# 4. BASIC RESPONSES

Jump raises - minors Inverted 1m - 3m = 5-9 HCP. Limit raise by passed hand Jump raises - Majors Preemptive 1M-3M=3-7 HCP Jump shifts after minor opening 1 - 2 - 4 = 6 1 - 3 = 10 - 11 raise. Jump shift in M = 3-7, 6 card suit Jump shifts after Major opening 1 - 2 = 6 3 - 7; 1 - 3 = 6 INV; Others Modified Bergen Raises Responses to strong 2 suit open. 2 = 8 Waiting; 2 = 8 Suits are Nat and 2 = 1/3 Hnrs

Responses to 2NT opening 3♣=Puppet Stayman; 3♦/3♥=TRF; 3♠=MSS; 4♣ to 4♠=TFRs

5. PLAY CONVENTIONS Show priorities

	Versus Suit (or both)	Versus <b>NoTrump</b> (if different)
Leads Sequences:	Overlead, A-Attitude K-Count	Journalist - 0/2 higher A=Att K=Cnt
Four or more with an honour	4th highest	4th highest
From 4 small	2nd highest	2nd highest
From 3 cards (no honour)	Middle	Тор
In partner's suit	Overlead; 4th; Xx	Overlead; 4th; Xx
Discards	Low Encourage	Low Encourage
Count	High-Low = Odd	High-Low = Odd
Signal on partner's lead:	Low Encourage	
Signal on declarer's lead:	Reverse Count	

# 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS

4NT: Blackwood 🗶 RKCB 1430 (0314♣) 4♣ Gerber 🗌 when? Minor suit KC

Slam Notes Minorwood; King Ask - Show Specific; Q ask-Trump suit no Q

Notes Suit preference where obvious

Asking Bids X 5 level raise of trump suit asks for 1st or 2nd round control in Opp's suit

## 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

Blackout after a Reverse by Opener X of SpIntr = Ace plus suit

Lebensol 2NT over interference of 1NT opening

Lebensol 2NT over X of weak 2

DOPI/ROPI over interference of RKCB

X of SpIntr = Ace plus suit

Transfers over Opener's 2NT rebid

2 way checkback over Opener's 1NT rebid

1NT in sandwich position=5+/4+ other suits

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Otherwise, cheaper of 2NT or 4th suit promises only 4 in first bid suit and a minimum hand



# AUSTRALIAN BRIDGE FEDERATION INC.



STANDARD SYSTEM CARD				
ABF Nos. 107735 Greer Tucker				
& Names: 264997 Pele Rankin				
Basic System: 2 over 1 (5-11 1NT response)				
Brown Sticker Classification: Green X Blue Red Yellow				
1. OPENING BIDS				
Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning Canape				
1♣ 2+ 11+ 1♥ 5+ 11+				
1♦ 4+ 11+ 1♠ 5+ 11+				
<b>1NT</b> (14) 15-17 may contain 5 card Major <b>X</b>				
1NT Responses 2♣ Stayman (Smolen following 2♦ response); 3♣=Puppet Stayman				
2♦ TRF ♥ (3♥=min, 2NT max, re-tfr to ♥) 2♠ TRF ♣ (3♣ = superaccept)				
2♥ TRF ♠ (3♠=min, other max, re-tfr to ♠) 2NT TRF ♦ (3♦ = Superaccept)				
other 3♦=5/5 ♣/♦ FG; 3M=Singleton (31)(54), 4♣=TRF ♥; 4♦=TRF ♠; 4NT=Quantitative				
2♣ 23+ Balanced or FG				
2♦ 5-(10) ♥/♠ 5+/4+ either way				
2♥ 6 5-10; 2NT response = Shortage ask				
2♠ 6 5-10; 2NT response = Shortage ask				
<b>2NT</b> 20-22 <b>3NT ♣/♦</b> AKQxxxx				
other 4NT = ♣/♦ 5+/6+				
2. PRE-ALERTS				
2♦ opening 3 & 4 lvl resp to 1NT & 2NT opening				
2♣/2♦ Resp=Drury to 3rd/4th seat M opening 2♣ over 1M = ♣'s or Bal, FG				
Resp to 1♣ (2+) may be light if short in ♣'s Support X/XX to 2NT (> 2M extras/non-mandato				
3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS				
Negative doubles through 4♠ Jump overcalls 6(7), Weak				
Responsive doubles through 4♠ Unusual NT 5/5 - 2 lower unbid suits				
1NT overcall - immediate 15-18 sys on Immediate cue of minor ♥/♠ 5/5 Unlimited				
1NT overcall - re-opening 11-14 sys on Immediate cue of Major Other M/Minor 5/5 Unlimited				
Over weak twos X=T/O; Lebensohl 2NT Over opening threes X=T/O				
Over opponent's 1NT X <=15 Penalty, X > 15 = Single suited minor; 2♣=5/4 ♥/♠; 2♦=1 Major;				
2M=5M/4+minor; 2NT=5/5♣/♦; 4th seat X by passed hand = ♣ or ♦				

