Notes on Ornstein/Picus Convention Card

Note 1:

After 1NT, 2 ♠ or 2NT transferring to ♠ or ♦ respectively, the bid of the suit being transferred to says you like the it, and bidding the intervening suit says you don't.

Note 2:

After 1NT - 2 - 2 - 2 shows 5 hearts with 4 of any other suit, invitational values.

After 1NT - 2 - 2M - 3OM = slam try in M with unspecified stiff, 3NT asks

After 1NT - 2 - 2M - 4 = KC Gerber (1430)

After 1NT - 2 - 2M - 4 = quantitative balanced raise

Note 3:

After 1NT (X), system is OFF.

XX asks partner to bid 4 card suits up the line.

Any suit is natural and to play.

Texas transfers are the only part of system that is on.

Note 4:

After 1m - 2m - 2NT is forcing to 3m.

After 1m - 2m - 2NT - 3om is slam try guaranteeing 5 or more of m.

Note 5:

After 2♣ - 2♦ - 2♥ - 2♠ - 3♣ is single suited in hearts, whereas 3♥ is hearts and clubs

After 2 - 2 - 3 | $3 \le$ is 4 of major with longer diamonds.

No trump ranges using Kokish

2♣ - 2♦ - 2NT = 22-23

2♣ - 2♦ - 2♥ - 2♠ - 2NT = 24-25

2♣ - 2♦ - 3NT = 26-27

2♣ - 2♦ - 2♥ - 2♠ - 3NT = 28-29

Two point ranges continue all the way up

Note 6:

2♣ relays to 2♦, either to play or further describe an invitational hand

2♦ is game forcing, opener shows 3 card support for responder's major, 4 of other major, or bids as naturally as possible. With both 3M and 4OM, bids 3M first.

After 1m - 1M - 1NT - 3M is slammish, $3 \triangleq 1$ to play, and 2NT is old fashioned invitational in NT.

After $1m - 1 \nabla - 1NT$, $2 \triangleq$ shows 4-4 in the majors.

Note 7:

If opponents compete over Blackwood with a suit below 5 of our suit, DOPI, and if they bid a suit above it, DEPO. Ignore double.

Miscellaneous Notes:

- 1♣ (P) 1♦ (1♥): 1♠ is 4 spades with shape and X is 4 spades without shape.
- (1NT) 2M (P) 3♣ = pass or correct, 2NT is constructive.
- (1M) 2M (P) 3♣ = pass or correct, 2NT is constructive.
- 1m 2m 2NT 4♣ is Gerber. 1m 2m 2NT any forcing bid 4NT is KC.