4. BASIC RESPONSES

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Jump raises - minors GF shortage showing over 1 🌩; Invitational over 1 🔶				
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Natural and invitational				
Some raise, some natural and ir	nvitational			
n. Curious scepticism (or sceptical	curiosity if playing reverse)			
3♣: Mostly Muppet; Transfers to	o majors; 3♠: Minor suit Stayman			
5. PLAY CONVENT	IONS Show priorities			
Versus Suit (or both)	Versus NoTrump (if different)			
A/Q = Rev Att; K = Rev Count				
vadsSequences:A/Q = Rev Att; K = Rev Countour or more with an honour4th HighestAttitude				
om 4 small 2nd Highest Attitude				
cards (no honour) 2nd Highest Attitude (Usually top)				
Lina i ligitoot	Autude (Osuany top)			
As above	3rds and 5ths			
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As above	· · · · · ·			
As above See Note 1 below	3rds and 5ths			
As above See Note 1 below Reverse Count	3rds and 5ths			
As above See Note 1 below Reverse Count Reverse Attitude; Reverse Count	3rds and 5ths			
	nortage showing over 1♣; Invitation tional Natural and invitational Some raise, some natural and ir n. Curious scepticism (or sceptical 3♣: Mostly Muppet; Transfers to 5. PLAY CONVENT Versus Suit (or both) A/Q = Rev Att; K = Rev Count 4th Highest 2nd Highest			

6. SLAM CONVENTIONS RKCB 1430 4& Gerber when? Turbo

 Slam Notes

 Cue Bids
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 Asking Bids
 1st or 2nd round; two of the top three in own suit (A or K in partner's suit)

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4NT:

7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

Leong Transfers	Support X/XX after 1m - 1M (or equivalent)		
Lebensohl	Good/Bad 2NT (2NT is Good)		
Fit-showing jumps in most competition	Negative Free bids at 2-level if not transfer		
Raptor 1NT Overcall (4M + 5+m)	Unusual Over Unusual (Cheapest cue raise)		
Gazzilli	Anti-Stayman (Gogirl)		
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STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

ABF Nos.	ABF Nos. 384399 Paul Brayshaw				
& Names:	& Names: 317640 Chris Mulley				
Basic System:	Standard	American, unbalan	ced diamond		
Brown Sticker	Clas	sification: Green	Blue	Red X Yellow	
		1. OPENI	NG BIDS		
Describe stren	gth, minimum	length, or specific me	aning	Canape	
1♣ 2+, 11+	HCP (Clubs	or Balanced)	1♥ 5+, 11+ HCP		
1 (4) 5+, 11	+ HCP (Alwa	ays unbalanced)	1 ♠ 5+, 11+ HCP		
1NT 13.5 - 16 HCP, very occasional singleton honour may contain 5 card Major				may contain 5 card Major 🛛 🗙	
1NT Responses	2 4 5-card	Stayman (weak ♦;	most GI; GF 5+m a	nd 4M)	
2 ♦ 5+ he	arts OR invita	ational 4 - 4 majors	2 条 GF; 4 - 4 maj	ors or 3-suited	
2 ♥ 5+ spa	2♥ 5+ spades 2NT Clubs, Weak or GF				
other 3♣ = Diamonds, Inv+; 3♦ = Minor suit Stayman; 3M = Anti-Stayman					
2 ♣ 20 - 22 ba	alanced OR (GF			
2 10 - 15 HCP, 5+ hearts and 4+ spades (Flannery)					
2♥ 5+ hearts, 4 - 9 HCP (suit length and quality dependent on vulnerability)					
2♠ 5+ spades, 4 - 9 HCP (suit length and quality dependent on vulnerability)					
2NT 22.5 - 24	2NT 22.5 - 24 balanced 3NT Good suit, 4-level minor pre-empt				
other					
		2. PRE-	ALERTS		
Transfers in many auctions (incl. some X) 2NT is almost never natural in competition					
Transfer resp	Transfer responses to 1 Support X/XX after 1m - 1M (or equivalent)			r 1m - 1M (or equivalent)	
2♦ Opening (Flannery) 1NT overcall shows 5+m + 4M					
3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS					

