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GENERAL APPROACH

2 over 1
Two Over One: Game Forcing
VERY LIGHT: Openings
FORCING OPENING: 1c, 2c, Natural 2 Bids, Other

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT 14+ to 17
3c puppet stayman
3d minors GF
3h 31(45)
3s 13(45)
Garbage Stayman
4d, 4h Transfer
Smolen
Lebensohl (TRF denies)
Neg. Double 7+HCP
Other: TRF Inv+start 3c

2NT 19+ to 21
Puppet Stayman
Transfer Responses:
Jacoby, Texas
3s Relay to 3NT
4m:(21)55;4M:(31)(45)
3NT AKQx to xxx+
4d=sing? 4N=7222

Conventional NT Openings
TRF Q asks stopper
3S=minors GF

MAJOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 5
1st/2nd
3rd/4th

MINOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 3 0-2 Conv.
1c
1d

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
Conv. Raise: 2NT, 3NT, Splitter
Other: 3d=LR; 1s-3v=Inv;
1NT: Forcing, Semi-forcing
2NT: Forcing Inv. 3c=7 to 9/9-11
3NT: 1v-3s to 9-11 spl
Drury: Reverse, 2-Way, Fit
Const R; 1M-1N-2N: 4suit TRF
Other: Single jump = (Suit+fit) BPH

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor
Single raise Other: 2NT/1d=INV
Frequently bypass 4+ 1c-2c=GF
1NT/1c 6 to 11
2NT Forcing Inv. 1c/12 to 14
3NT: 1c/15 to 17
Other: 3NT/1d=12+ to 14; 1d-2d=Inv+

DESCRIBE RESPONSES/REBIDS

2c to HCP
Strong Other
2d Resp: Neg, Waiting, \*\*\*=cards
2d 5 to 10 HCP usually 6 (2N: 3c=max/med; 3d=min)
Natural: Weak, Intermediate, Strong, Conv.
2h 5 to 10 HCP usually 6 (2N: 3c)
Natural: Weak, Intermediate, Strong, Conv.
2s 5 to 10 HCP usually 6 (2N: 3c)
Natural: Weak, Intermediate, Strong, Conv.
OTHER CONV. CALLS: New Minor Forcing, 2-Way NMF, 2c forces 2d
Weak Jump Shifts: In Comp, Not in Comp
4th Suit Forcing: 1 Rd, Game, Mod UvsU; vs nat 1c: 2c=nat, 2d=majors
Over strong c: Mathe; Over precision d: 2d=nat, 2v/3d=weak/strong majors
Over 1c(P)1d(TRF): \*s+a+, d1v=s+a+, 2v=nat

SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty
Negative thru 4h
Responsive: thru 4h Maximal
Support: Dbl thru 2h Redbl
Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O
\*\*/neg\*=8+HCP w 2 card support

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on
Conv. In bal, 2NT=19-21; sys on
Balancing: 10 to 16
Jump to 2NT: Minors, 2 Lowest
Conv. 2c = range ask; 2N=13-14

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: 15 in range <15 in range
2c Both majors Both majors
2d One major One major
2h v+minor v+minor
2s a+minor a+minor
Dbl: 4M+longer m good hand
Other vs 2N, X=M; 1m(N)wk nt def
(1m)P(1N)2c=(54)M, 2d=55M

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 7 to 18 HCP (usually)
often 4 cards very light style
Responses
New Suit: Forcing, NF Const, NF
Jump Raise: Forcing, Inv, Weak
jump Q = MR; JS=nat, 6+cd, 13+, 1RF

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong, Intermediate, Weak

OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound Light Very Light
3/4-bids
Conv./Resp. new suit forcing

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major
Natural
Strong T/O
Michaels
Leaping Michaels

OVER OPP'S T/O DOUBLE

New Suit Forcing: 1 level, 2 level
Jump Shift: Forcing, Inv, Weak
Redouble implies no fit
2NT Over Limit+ Limit Weak
Majors
Minors
Other: Transfer advances over M

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru 4s Penalty
Conv. Takeout:
Lebensohl 2NT Response
Other: Lebensohl if \* BUPH only

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber: 4NT: Blackwood, RKC, 1430

Exclusion (0,1,2,3) next step asks Q; step 1 NO, step 2 YES
4c=preempt kc (0,1w/o, 1w/, 2w/o, 2w/); opening 4NT=1430 BW
vs Interference: DOPI, DEPO, Level: 5 trump suit+, ROPI

LEADS (circle card led, if not in bold)

versus Suits versus Notrump
xx x(x)x, xx(x), (A)Kx, KQx, QJx, JT9, KQT9
x(x)x, x(x)x(x), A K J x, A J T 9, K Q J x, Q J T x, J T 9 x, T 9 x x

DEFENSIVE CARDING vs SUITS vs NT

Standard: Except
Upside-Down: count, attitude
FIRST DISCARD
Lavinthal, Odd/Even
OTHER CARDING
Smith Echo, Trump Suit Pref, Foster Echo

LENGTH LEADS:

4th Best vs SUITS vs NT
3rd/5th Best vs SUITS vs NT
Attitude vs NT
K = power lead against NT
Primary signal to partner's leads
Attitude, Count, Suit preference

SPECIAL CARDING PLEASE ASK