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Hank Eng

1 Dir: N
Vul:

♠ 9872	♠ Q
♥ 986	♥ KJT73
♦ Q6	♦ KJ74
♣ JT42	♣ 985

♠ T5	♠ AKJ643
♥ A542	♥ Q
♦ AT853	♦ 92
♣ K3	♣ AQ76

3	♣♦♥♠NT
11 10	N 2 - - 3 -
16	S 2 - - 3 -
	E - 5 5 - -
	W - 5 5 - -

N	E	S	W
p	p	1♠	2♦
3♠	4♥	4♠	5♥ all pass

South opens 1♠. Most Wests will overcall 2♦, but some will double and be rewarded when East has a great hand for hearts. In either case, North makes a preemptive 3♠ call. I see many Easts bidding 4♦, but some enterprising ones will bid 4♥ - which should show, as a passed hand, a double fit in diamonds and hearts. EW should make 4 or 5 hearts, depending on the diamond guess.

2 Dir: E
Vul: N-S

♠ 973	♠ AQ2
♥ K8	♥ AJ63
♦ T2	♦ Q876
♣ AKQT84	♣ 92

♠ KT85	♠ J64
♥ Q54	♥ T972
♦ AK93	♦ J54
♣ J3	♣ 765

12	♣♦♥♠NT
13 13	N - - - -
2	S - - - -
	E 1 5 4 5 1
	W 1 5 4 5 1

N	E	S	W
	1♦	p	1♠
2♣	dbl*	p	3♣** *3 spades **general GF
p	3♥	p	?

After North's overcall, East uses a support double to show 3-card support. Many Wests will grope for the best game with 3♣, but when East denies a club stopper, many Wests will have to decide if they want to play the Moysian major fits or game in diamonds. West should honor the game-force or lose partnership trust. I can see the non-support doublers (who raise to 2♠) easily getting the spade game and laughing at the scientific bidders.

3 Dir: S
Vul: E-W

♠ KQ987	♠ 4
♥ KT8742	♥ AQJ963
♦ J8	♦ 542
♣	♣ K43

♠ AJT6532	♠
♥	♥
♦ K9	♦
♣ AJ76	♣

9	♣♦♥♠NT
13 10	N 1 2 - - -
8	S 1 3 - - 1
	E - - - 2 -
	W - - - 2 1

N	E	S	W
		p	1♠
p	1N*	2N**	3♠ *forcing **minors
dbl	all pass		

West opens 1♠, North laughs and passes, East tries 1N, South can bid 2N to show both minors, and West will try 3♠. Unfortunately North laughs harder now and doubles for penalty and collects 4 spades along with South's diamond ace.

Some Souths will try a weak 2♦ (see Hank), but I assume they will pass. If South opens 2♦, EW should get to at least 3♠, and North should still double.

4 Dir: W
Vul: Both

♠ K43	♠ Q652
♥ K87	♥ T5
♦ T97	♦ AQ6
♣ KJ43	♣ Q972

♠ 87	♠ AJT9
♥ Q63	♥ AJ942
♦ KJ843	♦ 52
♣ A65	♣ T8

10	♣♦♥♠NT
10 10	N - - 4 3 1
10	S - - 4 3 1
	E - 1 - - -
	W - 1 - - -

N	E	S	W
			p
p	1♣	1♥	1N
2♥	all pass		

This board probably gets passed out at most tables. But I think Kim Carpenter's table NS will get to 2♥, making 2 (bad club guess), 3 (right club guess), or 4 (if East flashes his hand).

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5	♠ T54	Dir: N
	♥ KJ853	Vul: N-S
	♦ A76	
	♣ A4	
♠ KJ763	♠ Q982	
♥ AT	♥ 2	
♦ 32	♦ KQT	
♣ QJT3	♣ 97652	
12	♠ A	♣♦♥♠NT
11	♥ Q9764	N - 4 4 - 2
10	♦ J9854	S - 4 4 - 2
	♣ K8	E 2 - - 3 -
		W 2 - - 3 -

N	E	S	W
1♥	p	2♦	2♠
3♦	4♠	5♥	all pass

Courageous EW pairs will find their spade sacrifice and perhaps push a vulnerable NS pair into 5♥ which won't make unless East leads the ♦K and West ducks the ♥A. Perhaps declarer can fool some West's into ducking by leading a heart from dummy.

