## 4. BASIC RESPONSES

Jump raises - minors weak
Jump raises - Majors weak
Jump shifts after minor opening
Jump shifts after Major opening
Responses to strong 2 suit open.
Responses to 2NT opening
to $2 M=6 M, 3-5$; oth $m=6-9$ raise
Bergen 3C=4M 6-9, 3D=4M 10-11, oth $\mathrm{M}=3 \mathrm{M} 10-12$
mostly ART and HCP showing
3C Puppet, 3D/H=TRF; 3S=both $m, 4 m=$ nat, $4 \mathrm{M}=$ singleton

## 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS

Show priorities

|  | Versus Suit (or both) | Versus NoTrump (if different) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Leads Sequences: | overlead all | K asks for unblock or rev count |
| Four or more with an honour | 4th highest |  |
| From 4 small | 2nd highest |  |
| From 3 cards (no honour) | MUD |  |
| In partner's suit | Xxx if raised, low if not |  |
| Discards | 1st = low ENC if in new suit |  |
| Count | reverse when given |  |
| Signal on partner's lead: | low ENC |  |
| Signal on declarer's lead: | reverse count if given |  |
| Notes natural suit pre | erence in normal situations |  |

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## 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS

4NT: BlackwoodRKCB 1430
4* Gerber
when? never
Slam Notes 5 step Minorwood, Redwood
Cue Bids $\mathbf{X}$ 1st \& 2nd up the line, Non-serious 3NT
Asking Bids $\square$

## 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

Splinters, mini-splinters \& voids
Cue raises
Two-way checkback after 1NT rebid
fit-showing jumps in competition
Michaels \& Leaping Michaels after weak 2
www.abf.com.au 1NT opening = 15-18 with stopper, but 2 suited $\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$
PDF Form Rev. 17K21 by RoL if both opponents have bid MyRev.

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## STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

| ABF Nos. | 157351 | Elizabeth Havas |
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Basic System: Standard American
Brown Sticker $\square$ Classification: Green $\bar{X}$ Blue $\square$ Red $\square$ Yellow

## 1. OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning
Canape $\qquad$
1\% 11-21 HCP 3+C
11-21 HCP 5+H
1- 11-21 HCP 3+D
1A 11-21 HCP 5+S

1NT 14-17; may contain a 6 card minor
may contain 5 card Major X
1NT Responses $2 \boldsymbol{2}$ Lavings, asks range and shape
2. Trf to H
24 Trf to C
2 Trf to S
2NT Trf to D
other 3 of suit $=$ shortage, $3+$ cards in all other suits
24. unspecified GF, Acol 2 in unknown suit/s, or 22-23 BAL

2 weak 2 in a major
2 Hs \& minor, 5-5(4), 6-10 HCP
2^ Ss \& minor, 5-5(4), 6-10 HCP

## 2NT 20-21 HCP

3NT TRF to 4 of minor
other $4 \mathrm{C} / 4 \mathrm{D}=$ Namyats, good 4H/4S opening
2. PRE-ALERTS

Multi 2D
4C/D NAMYATS
inverted minors
4th suit or $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ Blackout after reverse Lebensohl
4NT opening $=$ specific $A$ ask
Negative doubles through

Responsive doubles through 4 H Unusual NT 5/5+ both ms over M, 5+M \& 5+Om over m
1NT overcall - immediate see note 7 Immediate cue of minor $5 / 5+$ both $M$

1NT overcall - re-opening $11-14$ with stopper Immediate cue of Major $5 / 5+\mathrm{OM}$ \& $m$
Over weak twos varies, see over Over opening threes X
Over opponent's 1NT 2C = Landy, 2D = single suited M, 2H/S = 5+ M and 4+ m, 2NT m's
$3 C / D=6+C s / D s, X=$ pen, $X$ by passed hand $=2$ suits, not both $M$

## 8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning


| 2v 2^ nat NF | 3 invitat in Hs | 3NT to play |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2NT asks suits and range | 30 to play, obstructive | 4\% nat strong single suiter |
| 3\% correctible | 3^ invitat in Ss, NF | 4 to play |
| other 4D = nat strong single suiter |  |  |
| 24 2NT asks suits and range | $3 \checkmark$ invitat in Hs, NF | 4\%\% nat strong single suiter |
| 3\% correctible | 34 to play, obstructive | $4 \checkmark$ to play |
| 3. invitat in Ss | 3NT to play | 4N to play |
| other 4D = nat strong single suiter |  |  |
| 2NT 30\% puppet stayman | 34 both ms, slam interest | 4 6+ suit, slam interest |
| 3 TRF to Hs | 3NT nat to play | 4V SINGL, oth 3 suits |
| 3v TRF to Ss | 4\% 6+ suit, slam interest | 4^ SINGL, oth 3 suits |
| other 4NT = quantitative |  |  |

## 9. CONVENTIONS

Unusual NT: over M = 5-5+ both ms; over $m=5-5+$ oth $m$ \& a major
4th Suit Forcing One round $\square$ 1C-1D; 1H-1S = 4th suit Game force $X$
NT Checkback X Priorities: two-way (2C=weak D or C or INV; 2D=GF), up the line

## Defence to 3NT opening

## Defence to Opening Twos

Multi $2 \quad \mathrm{X}=16+, 2 \mathrm{M}=$ nat, $4 \mathrm{~m}=$ leaping michaels, strong jump overcalls
RCO style 2-s $X=T / 0$, Michaels \& Leaping Michaels, strong jump overcalls
Other 2-s nat wk2: $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{T} / 0$, Michaels \& Leaping Michaels, strong jump overcalls
Defence (1C): $X \& 1 \mathrm{C} / 1 \mathrm{D} / 1 \mathrm{H} / 1 \mathrm{~S}=$ wonder bids ( $5+$ in suit or short in suit and T/O)
to $\quad 1 \mathrm{NT}=$ both minors, $2 \mathrm{C}-2 \mathrm{~S}$ as per defence to $1 \mathrm{NT} ; 2 \mathrm{NT}=$ both minors
strong (2C): nat overcalls, WJOs, 2NT = both minors
1\% / 2\%
Over 1NT Interference Lebensohl (either weak or GF with stopper), 3NT denies stopper
Lebensohl - other uses after our T/O X of weak 2
Take out of 4 level pre-empts $4 \boldsymbol{\%} / 4 \leqslant$ T/O X
4 T/OX
4. X, card showing
10. OTHER NOTES
scrambling 2NT in several situations

