

## REVERSE DRURY

Purpose: to find out if your partner opened light in 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> seat.

- You've passed and a new suit is no longer forcing!
  - 2/1 forcing is off!
- You have a limit raise but there is a danger if you make a limit raise of getting too high if your partner opened light.
- Used only after a Major Suit opener in 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> seat.

- Reverse Drury **asks the question**, "Partner, do you have a solid opening bid?"
  - **Bid 2 Clubs** to find out the strength of the opener's hand. This shows nothing about clubs and is alertable.
    - It allows you to get out at the 2 level if partner is not on an opener.
  - Requirements for a Reverse Drury bid
    - 3+ card support
    - 10-12 Dummy or support points.
- **Responding** to Reverse Drury
  - There is more than one system of responses.
  - **Simplest Method**
    - Re-bidding your suit at the lowest level shows a light opener.
    - Bidding anything else shows a solid opener, a hand you would consider accepting a limit raise to game.
    - **If there is interference by the opponents**, pass if you do not have a solid opener. Your partner will have a chance to bid.
  - Responding to a positive bid (You are the 2 club Drury bidder-)
    - With a minimum limit, return to the major at lowest level
    - With almost an opening bid and usually 4 trump, jump to 3 or perhaps even 4 of the major.
- Disadvantage: You are giving up your 2C response so if you have Clubs and 11 or 12 points, you would need to bid 3 Clubs to show the long suit.

There are 2 passes and then your partner opens 1Spade in 3<sup>rd</sup> seat.

- How do you respond with these hands?

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|-----------|---------|---------|---------|
| 1. ♠ K65  | ♥ J6543 | ♦ K86   | ♣ 94    |
| 2. ♠ AJ8  | ♥ Q4    | ♦ KJ76  | ♣ 9765  |
| 3. ♠ KQ86 | ♥ 7     | ♦ AJ86  | ♣ 8643  |
| 4. ♠ Q865 | ♥ K54   | ♦ 54    | ♣ 9754  |
| 5 ♠ 7     | ♥ K86   | ♦ J864  | ♣ KQ864 |
| 6 ♠ KQJ7  | ♥ 98    | ♦ A1075 | ♣ 643   |

You open 1Spade in 3<sup>rd</sup> seat and your partner responds 2 Clubs (Reverse Drury)

- What do you respond with these hands

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|-------------|---------|--------|--------|
| 7. ♠ AQ975  | ♥ KQ107 | ♦ 74   | ♣ A7   |
| 8. ♠ KQJ543 | ♥ K54   | ♦ AK76 | ♣ VOID |
| 9. ♠ KQ987  | ♥ 84    | ♦ AJ97 | ♣ J6   |
| 10 ♠ AQ754  | ♥ K864  | ♦ J9   | ♣ 98   |

You have bid 2 Clubs (Reverse Drury) and partner has indicated an opening hand. What is your next bid?

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| 11 ♠ KQ98 | ♥ 65    | ♦ AJ95 | ♣ J75  |
| 12 ♠ K86  | ♥ QJ109 | ♦ A9   | ♣ 9876 |