6	♠ AT9	Dir: E
	♥ AJ5	Vul: E-W
	♦ 9873	
	♣ Q73	
♠ Q52	♠ K8643	
♥ K9874	♥ 6	
♦ KJ	♦ AQ62	
♣ J82	♣ K64	
11	♠ J7	♣♦♥♠NT
10	♥ QT32	N - - - 1
7	♦ T54	S - - - 1
	♣ AT95	E - - 1 2 -
		W - - 1 3 -

N	E	S	W
	1♠	p	1N* *forcing
p	2♦	p	3♠
all pass			

Most EWs will get to the tenuous 3♠ contract. Most will probably go down unless the defense gets active and gives up a trick or two.

7	♠ 87	Dir: S
	♥ 9764	Vul: Both
	♦ T982	
	♣ A62	
♠ QT	♠ K532	
♥ AK	♥ QJT82	
♦ QJ743	♦ 6	
♣ Q543	♣ KJ7	
4	♠ AJ964	♣♦♥♠NT
14	♥ 53	N - - - -
10	♦ AK5	S - - - -
12	♣ T98	E 3 1 3 1 3
		W 3 1 3 1 3

N	E	S	W
		1♠	2♦
p	2♥	p	3♣
p	3N	all pass	

I can also see West raising 2♥ to 3♥ and East going to 4♥ and going down against careful defense.

8	♠ 32	Dir: W
	♥ KJ5	Vul:
	♦ AQ82	
	♣ QJ53	
♠ K964	♠ AT8	
♥ 963	♥ AQ874	
♦ KJ7	♦ 3	
♣ AT9	♣ K642	
13	♠ QJ75	♣♦♥♠NT
11	♥ T2	N - 1 - - -
3	♦ T9654	S - 1 - - -
	♣ 87	E 3 - 4 3 2
		W 3 - 4 3 4

N	E	S	W
			p
1♦	1♥	p	2♦* *limit raise?
p	2♥	all pass	

If West opens, I see EW getting to 4♥. After a pass, EW would likely just get to 2♥ or 3♥. Is West worth a limit raise? It's an awful 9-loser hand, which gets worse with North opening a diamond. (An aggressive South would make a preemptive 3♦ call.) Not many EWs will make 4♥ - perhaps Chuck Jefferson.

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9

♠ KQ52
♥ QJ43
♦ J5
♣ KT3

Dir: N
Vul: E-W

♠ T87
♥ 62
♦ AKT97
♣ Q84

♠ 64
♥ T975
♦ 642
♣ J652

12 ♠ AJ93
9 ♠ AK8
1 ♠ Q83
18 ♠ A97

♠	♦	♥	♠	NT
N	3	2	5	5
S	3	2	5	5
E	-	-	-	-
W	-	-	-	-

N	E	S	W
1♣	p	1♠	2♦
2♠	p	4♠	all pass

West has a frisky 2♦, but this is matchpoints and many frisky lead directing bids are made... South has 18, but 4333 shapes are awful, and having a near worthless ♦Q in the enemy suit downgrades the hand to just 4♠.

10

♠ 92
♥ A
♦ AKJ65
♣ T9865

Dir: E
Vul: Both

♠ QT5
♥ KQJ6
♦ 87
♣ QJ32

♠ K86
♥ T942
♦ Q43
♣ A74

12 ♠ AJ743
11 ♠ 8753
9 ♠ T92
8 ♠ K

♠	♦	♥	♠	NT
N	-	3	-	-
S	-	3	-	-
E	1	-	1	-
W	1	-	1	-

N	E	S	W
2N**	p	p	1♥*
	3♥	all pass	

*3rd seat
**minors

Four-card 3rd seat light openings don't always pay off. Here EW will be off 1 or 2 in 3♥. If West opens 1♣ or passes, then NS likely get to 2♦ making 3.

11

♠ KJ7
♥ AJ53
♦ J4
♣ KJ76

Dir: S
Vul:

♠ T93
♥ 962
♦ A9
♣ AQ983

♠ Q8642
♥ QT
♦ KQ76
♣ 52

14 ♠ A5
10 ♠ K874
9 ♠ T8532
7 ♠ T4

♠	♦	♥	♠	NT
N	2	2	3	-
S	2	2	3	-
E	-	-	1	-
W	-	-	1	-

N	E	S	W
1♣	1♠	p	p
3♥	all pass	dbl*	2♠

*negative

East has a ratty - ok, less than ratty 1♠ overcall, but it does its job and makes life difficult for NS who are likely to reach 3♥, probably off 1 when declarer misguesses hearts.