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

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1♣ 1♦ 4+, 5+ (3+ if 3334 6-7)	2♦ 5+♣, 10-11	3♦ Splinter 10-12
1♥ 4+, 5+	2♥ Weak, 6♥ 3-7HCP	3♥ Splinter 10-12
1 <b>♠</b> 4+, 5+	2♠ Weak, 6♠ 3-7HCP	3♠ Splinter 10-12
1NT 8-10	2NT 10-11	3NT 12-15
2 <b>♣</b> 5+ <b>♣</b> , FG	3♣ 5+♣, 5-9	4 <b>♣</b> Weak
other 4♥/4♠ /5♦= To Play. 1♣	-2♣ GF then new suit = stop	per show
1♦ 1♥ 4+, 5+	2♥ Weak, 6♥ 3-7HCP	3♥ Splinter 10-12
1 <b>♠</b> 4+, 5+	2♠ Weak, 6♠ 3-7HCP	3♠ Splinter 10-12
1NT 6-9	2NT 10-11	3NT 12-15
2 <b>♣</b> 4+ <b>♣</b> , FG	3♣ 4+♦, 10-11	4♣ Splinter 10-12
2 <b>♦</b> 4+ <b>♦</b> , FG	3♦ 4+♦, 5-9	4♦ Weak
other 4♥/4♠/5♣ = To Play. 1◀	-2 GF then new suit = stop	per show
1♥ 1♠ 4+, 5+	2♥ 3, 5-9	3♦ 4+♥, 10-11
1NT 5-11, Semi-forcing	2 <b>♠</b> Weak, 6 <b>♠</b>	3♥ 4+♥, 3-7
2♣ ♣'s or Balanced, FG	2NT 4+♥, FG**	3♠ Splinter 10-12
2 <b>♦</b> 5+, FG	3♣ 4+♥, 7-9 OR 3♥, 10-11	3NT 33(34) 13-14
other $4 - 4/4 = 10-12$ , Splinter	; 4 <b>∲</b> /5 <b>∲</b> =To Play	
1♠ 1NT 5-11, Semi-forcing	2♠ 3, 5-9	3 <b>♥</b> 6 <b>♥</b> , INV
2♣ ♣'s or Balanced, FG	2NT 4+♠, FG**	3♠ 4+♠, 3-7
2 <b>♦</b> 5+, FG	3♣ 4+♠, 7-9 OR 3♠, 10-11	3NT 33(34) 13-14
2 <b>♥</b> 5+, FG	3♦ 4+♠, 10-11	4♣ 4♦/4♥ = 10-12, Splinte
other 5♣/5♦=To Play		
1NT 3♣ 5 Card Major ask	3♠ Singleton 13(54)	4♦ TRF ♠, to play or RKCB
3 <b>♦</b> 5/5 <b>♣</b> / <b>♦</b> FG	3NT To Play	4♥ Tfr to ♣ slam try
3♥ Singleton 31(54)	4♣ TRF ♥, to play or RKCB	4♠ Tfr to ♦ slam try
other 4NT=INV. After 4M tfr,	minor suit slam try, 5m to pla	y other KC response
2♣ 2♦ Waiting	2NT 5♣/5♦ FG	3♥ Sets Suit
2♥ 5+♥, good suit	3♣ 6+♣, good suit	3♠ Sets Suit
2♠ 5+♠, good suit	_	
other Suit responses will be goo	od suits - at worst headed by 1 o	f the top 3 honours with texture
2♦ 2♥ To play	3♣ Natural, F1	3♠ To play
2♠ To play	3♦ Natural, F1	3NT To Play
2NT Enquiry	3♥ To play	4.
other		
Notes 1♣ - 1♦ - 1♥ - 1♠ = Forth	suit forcing to game	

