REVIEW SLAM BIDDING

QJ1032 **Pass** 63 Pass 86 Pass Q953

7 AK6 DEALER - 1NT KQ87 2 Clubs AJ54 2 Hearts KQJ75 4 Clubs (Gerber) 1043 4 Spades A84 6 Hearts K72

> 9854 Pass 1092 **Pass** A92 Pass J106 Pass

Pass

Stayman over 1NT, find your heart fit, 4 Clubs is Gerber, 4 Spades – 2 controls, no trump Q.

874 Pass K93 Pass Q1095 Pass 762 **Pass**

Α9 KQJ652 DEALER – 1 Club QJ65 2 NT 4 1 Spade

AJ4 4 NT (3) K63 4 Clubs (Gerber) AQ83 Pass KJ5 6 Spades

103 A10872 Pass

872 Pass 1094 Pass

When West shows 18/19 HCP and at least 2 spades, East uses Gerber to check on Aces and bids the 6 spade slam.

Areas to concentrate on in order to bid more slams. ADDITION – When partner shows his point count, you must stop and add your points to what partner promised. ACES (or controls), you don't want to be missing 2 Aces, if you're missing an Ace, you don't want to also be missing the King in that suit.

984 2 Diamonds Q1065 4 Spades

954 Q107

5 Pass 732 Pass KJ43 Pass 982 Pass 10762 Q3 KJ652

AKQJ106

A7 DEALER – 2 Clubs
AKJ8 2 Spades
4 Pass

When South rebids 2 spades and North jumps to 4, showing no Aces, no Kings, and no Singletons, South should pass.

Evaluating control bids: Why didn't West make a control bid of 4 Hearts?

 AQ103
 1 Club
 KJ9542
 1 Spade

 A
 3 Spades
 K9
 4 Diamonds

 K94
 4 Spades
 AQ
 Pass

 Q7652
 J84

Once somebody shows their point count with a narrow range (we call them the describer). It's up to partner to total the combined points and make a decision (we call them the decider). In other words: Jumps to game by the DESCRIBER aren't shut out bids, they convey point count Jumps to game by the DECIDER are shutout bids.

Examples of real shutout bids: They do exist, but only when one partner has limited their hand already.

1 NT - 3NT 1NT described his hand 3NT is the decision 1 Club - 1 Heart 1 NT 4 Hearts 1NT was a min9mum rebid 4 Hearts is the shutout bid

If your partner shows a balanced hand with 15-17 pts. By opening 1NT and you have a balanced hand with 16 pts. You have a problem. If partner's opener was 15 pts. Then you can't make slam. If it was 17 pts. Then you probably can make a slam. A bid of 4NT by you invites partner to bid 6NT with a maximum opener and to pass with a minimum. 4NT is not Blackwood in this auction. The 4NT bid should be called Slam Invitational, but the more common name for it is QUANITATIVE. If you want to ask for Aces over partner's 1NT you use Gerber instead.