

# Tip of the Month

October 2005

Dealer: North  
Neither Vulnerable

West	North	East	South
	P	P	2♣
P	2♦*	P	2N
P	3♥^	P	3♠
P	4N**	P	6N

All pass

\* waiting

^ Jacoby transfer

\*\* Natural, quantitative but not Blackwood

Opening lead: ♦3

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Two important points need to be made. The first concerns South. If he had spade support, he could choose either 5♠ or 6♠ as the final contract. He didn't, so he chose NT. Let's get back to North. Some might ask, "What could North do if he wanted to bid Keycard Blackwood for spades?" The answer is that he must bid differently. He must use Texas transfer and jump to 4♥. This would force South to bid 4♠ after which North could bid 4N (which would now be Keycard for spades.)