4. BASIC RESPONSES Jump raises - minors Preempt Jump raises - Majors Preempt 1♣-2♦/♥=WK TRF, 1♣-2♠=L/R, 1♦-2♥/♠=WK NAT, 1♦-3♣=L/R Jump shifts after minor opening Jump shifts after Major opening Bergen. Into OM = 3 card L/R Responses to strong 2 suit open. Not applicable 3♣=INQ (then 3♥=no M,3NT=5♥). 3♦/♥=TRF, 3♠=m suit STAY Responses to 2NT opening 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS **Show priorities** Versus Suit Versus **NoTrump** (if different) (or both) Overlead, A-Attitude K-Count Leads Sequences: Overlead, A-Attitude K-Count Four or more with an honour 4th highest 4th highest From 4 small 2nd highest 2nd highest Middle Middle From 3 cards (no honour) In partner's suit As above As above Discards Odd/Even Odd/Even Low-High = Even Low-High = Even Count REV count (*low ENCRG) REV count (*low ENCRG) **Signal** on partner's lead: Signal on declarer's lead: 1.REV count;2.S/Psometimes;3.NAT Smith Peters in NT sometimes Notes Vs NT, Ace or Queen asks for REV ATT (*low ENCRG), King asks for unblock/REV count Vs Suit, Ace or Queen asks for REV ATT (*low ENCRG), King asks for REV count In cash out situations, low ENCRG to partner's honour lead/odd ENCRG discard 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS 4♣ Gerber 4NT: Blackwood RKCB 1430 when? Slam Notes 4m is often Minorwood, D0P1/R0P1 (for numbers) & PEDO Cue Bids X 1st/2nd round CNTRLs in ascending suit order. 3NT can be trump CUE Asking Bids 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS 4SF FG **LEB** Bergen and Jacoby raises Leaping & Non-leaping Michaels Drury after 3rd/4th seat M opening Cue raises D0P1, R0P1 (for numbers), PEDO 4m often Minorwood Blackout 123 Xs 3rd suit FG www.abf.com.au PDF Form Rev. 17I21 by RoL MyRev. 15/5/2019 Copyright © ABF 2017



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		STA	NDARD	SYS	TEM (CARD				
ABF Nos.	1961	196134 Arjuna de Livera								
& Names:	4029	974 A	4 Andrew Braithwaite							
Basic System:	Stand	dard								
Brown Sticker		Classific	ation: Green	1 X	Blue	Red	Yellow			
			1. OPE	NING	BIDS					
Describe stren	gth, min	nimum leng	th, or specific	meaning			Canape			
1♣ 11+, 2+♣				1♥	11+, 5+♥					
1♦ 11+, 4+♦				1♠	11+, 5+♠					
1NT 15-17						may cont	ain 5 card Major 🗶			
1NT Responses	2 4 5	Simple Sta	yman Smolen							
2♦ TRF to	o 💙 (car	n be mild S	5/T)	2♠	TRF to	(2NT = super	r accept)			
2♥ TRF to	o ♠ (can	be mild S	5/T)	2N7	TRF to	• (3♣ = super a	accept)			
other Super	accepts	s of TRF to	o M. 3♣/ ♦/∀/ ♠	= 6+ car	d suit S/T					
2♣ Acol 2 any	/ suit or	any Game	Force or 22+	BAL/sen	ni-BAL					
2♦ 4-7 HCP 6	6 ♥ or 6 ♠	•								
2♥ 8-11 HCP	6♥									
2♠ 8-11 HCP	6♠									
2NT 20-21 HC	P BAL/	semi-BAL		3NT	Gambling	g, no more thar	n a Q outside			
other										
			2. PRE	-AL	ERTS					
TRF response	TRF responses to 1♣ opening					Bergen raises				
		3. COI	MPETITIVE	BIDS	/ OVEF	RCALLS				
Negative doubles to	hrough	4♥	Jump overcalls	WK						
Responsive double	Responsive doubles through 4♥ Unusual NT			Lower 2 unbid suits 5+/5+ Constructive plus						
1NT overcall - imm	ediate	15-17	In	nmediate cu	ue of minor	Both M 5+/5+	Constructive plus			
1NT overcall - re-o	overcall - re-opening 11-14 Imm			nmediate cu	ue of Major OM+m 5+/5+ Constructive plus					
Over weak twos $X = T/O$					er opening threes X = T/O					
Over opponent's 11	NT W	K NT: X = I	PEN, 2♣ = Bot	h M, 2 ♦ :	= 1M, 2 ∀ /•	♦ = 5+ ♥ / ♠ & 4+	· m			
STR NT (ie 14	+ HCP)	X = 4M +	- 5m, else as a	bove						

