

## 4. BASIC RESPONSES

Jump raises - minors	8-9
Jump raises - Majors	2-5, 5H/4S support
Jump shifts after minor opening	Natural, weak at 2 level
Jump shifts after Major opening	Bergen raises, except 1H:2S which is weak
Responses to strong 2 suit open.	Next suit =Negative or Pass/correct
Responses to 2NT opening	3C enquiry, 3D= Natural \Forcing

## 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS

Show priorities

	Versus Suit (or both)	Versus NoTrump (if different)
<b>Leads</b> Sequences:	Overlead all	
Four or more with an honour	4th highest	
From 4 small	2nd highest	
From 3 cards (no honour)	middle	
In partner's suit	As above	
<b>Discards</b>	Suit preference if a low card**	
<b>Count</b>	REO count	
<b>Signal</b> on partner's lead:	REO count	
<b>Signal</b> on declarer's lead:	REO count	
<b>Notes</b> REO COUNT: An odd card shows an odd number, an even card an even number		
We peter to show an odd number of even cards or an even number of odd cards.		
First discard (if a low card) is suit preference, Even for lower suit, Odd for higher		

## 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS

4NT: Blackwood  RKCB 0314 4♣ Gerber  when? Never

### Slam Notes

Cue Bids  Almost always first round controls

Asking Bids  For trump Q and outside K's

## 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

15-18 NT rebids with Crowhurst 2/3C cback	Living continuations after 1NT overcall
Herbert negatives (next suit) after T/O X	Puppet Stayman after strong 2NT
DOPE after interference over 4NT	Support X's after we have bid 2 suits
Splinters	Bergen raises
McCance trump cues	Minorwood.

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Exclusion Blackwood

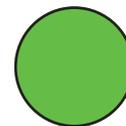
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## STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

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& Names:	155837	Ross CRICHTON
Basic System:	ACOL	
Brown Sticker	<input type="checkbox"/>	Classification: Green <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blue <input type="checkbox"/> Red <input type="checkbox"/> Yellow <input type="checkbox"/>

## 1. OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning Canape

1♣ 4(3), 11+	1♥ 4, 11+
1♦ 4, 11+	1♠ 5, 11+
1NT (11)12-14	may contain 5 card Major <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

### 1NT Responses 2♣ Stayman

2♦ Transfer to 2H	2♠ Shape enquiry
2♥ Transfer to 2S	2NT Transfer to 3C
other 3C/D/H/S Strong,slam try,invites cues	

2♣ 8+ playing tricks in any suit, or 21-22, 25-26 etc Balanced	
2♦ Weak 2 in H, or 5:5 in H & a minor (weak/strong), or 23-24 etc Balanced	
2♥ Weak 2 in S, or 5:5 in S & a minor (weak/strong), or any 4441, 18+	
2♠ Weak/strong 5:5 in C/D	
2NT Weak/strong 5:5 in H/S	3NT Good 4H/S preempt
other 4 level natural preemptive openings. 4NT specific Ace ask	

## 2. PRE-ALERTS

3NT (see above)	Bergen raises
Over opp strong C, X is transfer to D	
Over opp strong 1NT, X is transfer to C	

## 3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS

Negative doubles through	4D	Jump overcalls	Intermediate (10-15, 6 card suit)
Responsive doubles through	4D	Unusual NT	Over M: ms; Over 1m: om + 1M (5/5) WK/STR
1NT overcall - immediate	15-18	Immediate cue of minor	Both majors, weak/strong
1NT overcall - re-opening	15-18	Immediate cue of Major	Other M/m, weak/strong
Over weak twos	X=T/O, +Lebensohl	Over opening threes	X=T/O
Over opponent's 1NT	Canape transfers		
Over weakNT, X=penalty			
Over strongNT, X is transfer to C			

