AUSTRALIAN BRIDGE 4. BASIC RESPONSES FEDERATION LTD. Jump raises - minors 4+ support, 0-5 HCP STANDARD SYSTEM CARD Jump raises - Majors 4+ support, 0-5 HCP ABF Nos. 148911 Ian Thomson mostly artificial (see next page) Jump shifts after minor opening & Names: Matt Mullamphy 95745 mostly artificial (see next page) Jump shifts after Major opening Basic System: Standard Responses to strong 2 suit open. 2♦=negative or waiting, others NAT Classification: Green X Red Blue Brown Sticker 3♣=Puppet Stayman, 3♦/♥=TRF, 3♠=Minors, 4♣=♥, 4♦=♠ Responses to 2NT opening 1. OPENING BIDS Describe strength, min.length, or specific meaning 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS 1♣ 3+♠, 10+ HCP with transfer responses 1♥ 5+♥, 10+ HCP Versus Suit Versus **NoTrump** (if different) (or both) Show priorities 1♦ 3+♦, 10+ HCP 1♠ 5+♠, 10+ HCP **Leads** Sequences: Overlead All Overlead All **1NT** 15-17 HCP (14-16, 1st seat favourable) may contain 5 card Major 3rd/5th Four or more with an honour attitude 1NT Responses 2♣ 5-card Stayman, INV+ 3rd highest 3rd highest From 4 small 2♦ TRF to ♥ 2♠ TRF to ♣ **Bottom** Top From 3 cards (no honour) 2NT TRF to ♦ 2♥ TRF to ♠ 3rds & 5ths 3rds & 5ths In partner's suit (Dbl) Shows suit + one higher, XX=rescue Odd=ENCRG, Even=McKenney other Odd=ENCRG, Even=McKenney **Discards** 2♣ GF or 22+ HCP or 9 PT any suit Low-High = Even Low-High = Even Count Signal on partner's lead: Low Encourage Low Encourage 2 18-19 HCP Bal REV Smith v NT / COUNT / SUIT PREF 2♥ Weak 2, typically 6♥, 5-10 HCP (0-6 & 5-card suit at favourable vul) **Signal** on declarer's lead: 2♠ Weak 2, typically 6♠, 5-10 HCP (0-6 & 5-card suit at favourable vul) **Notes 2NT** 20-21 Bal **3NT** Specific ace ask other 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS 4. Gerber 2. PRE-ALERTS TRF responses to 1♣ 1M-2♣=GINV any shape **4NT:** Blackwood **X** RKCB 3041 NAT, QUANT 1M-2♦=GF, any shape 2 = 18-19 Bal Cue Bids X 1st or 2nd, Multi cues, Denial cues Asking Bids Most jump shifts are artificial 3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS **Doubles** Negative DBL thru Specific 2-SUITER overcalls 2♣-2♦-2♥=ART GF w/o ♠ POWER DOUBLES NOT SUPPORT DOUBLES Responsive DBL thru PASSED HAND BIDDING: Jump overcalls INTERMDIATE or 2-SUITER (ask) Unusual NT ODD SUITS 1M-2♣=INV, no fit 1NT overcall: (immediate) 15-18 (re-opening) 10-14 Immediate cue: (minor) NEXT TWO SUITS 1M-2♦=INV, 3 card support (Major) NEXT TWO SUITS Over: Weak Twos 4♣/♦=that suit + OMajor Opening Threes 4♣/♦=that suit + OMajor www.abf.com.au Opponent's transfers Dbl=lead direct Opponent's 1NT Dbl=PEN, 2♣=MM, 2♦=one M, 2♥/♠=5+M and 4+m PDF Form Rev. 21E29 by RoL MyRev. 2NT=2-SUITER, 3-4 losers Copyright © ABF 2021

