BASIC RESPONSES


| CONVENTIONS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4NT: | Blackwood $\square$ | RKCB $\boxtimes$ | other |
| 4. | Gerber $\triangle$ when? | over NT |  | Other Conventions

Splinters
Negative free bids Occasional psyches 4th suit forcing SWYNE

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Texas transfers
ASPRO over strong club
Cue raises
1NT rebid 15-18, Crowhurst
Lebensohl

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2 - game force or weak 2-suiter, not ma
2 - Majors 4/4, less than opening hand
4 * - Texas Transfers

## COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Negative doubles through $4 \vee$ Responsive doubles through 4 『
Jump overcalls Weak (Int Vul) Unusual NT Minors
NT overcall (immediate) 15-18 (re-opening) 10-14
Immed cue of minor Majors
mmed cue of major Other major and a minor
Over opponent's 1NT (weak) ASPRO
Over opponent's 1NT (strong) ASPRO
Over weak twos X or bid
Over opening threes X or bid

RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS
CONVENTIONS
Describe strength，minimum length or specific meaning

| 1. | $1 *$ | $6+$ HCP，4＋＊ | 2NT | 10－12 or 16＋HCP flat with 3＋ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $1 \mathrm{~V} / \mathrm{s}$ | 6＋HCP，4＋suit |  | weak－ $4+$ |
|  | 1NT | 8－10 HCP，no 4－card＊ャ＊ | 3 | splinter |
|  | 2 | 6－7 HCP，no 4－card＊『＊ | 3 | splinter |
|  |  | fit showing | 3 | splinter |
|  |  | fit showing | 3NT | 13－15 HCP flat with 3＋ |
|  | 2 | fit showing | 4 bids | to play（except 4NT RKCB） |
| $1 *$ | 1／1／ | 6＋HCP，4＋suit | 3 | fit showing |
|  | 1NT | 6－9 HCP，no 4－card＊『 | 3 | weak－ $4+$＊ |
|  | 2 | $10+\mathrm{HCP}, 4+$＋ | 3 | splinter |
|  | 2 | 6－9 HCP，4＋＊ | 3. | splinter |
|  | 2 | fit showing | 3NT | 13－15 HCP flat with 3＋＊ |
|  | 2 | fit showing | 4＊ | pre－emptive |
|  | 2NT | 10－12 or 16＋HCP flat with 3＋ | 4 Other | r to play（except 4NT RKCB） |
| 1 $1 / 1$ | 1NT | 6－9 HCP | 3 | fit showing |
|  |  | 10＋HCP，4＋ |  | fit showing |
|  | 2 | 10＋HCP，4＋＊ | $3 \mathrm{~V} / 4$ | 6－9 HCP，4－card suit support |
|  |  | 6－9 HCP，3－card suit support | 3NT | 13－15 HCP flat with 3＋${ }^{\text {－}}$ |
|  |  | 10－12 or 16＋HCP flat with 3＋ | 4＊＊ | splinter |


| 2 | $2$ <br> other | forced | $2 \mathrm{~W} / \pm$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2＊ | 2 | to play | 3＊＊ | to play |
|  | 2 | to play | 3v／4 | to play |
|  | 2NT | strong enquiry | 3NT | to play |
| 2v／4 | 2NT | strong enquiry－shortage | 3NT | to play |
|  | 3＊＊ | to play | 4＊＊ |  |
|  | $3 \mathrm{~m} / 4$ | invitational | $4 \mathrm{~T} / 4$ | to play |
| 2NT | 3 | baron | 4 | gerber |
|  | 3 | transfer to $\downarrow$ | 4 |  |
|  | $3 \vee$ | transfer to | 4 | to play |
|  | 3. | game force with 5 and 4 v | 4 | to play |
|  |  | to play | other |  |

Additional responses to 1NT
3／3 slam interest in bid suit
$3 \mathbf{m}$ s．slam interest in bid suit
4
gerber
4
4• to play
4
other

| Other slam bidding | Cue Bids $\quad$ ¢ | Asking Bids | Game force $\quad$ Q |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4th Suit Forcing | One round $\square$ |  |  |  |
| NT Checkback $\quad \square$ | Priorities |  |  |  |
| Defence to 3NT opening | g $\quad X$ with 16＋ |  |  |  |
| Defence to opening Two | o＇s：Multi $2 \checkmark$ O or |  |  |  |

