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## **Slam – Tools to Accompany Controls**

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#### **Control Showing Bid Tools**

- 4NT Keycard
- Controls Above 4NT
  - 5NT Grand Slam Force
    - Grand with 2/3 Top Honors
    - Steps Depends on Space Available (discuss with partner)
- Cooperative Slam Bidding After 3-Major (only fit known)
  - o Non-Series 3NT
  - Serious Control Showing Bids
  - Need Rules for when NS3NT vs. Offer to Play
    - 9-card Fit always NS3NT

### 5-Major - "Obvious Question"

- A raise to 5-Major can be used a preemptive bid.
- When we have shown strength then 5-Major bids are used for:
  - Asking for Trump Suit Quality
    - 2 of the top 3 honors bid a slam, otherwise Pass.
  - Asking for Control in the Opponent's Suit
    - Pass No Control
    - 6-Major Singleton
    - 5NT King
    - 6-Opp. Suit 1<sup>st</sup> round control
  - Asking for Control in Un-Cuebid Suit
    - Pass
    - Bid Slam