Yellow

Canapé

4♠

8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning

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1♣ 1♦	4+♥ 0+	2	ART GF 4+♣	3	SPL 15+					
1♥	4+♠ 0+	2	ART INV 4+♣	3 Y	SPL 15+					
1♠	4+ ♦ 0 +	2	6+♠ 0-5	3 ♠	SPL 15+					
1NT	5-9 NO M	2NT	15-17 BAL	3NT	18-19 BAL 4♣ NO M					
2♣	4+♣ 6-9	3♣	5+♣ 0-5	4 ♣	PRE EMPTIVE					
othe										
1♦ 1♥	NAT	2	ART INV 4+♣ or 4+♦	3 💙	SPL 15+					
1♠	NAT	2	6+♠ 0-5	3	SPL 15+					
1NT	5-9 NO M	2NT	15-17 BAL	3NT	18-19 BAL 4♦ NO M					
2♣	NAT GF	3 -	ART 6-9 4+◆	4	SPL 15+					
2	4+♦ GF ART	3	5 +♦ 0-5	4	PRE EMPTIVE					
othe										
1♥ 1♠	NAT	2	6-9 3♥	3 🄷	GF FIT SHOWING					
1NT	6-9	2♠	ART GF 5/5+ ♣/◆	3 Y	0-5 4+♥					
2	ART INV NOT 4+♥/♠	2NT	6-12 4+♥	3 ♠	♦ SPL 9-12					
2	ART GF NOT 5+♠	3 -	GF FIT SHOWING	3NT	♦ SPL 9-12					
othe	4 ♣/♦ =SPL									
1 ♠ 1NT	5-9	2	6-9 3♠	3 💙	ART GF 5/5+ ♣/♦					
2♣	ART INV NOT 4+♠	2NT	6-12 4+♠	3 ♠	0-5 4+♠					
2	ART GF NOT 5+♥	3♣	5+♥ 5+♣ GF	3NT	♥ SPL 9-12					
2♥	NAT GF 5+♥	3◆	5+♥ 5+♦ GF	4	♣ SPL 9-12					
othe	4 ♦=♦ SPL									
1NT 3♣	0-1 ♦ GF	3♠	0-1 ♣ GF	4	TRF TO ♠					
3	0-1 ♥ GF	3NT	TO PLAY	4	TO PLAY					
3♥	0-1 ♠ GF	4	TRF TO ♥	4	TO PLAY					
othe										
2♣ 2♦	NEG OR WAITING	2NT	NAT 10+ STAY/TRF	3 💙	6+♥ SEMI POSITIVE					
2	5+♥ POSITIVE	3	5+♣ POSITIVE	3 ^	6+♠ SEMI POSITIVE					
2♠	5+S POSITIVE	3◆	5+♦ POSITIVE	3NT						
othe										
2♦ 2♥	4-5♥ NF	3 -	6+♦ STRONG	3	5/5+ ♣/♦					
2	TRF TO 2NT	3	6+♥ STRONG	3NT						
2NT	TRF TO ♣	3 Y	5+♠	4	TRF to ♥					
othe	4♦=TRF TO ♠									
Notes										

Notes

2	2	NAT F1	3◆	NAT F1	3NT	TO PLAY
	2NT	OGUST	3 Y	PRE EMPTIVE	4	♣ SPL
	3 -	NAT F1	3 ^	♦ SPL	4	
	other	4 ♦=♦ SPL				
2	2NT	OGUST	3 \	NAT F1	4 ♣	♣ SPL
	3♣	NAT F1	3 ♠	PRE EMPTIVE	4	♥ SPL
	3◆	NAT F1	3NT	TO PLAY	4	
	other					
2NT	3♣	5-CARD STAYMAN	3 ^	5/5+ ♣/♦	4	6+♦ SLAM
	3◆	TRF TO ♥	3NT	TO PLAY	4	5♠/4♥ GAME
	3 Y	TRF TO ♠	4	6+♣ SLAM	4	5♠/4H SLAM
	other					

9. CONVENTIONS

Unusual N	T: 5/5+ ODD S	UITS EXCEPT OVER 1C (2+) THEN MINORS						
4th Suit Fo	orcing One round [Game force X					
NT Check	oack X Prioritie	SE: 2♣ TRF TO 2♦=TO PLAY OR INV ANY, 2♦	=ART GF					
Defence to 3NT opening 4♣=MAJORS(BETTER ♠) 4♦=MAJORS(BETTER ♠)								
Defence to Opening Twos LEBENSOHL								
Multi 2◆	Multi 2♦ DBL=2♥ or 2♠ OVERCALL / 2♥/2♠=T/O OF THAT SUIT							
RCO style 2-s								
Other 2-s								
Defence	(1♣) : DBL=♣ 1	NT/2♣/2♦=ORC 2-SUITER OTHERS NAT						
to	AFTER ♠(NO)1♦ THEN AS ABOVE EXCEPT DBL=♦/1NT=♣/2NT=ODD							
strong	(2♣): SAME AS ABOVE EXCEPT ONE-LEVEL HIGHER							
14/24	1♣/2♣ NAT v 2+♣ OPENING							
Over 1NT Interference TRF RESPONSES								

10. OTHER NOTES

NO SUPPORT DOUBLES BUT POWER DOUBLES

Take out of 4 level pre-empts 4♣/4♦ DBL=TO / 4NT=2 SUITER

4♥ DBL=TO / 4NT=5/5+♣/♦ DBL=TO / 4NT=5/5+ ANY

LONG & SHORT SUIT TRIAL BIDS

DOPI & ROPI

RELAYS AFTER 1M-2m

Lebensohl - other uses

BERGEN RAISES (3♣/♦) AFTER 1♥/♠ OVERCALLS