

## 7. After 1♦ Openings

Unless the opponents overcall in a minor, 2♦, 2N, 3♣, 4♣ and one other 2 level call that varies depending on the auction show both minors. Opener should not get carried away since he is known to have at least one minor.

### a. Minor Showing Bids

- 2♦<sup>14</sup> - shows a non-distributional game forcing hand. In response, Opener may show a minimum with 2N, 3♣ or 3♦ or bid the step suit to relay Responder's shape (4-4 first, then show 5 card suit). Instead of the relay, Opener may bid 2♠ or 3♥ to show an SSC or RKC with 4m.
- 2N - an invitational or stronger distributional hand, over which all our mechanisms available over an opening 2N apply.
- 3♣ - purely competitive
- 4♣ - distributional preempt