8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

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1♣ 1♦	5+ HCP, 4+♥	2	4-7 HCP, 6♥	3◆	FG SPL raise, 5+ *CPs			
1♥	5+ HCP, 4+♠	2	4-7 HCP, 6♠	3 Y	FG SPL raise, 5+ *CPs			
1♠	5+ HCP, 4+♦ or BAL	2♠	10-11 HCP 5+♣ raise	3♠	FG SPL raise, 5+ *CPs			
1NT	10-11 HCP NAT	2NT	S/T 5+♣ raise	3NT	To play			
2	5-9 HCP 5+♣ raise	3♣	PRE 5+♣ raise	4♣	Minorwood			
other								
1♦ 1♥	5+ HCP, 4+♥	2	4-7 HCP, 6♥	3 💙	FG SPL raise, 5+ *CPs			
1♠	5+ HCP, 4+♠	2♠	4-7 HCP, 6♠	3♠	FG SPL raise, 5+ *CPs			
1NT	6-10 HCP NAT	2NT	S/T 4+♦ raise	3NT	To play			
2♣	NAT,FG unless rebid 3♣	3 -	10-11 HCP raise	4♣	FG SPL raise, 5+ *CPs			
2	5-9 HCP raise	3	PRE raise	4	Minorwood			
other								
1♥ 1♠	5+ HCP 4+♠	2	6-9 HCP 3 card raise	3	10-12 HCP 4+ card raise			
1NT	6-10 HCP NAT	2	10-12 HCP 3 card raise	3 Y	PRE raise			
2♣	NAT,FG unless rebid 3♣	2NT	FG 4+ card raise	3♠	10-14 HCP SPL raise			
2	NAT,FG unless rebid 3◆	3 ♣	6-9 HCP 4+ card raise	3NT	13-15 HCP likely (4333)			
other	1♥ - 4♣/♦ = 10-14 HCP S	PL ra	ise					
1 ♠ 1NT	6-10 HCP NAT	2♠	6-9 HCP 3 card raise	3 💙	10-12 HCP 3 card raise			
2♣	NAT,FG unless rebid 3♣	2NT	FG 4+ card raise	3♠	PRE raise			
2	NAT,FG unless rebid 3◆	3♣	6-9 HCP 4+ card raise	3NT	13-15 HCP likely (4333)			
2	NAT,FG unless rebid 3♥	3◆	10-12 HCP 4+ card raise	4♣	10-14 HCP SPL raise			
other	1♠ - 4♦/♥ = 10-14 HCP SI	PL rai	se					
1NT 3♣	6+♣, S/T(RKCB RESPs)	3 ♠	6+♠, S/T(RKCB RESPs)	4	TRF to ♠			
3	6+♦, S/T(RKCB RESPs)	3NT	To play	4	To play			
3♥	6+♥, S/T(RKCB RESPs)	4♣	TRF to ♥	4	To play			
other	4♣/♦ can be definite slam going.TRF to M at 2 level can be mild S/T							
2♣ 2♦	0-3 or 10+ HCP	2NT	4-6 HCP 5+♣, FG	3 💙	4-6 HCP, 5+♠, FG			
2	7-9 HCP any shape	3 ♣	4-6 HCP, 5+♦, FG	3♠	4-6 HCP, 5♠/4♥, FG			
2	4-6 HCP, BAL,semi-BAL	3	4-6 HCP, 5+♥. FG	3NT	4-6 HCP, 5♦/4♣			
other	2♣ - 2♦ - 2♥ = ART FG (then 2♠ = ART 0-3 HCP)							
2♦ 2♥	P/C	3♣	NAT, F1	3♠	P/C			
2	P/C	3	NAT, F1	_	To play			
2NT	INQ(3♣/♦RESP better)	3	P/C		asks opener to TRF to M			
	4♦ = asks opener to bid th	neir M	; 4 ♥ /♠ = To play	-				
			nd K of trumps – 2 CPs eac	h. O	-f.t			

Notes * CPs = Control points (4 Aces and K of trumps = 2 CPs each; Q of trumps = 1 CP; Kings outside SPL suit = 1 CP each)

2♥ 2♠	NAT, F1	3	NAT, F1	3NT	To play		
2NT	INQ for S/S (3♣=MIN)	3 Y	To play	4♣	SPL raise		
3♣	NAT, F1	3 ♠	SPL raise	4	To play		
other							
2 ♠ 2NT	INQ for S/S (3♣=MIN)	3	NAT, F1	4♣	SPL raise		
3♣	NAT, F1	3♠	To play	4	SPL raise		
3	NAT, F1	3NT	To play	4	To play		
other							
2NT 3♣	INQ (3NT RESP = 5♥)	3 ♠	m suit STAY	4	NAT Minorwood RESPs		
3 🔷	TRF to ♥	3NT	To play	4	NAT, to play		
3	TRF to ♠	4♣	NAT Minorwood RESPs	4	NAT, to play		
other	TRF to M and raise = mild	slam	interest				
	9	. C	ONVENTIONS				
Unusual I	NT: Lower 2 unbid suits		Constructive plus				
4th Suit I	Forcing One round	7			Game force X		
NT Checkback							
Defence to 3NT opening 123 Xs, 4♣/♦ = Both Ms							
Defence to Opening Twos X for takeout							
Multi 2 123 Xs, 2NT and suits NAT							
RCO style 2-s 123 Xs, 2NT and suits NAT							
·							
Other 2-s X = T/O, 2NT and suits NAT Defence 1♣: X = Ms, 1NT = ms, jumps = WK, NAT							
	$1. \qquad \lambda = \text{IVIS}, \text{ INI} = \text{I}$	ris, ju	imps = vvk, NAT				
to							
strong 2♣: X = Ms, 2NT = ms, jumps = WK, NAT							
14/24							
Over 1NT	Interference Lebenson	nl					
Lebenso	hl - other uses After T	/O Xs	of OPPTs weak 2s				
Take out	of 4 level pre-empts		4 ♣ /4 ♦ X				
4 💙 🔾	(4♠ 4NT (X = card	s)			
10. OTHER NOTES							
Invisible CUEs - an eg is 1♥ - (2NT) - 3♣ = L/R in ♥							
- 3♦ = 5+♠, NF							
- 3♥ = less than L/R in ♥							
- 3♠ = 5+♠, FG							
1M - 1NT	- 2NT = artificial FG		,				
		5+ *	CPs Some responses	ov or	pener to Jacoby raises		
Mini-splinters by opener require 5+ *CPs. Some responses by opener to Jacoby raises							

of M require 5+ *CPs, and to Jacoby raises of m require 4+ CPs