

## 4. BASIC RESPONSES

|                                  |   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Jump raises - minors             | Inverted 5-9. 3rd/4th seat revert to 10-11 limit raise          |
| Jump raises - Majors             | Preemptive 3-7  |
| Jump shifts after minor opening  | 1♦-3♣=6♣ INV; Others Weak                                       |
| Jump shifts after Major opening  | 1♠-3♥=6♥ INV; Other Mod. Bergen Raise. 3rd/4th Seat=Splinter    |
| Responses to strong 2 suit open. | 2♦=Waiting; 2♥=No A or K; 2♠=5♥; 2NT=5♠; 3♣/3♦=6. Suits 2/3 Hnr |
| Responses to 2NT opening         | 3♣=Puppet Stayman; 3♠=Minorsuit Stayman; 3♦,3♥,4♣ to 4♠=TRF     |

## 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS Show priorities

|   | Versus <b>Suit</b> (or both) | Versus <b>NoTrump</b> (if different) |
|---|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Leads</b> Sequences:   | Overlead All                 | Overlead All                         |
| Four or more with an honour   | 4th highest                  | 4th highest                          |
| From 4 small  | 2nd highest                  | 2nd highest                          |
| From 3 cards (no honour)  | Middle                       | Top                                  |
| In partner's suit   | Overlead; 4th; Xx            | Overlead; 4th; Xx                    |
| <b>Discards</b>   | Low Encourage                | Low Encourage                        |
| <b>Count</b>  | Low-High = Even              | Low-High = Even                      |
| <b>Signal</b> on partner's lead:  | Low Encourage                |                                      |
| <b>Signal</b> on declarer's lead:   | Reverse Count                |                                      |
| <b>Notes</b> Suit Preference where obvious                                |                              |                                      |
| In some cases, Ace for attitude, King for count i.e. high level contracts |                              |                                      |

## 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS

4NT: Blackwood  RKCB 3041 4♣ Gerber  when?

### Slam Notes

Cue Bids  1st or 2nd below game  
 Asking Bids  5 level raise of trump suit asks for 1st or 2nd round control in Opp's suit

## 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Blackout after a Reverse by Opener                 | Rubensohl TRF over interf. of 1NT opening   |
| Lebensol 2NT over int of 1NT opening               | Lebensol 2NT over X of weak 2               |
| X of Splinter = lead direct lower of other 2 suits | DOPE = Over high level interference of RKCB |
| X of Splinter Not Vul v Vul = suggests a sacrifice | DOPI = Over low level interference of RKCB  |

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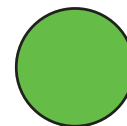
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Blackout: Rebid of responder's suit is F1 and 5+.  
 Otherwise, cheaper of 2NT or 4th suit promises only 4 in first bid suit and a minimum hand



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## STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

ABF Nos. 100153 Therese Tully  
 & Names: 107931 Richard Wallis  
 Basic System: 2 over 1  
 Brown Sticker  Classification: Green  Blue  Red  Yellow

## 1. OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning Canape   
 1♣ 2+ 11+ 1♥ 5+ 11+  
 1♦ 4+ 11+ 1♠ 5+ 11+  
 1NT (14) 15-17 may contain 5 card Major

1NT Responses 2♣ Simple Stayman  
 2♦ TRF ♥ 2♠ TRF ♣  
 2♥ TRF ♠ 2NT TRF ♦  
 other 3♦=5/5 ♣/♦ FG; 3M=Singleton (31)(54), 4♣=TRF ♥; 4♦=TRF ♠; 4NT=INV

2♣ 23+ Balanced or FG  
 2♦ 6, 5-10; 2NT response = Ogust  
 2♥ 6 5-10; 2NT response = Ogust  
 2♠ 6 5-10; 2NT response = Ogust

2NT (19) 20-22 3NT ♣ OR ♦ AKQXXXX  
 other 4NT = ♣/♦

## 2. PRE-ALERTS

Trial bids may be short (step) or long 4 level bids over 1NT & 2NT opening  
 Modified Bergen responses to 1 Major opening 1NT may have 6 ♣ or ♦; Leaping Michaels  
 Response to 1♣ (2+) may be light 3 level responses to 1NT. Support X/XX

## 3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS

Negative doubles through 4♥ Jump overcalls 6(7), Weak; 10-12 Vul  
 Responsive doubles through 4♥ Unusual NT 5/5 - 2 lower unbid suits  
 1NT overcall - immediate 15-18 Immediate cue of minor ♥/♠ 5/5 Unlimited  
 1NT overcall - re-opening 10-14 No Stop Req Immediate cue of Major Other Major/Minor 5/5 Unlimited  
 Over weak twos X=T/O; Leb; Leaping Michaels Over opening threes X=T/O; 4♦/3♣=Leaping Michaels  
 Over opponent's 1NT X=Penalty; 2♣=5/4 ♥/♠; 2♦=1 Major; 2M=5M/4+minor; 2NT=5/5 ♣/♦