12

♠ A2
♥ A95
♦ 965
♣ K8763

Dir: W
Vul: N-S

♠ T976
♥ J743
♦ Q7
♣ 952

♠ KJ854
♥ KT86
♦ 8
♣ QJ4

11 ♠ Q3
3 ♠ Q2
10 ♠ AKJT432
16 ♠ AT

♠	♦	♥	♠	NT
N	6	7	1	1
S	5	7	1	1
E	-	-	-	-
W	-	-	-	-

N	E	S	W
1♣	1♠	2♦	3♠
p	p	5♦	all p

N	E	S	W
1♣	1♠	2♦	p
3♦	p	6♦	all p

West's preemptive 3♠ call makes South guess at her second turn, most likely bidding 5♦. The lucky 3-3 club break lets 7♦ make. (6♦ is a good contract, too, which shows you the power of opening 2.5 quick-trick hands like North.) If West passes instead of raising, it's possible S pushes to 6♦.

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13

Dir: N
Vul: Both

♠ 632
♥ K95
♦ AQ3
♣ T986

♠ AQJ975
♥ Q83
♦ K6
♣ QJ

♠ 84
♥ 42
♦ 98752
♣ 7432

♠ KT
♥ AJT76
♦ JT4
♣ AK5

♠	4	3	5	1	1
♥	6	4	6	1	6
♦	-	-	-	-	-
♣	-	-	-	-	-

N	E	S	W
p	p	1♥	1♠
2♥	p	2N*	p
4♥	all pass		

*natural game-try

Some may open South 1N, but the aces, kings, and great suit point more toward a suit opening. Will South really make 6♥ (or 6N) in a real game? Probably not. I see a South hooking East for hearts and making just 5 at many tables.

14

Dir: E
Vul:

♠ Q9
♥ AKT984
♦ K85
♣ A5

♠ KJ865
♥ 2
♦ AJ
♣ KT864

♠ AT432
♥ J53
♦ T93
♣ J7

♠ 7
♥ Q76
♦ Q7642
♣ Q932

♠	3	4	-	1
♥	3	4	-	1
♦	2	-	-	-
♣	2	-	-	-

N	E	S	W
	p	p	1♠
2♥	4♠	all pass	

Most Wests will open 1♠ (my preference is 1♣) and East will close the auction with 4♠, easily making 4 when you finesse South for the club Q.

15

Dir: S
Vul: N-S

♠ Q2
♥ AQ3
♦ A842
♣ AK93

♠ K85
♥ J864
♦ KJT
♣ T62

♠ T3
♥ K5
♦ Q9763
♣ QJ85

♠ AJ9764
♥ T972
♦ 5
♣ 74

♠	1	-	3	4	1
♥	1	-	3	4	1
♦	-	1	-	-	-
♣	-	1	-	-	-

N	E	S	W
		2♠	p
4♠	all pass		

N	E	S	W
		p	p
1♦	p	1♠?	P
2N	p	3♠	all p

Some Souths won't open 2♠ with a side major, but it works here. If South passes, should South then make a weak jump shift – if playing that? Also, would North believe South has that good of a hand that couldn't open a weak two? I wouldn't.

16

Dir: W
Vul: E-W

♠ Q983
♥ KJ5
♦ 87
♣ KT42

♠ AK5
♥ AT42
♦ AQ962
♣ A

♠ JT764
♥ 983
♦ JT4
♣ 85

♠ 2
♥ Q76
♦ K53
♣ QJ9763

♠	2	-	-	-	-
♥	2	-	-	-	-
♦	-	3	3	4	1
♣	-	3	3	4	1

N	E	S	W
			2♣
p	2♦	p†	2N*
p	3♥**	p	3♠
p	3N	p	4♠
all pass			

**22-23 balanced †should bid 3♣
**transfer

West may play 1♦ if she opens that. Some open 2N and get to 3♠ after East transfers. I would upgrade the West hand to a 2♣ opening and rebid 2N. Now East should force to game. Incidentally, South should bid 3♣ to interfere over 2♣-2♦. The reward is worth the risk, NV vs V.