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r strong				
er 1秦				
Over opponent's 1NT Weak: X = Pen; 2♣ majors; 2♦: 4+♦ + 4M; 2M = Natural				
2NT: 5+ Hearts and 5+ minor; 3♣/3♦: 5+ Spades, 5+ in bid minor				
Strong or by Passed hand: X = 4+ + 4M or Penalty; Others as above				
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8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS				
	Describe stre	ngth, minimum length, or specifi	c meaning	
1♣ 1	♦ 4+♥, 0+ HCP	2♦ 6+♦, Invitational	3 GF+, 3-suited short 🔶	
1	¥ 4+♠, 0+ HCP	2♥ 6+♥, Invitational	3♥ GF+, 3-suited short ♥	
14	♠ 5-10, no major or GF♣	2♠ 6+♠, Invitational	3A GF+, 3-suited short 🛧	
11	NT 11 - 12 (may have 4M)	2NT 6+ , Invitational	3NT 16 - 18 balanced	
2	♣ GF♦	34 GF+, 3-suited short 🛧	44 Pre-emptive	
oth	her			
1 1	♥ 4+♥, 5+ HCP	2♥ 6+♥, Invitational	3♥ GF Splinter	
14	♠ 4+♠, 5+ HCP	2♠ 6+♠, Invitational	3♠ GF Splinter	
11	ŊT 5+♣, weak or GF	2NT 5 - 6 d. Invitational	3NT GF Splinter in 秦	
	Good raise to 2 or GF		44 Void Splinter	
	Bad raise to 2	3 GI diamond raise	4 Pre-emptive	
oth	ner 4♥: Void Splinter; 4♠: V	/oid Splinter		
1♥ 14	5 - 12 HCP OR GF Bal	2♥ Bad raise to 2♥	3 Invitational, 6+ 🔶	
11	ŊŢ 5+ spades	2A GF 4+ Raise	3♥ Invitational 3+ ♥	
2	♣ GF♣ OR Good 2♥ bid	2NT GF, Balanced with 3	3♠ GF Splinter in any suit	
2	♦ GF♦	3🌲 Invitational, 6+ 🛧	3NT Void Splinter in 🛧	
oth	ner 4♠: Void Splinter in ♦; 4	: Void Splinter in A		
1 1	NT 5 - 12 HCP	2♠ Bad raise to 2♠	3♥ 6+♥, Invitational	
2	🗣 GF, 🛧 OR Balanced	2NT GF 4+ Raise	3 Invitational, 3+ 🛧	
2	♦ GF♦ OR Good 2♠ bid	3♣ 6+♣, Invitational	3NT GF Splinter in any suit	
	♥ GF♥	3♦ 6+♦, Invitational	44 Void Splinter in 🛧	
oth	ner 4♦: Void Splinter; 4♥: V	/oid Splinter		
1NT 3	Diamonds, Invitational+	3♠ GF+, 4♠ not 4♥	4 Transfer to 4	
3•	Minor Suit Stayman	3NT To Play	4♥ To Play	
3	♥ GF+, 4♥ not 4♠	4♣ Transfer to 4♥	4♠ To Play	
oth	ner			
24 24	Hearts or Waiting	2NT 🛧, weak or GF	3♥	
	V Spades	3♣ ♦, weak or GF	3♠	
2	Negative or GF 3-suiter	3 GF, 5+/5+ minors	3NT	
oth	ner			
2 2	🕈 To Play	34 Natural, Invitational	3 Mixed Raise	
2	\Lambda To Play	3 Natural, Invitational	3NT To Play	
21	NT GI+ Relay	3 Mixed Raise	44 Slam try+ with hearts	
oth	ner 4+: Slam try+ with spade	es; 4♥/4♠: To Play		

2 V 2 A N	latural, non-forcing	3 Natu	ıral, GF	3NT	To Play
2NT P	Puppet to 3 🛧	3 Non	-invitational raise	4	Splinter
3 % N	latural, GF	3 ♠ Goo	d 6+ ≜ , GF	d 6+♠, GF 4♥ To Play	
other G	Going via 2NT to 3♠/3N	T is "flexi	ble" GF.		
2 🛧 2NT P	Puppet to 3A	3♥ Natu	ıral, GF	4♣	Splinter
3 % N	latural, GF	3 A Non	-invitational raise	4 🖤	Splinter
3 \ N	latural, GF	3NT To F	Play	4	To Play
other G	Going via 2NT to 3NT is	choice o	f games		
2NT 3♣ 🖡	Nuppet Stayman	3 Mino	or-suit Stayman	4�	Sets 🔶
3 • T	ransfer to 💙, GF	3NT To F	Play	4 💙	Quantitative, 5+ 🜩
3♥ ⊤	ransfer to 🛧, GF	4 Sets	•	4	Quantitative, 5+
other					
	9	. CON	VENTIONS		
Unusual N	T: Lowest Two Unbid	Suits, Int	ermediate or better		
4th Suit F		7			Game force X
NT Check	·	Leong Tr	ansfers		
	to 3NT opening	0			
Multi 2	Defence to Opening Twos Multi 2 X = 16+ HCP (next double takeout by either hand), others are natural				
	2-s X = 16+ HCP (next		-		
Other 2-s			, otherwise as above		
					minors: 2 - Odds
	effence $1 \clubsuit : X = clubs; 1NT = Reds or Blacks; 2 \clubsuit = Majors or minors; 2 \blacklozenge = Odds$				
	to Others are natural. strong 2♣ : X = Clubs; 2NT = Reds or Blacks; 3♣ = Majors or Minors; 3♦ = Odd suits				
strong	$2 = 1 \times 1000$	Reas or	Blacks; $3\Phi = Major$	s or	Minors; $3 \neq = 0$ da suits
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	Interference Rubenso				
Lebensoh	nl - other uses Takeou	it double	at the 2-level		
Take out of 4 level pre-empts $4\frac{4}{4}/4$ X = Flexible Takeout					
4♥ X = Flexible Takeout 4♠ X = Convertible Values					
10. OTHER NOTES					

Notes