## 8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

1♣ 1♦ 4+ suit, 5+HCP	2♦ 3-7, 6 card suit	3♦ Splinter. x, not A or K
1♥ 4+ suit, 5+ HCP	2♥ 3-7, 6 card suit	3♥ Splinter, as above
1♠ 4+ suit, 5+ HCP	2♠ 3-7, 6 card suit	3♠ Splinter, as above
1NT 5-9(10), denies 4H/S	2NT 10-12 or 16+, 4/5 C	3NT 13-15, C support
2♣ 4-7(8), denies 4H/S	3♣ 8-9, 5/4+ C	4♣ Preemptive
other 4H/S to play		
1♦ 1♥ 4+ suit, 5+HCP	2♥ 3-7, 6 card suit	3♥ Splinter
1♠ 4+ suit, 5+HCP	2♠ 3-7, 6 card suit	3♠ Splinter
1NT 5-9(10), denies 4H/S	2NT 10-12 or 16+, 4D	3NT 13-15, D support
2♣ 4+ suit, 10+HCP	3♣ 3-7, 6 card suit	4♣ Splinter
2♦ 4-7(8), denies 4H/S	3♦ 8-9, 4+D	4♦ Preemptive
other		
1♥ 1♠ 4+ suit, 5+HCP	2♥ 5-9, 4 card suit	3♦ 6-7, 5+ H suit
1NT 5-9(10), denies 4+S	2♠ 3-7, 6 card suit	3♥ 2-5, 5+ H suit
2♣ 4+ suit, 10+HCP	2NT 10-12 or 16+ 4 card H	3♠ 12+ HCP, 5+H suit
2♦ 4+ suit, 10+ HCP	3♣ 8-11, 5+ H suit	3NT 13-15, 4 card H suit
other		
1♠ 1NT 5-9(10), denies 3+S	2♠ 5-9, 3 card raise	3♥ 12+ HCP, 4+S support
2♣ 4+ suit, 10+HCP	2NT 10-12 or 16+ 3 card S	3♠ 2-5 HCP, 4+ S support
2♦ 4+ suit, 10+HCP	3♣ 8-11, 4+ S support	3NT 13-15, 3 card S suit
2♥ 5+ suit, 10+HCP	3♦ 6-7, 4+ S support	4♣ Splinter
other 4D splinter, 4H/S to play		
1NT 3♣ 6+ suit, slam interest	3♠ 6+ suit, slam interest	4♦ Transfer to 4S
3♦ 6+ suit, slam interest	3NT To play	4♥ To play
3♥ 6+ suit, slam interest	4♣ Transfer to 4H	4♠ To play
other 4NT quantitative. 5C/D to play		
2♣ 2♦ Negative/waiting	2NT Rare, no 5cd suit, +ve	3♥ Not defined
2♥ Rare, 5+ suit, +ve	3♣ Rare, 5+ suit +ve	3♠ Not defined
2♠ Rare, 5+ suit, +ve	3♦ Rare, 5+ suit, +ve	3NT Not defined
other Not defined		
2♦ 2♥ Pass or correct	3♣ Strong natural GF	3♠ Not defined
2♠ Forcing inquiry	3♦ Strong natural GF	3NT To play
2NT Strong, forcing with 6+♠	3♥ Pass/correct	4♣ Not defined
other		

Notes

2♥ 2♠ NF. To play opp WK2S	3♦ Natural, forcing	3NT To play opp weak
2NT Forcing clarification	3♥ 6+ suit, forcing	4♣ Not defined
3♣ Natural, forcing	3♠ Preempt if 2H is w2S	4♥ To play
other		
2♠ 2NT Forcing clarification	3♥ 6+ suit, forcing	4♣ Not defined
3♣ Pass or correct	3♠ 6+ suit, forcing	4♥ To play
3♦ Pass or correct	3NT To play	4♠ To play
other		
2NT 3♣ Forcing clarification	3♠ Pass or correct	4♦ Not defined
3♦ Strong, natural, forcing	3NT To play	4♥ To play
3♥ Pass or correct	4♣ Not defined	4♠ To play
other		

## 9. CONVENTIONS

**Unusual NT:** Over M: ms; Over 1m: om + 1M (5/5) WK/STR

**4th Suit Forcing** One round  When 1S is 4th suit, otherwise..... Game force

**NT Checkback**  Priorities: Bidding up the line

**Defence to 3NT opening** X=T/O, suits are natural

**Defence to Opening Twos** 2NT 15-18 bal, X=T/O, Lebensohl responses

Multi 2♦ 2H/S=shortage. 2NT=15-18 balanced, X=5+card H or S

RCO style 2-s X=T/O, 15+ unbalanced. 2NT=15-18 balanced

Other 2-s X=T/O. Lebensohl continuations

**Defence** (1♣) : Canape transfers. X=Transfer to D

to

**strong** (2♣) : Natural

1♣ / 2♣

**Over 1NT Interference** Lebensohl

**Lebensohl - other uses** In response to T/O X of opponents weak 2 bids

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

4♥ T/O oriented 4♠ T/O oriented

## 10. OTHER NOTES

Wide range (15-18) 1NT rebid with Crowhurst (checkback) continuations

Herbert Negatives (next suit up=<8HCP) in response to first round T/O X

Lavings continuations after 1NT overcall

Puppet Stayman continuations after 2NT rebids/overcalls

McCance Trump cues

Canape transfers over opponents 1NT openings

Bergen raises in response to 1H/S openings