

Balderson /van Vught SUPPLEMENTARY NOTES

Note..1:

1m - 2m: (Inverted Minors F1)

Opener can:

(1) play in 3m by bidding it (2) bid 2NT, nonforcing (NF) (3) bid a new suit, then stop in 3m

Note..2:

1m - 2NT: (N/F)

Opener's 3m is nonforcing, new suits are forcing.

Note...3:

Double Minor Checkback Stayman:

After openers rebid of 1NT:

2C = transfer to 2D (either to play or make invitational move)

Responders rebid of M shows 5; bid of oM shows 5/4; 2N bal inv; NS at 3 lev=5/5

2D = G/F and asks opener to describe hand

(Opener shows 3H if H suit otherwise 4S or 3m or 2N)

2S = to play if 1H 1st bid=4/4inv, otherwise to play 2NT = transfer to C; 3 of new suit=G/F and 5/5

Note...4:

1m-1M; 2NT - ?

Other minor checkback after 2N; 1D-1H; 2NT-3C; 3H-3S: cue; 1D-1H; 2NT-3S shows 4/4; 1C-1M; 2NT-3C; shows slam try in C

Note..5/6:

Fourth Suit/Reverses:

A minimum bid of the fourth suit is a game force unless bid at the 1 level then it is F1.

After a one-level suit response, openers reverse is forcing and promises a rebid below game. Responders 2 of his own M shows 5-9 points and usually 5+ cards. Only a bid of 4th suit is forcing to game. .

Note..7:

1M-2NT Support for major and game-invitation (or better) values.

Openers response to 2NT:

3C slam interest; 3D G/F; 3M minimum opener; 3 oM singleton somewhere G/F; 3NT

balanced 18/19

4 level bids = splinter voids

Note..8: Lebensohl agreements:

(2x) - Double - (Pass) - ? : 1NT- (bid) - ? : 1M X 2M ?

2NT : marionette to 3C, then, advancer may

(1) pass or bid 3D to play

(2) bid 3x as a major-suit inquiry with a stopper in opener's suit

(3) 3oM is invitational, if bid of 2oM available below 2N, otherwise weak

(4) 3NT denies other major but contains stopper

Non-jump new-suit bid at the three level is value showing and forcing in non-passed hand.

Direct cue is major-suit inquiry without a stopper. Doubler should not bid notrump without full stopper.

Direct 3NT debies stopper and 4 of other major

Note..9

(WK 2x) - 2NT - (Pass) - ? or (WK 2x) - Pass - (Pass) - 2NT; (Pass)- ?

If 2x is a major: all 3-level bids are TRANSFERS - 3C is Puppet Stayman.

If 2x is a minor: 3C is Stayman ; 3D/3H are TRANSFERS

Note..10: Actions in sandwich position:

Over an opposing opening bid and one-over-one response:

(a) 1NT is natural; 1NT as a passed hand shows 5/5 in other 2 suits;

(b) 2NT shows the unbid suits 5/5;

(c) three of responder's suit asks for a stopper in that suit (suggesting a solid suit) shows interest in 3NT.

