## 4. BASIC RESPONSES

Jump raises - minors Limit 7-11 HCP, 4+ cards
Jump raises - Majors Limit 7-11 HCP, 4+ cards
Jump shifts after minor opening $1 \mathrm{~m}-2 \mathrm{M}$ weak with long Major. 1C-2D or 1D-3C GF raise
Jump shifts after Major opening $1 \mathrm{M}-3 \mathrm{C}$ GF raise. 1H-2S weak with long S . Other: splinter
Responses to strong 2 suit open. 2 C-2 D waiting
Responses to 2NT opening Puppet Stayman, transfer to Majors, $3 \mathrm{~S}=$ minors, $3 \mathrm{NT}=5 \mathrm{~S} / 4 \mathrm{H}$

## 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS



## be a McKenney

## 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS 4* Gerber

4NT: Blackwood $\square$ RKCB 1430 Quantitative after NT openings
Asking Bids $\mathbf{X}$ Cue Bids $\mathbf{X}$ First cue usually first round control, others 1st or 2nd
Cheapest non-trump suit after RKCB response asks for trump queen
5 NT followup asks for Kings - Sesame Street - (bid the King you have or don't have (if 2))

## 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

Jump to 5 NT = Grand Slam Force
Jump to 5 Maj = Trump inquiry - bid 7 with
If you open a multi 2 D in first seat
If you open a multi 2 D in second seat

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Bid 7 with 2 of top 3, else bid 6 AKQ, bid 6 with 2 of those cards. second seat shows HCP range (from zero) third seat shows strong hand with $X$ or 2NT

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| ABF Nos. | 1092871 | A Wilson, 1141678 C Chisolm, 664121 M Kelly |
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| \& Names: | 151858 | R Mooney, 697982 D Hnaris, 856347 C Depasquale | Basic System: Goren (4 card suits) with McGladder twists

Brown Sticker $\square$ Classification: Green $X$ Blue $\square$ Red $\square$ Yellow
$\square$

1. OPENING BIDS Describe strength, min.length, or specific meaning Canapé

1\% 11 + HCP 4+ Clubs
1v 11+ HCP 4+ Hearts
1- 11+ HCP, $4^{+}$Diamonds
14 $11+$ HCP 4+ Spades
1NT 15-17 (semi-)balanced
may contain 5 card Major
1NT Responses 2\% Simple Stayman
2. Transfer to Hearts
24. Range Probe or Transfer to Clubs

2V Transfer to Spades
(Dbl) Same
2NT Transfer to Diamonds other After 2 S or 2 NT 3 C = maximum

2* 22+ balanced or any game forcing hand
2. Weak 2 in either major
2. 5 Hearts and a 4+ card minor with 6-10 HCP
24. 5 Spades and a 4+ card minor with 6-10 HCP ( 6 spades and 10-12 HCP in 4th seat)

2NT 20-21 (semi-)balanced 3NT To Play
other $4 \mathrm{NT}=$ Specific Ace Ask. $5 \mathrm{C}=$ none, $6 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}, 5 \mathrm{NT}=2$.

## 2. PRE-ALERTS

If you open a Multi 2 D see
"7. Other conventions"
We like to go for a drink after the session.

## 3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS

Doubles Penalty after our NT openings or we have agreed a suit Negative DBL thru 7 S
Other doubles are for takeout
Responsive DBL thru
3 S

Jump overcalls Weak, usually 6+ cards
1NT overcall: (immediate) 15-18 BAL systems on
Immediate cue: (minor) Majors <11 or 16+ HCP

Unusual NT Lower 2 unbid suits (re-opening) 10-14 systems on (Major) 5 other Maj \& 5 minor <11/16+ Over: Weak Twos 2NT 16-19, X Scramble Opening Threes X = T/O, 3 NT to play
Opponent's transfers Double = Lead-Directing (after NT openings) T/O if t/fer over 1 C
Opponent's 1NT Multi-Landy $2 \mathrm{C}=$ both Majors, $2 \mathrm{D}=$ single suited Major, $2 \mathrm{H}=$ Hearts and Minor, $2 \mathrm{~S}=$ Spades and minor
(1x) $-3 x$ says, "Bid 3 NT with a stopper in their suit".

