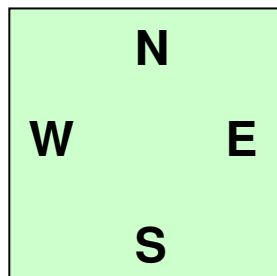


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Hand 1 (Blackwood)

W	N	E	S
1S	P	3S	P
4NT	P	5D	P
5S	P	P	P

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



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

Blackwood usage says “(between you) you have first or second round control of all 4 suits”. No club control, so Blackwood is unsuitable.

But is used, you want two aces as a reply. You have opted out one level higher than with Cue bidding.



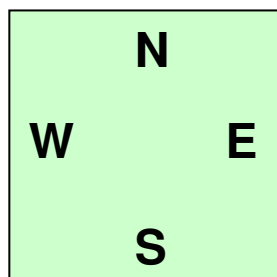
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Hand 2 (similar) (Cue bidding)

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



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

W	N	E	S
1S	P	3S	P
4D	P	4H	P
4S (1)	P	5C (2)	P
5D	P	5S (3)	P
6S (4)	P	P	P

- (1) Opt out.
- (2) Restart showing FRC♣.
- (3) Opt out.
- (4) One ♣ loser and iffy trumps, but go for it.

Using Blackwood is again improper,  
 but you would be lucky with 2 aces here.



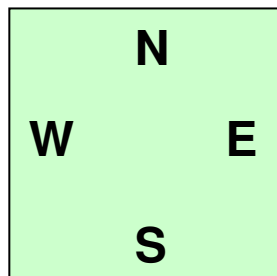
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Hand 3 (Blackwood)

♠ K Q 3  
 ♥ 3  
 ♦ K Q J 6 5 4  
 ♣ A K Q



♠ 9 7  
 ♥ A K 6  
 ♦ A 9 7 2  
 ♣ 9 8 7 4

W	N	E	S
2D	P	4D	P
4NT (1)	P	5H (2)	P
6D	P	P	P

(1) Has FRC or SRC in each suit. 0 or 1 Ace will allow play in 5D. 2 or 3 Ace will allow play in 6D.  
 (2) 2 Aces

Losing tricks: A♠ only.  
 Should make easily.





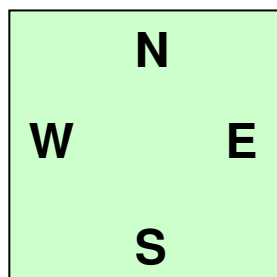
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Hand 4 (As Hand 3 but suits swapped) (Blackwood)

♠ 3  
 ♥ K Q 3  
 ♦ A K Q  
 ♣ K Q J 6 5 4



♠ A K 6  
 ♥ 9 7  
 ♦ 9 8 7 4  
 ♣ **A** 9 7 2

W	N	E	S
1C (1)	P	3C	P
3D (2)	P	3S (2)	P
4NT	P	5H (3)	P
6C	P	P	P

- (1) Can't open 2C.
- (2) Minor suit stopper showing trial bid.
- (3) 2 Aces.

Losing tricks: AH only.  
Should make easily.

But what if E had replied 5D = 1 ace? You still have to bid 6C and go down.



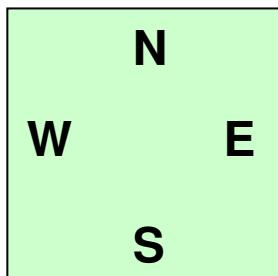
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Hand 5 (As Hand 1 but C & D swapped) (Cue bid)

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



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

W	N	E	S
1S	P	3S	P
4C (1)	P	4H (2)	P
5C (3)	P	5S	P
P	P		

(1) FRC♣.

(2) FRC♥, Denies FRC♦.

(3) SRC♣.

(4) Opt out.

No diamond control.



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## Week 13 Play

### Play

Divide yourselves into pairs and then into tables. Fill in table slips.

NS have the pair number of their table.

EW have the pair number of their table plus 6.

