AUSTRALIAN BRIDGE 4. BASIC RESPONSES FEDERATION LTD. Jump raises - minors 3-7 weak jump shift (6+) STANDARD SYSTEM CARD Jump raises - Majors Preempt 0-6 HCP, 5+ cards ABF Nos. Tony Leibowitz 265195 Natural, weak at 2 level, 1♣ 2♦ mixed raise, 1♦ 3♣ nat inv Jump shifts after minor opening & Names: 476668 Justin Mill 3♣ 7-11 4 card R, 3♦ 10-11 3 card R, OM natural Jump shifts after Major opening Basic System: 2 over 1, transfers over 1♣ Responses to strong 2 suit open. 2♦ negative or waiting Red Classification: Green X Blue Brown Sticker Yellow 3♣ simple stayman, 3♦/3♥ transfers, 3♠ minors Responses to 2NT opening 1. OPENING BIDS Describe strength, min.length, or specific meaning Canapé 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS 1♣ 11+ HCP, 2+* 1♥ 11-15 HCP 5+\ Versus Suit Versus **NoTrump** (if different) (or both) Show priorities 1♦ 11+ HCP, 1 11-20 HCP, 5+♠ **Leads** Sequences: Overlead All Overlead All **1NT** (14) 15-17 may contain 5 card Major Four or more with an honour 4th highest 4th highest 1NT Responses 2♣ Simple Stayman (4♣/4♦ = Texas Transfers) 2nd highest 2nd highest/highest From 4 small 2 → -> 2 ♥ 2♠ Invite or ♣'s Middle Top From 3 cards (no honour) 2NT -> 3♦ 2♥ -> 2♠ Middle Lowest In partner's suit (Dbl) System on other Retransfers Low Encourage **Discards** Low Encourage Reverse Count Reverse Count 2 GF or 22+ bal Count 2 Both Major 4+4+ 5-10 (44 only at non vul) Reverse Attitude **Signal** on partner's lead: Signal on declarer's lead: Reverse Count 2♥ 6-10 6 ♥ (occasionally 5 at suitable vulnerabilities) (9-12 4th seat) Notes - Suit preference when attitude/count known irrelevant 2♠ 6-10 6 ♠ (occassionally 5 at suitable vulnerabilities) (9-12 4th seat) - Suit preference in trump suit **2NT** 20-21 Bal **3NT** Gambling, solid minor, no side A or K other 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS 44 Gerber 2. PRE-ALERTS Transfers over 1. RKCB 4NT: Blackwood 2 over 1 Cue Bids X Asking Bids Light action in 3rd at equal NV or fav V Exclusion Key card 0,1,11/2 3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS Doubles Negative DBL thru Support Xs XXs FSJ in competition only Responsive DBL thru **4** Drury 2♣ 3 card support, 2♦ 4 card support 3NT non serious slam try Jump overcalls weak Unusual NT Lower 2 unbid suits 3nt non serious slam try (re-opening) 12-15 (system on) 1NT overcall: (immediate) 15-18 BAL (Major) 5 other Major & 5 minor Smolen Immediate cue: (minor) Michaels 5/5 Majors Blackout Over: Weak Twos 2NT 16-18, T/O X with La Opening Threes X T/O www.abf.com.au Opponent's transfers Bidding implied suit = t/o Opponent's 1NT 2♣ Majors, 2♦ 1 long major, 2♥/2♠ 5 Major + 4+ minor, X = points PDF Form Rev. 21E29 by RoL MyRev. X after pass = 5 min/4 maj Copyright © ABF 2021

