

## 4. BASIC RESPONSES

Jump raises - minors	Pre-empt	Other: 5+cd SUPP distributional hand
Jump raises - Majors	Pre-empt	Other:
Jump shifts after minor opening	1♣ -2♦ 7-9/10 5+♣; 2M 3-6HCP 6+ suit, 3 level SPL; 1♦-3♣ 7-9/10 4+♦	
Jump shifts after Major opening	1♥-2♠ weak 6+ ♠; 3 level bids = Bergen raises with 4 cd SUPP	
Responses to strong 2 suit open.	2♦ WK or waiting; 2M or 3m 6+ suit with 3+CTRLs	
Responses to 2NT opening	3♣ Puppet Stayman, transfers to Ms, 2NT:3NT = minors no slam int	

## 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS Show priorities

	Versus Suit (or both)	Versus NoTrump (if different)
<b>Leads</b> Sequences:	O/lead, A or Q-ATT, K-Count	
Four or more with an honour	4th highest	
From 4 small	2nd highest	
From 3 cards (no honour)	Middle	
In partner's suit	low from 3/4 if not supported / top	low from 3/4 if not supported / top
<b>Discards</b>	Odd=Enc., Even=McKenney	
<b>Count</b>	Low-High = Even	
<b>Signal</b> on partner's lead:	Low Encourage	
<b>Signal</b> on declarer's lead:	Reverse count	

**Notes** Wenceslas on our lead when singleton in dummy (odd = enc, even = suit pref)

If discard hi/low in odd cards, then nothing to say, or not have right cards

After 1st discard, reverse count. Some suit pref, possibly in trumps

## 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS

4NT: Blackwood  RKCB 1430 4♣ Gerber  when? Never

**Slam Notes** 2-way Minorwood. King ask - show specific King or the other 2 Kings

Cue Bids  First and second round / Exclusion KCB in some circumstances

Asking Bids

## 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

Jacoby 2NT major raise	Lebensohl, Support X/XX
Puppet Stayman over 2NT opening & 2♣/2NT	SWINE when 1NT opening is X'd for penalty
mini splinters, long suit trials, Blackout	cue raise with values
After 2♠/2NT Superaccept in M, show short suit	inverted minor raises
and 3M=shortage in other M	4NT opening: both minors

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Leaping and Non-leaping Michaels

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Sandwich NT only by passed hand

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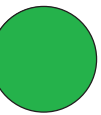
Two-way checkback over 1NT rebid, Gazilli over 1M : 1NT

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2M:2NT then 3♣ any min. Others max with No, L, M, H shortage



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## STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

ABF Nos.	245216	Sheila Bird
& Names:	160474	Felicity Smyth
Basic System:	Standard 2/1 forcing to Game (mostly)	
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♣ (10)11-20 HCP 3+	1♥ (10)11-20 HCP 5+
1♦ (10)11-20 HCP 3+	1♠ (10)11-20 HCP 5+
1NT 14-17 HCP	may contain 5 card Major <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

<b>1NT Responses</b> 2♣	Other: Lavings
2♦ TRF to ♥	2♠ TRF to ♣
2♥ TRF to ♠	2NT TRF to ♦
other	

2♣ 23-24 HCP BAL, or GF

2♦ Less than opening hand 4+/4+ Majors / Weak 2♦ in 3rd seat / 11-14 6+♦ in 4th seat

2♥ Weak 2♥ (may be 5 card suit) / 11-14 6+♥ in 4th seat

2♠ Weak 2♠ (may be 5 card suit) / 11-14 6+♠ in 4th seat

2NT 20-22 balanced

3NT 4-level minor pre-empt

other 2M:2NT then 3♣ any min. Others max with No short, L short, M short, 5-cardsuit, H short

## 2. PRE-ALERTS

Support X/XX, 4♣/♦ is ♥/♠ pre-empt	Bergen raises (3♣ is stronger than 3♦)
1M:2♣ = 3 card limit, or Nat or GF; Mini SPL	Bids over Oppt 1NT ocall of our 1minor opening
X over strong NT = 4M and 5+m	Fit-showing jumps in competition

## 3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS

Negative doubles through	4♥	Jump overcalls	WK
Responsive doubles through	4♥	Unusual NT	Lowest unbid suits 5+/5+
1NT overcall - immediate	15-18 HCP - Lavings	Immediate cue of minor	Both Ms 5+/5+
1NT overcall - re-opening	11-14 HCP - Stayman	Immediate cue of Major	5+/5+OM +1m
Over weak twos	X T/O + LEB; 2NT:16-19 HCP	Over opening threes	X for T/O
Over opponent's 1NT	mod. CAPPILLETTI; over STR NT DBL 4M and 5+minor		
2♣=Ms; 2♦ 6 card M, 2♥=♥ and ♣ or ♦ (5+/4+); 2♠=♠ and ♣ or ♦ (5+/4+), 2NT=minors			
3♥/♠ = preemptive, 3♣/♦ = natural NF			