## 8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

|   |                         |                          |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1♣ 1♦ 4+, 5+ (3 if 3334 6-7)  | 2♦ Weak                 | 3♦ Weak                  |
| 1♥ 4+, 5+   | 2♥ Weak                 | 3♥ Weak                  |
| 1♠ 4+, 5+   | 2♠ Weak                 | 3♠ Weak                  |
| 1NT 8-10  | 2NT 10-12               | 3NT 13-15 full of quacks |
| 2♣ 5+, 10+  | 3♣ 5+, 5-9              | 4♣ Weak                  |
| other 4♥/4♠/5♦ = To Play  |                         |                          |
| 1♦ 1♥ 4+, 5+  | 2♥ Weak                 | 3♥ Weak                  |
| 1♠ 4+, 5+   | 2♠ Weak                 | 3♠ Weak                  |
| 1NT 6-9   | 2NT 10-12               | 3NT 13-15 full of quacks |
| 2♣ 4+, FG   | 3♣ 6♣, INV              | 4♣ Void                  |
| 2♦ 4+, 10+  | 3♦ 4+, 5-9              | 4♦ Weak                  |
| other 4♥/4♠/5♣ = To Play  |                         |                          |
| 1♥ 1♠ 4+, 5+  | 2♥ 3, 5-9               | 3♦ 4+, 10-12             |
| 1NT (0)5-12, Semi-forcing   | 2♠ 7-9, any splinter    | 3♥ 4+, 3-7               |
| 2♣ ♣'s or Balanced, FG  | 2NT 4+, FG              | 3♠ 10-12, any splinter   |
| 2♦ 5+, FG   | 3♣ 4+, 7-9 OR 3, 10-11  | 3NT 8-11 ♠ Void          |
| other 8-11 4♣/4♦ = Void in bid suit; 4♠/5♣/5♦ = To Play                                 |                         |                          |
| 1♠ 1NT (0)5-12, Semi-forcing  | 2♠ 3, 5-9               | 3♥ 6♥, INV               |
| 2♣ ♣'s or Balanced, FG  | 2NT 7-9, any splinter   | 3♠ 4+, 3-7               |
| 2♦ 5+, FG   | 3♣ 4+, FG               | 3NT 10-12, any splinter  |
| 2♥ 5+, FG   | 3♦ 4+, 7-11 OR 3, 10-11 | 4♣ 4♦/4♥ = 8-11 Void     |
| other 5♣/5♦ = To Play   |                         |                          |
| 1NT 3♣ 5 Card Major Enquiry   | 3♠ Singleton 13(54)     | 4♦ TRF ♠                 |
| 3♦ 5/5 ♣/♦ FG   | 3NT To Play             | 4♥ To Play               |
| 3♥ Singleton 31(54)   | 4♣ TRF ♥                | 4♠ To Play               |
| other 4NT = INV   |                         |                          |
| 2♣ 2♦ Waiting, at least 1 King  | 2NT 5+♠, 2/3 Honours    | 3♥ Sets Suit             |
| 2♥ No Ace or King   | 3♣ 6+♣, 2/3 Honours     | 3♠ Sets Suit             |
| 2♠ 5+♥, 2/3 Honours   | 3♦ 6+♦, 2/3 Honours     | 3NT                      |
| other 4♣/4♦ = Singleton or void in bid suit 4441 or 4450 with 4 or 5 in the other minor |                         |                          |
| 2♦ 2♥ NAT, INV. Raise with fit  | 3♣ Natural, Forcing     | 3♠ 6+♠, FG               |
| 2♠ NAT, INV. Raise with fit   | 3♦ To Play              | 3NT To Play              |
| 2NT Ogust   | 3♥ 6+♥, FG              | 4♣                       |
| other   |                         |                          |

**Notes** 1♣ - 1♦ - 1♥ - 1♠ = Forth suit forcing to game

1♣- 1♦ - 2♥/2♠ = Natural and FG as with 1♣- 1♥ - 2♠ = Natural and FG

|                                |                       |                       |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 2♥ 2♠ NAT, INV. Raise with fit | 3♦ Natural, Forcing   | 3NT To Play           |
| 2NT Ogust                      | 3♥ To Play            | 4♣                    |
| 3♣ Natural, Forcing            | 3♠ 6+♠, FG            | 4♥ To Play            |
| other                          |                       |                       |
| 2♠ 2NT Ogust                   | 3♥ 5+♥, FG            | 4♣                    |
| 3♣ NAT, Forcing                | 3♠ To Play            | 4♥ To Play            |
| 3♦ Natural, Forcing            | 3NT To Play           | 4♠ To Play            |
| other                          |                       |                       |
| 2NT 3♣ Puppet Stayman          | 3♠ Minor Suit Stayman | 4♦ TRF ♠; 4♥ Interest |
| 3♦ TRF ♥                       | 3NT To Play           | 4♥ TRF ♣; 4♠ = RKCB   |
| 3♥ TRF ♠                       | 4♣ TRF ♥; 4♦ Interest | 4♠ TRF ♦; 5♣ = RKCB   |
| other                          |                       |                       |

## 9. CONVENTIONS

**Unusual NT:** Lower 2 unbid suits

**4th Suit Forcing** One round  Game force

**NT Checkback**  Priorities: 2 Way Checkback; 2♣ = Forces 2♦ or INV. 2♦ = ART FG

**Defence to 3NT opening** XXX

**Defence to Opening Twos** Natural weak 2 - X=T/O (Lebensohl). Others - XXX

Multi 2♦ XXX

RCO style 2-s XXX

Other 2-s XXX

**Defence** X=Majors, 1NT=Minors, 1♦-2♣=Natural & Constructive, Others=Natural & Weak

to

strong

♣

**Over 1NT Interference** Rubensohl

**Lebensohl - other uses** 2NT TRF to ♣ Weak or Weak with ♦'s

**Take out of 4 level pre-empts** 4♣/4♦ X = T/O

4♥ X = T/O

4♠ X = T/O; 4NT = 2 Suited T/O

## 10. OTHER NOTES

System on over X of opener's 1 level opening but off after simple overcall

2 way checkback over 1NT or 2NT rebid by opener applies after any 1 level interference