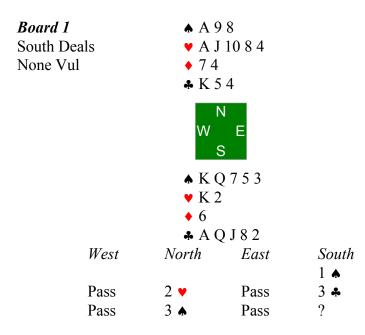


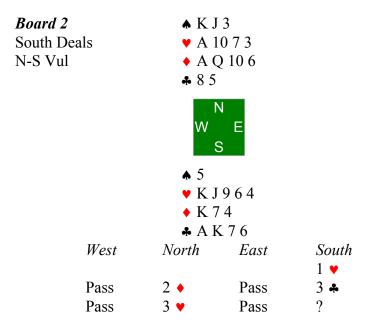
North/South are in a game forcing auction, below the four level. Therefore, Serious 3N would apply.

South has a minimum hand. 5-2-2-4. His partner knows he has  $5 \spadesuit$  and  $4 \clubsuit$ . With this hand South should simply bid  $4 \blacktriangledown$  saying, I have the  $A \blacktriangledown$  but I don't particularly like my hand. I do not have the  $A \clubsuit$  or the  $A \spadesuit$ . North knows that South does not like his hand and has no diamond control and should simply bid  $4 \spadesuit$ .



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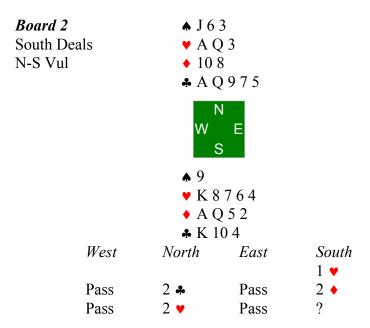
South has a medium hand. 5-2-1-5. His partner knows he has at least 5♠ and 4♣. With this hand South should bid Serious 3N asking partner to cue bid. North will bid 4♥ and South will try for slam.



North/South have found a fit, are in a game forcing auction and are at a level below game this is a 'Serious 3 \( \bigsi\)' situation.

South should feel like they have a very good hand. A solid opener, a singleton spade and a fitting diamond card are very good things. Over 3, south should bid a Serious 3.

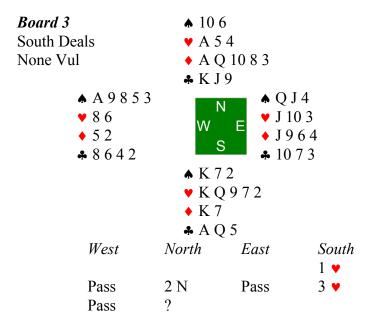
North will cue bid the A  $\bullet$  and South will bid 4NT - Key Card for Hearts. when they find they are off two key-cards they will sign off at  $5 \, \blacktriangledown$ 



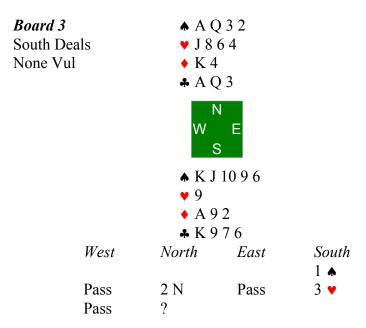
North South are in a game forcing auction below the game level. This is a hand where Kevin and I would use 'Serious 2...'

Over 2♥ south would bid 2♠ saying 'given the auction, I like my hand'. North would cue-bid 3♣. South would cue bid 3♦ showing the A♦. At this point, with no other control to cue-bid and a minimum point count for the auction North would simply bid 4♥ ...'nothing else to tell you'.

South would know that North had no spade control and probably no diamond fitting card and simply pass.



On this hand, after partner's bid of 3♥ showing the best hand he can have, North would bid Serious 3♠ showing interest in slam. South would bid 4♣ showing first round club control. North would bid 4♠ showing the A♠. Since North has shown extra value by bidding Serious 3♠ South will probably try for slam.



After South's 3♥ bid, North should bid Serious 3N. North has extra value and no wasted value in Hearts. He should be very interested in slam.

South will bid 4 
ightharpoonup showing first round control of diamonds and we are off to the races. North will bid key-card and settle in 6 
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