

Board 4 Support Double, Unusual NT
West Deals Both Vul

♠ K 10 8
♥ A Q 10 5 3
♦ —
♣ 10 9 8 6 3

♠ 9 7 6 4 2
♥ 7
♦ A 10 2
♣ A J 4 2

♠ Q J 5
♥ K 9 8
♦ Q J 9 8 3
♣ K 5

♠ A 3
♥ J 6 4 2
♦ K 7 6 5 4
♣ Q 7

EW 3♠; NS 3♥; EW 1N; EW 2♦; NS 1♣;
Par -140

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♠	1N ¹	Dbl ²	2♥
2♠	Pass	Pass	3♥

All pass

1. Unusual NT, 5-♥ & 5-♣
2. Support Double, 3-♠

Contract: 3♥ South, 9 tricks

Losers: 1-♠, 1-♥, 5-♣ = 7, 2 too many.

Lead: ♥7, to reduce ruffing.

Plan: Finesse trump, loses. Promote ♣s. Win ♠A before ♠K. Ruff a ♠ in South.

Board 10 Stayman Finds ♥ Fit
East Deals Both Vul

♠ K Q 4 3
♥ 4
♦ Q 8 7 5
♣ 9 7 5 2

♠ A 7 2
♥ A K J 8
♦ J 4 3 2
♣ Q J

♠ J 10 5
♥ Q 10 5 3
♦ 9 6
♣ A K 8 6

♠ 9 8 6
♥ 9 7 6 2
♦ A K 10
♣ 10 4 3

EW 4♥; EW 3N; EW 2♣; EW 1♠; EW 1♦;
Par -620

West	North	East	South
1NT	Pass	2♣ ¹	Pass
2♥	Pass	4♥ ²	All pass

1. Stayman, 1 or 2 4-card majors
2. 4-♥s, 10-15 points

Contract: 4♥ West, 10 tricks

Losers: 2-♠, 4-♦ = 6, 3 too many

Lead: ♣2, might lead the ♠K, not good.

Plan: Unblock ♣QJ. Win ♥Q. Discard ♠losers on ♣AK. Ruff ♦s in Dummy.

Board 13 Transfer to Minor?
North Deals Both Vul

♠ Q J 8 6
♥ 8 7 4
♦ A K 9 6 5
♣ 3

♠ 9 4 2
♥ 9 6
♦ 8 7
♣ A 9 8 6 5 4

♠ K 7
♥ K Q J 3
♦ Q J 4
♣ K J 7 2

♠ A 10 5 3
♥ A 10 5 2
♦ 10 3 2
♣ Q 10

NS 3♠; NS 2♥; NS 3♦; NS 1N; EW 2♣;
Par +140

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

1. Long minor suit.

Contract: 3♣ East, 9 tricks

West's Losers: 3-♠, 1-♥, 2-♦, 1?-♣ = 7?.

Lead: ♦2, not suit with an ace.

Plan: Draw trump, no losers. Promote ♥s to discard losers. Defenders win ♠finesse and East ruffs 3rd ♠. 1NT contract may succeed.

Board 15 Jacoby Transfer
South Deals N-S Vul

♠ 10 9 7
♥ A 9 8 6 4 2
♦ J 5 4 2
♣ —

♠ Q 6 4 3 2
♥ Q J
♦ Q 8 7
♣ J 9 5

♠ A J 8
♥ 5 3
♦ K 6 3
♣ K Q 8 6 2

♠ K 5
♥ K 10 7
♦ A 10 9
♣ A 10 7 4 3

NS 5♥; NS 3N; NS 5♦; NS 1♠; E 1♣;
Par +650

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

Contract: 2♥ South, 10 tricks

North's Losers: 3-♠, 1?-♥, 2-♦ = 6?.

Lead: ♠3, 4th highest.

Plan: Free finesse in ♠s. Draw ♥s. Finesse ♦s twice. Ruff a ♠ in South or discard on ♣A.