## Board 1

- 97

North Deals $\quad$ J 65
None Vul

- AK 8
* A 9843
- Q 1042
- K 982
- 762
* Q 2


A K 86

- A 107
- Q J 105
\& J 105
- AJ53
- Q4 3
- 943
- K 76

North is Declarer in 1 NT
East leads Q (top of sequence)
Plan the play
You have 5 top tricks - AA, AK and AK*, so you need 2 more. The best chance is to establish extra tricks in the \& suit. Win the lead, and play off $A *$ and $K_{\bullet}$, and then play a $3 r d \boldsymbol{\bullet}$. The opponents will win this, but you then have two more * to cash when you regain the lead.

| Board 2 | ↔ K Q |
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| North Deals | K Q 8 3 |
| N-S Vul | J 8 4 2 |
|  | Q J 2 |

- 65
- 1064
- Q 97
* K 1064

- A 94
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- 653
* A 975
- J 10872
- A J 9
- AK 10
- 83

North is Declarer in 3 NT
East leads 5 * (4th best from longest suit)
Plan the play
You have 6 top tricks - $4 \vee$ and $A K$, and you therefore need 3 more. The best chance is the a suit. So when you gain the lead, play Ka and Qa; the opponents will take their Ace, but when you regain the lead you have 3 more a to cash.

| Board 4 | - 1043 |
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| West Deals | -10432 |
| None Vul | - Q J |
|  | \& 8763 |


| - K 72 |  | - Q986 |
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| $\checkmark$ A 5 | $W^{N}$ E | - KJ 8 |
| -976 | W E | - AK 52 |
| *A Q 954 | S | \& K J |
|  | - A J 5 |  |
|  | - Q 976 |  |
|  | -10843 |  |
|  | - 102 |  |

West is Declarer in 3 NT
North leads $2 \vee$ (4th best from longest suit)
Plan the play
You have 8 top tricks $-2 \vee, 2$ and $4 \star$.
However, the 5th \& in the West hand is likely provide and extra trick, but you must be careful how you play. You must win the first trick in the East hand with the $K \vee$, cash the $K$ and $\mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{a}}$, cross back to hand with the $A \vee$ and then cash your remaining 3* tricks

