## 4. BASIC RESPONSES

Responses to strong 2 suit open. controls,2D=0,2H=1,etc,2NT not a step
Responses to 2NT opening

## 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS <br> Show priorities

 Versus Suit (or both) Versus NoTrump (if different)
## Leads Sequences: Overlead all except $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{Q}=$ att $\mathrm{K}=\mathrm{Co}$

Four or more with an honour 4th highest
From 4 small 2nd highest
From 3 cards (no honour) middle
In partner's suit

| Discards | odd/even |
| :--- | :--- |
| Count | Low/high=even |

Signal on partner's lead: Low encourage
Signal on declarer's lead: Count
Notes

## 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS

4NT: Blackwood
RKCB 1430
4\% Gerber X when? after 1NT/2NT rebid

## Slam Notes King card Gerber

Cue Bids X
Asking Bids $\square$

## 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS

DOPI and ROPI
After NT overcall,stayman and transfers
Puppet stayman
Gladiator
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## STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

## ABF Nos. <br> \& Names:

Basic System: Acol
Brown Sticker $\square$

Sue Emerson
Rosemary Grund

1. OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning
14. 3+, 11+
1- 4+, 11+
1 -3+,11+
14 $5+, 11+$

1NT 12-14
may contain 5 card Major

## 1NT Responses 2\& relay

2 2H
24. Baron
2 2S
2NT 12 pts bal
other
24. 23-24 balanced or $8 / 9 \mathrm{pt}$

2 multi weak 6 card major
2V hearts and another 6-10 hcp 5-5 (may be 5-4 at fav vul)
24 spades and a minor 6-10 (may be 5-4 at fav vul)
2NT 20-22
3NT
other gambling ( no outside ace or king)

## 2. PRE-ALERTS

All jump responses splinters, except 4C/D
After $1 \mathrm{H} / 1 \mathrm{~S}, 4 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{D}$ shows fit and strength
Twerb over strong 1C:single suited in next

Changes of suit forcing unless passed hand
3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS

Negative doubles through
Responsive doubles through 3 S Unusual NT opposite rank
1NT overcall - immediate 15-18 Immediate cue of minor other minor and a major 6-10
1NT overcall - re-opening 11-14
Over weak twos $x=t / o 16+$,suit=12
Over opponent's 1NT mod cap

Immediate cue of Major other major and a minor 6-10
Over opening threes $x=t / o$

## 8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

| 1\% 1 6+hcp,4+C | 2 | splinter |  | splinter |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 - $6+\mathrm{hcp}, 4+\mathrm{H}$ | $2 v$ | " | 30 | " |
| 14. $6+$ hcp, $4+$ S | 24 | " | 34 |  |
| 1NT 8-10, bal, no major | 2NT | 16+, no maj, bal |  | 13-15 hcp, no maj |
| 2\% 6-7,4+C | $3 \%$ | 11-12,5+ C | $4{ }^{\circ}$ |  |
| other |  |  |  |  |
| 1-1 $6+\mathrm{hcp}, 4+\mathrm{H}$ | $2 v$ | splinter | 30 |  |
| 14 | 24 | splinter | 34 |  |
| 1NT 6-9 hcp,no maj | 2NT | 16+,no maj | 3NT | 13-15 |
| 2\% 9+hcp,4+C | $3 \%$ | splinter | $4{ }^{\circ}$ |  |
| 2 6-9hcp,4+D | 3 | " | 4 | minorwood |
| other |  |  |  |  |
| 1-1/ 6+hcp,4+S | $2 v$ | 6-9 support | 3 |  |
| 1NT 6-9 hcp,no maj | 24 | splinter | 30 | 11-12 support |
| 2\% 9+hcp,4+C | 2NT | 16+ no maj | 34 | splinter |
| 2 9+hcp,4+D | 3\% | splinter | 3NT | 13-15 to play no maj,bal |
| other $4 \mathrm{D}=13-15$,fit,bal |  |  |  |  |
| 1^1NT 6-9 hcp,bo maj | 24 | 6-9, support | 30 |  |
| 2* 9+4+C | 2NT | 16+ no maj | 34 | 11-12 support |
| 2 - $9+4+\mathrm{D}$ | 34 | splinter | 3NT | 13-15 to play |
| 2 - $9+, 4+\mathrm{H}$ | 3 | " | $4{ }^{\circ}$ | 16+,fit,bal |
| other $4 \mathrm{D}=13-15$,fit,bal |  |  |  |  |
| 1NT 3\% slam try | 34 | 13+pts and 4S | 4 |  |
| 3 | 3NT |  |  | to play |
| 3v $13+$ pts and 4 H | $4 \%$ | Gerber | 4* | to play |
| other 2C= relay |  |  |  |  |
| 2\% 2 - 0 control | 2NT | - | 30 |  |
| 2v 1 control | 3\% | 3 controls etc | 34 |  |
| 24. 2 controls | 3 |  | 3NT |  |
| other |  |  |  |  |
| 2 2 pass or correct | $3 \%$ | - |  | pass or correct |
| 24 | 3 | - |  | to play |
| 2NT forcing enquiry | 30 | Pass or correct | $40^{\circ}$ |  |
| other $4 \mathrm{H}=$ pass/correct |  |  |  |  |

## Notes



## 9. CONVENTIONS

Unusual NT: opposite rank
4th Suit Forcing One round $X$ game force at 3 level Game force $\square$

NT Checkback X Priorities:
Defence to 3NT opening 4C/D= both majors, better H/S, 6 losers, also over 2NT Defence to Opening Twos
Multi $2 \quad \mathrm{X}=16+2$ nd seat,,13-15 4th seat.2NT=16-18 bal and stoppers
RCO style 2-s
Other 2-s

| Defence | $1 \%: \quad$ \{Replace with your defence to strong 1\% openings\} |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| to | Twerb. Also over 1C-P-1D |  |
| strong | $2 \%: \quad$ \{Replace with your defence to strong 2\% openings \} |  |
| $\%$ |  |  |

Over 1NT Interference Lebensohl over natural interfernce.1,2,3x over unnatural interfence
Lebensohl - other uses
Take out of 4 level pre-empts $4 \% / 4 \leqslant x=t / o$ 4 x $=S, 4 N T=2$ suits

4A $x=$ penalty, $4 N T=2$ suits

## 10. OTHER NOTES

Minorwood - generally after no interference
Splinters can be 3 or 4 card support
After opponents bid 2 suits, $1 \mathrm{NT}=$ other 2 suits and weak
Cue raises after overcalls.
1 NT rebid=15-16, 2NT=17-18
After NT:2C:2D;Pass=weak and D;2H/S=4H/S\&11pts;3C=weak;3D=6D,9-11 pts\&2 of topons
3hons; $3 \mathrm{H} / \mathrm{S}=4 \mathrm{H} / \mathrm{S} \& 12 \mathrm{pts}$, doesn't deny a major