17

Dir: N
Vul:

♠ J6	♠ K8
♥ 9	♥ AJ8542
♦ AKJ986	♦ QT
♣ Q652	♣ A97

♠ QT975	♠ A432
♥ Q76	♥ KT3
♦ 7543	♦ 2
♣ T	♣ KJ843

11	♠ A432	♣ ♠ ♥ ♦ NT
4 14	♥ KT3	N 4 3 - - 2
11	♦ 2	S 4 3 - - 2
	♣ KJ843	E - - 2 - -
		W - - 2 - -

Table 1

N	E	S	W
2♦*	2♥	p	p
dbl**	p	3♣	all p

*weak **takeout

Table 2

N	E	S	W
1♦	1♥	dbl†	2♥
p	p	dbl**	p
3♣	3♥	4♣	all p

†negative **takeout

I am sure the auction at Table 1 will not be replicated at any tables, but this is how it would go if I were North.... Table 2 is what I think would happen at more tables.

18

Dir: E
Vul: N-S

♠ AK96	♠ QT752
♥ 872	♥ J3
♦ QT	♦ 85
♣ T954	♣ J876

♠ 83	♠ J4
♥ AKT5	♥ Q964
♦ J643	♦ AK972
♣ A32	♣ KQ

9	♠ J4	♣ ♠ ♥ ♦ NT
12 4	♥ Q964	N - 2 2 - 1
15	♦ AK972	S - 2 2 - 1
	♣ KQ	E 1 - - - -
		W 1 - - - -

N	E	S	W
	p	1N*	p
2♣	p	2♥	p
2N	all pass		

*15-17

On this auction, West may lead a low diamond and South now makes 2N.

19

Dir: S
Vul: E-W

♠ K852	♠ 96
♥ AJ87	♥ K94
♦ K75	♦ Q83
♣ AQ	♣ J7542

♠ AJT7	♠ Q43
♥ Q32	♥ T65
♦ T962	♦ AJ4
♣ 98	♣ KT63

17	♠ Q43	♣ ♠ ♥ ♦ NT
7 6	♥ T65	N 3 2 4 3 3
10	♦ AJ4	S 3 2 4 3 3
	♣ KT63	E - - - - -
		W - - - - -

N	E	S	W
1N*	p	3N	p
		all p	

*15-17

A scary, but easy 3N, with no thinking involved in the play. Just one way finesses (diamond) and 3-3 suits (hearts).

20

Dir: W
Vul: Both

♠ K974	♠ AT86
♥ AT6	♥ 987532
♦ AK83	♦ 9
♣ 84	♣ 32

♠ J53	♠ Q2
♥ QJ4	♥ K
♦ JT76	♦ Q542
♣ A65	♣ KQJT97

14	♠ Q2	♣ ♠ ♥ ♦ NT
9 4	♥ K	N 4 5 - 2 4
13	♦ Q542	S 4 5 - 2 4
	♣ KQJT97	E - - 1 - -
		W - - 1 - -

N	E	S	W
1♦	p	2♣	p
2N	p	3♦*	p
3♥	p	3N	all p

*forcing

Do you play Fisher reverses? I'm not sure what that is, but ask Nell Morgan, Jo Neesvig, Susan Spencer, or David Mitchell; and I'm sure they'd do with the North hand.

Here, 3♦ is forcing (else, why 2♣ and then 3♦? Or why pull 2N?) and NS look for a diamond slam, but eventually stop at 3N.

21

Dir: N
Vul: N-S

♠ Q			
♥ KT5			
♦ 962			
♣ K98643			
♠ K97542	♠ J63		
♥ J2	♥ Q973		
♦ AJ543	♦ K8		
♣	♣ AT75		
8	♠ AT8	♣♦♥♠NT	
9 10	♥ A864	N 2 - - - -	
13	♦ QT7	S 2 - - - -	
	♣ QJ2	E - 2 1 3 1	
		W - 2 1 3 -	

N	E	S	W
p	p	1♣	1♠
2♣	2♠	p	p
3♣	dbl	p	3♠
all pass			

There's no way West sits for a double with that shape. Sadly, it would have gone down...