RCO style 2－s

Other 2－s

## Defence to strong ASPRO

| Lebensohl |
| :--- |
| Other uses |

Over NT interference
Take out of 4 level pre－empts

$4 \vee 4 N T$

## OTHER NOTES

2C－2D－2H．．．．．．．．．．．weak，odd
2C－2D－2S．．．．．．．．．．．weak，colour
2C－2D－2NT．．．．．．．．．．weak，minors
2C－2D－3x．．．．．．．．．．．．．game force in that suit
2D－2NT．．．．．．．．．．．3m＝M 4／4 and shows longer $m, 3 M=5$－card $M, 4 m=M 5 / 5$ and shortage

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| Names: | Charlie Snashall | Grant Kilvington |  |  |
| ABF Nos: | 147818 | 140147 |  |  |
| Basic System: | ACOL |  |  |  |
| Classification: | Green $\boxtimes$ | Blue | Red $\square$ Yellow $\quad \square$ |  |
|  |  | OPENING BIDS |  |  |

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

1 NT 12-14
2 Stayman: simple $\boxtimes$ extended
transfers $2 *$ or Baron $18+2$,
2 NT (3 super) other 3 level natural slam tries
2. Strong (2 negative)
2. 6(5) 5-10 pts.

2• 6(5) 5-10 pts.
2. 6(5) 5-10 pts.

2 NT 20-22
3 NT Gambling minor (solid) No outside A or K
PRE-ALERTS: CALLS THAT MAY HAVE UNEXPECTED MEANINGIS OR REQUIRE SPECIAL DEFENCE

| COMPETITIVE BIDDING |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Negative doubles through | 4. Res | Responsive doubles through |  | 4s |
| Jump overcalls Roman | Unusual NT | Roman |  |  |
| 1NT overcall (immediate) | 15-18 pts. | (re-opening) | 11-1 |  |
| Immed cue of minor Romber | man |  |  |  |
| Immed cue of major Rom | man |  |  |  |
| Over opponent's 1NT (weak) | Cappelle |  |  |  |
| Over opponent's 1NT (strong) | Cappelle |  |  |  |
| Over weak twos | $X=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ |  |  |  |
| Over opening threes | $X=T / O$ |  |  |  |


| Describe strength, minimum length or speciicic meaning |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 14 | 1. | $4+$ 6+ pts. | 2NT | 4+9-11 pts. or 15+. |
|  | $1 \mathrm{~W} /{ }^{\text {a }}$ | 4+v/ $6+$ pts. | 34 | $4+6$-9 pts. |
|  | 1NT | 4+ 8-10 | 3 | Fit showing raise to 4 level |
|  | 2 | 3*6-9 | $3 \times$ | Fit showing raise to 4 level |
|  | 2. | Fit showing raise to 3 or 5 level | 3. | Fit showing raise to 4 level |
|  | 2 | Fit showing raise to 3 or 5 leve | 3NT | 4+12-14 pts. bal. |
|  | 2. | Fit showing raise to 3 or 5 leve | 14 bids | To play |
| 1 | 1/1/ | $4+\eta / 4,6+p$ ts. | $3 \times$ | Fit showing raise to 3 or 5 level |
|  | 1NT | 6-9 pts. | 34 | $4+$, 6-9 pts. |
|  | 2 | 10+ pts. $4+$ | 3 | Fit showing raise to 4 level |
|  | 2 | $3+\diamond, 6-9 \mathrm{pts}$. | 3. | Fit showing raise to 4 level |
|  | 2 | Fit showing raise to 3 or 5 leve | 3NT | $4+\star, 12-14$ pts. bal. |
|  | 2. | Fit showing raise to 3 or 5 leve |  | Preemptive |
|  | 2NT | $4+\diamond, 9-11$ pts or 15+ | 4 Oth | - 4v/4 to play |
| 1v/* | 1NT | $6-9 \mathrm{pts}$. | 34 | Fit showing raise to 3 or 5 level |
|  | 2 | 10+ pts. $4+$ | 3 | Fit showing raise to 3 or 5 level |
|  | 2 | $10+\mathrm{pts} .4+$ | $3 \mathrm{w} /$ * | $4+$ / $4,6-9 \mathrm{pts}$. |
|  | 2v/4 | $3+v / 4.9$ pts. | 3NT | $4+\boldsymbol{/} / \mathrm{t}, 12-14 \mathrm{pts}$. bal. |
|  | 2 NT | $4+\boldsymbol{/} / \pm, 9-11$ or 15+ | 4*/* | Fit showing raise to 4 level |
| 2 | 2 | Negative or waiting | 2v/4 | Natural positive |
|  | other | 2NT $=6-9$ bal. Puppet Staym | an, trfr | and Baron after 2s: $24: 2 \mathrm{NT}$ |
| 2 | ${ }^{2}$ | Nat. \& Forcing | 3*/4 | Nat.\& Forcing/Preemptive |
|  | 2. | Nat. \& Forcing | $3 \mathrm{w} /$ / | Fit showing |
|  | 2NT | Ogust | 3NT | To play |
| 2v/4 | 2NT | Asks for minor inv.+ | 3NT | To play |
|  | 3*/ | Nat. \& Forcing | 4/4/4 | Fit showing |
|  | $3 v / 4$ | Preemptive/Fit showing | 4v/4 | To play |
| 2NT | 3 | Puppet Stayman | 4 | Nat. \& slam interest |
|  | 3 | Transfer to hearts | 4. | Nat. \& slam interest |
|  | $3 *$ | Transfer to spades |  | To play |
|  | 3. | Baron | 4. | To play |
|  | 3NT | To play | other |  |