1♣- 1♦ - 2♥/2♠ = Natural and FG as with 1♣- 1♥ - 2♠ = Natural and FG \*\* Following Jacoby 2NT, 3♣=Min, other = shortage 3NT=♣ shortage 3M=no shortage

2♥ 2♠ NAT, INV. Raise with fit	t ₃ <b>♦</b> Natural, Forcing	3NT To Play		
2NT Asks for shortage	3 <b>♥</b> To Play	4		
3♣ Natural, Forcing	3 <b>♠</b> 6+ <b>♠</b> , FG	4 <b>♥</b> To Play		
other Opener bids suit with va	alues opposite responder's	change of suit		
2♠ 2NT Asks for shortage	3 <b>♥</b> 5+ <b>♥</b> , FG	4♣		
3♣ Natural, Forcing	3♠ To Play	4 <b>♥</b> To Play		
3♦ Natural, Forcing	3NT To Play	4 <b>♠</b> To Play		
other Opener bids suit with va	alues opposite responder's	change of suit		
2NT 3♣ Puppet Stayman	3♠ Minor Suit Stayman	4♦ TRF ♠; 4♥ Interest		
3♦ TRF ♥	3NT 5♠/4♥	4♥ TRF ♣; 4♠=RKCB		
3♥ TRF ♠	4♣ TRF ♥; 4♦ Interest	4♠ TRF ♦; 5♣=RKCB		
other				
9	. CONVENTIONS			
Unusual NT: Lower 2 unbid su	its			
4th Suit Forcing One round Game force				
NT Checkback Priorities: 2 Way Checkback; 2♣=Forces 2♦ or INV. 2♦=ART FG				
Defence to 3NT opening XXX				
Defence to Opening Twos Nati	ural weak 2 - X=T/O (Leben	sohl). Others - XXX		
Multi 2♦ XXX	·	•		
RCO style 2-s XXX				
Other 2-s XXX				
<b>Defence</b> [1♣] - X=Majors, 1NT	=Minors			
to [2♣] - X=♣s				
strong				
♣				
	ohl			
Lebensohl - other uses X of N				
Take out of 4 level pre-empts	4♣/4♦ X = T/O	IT 00 % LT/0		
$A \bowtie X = T/O$	$A \triangle Y - T/O \cdot AN$	JT - 2 Suitad T/O		

### **10. OTHER NOTES**

System on over X of opener's 1 level opening but off after simple overcall

2 way checkback over 1NT applies after any 1 level interference

Defence to 2NT or 2♠ showing 5♠/5♦: XXX; 3♣=♥/♠ longer ♥; 3♦=♥/♠ longer ♠

Def to Tfr i.e. [1♣]-P-[1♥] Tfr to ♠ - X=T/O and 1♠=Natural

Rescue over 1NT-[X]-XX = single suited minor, 2♣=Stayman, All other bids are system on

1M-1NT, 2NT=GF 5/4 or single suited M or balanced. 1M-1NT, 3x = 5M/5x GF

If open 1NT/2NT and subsequently show a 5 card M, the other M sets suit for KC