22

Dir: E
Vul: E-W

♠ J862			
♥ AQ642			
♦ Q975			
♣			
♠ 2	♠ QT943		
♥ AK7	♥ QT53		
♦ KJ7	♦ T3		
♣ AJT832	♣ K4		
9	♠ AKJ8765	♣♦♥♠NT	
16 7	♥ 94	N - 1 - 1 -	
8	♦ 985	S - 1 - 1 -	
	♣ 6	E 3 - 2 - 2	
		W 4 - 4 - 4	

N	E	S	W
	p	4♠	dbl* *takeout
all pass			

NV-vs-V Hank opens 4♠ and unfortunately East laughs when West makes a takeout double. -500 vs their 3N (-600).

Can EW make 3N? After a 3♠ opening and takeout double, East should pull to 3N. Without a diamond lead or switch, East plays on clubs & then forces the diamond honors out to make 3N.

23

Dir: S
Vul: Both

♠ 8764			
♥ AK982			
♦ J5			
♣ 62			
♠ A3	♠ JT5		
♥ Q3	♥ J765		
♦ Q843	♦ AK6		
♣ J8754	♣ KQT		
8	♠ KQ92	♣♦♥♠NT	
9 14	♥ T4	N - - 1 2 -	
9	♦ T972	S - - 1 2 -	
	♣ A93	E 3 2 - - 1	
		W 3 2 - - 1	

N	E	S	W
		p	p
p	1♣	p	1♦
1♥	1N	p	?

What does West respond: 1♦, 1N, or 2♣? I prefer 1♦ to hear more about opener's shape, but I'll admit to bidding 1N with a weaker partner. After opener's 1N rebid, do you pass or bid 2♣? I pass holding a maximum and a possible stopper in hearts. Many Easts will make 3N when North can't find the spade switch. North should reason: "We get just 2 hearts. Declarer has at most 3 spades from the auction. If partner has a minor honor AND ♠KJxx or better, I need to shift to a high spade at trick two."

24

Dir: W
Vul:

♠ 87			
♥ J2			
♦ AKQ72			
♣ Q754			
♠ K43	♠ 92		
♥ K743	♥ Q985		
♦ J864	♦ 53		
♣ J6	♣ KT932		
12	♠ AQJT65	♣♦♥♠NT	
8 5	♥ AT6	N 2 4 - 4 4	
15	♦ T9	S 1 4 - 4 4	
	♣ A8	E - - 1 - -	
		W - - 1 - -	

N	E	S	W
			p
1♦	p	1♠	p
2♣	p	4♠	all p

I don't see NS getting to 3N, even if N decides to rebid 1N at her second turn.

25 ♠ AQ9 Dir: N
 ♡ A85 Vul: E-W
 ♦ J974
 ♣ J53

♠ KT2 ♠ J754
 ♡ K6 ♡ Q9432
 ♦ AKQ86 ♦ T5
 ♣ QT8 ♣ K7

12 ♠ 863
 17 6 ♡ JT7
 5 ♦ 32
 ♣ A9642

♠	NT
N	1 - - - -
S	1 - - - -
E	- 2 2 2 1
W	- 2 2 2 1

N	E	S	W	
1♦	p	p	dbl*	*takeout
p	1♥	p	1N**	**15-18 balanced
p	2♥	all pass		

A balancing 1N shows about 10-14 (maybe 15) hcp, and West has more than that, so West starts off with a double and then rebids 1N. East continues with 2♥ and would be happy with 3-3 trumps.

26 ♠ KJ65 Dir: E
 ♡ KJ87 Vul: Both
 ♦ QT
 ♣ 986

♠ ♠ Q9
 ♡ AQ4 ♡ T965
 ♦ 98632 ♦ KJ7
 ♣ KQJ74 ♣ AT32

10 ♠ AT87432
 12 10 ♡ 32
 8 ♦ A54
 ♣ 5

♠	NT
N	- - - 4 1
S	- - - 4 1
E	5 4 2 - -
W	5 4 2 - -

Table 1

N	E	S	W
4♠	p	3♠	p
	all pass		

Table 2

N	E	S	W
	p	p	1♦
p	1♥	1♠	2♣
2♠	3♣	4♠	5♣
	all pass		

The preempt with two Aces here simplifies the auction and gets to an easy 4♠ (Table 1). At tables like Table 2, the auction may be much more exciting and EW may get to 5♣. Perhaps South will sacrifice and North will be wondering what is happening.