## Additional responses to 1NT



| RCO style 2-s | 1-2-3 doubles |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Other 2-s |  |  |
| Defence to strong ¢ | Cappelletti style (but 2 is natural) |  |
| Lebensohl | Over NT interference | 区 |
| Other uses After X of weak 2 |  |  |
| Take out of 4 level pre-empts $4 *$ U $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ |  |  |
| 4• $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ |  | $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}: 4 \mathrm{NT}$ |

## OTHER NOTES

Roman Jump Style Overcalls
( 1 strong) $1 \mathrm{NT}=$ minors $2 \boldsymbol{*}=$ both majors $5+-4+2 \boldsymbol{2} / \mathbf{~}=5+\boldsymbol{*} / \mathbf{4}$ and $4+$ minor, $2 \mathrm{nt}=$ minors
( $2 \leftarrow$ strong) $2 \uparrow=$ both majors $5+-4+2 \uparrow / 4+5 /$ and $4+$ minor, $2 N T=$ minors

BASIC RESPONSES

|  | Jump raises - minors limit | $\square$ | forcing $\quad \square$ | other <1 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jump raises - majors limit | $\square$ | forcing $\quad \square$ | other $<10$ |  |
| Jump shifts after minor opening | GF, single-suiter, supp |  |  |  |
| Jump shifts after major opening |  | as above |  |  |
| Responses to strong 2 suit opening |  | N/A |  |  |
| Responses to 2NT opening |  | see page 2 |  |  |

Responses to 2NT opening see page 2

| PLAY CONVENTIONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 'NT' Versus Notrump | 'S' Versus Suit |  |  |  |  |  |  | $V=$ Both |
| Sequence leads: | Overlead all | $\square$ | All except AK x $(\mathrm{x})$ | $\square$ |  |  |  |  |

Underlead $\qquad$
Four or more with an honour $\quad$ 4th highest $\quad \square$ attitude $\quad \square$

3rd/5th $\square$ other
From 4 small 2nd highest $\quad \square$ other
From 3 cards (no honour) top NT middle S bottom
Signal on partner's lead: high encourage $\square$ low encourage
other Ace against NT requires count
Signal on declarer's lead count

| Discards | McKenney  <br>  $\square$ <br> odd/even  | $\square$ | high encourage $\quad \square$ | other encourage the first discard only | $\square$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Count | natural | $\square$ | reverse $\quad \square$ |  |  |

## CONVENTIONS

| 4NT: | Blackwood $\quad \square$ | RKCB $\quad \boxtimes \quad$ other |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4 | Gerber $\quad \square$ | when? | never, 4C/D may be RKCB if minor is agreed |

Other Conventions
Direct splinters (double jump shift)
DONT against weak 1NT
Fit showing splinters (jump above reverse) 2C single-suiter
Precision asking bids: support - controls -
2D diamods + another suit quality - specific controls