N has his back to the screen.

When you have played a hand, pass it to the next numbered table in sequence. The highest numbered table passes to table 1.

And one last thing – **as part of the learning process** – I would like the **partner** of whoever has just bid to take whatever action is **standardly required** (announcing 1NT as 12-14 points, ALERTing a conventional bid, ...) – **AND ALSO** to give a brief **description** to the other three players on what the bid means.

**Any questions?**

**Tea & coffee. (20p)**

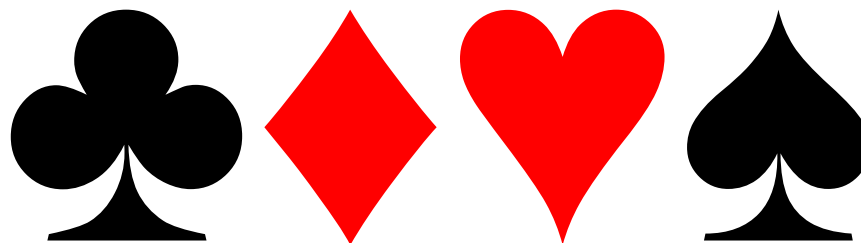
**PLAY**



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Week 13



The end

*(Set hands on next slides)*



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## Week 13 Set Hands

### Set hands

Book result in **blue**, Players results in **red**.  
 Times Andrew Robson article 2014-03-14  
 SLAM Andrew Robson – Learning Bridge, Slams  
 SB2 Bernard Magee – Slam Bidding II

#	Dir	Vul	Source	Dir = Dealer, Vul = Vulnerability.
1	N	None	Times#C	A♠=E 6NT= 6NT= 6NT= 4NT+2
2	E	N/S	Times#A	A♠=N 6S= 6S-2 5S+1 4S+1
3	S	E/W	Times#B	A♠=W 6H= 5H+1 6H= 4H+2
4	W	Both	SLAM#10	A♠=E 4S+1 4S-1 4S=
5	N	N/S	SB2#10a	A♠=S 6H= 6H=
6	E	E/W	SLAM#9	A♠=N 6S= 6S-1
7	S	Both	SLAM#7	A♠=S 5S= 5S-1
9	NW	E/W	SB2#9cMod	Deal 6D= 6D=

Some hands are expanded on the next slides.



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## Week 13 Set Hands

### Deal 1 Times#C

N ♠J54 ♥K732 ♦AKJ ♣532  
E ♠A87 ♥J986 ♦T2 ♣T986  
S ♠KQ2 ♥AQ4 ♦843 ♣AKQJ  
W ♠T963 ♥T5 ♦Q9765 ♣74

### Deal 2 Times#A

N ♠4 ♥AJT5 ♦KJ975 ♣J64  
E ♠AJ973 ♥KQ963 ♦AQ3 ♣\_  
S ♠86 ♥872 ♦T42 ♣AKT85  
W ♠KQT52 ♥4 ♦86 ♣Q9732

### Deal 3 Times#B

N ♠\_ ♥K7432 ♦864 ♣K9732  
E ♠KJ862 ♥JT ♦J52 ♣QT8  
S ♠Q73 ♥AQ985 ♦AK73 ♣A  
W ♠AT954 ♥6 ♦QT9 ♣J654



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## Week 13 Set Hands

### Deal 5 SB2#10a

N ♠QJT2 ♥J2 ♦T987 ♣JT4  
E ♠\_ ♥AK9874 ♦KQJ2 ♣K32  
S ♠A9754 ♥T ♦654 ♣A965  
W ♠K863 ♥Q653 ♦A3 ♣Q87

### Deal 9 SB2#9cMod

N ♠97 ♥AK6 ♦A972 ♣9874  
E ♠J8 ♥JT8752 ♦T83 ♣JT  
S ♠KQ3 ♥3 ♦KQJ654 ♣AKQ  
W ♠AT6542 ♥Q94 ♦\_ ♣6532