## 4. BASIC RESPONSES Jump raises - minors mixed raise Jump raises - Majors mixed raise 1m-2M 6+M INV, 1D-3C 6+C INV. Fit-showing if passed hand Jump shifts after minor opening 3C=3-card IM NV, 3D=4-card M INV. Jump oM natural INV Jump shifts after Major opening Responses to strong 2 suit open. 2D waiting/negative, others NAT muppet stayman, transfers, 3S minors, 4C to 4S 2-under TRF Responses to 2NT opening 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS **Show priorities** Versus NoTrump (if different) Versus Suit (or both) overlead\* (see notes below) same, but underlead for unblock Leads Sequences: 3rd from even, low from odd Four or more with an honour 3<sup>rd</sup> from even, low from odd top or 2<sup>nd</sup> From 4 small top or 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> from even, low from odd From 3 cards (no honour) can be ATT if supported, also --> 3rd from xxx if not supported In partner's suit low enc, suit pref, reverse count **Discards** same reverse same Count Signal on partner's lead: low enc Signal on declarer's lead: suit pref/smith or reverse count Notes ATT situations = trick 1 and 1st discard. K from AK if about to switch to a singleton. K for count from AK if at 5-level or declarer opened a preempt. Q can be from AKQ vs NT: leader lo-hi to enc the lead, their partner hi-lo to enc the lead or SP if ATT known 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS **RKCB** 1430 4NT: Blackwood 4♣ Gerber when? Slam Notes 3S nonserious in ♥, 3NT nonserious in ♠ Cue Bids 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> together Asking Bids 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS 2C Drury by passed hand Fit-showing jumps by passed hand Ghestem: (1M)3C=5oM+5D; 2M=5oM+5C Transfers starting at 1NT over 1M (X) 1NT 2C 2M 3oM slam try with some shortag Ghestem also applies over weak 2s 1NT 2C 2M 4C BAL slam try Gazzilli Kokish with transfer rebids after 2C-2D Transfer Lebensohl over 1NT interference EKCB responses usually 01122 unless very strong hand www.abf.com.au PDF Form Rev. 17K21 by RoL MyRev. Nov 2024 Copyright © ABF 2017



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## STANDARD SYSTEM CARD

ABF Nos.	774596	Liam MILNE								
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Basic System: 2/1 with transfer responses to 1♣										
Brown Sticker	Classif	ication: Green	X Blue	Red Yellow						
1. OPENING BIDS										
Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning  Canape										
1♣ 2+♣, transfer responses, normally 10+ 1♥ 5+♥ (maybe 4 in 3 <sup>rd</sup> ), normally 10+										
1♦ 4+♦, can be BAL with 4, normally 10+ 1♠ 5+♠ (maybe 4 in 3 <sup>rd</sup> ), normally 10+										
<b>1NT</b> (13)14-16 1st seat favourable, others (14)15-17 may contain 5 card Major										
1NT Responses 2♣ simple stayman										
2♦ TRF to	<b>Y</b>		2♠ range	2♠ range ask or ♣						
2♥ TRF to	•		2NT asks fo	2NT asks for 5M						
other 3C=♦, 3D=minors GF, 3H=31(54), 3S=13(54), 4C=♥, 4D=♠										
2♣ GF or 22+BAL										
2♦ 4♠, 5+♥, 10-15										
weak 2, 5-6♥ - vul dependent. Very weak 1st favourable										
weak 2, 5-6♠ - vul dependent. Very weak 1st favourable										
<b>2NT</b> (19)20-21	1 (more 19s 1	st favourable)	3NT 5♠ 6♥ ~	-8-12						
other										
		2. PRE-	<b>ALERTS</b>							
Light action fa	vourable		1st seat favourable: lighter than you expect							
Flannery			Transfers over 1C and after 1C (1D)							
Points are a guideline, judgement can be> < used in all situations										
	(3. CO	MPETITIVE	BIDS / OVE	RCALLS						
Negative doubles through all Jump overcalls V			veak (except 3C over 1M = 5oM +5D)							
Responsive doubles through all Unusual NT		UBS 5/5+, strength is vul dependent								
1NT overcall - imme	diate 15-18	Imm	nediate cue of minor	majors 5/5+, vul dependen						
1NT overcall - re-opening (13)14-16 Imme		nediate cue of Major	liate cue of Major 50M + 5C, vul dependent							
Over weak twos Ghestem			ver opening threes Michaels							
Over opponent's 1NT direct: X=PEN, 2C=MM, 2D=one M, 2M=5M 4+m, 2NT=♣ weak/strong,										
3C=♦ strong,		C=extreme maj	ors							