2 H hearts + spades or clubs
2 S spades + clubs
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## RCO weak twos

4C/4D openings: strong transfer to 4H/4S
4NT opening: 8 cards solid minor

## COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Negative doubles through 3S/4D Responsive doubles through 3S
Jump overcalls intermediate Unusual NT see page 3
1NT overcall (immediate) 15-18 (re-opening) 15-18
Immed cue of minor both majors, $5 / 4$ cards or better, any strength Immed cue of major other major + minor, $5 / 5$ cards or better, any strength
Over opponent's 1NT (weak) DONT (see page 4), double = penalty
Over opponent's 1NT (strong) DONT, double = single-suiter
Over weak twos
Over opening threes
double = strong take-out
as above

RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS
CONVENTIONS
Describe strength, minimum length or specific meaning

| 19 | 1 | Negative, less than 9CP | 2NT | Solid suit (any), 6+ cards |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 1 | 9+CP, 5+ cards | 3. | 3-6CP, 7+ cards |
|  | 1NT | 5+ clubs | 3 | " |
|  | 20 | " 5+ diamonds | 3 | " |
|  | 2 | 9-11CP, no 5 cards suit | 31 | " |
|  | 2 | 12-14CP, " | 3NT | N/A |
|  | 2 | 15+CP, | 4 bids | N/A |
| 1 | 1 1 | 7+CP, 4+ cards | 3* | GF, support asking bid |
|  | 1NT | 7-10CP, no 4 cards major | 3 | <11CP, 4+ card fit, 8LT |
|  | 20 | (10)11+CP, 5+ cards | 3 | Splinter |
|  | 2 | " 4+ card fit | 3 | " |
|  | 2 | GF, support asking bid | 3NT | 13-15CP bal'd, no 4 card major |
|  | 21 | " | 4 | Weak, preemptive |
|  | 2NT | 16+CP, any shape | 4 Othe | 4C - splinter, 4H/S - to play |
| 1 $1 /$ | 1NT | 7-10CP, no 4 card major | 30 | GF, support asking bid |
|  | 20 | (10)11+CP, 4+ cards | 3 | " |
|  | 2 | " | 3 14 | <10CP, 3+ card fit, 8LT |
|  | 2v/s | 3+ card fit, 9LT | 3NT | 13-15CP, 3+ card fit |
|  | 2NT | 10-12/16+CP, 3+ card fit | 4* | Splinter |
| 2 | 2 | Enquiry | $2 \mathrm{~V} /$ | Natural, 5+ cards, not forcing |
|  | other | Jump shift: GF, support as |  |  |
| 2 | 2 | Pass/correct | 3 | Natural, forcing |
|  | 2 | " (interest in H game poss | \|ex) | Preemptive, correctible |
|  | 2NT | Strong enquiry | 3NT | To play |
| 2v/ | 2NT | Enquiry | 3NT | To play |
|  | 3/ | Pass/correct | 4* | Pass/correct |
|  | 3/14 | " | 4 $/ 1$ | " |
| 2NT | 3 | Pass/correct | 4* | Pass/correct |
|  | 3 | " | 4 | " |
|  | 3 | " | 4 | " |
|  | 31 | Strong enquiry | 4. | " |
|  | 3NT | To play | other | " |

Additional responses to 1NT

| 3 | GF, support asking bid |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $3 / 3$ | " |  |
| 4 | RKCB setting clubs |  |
| 4 | $"$ |  |

Unusual NT: minors $\quad \square \quad$ other suits $\quad \square \quad$ lower 2 unbid suits $\quad \square$
other after major: both minors
minor: other minor + major


Defence to strong e Double: both majors (<5/5), 1D/H/S: lead-directive
1NT: single-suiter, higher bids: DONT (see page 4)

## Lebensoh

 Over NT interferenceOther uses When we double Weak Two bid showing an anchor suit
Take out of 4 level pre-empts 4 Double
4• 4N
4. 4NT

## OTHER NOTES

Obligatory re-opening on (1)2-level when short in opponents suit.
New suit by responder not forcing on 2-level after opponents double or overcall our opening; however 3-level bid after an overcall is forcing.

Obligatory pause over Preempts or Skip bids.