## 8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

| 1\% 1 6+HCP, 4+ Diamonds 2 GF Club raise |  |  |  | Support short diamond |
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| 1v 6+ HCP, 4+ Hearts |  | 4-7 HCP, 6 Hearts |  | Support, short Heart |
| 11. 6+ HCP, 4+ Spades |  | 4-7 HCP, 6 Spades |  | Support, short Spade |
| 1NT 9-11 bal, no major |  | GF Balanced |  | To play |
| 2\% 7-11 HCP 3 Clubs | 36 | 7-11 HCP 4+ clubs | 4\% | RKCB in clubs |
| other |  |  |  |  |
| 1-1v 6+ HCP, 4+ Hearts | 2 | 4-7 HCP, 6 Hearts | 30 | Support, short Heart |
| 14 6+ HCP, 4+ Spades |  | 4-7 HCP, 6 Spades |  | Support, short Spade |
| 1NT 6-10 bal, no major |  | GF Balanced |  | To play |
| 2\% 10+ HCP, 5+ Clubs | 3\% | GF Diamond raise | 4\% | Support, short club |
| 2 7-11 HCP 3 diamonds | 3 | 7-11 HCP 4+ diamond ${ }_{ \pm}$ | 4 | RKCB in diamonds |
| other |  |  |  |  |
| 1v 1^ 6+ HCP, 4+ Spades |  | 7-11 HCP, 3 Hearts | 3 | Splinter singleton |
| 1NT 6-10 HCP, <4 Spades |  | 4-7 HCP, 6 Spades |  | 7-11 HCP, 4 Hearts |
| 2* 10+ HCP, 5+ Clubs |  | GF Balanced | 34 | Support, short spade |
| 2 10+HCP 5+ diamonds |  | GF Heart raise |  | To play |
| other 4 C splinter, 4 D - splinter - void, 4 H - shapely pre-empt |  |  |  |  |
| 14 1NT 6-10 HCP, <3 spades |  | 7-11 HCP, 3 spades | $3 \vee$ | Support short Heart |
| 2\% 10+ HCP, 5+ Clubs |  | GF Balanced |  | 7-11 HCP, 4 spades |
| 2 10+HCP 5+ diamonds |  | GF Spade raise |  | To play |
| $2 \downarrow$ 10+HCP 5+ Hearts |  | Splinter single diamonf |  | Support, short club |
| other 4 D splinter with diamond void, 4 S - shapely pre-empt |  |  |  |  |
| 1NT 3\% 6+C, 2 of AKQ only |  | 1-3-5/4 GF | 4 | RKCB in diamonds |
| 3 6+ D, 2 of AKQ only |  | To play |  | To play |
| 3V 3-1-5/4 GF |  | RKCB in clubs | 4. | To play |
| other |  |  |  |  |
| 2* 2 No suitable response |  | Bal 8-10, 3+ controls |  | 7+ H, < 3 controls |
| 2 5+H, 3+ controls 2 TH |  | 5+C, 4+ controls 2 TH |  | 7+S, < 3 controls |
| 24.5+S, 3+ controls 2 TH |  | 5+D, 4+ controls 2 TH |  | Bal 11+ HCP, 3+ cont |
| other Without a "dog in every | ken | nel" 2 D is preferred to a |  | response |


| $2 \checkmark 2$ | Pass or correct | $3 \%$ | Natural not forcing | 34 | Pass or correct |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Pass or correct | 3 | Natural not forcing |  | To play |
| 2 NT | Asks suit ( $C=H, D=S$ ) | 30 | Pass or correct | 44 |  |

$2 \downarrow$ Pass or correct
3\% Natural not forcing

2NT Asks suit ( $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{H}, \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{S}$ )
3. Pass or correct

3NT To play
other If opponents overcall a major, double = pass or correct

| 2V 2^ Natural not forcing | 3 | Natural not forcing |  | To play |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2NT Asks for minor | 30 | Not forcing | 40\% |  |
| 3\% Natural not forcing | 34 |  | 4 | To play |
| other |  |  |  |  |
| 24 2NT Asks for minor | 30 | Natural not forcing | 40\% |  |
| 3\% Natural not forcing | 34 | Not forcing | 4 |  |
| 3 Natural not forcing | 3NT | To play | 4N | To play |
| other |  |  |  |  |
| 2NT 3\% Puppet Stayman | 34 | Minors, at least 5-5 | 4 | RKCB in diamonds |
| 3 Transfer to Hearts | 3NT | $5 \mathrm{~S} / 4 \mathrm{H}$, "pick a game" | 4 | To play |
| 3v Transfer to Spades | $4 \%$ | RKCB in clubs | 4N | To play |
| other |  |  |  |  |

## 9. CONVENTIONS

Unusual NT: Lower 2 unbid suits
4th Suit Forcing One round $\square$
Game force $\mathbf{X}$
NT CheckbackPriorities:

## Defence to 3NT opening Take first 5 tricks

Defence to Opening Twos 2 NT = 16-19 bal; after T/O $\times 2$ NT = scramble
Multi 2 Point count range given by second seat if Multi 2 D opened in first seat
RCO style 2-s 2 NT = 16-19 bal; after T/O X 2 NT = scramble
Other 2-s 2 NT $=16-19 \mathrm{bal}$; after T/O X 2 NT $=$ scramble

| Defence | $(1 \mathrm{C}): \mathrm{X}=\mathrm{H} / \mathrm{S}, 1 \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{H}$ or $\mathrm{S}, 1 \mathrm{H}=\mathrm{H}+$ minor, $1 \mathrm{~S}=\mathrm{S}+$ minor, $1 \mathrm{NT}=$ minors. |
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| to | All 2 level or higher bids are natural single suiters |
| strong | $(2 \mathrm{C}): \mathrm{X}=\mathrm{H} / \mathrm{S}, 2 \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{H}$ or $\mathrm{S}, 2 \mathrm{H}=\mathrm{H}+$ minor, $2 \mathrm{~S}=\mathrm{S}+$ minor, $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ minors. |
| $14 / 2 \%$ | All 3 level or higher bids are natural single suiters |

## Over 1NT Interference Lebesoh

## Lebensohl - other uses

Take out of 4 level pre-empts $4 \boldsymbol{\$} / 4$ Double for takeout
4V Double for takeout; 4 NT = minors 4N Double for takeout; 4 NT = minors

## 10. OTHER NOTES

Did I mention we like to go for a drink after the session?