## 8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

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1♣ 1♦	4+♥ 0+	2	5♠, 4+♥, ~3-8	3	PRE	
1♥	4+♠ 0+	2	6+♥ (8)9-11	3 <b>Y</b>	PRE	
1♠	see 'other' below	2♠	6+♠ (8)9-11	<b>3♠</b>	PRE	
1NT	11-12 can have 4M	2NT	weak raise to 3♣	3NT	to play	
2	5+♣ 10+	3♣	5+♣ ~6-9	4	PRE	
other	1C-1S: ♦GF, 5-10 BAL no major, to play in a minor, or to play 3NT from other si					
1♦ 1♥	NAT	2	6+♥ (8)9-11	3	PRE	
1♠	NAT	2♠	6+♠ (8)9-11	3 <b>♠</b>	PRE	
1NT	NF up to 11	2NT	NAT INV	3NT	~12-14 usually 3334	
2♣	GF 2+ <b>♣</b>	3♣	6+♣ (8)9-11	4 <b>-</b>		
2	4+♦ 10+	3◆	4+♦ ~6-9	4	PRE	
other						
1♥ 1♠	usually 5+♠ NAT	2	~7-10 constructive	3	4♥ INV	
1NT	see 'other' below	2♠	6+♠ INV	3	mixed raise	
2♣	GF 2+ <b>♣</b>	2NT	4+♥ GF	3 <b>♠</b>	<b>♦</b> SPL	
2	GF 5+ <b>♦</b>	3 <b>-</b>	3♥ INV	3NT	♦ SPL	
other	1H-1NT: NF, up to 12 F	ICP,	can have 4♠, can have 3	3♥ if	weak (~0-6)	
1 <b>♠</b> 1NT	see 'other' below	2	~7-10 constructive	3 💙	6+♥ INV	
2♣	GF 2+ <b>♣</b>	2NT	4+ <b>♠</b> GF	<b>3♠</b>	mixed raise	
2	GF 5+ <b>♦</b>	3♣	3♠ INV	3NT	♥ SPL	
2	GF 5+♥	3◆	4♠ INV	4♣	♣ SPL	
other	1S-1NT: NF, up to 12 HCP, can have 3♠ if weak (~0-6)					
1NT 3♣	TRF to ♦	3	13(54)	4	TRF to ♠	
3◆	minors GF	3NT	to play	<b>4</b>		
3♥	31(54)	4	TRF to ♥	4		
other						
2♣ 2♦	negative or waiting	2NT		3 💙		
2	NAT good suit	3 <b>-</b>	NAT good suit	3 <b>♠</b>		
2	NAT good suit	3 🄷	NAT good suit	3NT		
other	2C-2D-3M = 4M, 5+◆					
2♦ 2♥	to play	3♣	NAT NF	3	NAT INV	
	to play	3	NAT INV	3NT	to play	
_	GF ENQ		NAT INV	-	♥ slam try, short ♠	
	4D ♠ slam try, short ♥				•	
N. A. N. fort amiral in Old systimate impacts ONT above 45 47 act systems for ANT						

**Notes** No fast arrival in 2/1 auctions - jump to 3NT shows ~15-17 not suitable for 1NT After reverse: cheapest of 4th suit/NT/impossible suit asks opener to bid 1st step with min

2♥ 2♠	ENQ* see note	3	NAT (NF if favourable)	3NT	to play		
2NT	forcing, 5+♠* see note	3 <b>Y</b>	to play	4 <b>♣</b>	mini KC (01122)		
	NAT (NF if favourable)			<b>4</b>			
other If we are 1st favourable, 2S is NAT NF and 2NT is Ogust							
2 <b>♠</b> 2NT	ENQ	3 <b>Y</b>	•	<b>4♣</b>	mini KC (01122)		
3♣	<b>Y</b>	3 <b>^</b>	to play	<b>4</b>			
3◆	NAT (NF if favourable)	3NT	to play	4			
other							
	muppet stayman	<b>3♠</b>	minors GF	4	<b>±</b>		
•	TRF to ♥	3NT	to play	<b>4</b>	•		
•	TRF to ♠	4 <b>♣</b>	<b>♥</b>	4	<b>•</b>		
other							
	9	<u>. C</u>	ONVENTIONS				
Unusual NT: LUBS 5/5+, strength depends on vulnerability							
4th Suit Forcing One round Game force							
NT Checkback Priorities: 2C>2D to play or INV, others transfers (not 2way CB)							
Defence	to 3NT opening						
Defence to Opening Twos							
Multi 2♦ X values, Leaping Michaels (major ambiguous)							
RCO style 2-s							
Other 2-s							
Defence	(1♣) : X majors, NT m	ninors	S				
to							
strong (2♣):							
14/24							
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	ohl - other uses (2x) X		,1100111				
	t of 4 level pre-empts	(P)	4♣/4♦				
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	comp is rarely NAT	•	L	41.			
	•		d raise if we don't have a				
	·		nin unbal, max unbal, ma	ix ba	ii, min bai		
After 1st favourable 2M opening: 2NT Ogust							
	g in 4th suit shows 5-5 II						
			ig suit, including after over	ercal			
DOPE if they interfere above our trump suit, DOPI below							