27 ♠ AJT97 Dir: S
 ♡ A72 Vul:
 ♦ J4
 ♣ K95

♠ KQ4 ♠ 83
 ♡ QJ85 ♡ KT643
 ♦ 72 ♦ Q95
 ♣ JT63 ♣ A72

13 ♠ 652
 9 9 ♡ 9
 9 ♦ AKT863
 ♣ Q84

♠	NT
N	2 5 - 5 2
S	2 5 - 5 2
E	- - 1 - -
W	- - 1 - -

N	E	S	W
		2♦*	all p *weak

If North passes 2♦ (as I would), South will typically make 4.

28 ♠ KT6 Dir: W
 ♡ QT7543 Vul: N-S
 ♦ A6
 ♣ Q9

♠ 84 ♠ QJ9732
 ♡ J96 ♡ A8
 ♦ QJ84 ♦ K2
 ♣ J653 ♣ 742

11 ♠ A5
 5 10 ♡ K2
 14 ♦ T9753
 ♣ AKT8

♠	NT
N	5 3 5 2 5
S	5 3 5 2 5
E	- - - - -
W	- - - - -

N	E	S	W
2♥*	2♠	4♥	p
		all p	*weak

V vs NV, weak twos can be a bit hefty. Here 4♥ will make 4 at almost every table.

29

Dir: N
Vul: Both

♠ AJT	♠ 642
♥ KQ94	♥ 86
♦ AJ	♦ KT85
♣ J732	♣ AKT9

♠ K87	♠ Q953
♥ 752	♥ AJT3
♦ Q9762	♦ 43
♣ Q6	♣ 854

16	♠	♦	♥	NT
7	2	-	4	3
10	2	-	4	3
7	-	1	-	-
	-	1	-	-

N E S W

1N all pass

Will North actually make 9 tricks? Once North is in (say, with a diamond), she should get to the South hand, lead the ♠Q for a finesse and when it wins, repeat the finesse and then drop the ♠K. Finally, you can take the three other hearts and the last spade for nine tricks.

30

Dir: E
Vul:

♠ AT	♠ KQJ6
♥ T874	♥ KQ9
♦ Q2	♦ K8765
♣ AKQ95	♣ 7

♠ 2	♠ 987543
♥ AJ2	♥ 653
♦ AJT943	♦ JT43
♣ 862	

15	♠	♦	♥	NT
10	3	-	-	1
14	3	-	-	1
1	-	5	-	1
	-	5	-	1

N E S W

3♣ 1♦ p 2♦* *inverted, forcing

3♣ 3♦ 5♣ 5♦

all pass

If West doesn't have an inverted raise available and must bid 3♦ as limit, I'm not sure how they confidently bid to 5♦.

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Dir: S
Vul: N-S

♠ AK8	♠ J962
♥ AK93	♥ QT7
♦ 854	♦ K762
♣ A96	♣ Q3

♠ QT543	♠ 7
♥ 86	♥ J542
♦ T9	♦ AQJ3
♣ KJT4	♣ 8752

18	♠	♦	♥	NT
6	3	3	4	1
8	3	3	4	1
8	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-

N E S W

1♣ p 1♥ p

4♥ all pass

Some experts state you must always bid 1♠ over 1♥ if it is a close decision. Here, that would not work for West, as East can take the Barry Crane push and bid 4♠ over 4♥ and be off just one too many in 4♠ doubled.

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Dir: W
Vul: E-W

♠ QT9853	♠ A2
♥	♥ KT865
♦ AK5	♦ Q4
♣ KQJ9	♣ A543

♠ 64	♠ KJ7
♥ Q43	♥ AJ972
♦ JT76	♦ 9832
♣ T872	♣ 6

15	♠	♦	♥	NT
3	2	2	2	5
13	2	2	2	5
9	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-

N E S W

1♠ 2♥ p p

3♣** p 4♠ all p *trap pass

 **not trapping with a void

If East tries a risky 2♥ call, she might get away with it. North has too shapely of a hand (6-4 and a void!) to make a takeout double, and NS should land in 4♠.

At teams, North should double even with a void when NV vs V for the small possibility that there is blood – as it is, in this case.