

BC L15 Two Places to Play

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q 10 8 6 5

♥ A Q

♦ 9 7 3

♣ J 4

♠ J

♥ K 10 7 5 2

♦ 10

♣ K Q 8 7 5 3



♠ 9 4

♥ J 9 8 6

♦ J 8 6 5 2

♣ A 2

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	-	3	-	5	1
S	-	3	-	5	1
E	3	-	3	-	-
W	3	-	3	-	-

♠ A 7 3 2

♥ 4 3

♦ A K Q 4

♣ 10 9 6

12
9 6
13

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

Pass

4 ♠

4 NT¹

Pass

5 ♦²

Dbl³

5 ♥

Pass

Pass

Dbl

All pass

1. Indicates a two suited hand (Alertable)

2. Lowest ranking four-card suit

3. Penalties, Also Lead Directing

E/W are not vulnerable so a 4NT overcall showing "two places to play" may lead to a good sacrifice in either clubs or hearts. East has only two clubs, so bids 5♦ knowing the partnership must have a fit in either diamonds or hearts.

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Board 2
East Deals
N-S Vul

♠ 7 5 3
♥ A J 6 5
♦ A J 7
♣ Q J 2

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	2	2	-	-	-
S	2	2	-	-	-
E	-	-	4	1	4
W	-	-	4	1	4

West

4 ♥

♠ A 2
♥ —
♦ Q 10 9 8 6 5
♣ K 9 7 5 3

W N E S

♠ Q J 10 9 8
♥ 10 9 8
♦ K 2
♣ 10 6 4

North

All pass

♠ K 6 4
♥ K Q 7 4 3 2
♦ 4 3
♣ A 8

East

1 ♥

South

Pass

9
13 12
6

N/S are vulnerable so North will probably not enter the auction despite having a very distributional hand.

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Board 3

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q 8 4
♥ Q J 10 8 4
♦ 10 9 2
♣ 9

♠ —
♥ A 5 3
♦ K Q 8 6 4
♣ K 7 5 4 3

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	-	-	5	5	-
S	-	-	5	5	-
E	3	5	-	-	-
W	3	5	-	-	-



♠ J 7 5 3
♥ 9
♦ A J 7 5 3
♣ Q 10 8

♠ A 10 9 6 2
♥ K 7 6 2
♦ —
♣ A J 6 2

8
12 8
12

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
2 NT	4 ♠	5 ♦	5 ♠
All pass			

The Unusual 2 NT by West shows a hand containing at least 5-5 in the two lowest ranked unbid suits, in this instance clubs and diamonds.

Both pairs have 20 HCPs each. However, on this hand N/S can make 5 ♠ or 5 ♥ and E/W can make 5 ♦. E/W do have a good sacrifice with 6 ♦ but will probably not bid it due to the unfavourable vulnerability.

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Board 4

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 10 9 8 7 6

♥ 10 9 8

♦ K

♣ 10 8 4

♠ K 4 2

♥ K Q 7 4 3 2

♦ 10 4 3

♣ A



♠ Q 5 3

♥ A J 6 5

♦ A J 7

♣ Q J 2

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	4	-	-	-	-
S	4	-	-	-	-
E	-	-	5	2	4
W	-	-	5	2	4

♠ A

♥ —

♦ Q 9 8 6 5 2

♣ K 9 7 6 5 3

4
12 15
9

West

1 ♥

North

Pass

East

4 ♥

South

All pass

N/S are vulnerable so South will probably not enter the auction despite having a very distributional hand.

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Board 5

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 10 9 5

♥ A J 10 7 2

♦ A 10

♣ Q J 6

♠ A 8 6 4

♥ K Q 6 3

♦ 5 4

♣ K 9 5



♠ K Q J 3 2

♥ 9 8

♦ K Q J 9 6

♣ 10

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	3	-	1	-	-
S	3	-	1	-	-
E	-	2	-	4	-
W	-	2	-	4	-

♠ 7

♥ 5 4

♦ 8 7 3 2

♣ A 8 7 4 3 2

12
12 12
4

West

North

East

South

1 ♥

2 ♥

Pass

4 ♠

All pass

East's 2 ♥ overcall is a Michael's Cue Bid showing at least 5-5 in spades and a minor. With 12 HCPs and 4-card spade support West goes for the game in spades.