8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

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1♣	1♦	4+ ♥ (transfer)	2	6-9 5+ ♣	3	Splinter
	1♥	4+ ♠ (transfer)	2	3-7 6 ♥	3	Splinter
	1	No major, unless rever	2	3-7 6 ♠	3 ♠	Splinter
	1NT	11-12 Invitational	2NT	0-5 both minors	3NT	
	2	5+ ♣ 10+	3 -	6-9 5+ 🛧	4	
	other					
1 🄷	1♥	4+ ♥	2	3-7 6 ♥	3 💙	Splinter
	1	4+ ♠	2	3-7 6 ♠	3 ♠	Splinter
	1NT	6-10	2NT	Natural invitational	3NT	
	2♣	GF with ♣	3♣	6+ ♣ 10-11 hcp	4 ♣	
	2	4+ ♦ 10+	3◆	6-9 4+ ♦	4	
	other					
1 💙	1♠	4+ ♠	2	6-9 3♥	3	10-11 3 🔻
	1NT	6-11	2♠	0-5 6 🛧	3	0-5 4+ 💙
	2♣	GF 2+ ♣	2NT	GF 4+ ♥	3 ♠	Singleton
	2	GF 5+ ◆	3 ♣	7-11 4 💙	3NT	Void splinter
	other	4 ♣ / ♦ = Singletons				
1♠	1NT	6-11	2♠	6-9 3 🛊	3 💙	6+ ♥ 10-11 hcp
	2	GF 2+ ♣	2NT	GF 4+ ♠	3 ^	0-5 4+ •
	2	GF 5+ ♦	3 ♣	7-11 4 ♠	3NT	Void splinter
	2	GF 5+ ♥	3◆	10-11 3 ♠	4	♣ Singleton
	other	4♦/4♥ = Singletons				
1NT	3	Puppet Stayman	3♠	Shortage denies 4♥	4	trf ♦'s
	3◆	5+5+ minors FG	3NT	to play	4	to play
	3	shortage can have 4♠	4	trf ♥ 's	4	to play
	other	1NT-2♠-2NT(min); 3♠ (max)) (Note: Super Acc = 2N	T or	3 ♣ 's [for ♦ 's]
2♣	2	Neg/waiting	2NT	balanced 8+hcp	3 💙	
	2	7+hcp 5+♥	3 -	8+ hcp 5+ ♣	3 ^	
	2	7+hcp 5+♠	3◆	8+ hcp 5+ ◆	3NT	
	other					
2	2	To play	3♣	To play	3 ♠	Preemptive
		To play		Natural forcing		To play
		Strong inquiry		Preemptive	4	
	other					
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2 24	Natural forcing	3	Natural forcing	3NT	To play
2N	T Strong enquiry	3	To play	4 ♣	Splinter
3•	Natural forcing	3	Splinter	4	Splinter
othe	er				
2 ♠ 2N	T Strong enquiry	3♥	Natural forcing	4♣	Splinter
3-1	Natural forcing	3	To play	4	To play
3	Natural forcing	3NT	To play	4	To play
othe	er				
2NT 3	Simple Stayman	34	Minors	4	Slam try spades
3	Transfer	3NT	To play	4	
3	Transfer	4	Slam try hearts	4	
othe	er				

Unusual NT:	Lower 2 unbid suits						
4th Suit Forcing One round Gan							
NT Checkback							
Defence to 3NT opening							
Defence to Opening Twos							
Multi 2◆	x 12-15 semi bal or 19+, 2M natural, 2nt 16-18						
RCO style 2-s	x 12-15 semi bal or 19+, 2M natural, 2nt 16-18						
Other 2-s	x 12-15 semi bal or 19+, 2M natural, 2nt 16-18						
Defence (1	♣) : X=majors, 1nt=minors, 2NT=♦s + ♥s						
to							
strong (2	(2♣) : Same as over Strong ♣						
14/24							
Over 1NT Inte	wherence Lohonoohl V voluce						

Over 1NT Interference Lebensohl, X values

Lebensohl - other uses Weak 2's

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

4**♥** T/O

4♠ X Values, 4nt takeout

10. OTHER NOTES

1m (1nt) 2♣ majors

1x - 1y - 2NT, then all bids transfers

Defence to trf responses - bid of implied suit = t/o

Uncontested Short suit and contested Long suit trial bids

1M - 1NT - 2NT = GF

INT (X) - System on; XX forces 2♣ and is weak hand with long minor

IM (X) 2 any = forcing R1, NOT GF