




DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING		LEADS AND SIGNALS			WBF Convention Card	
<b>OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; 1/2 level; Reopening)</b>		<b>OPENING LEADS STYLE – see note 10</b>			  	
5 cards at 1-level; may be up to 19 HCP						
RESP: new suit F1; jumps FIT; cue support F1; NT NAT INV						
jump cue: 3-level mixed raise; 4-level SPL; Jump raise PRE		<b>Suit</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> /LOW; STND/RUS*	<b>In Partner's Suit</b>	<b>CATEGORY:</b> 3 <b>NCBO:</b> England <b>PLAYERS:</b> <u>Graham Osborne</u> <u>Frances Hinden</u>	
2NT L/R if no cue available		<b>NT</b>	ATT vs game, else 4 <sup>th</sup> (2 <sup>nd</sup> bad suit, top of 3 low) K STR		<b>EVENTS:</b> September 2016	
4 <sup>th</sup> seat: 2-level new suit NF in competition; 2NT: see (1)		<b>Subseq</b>	ATT (CT) in new suit;			
(1x) – P – (1y) – 2y NAT; Re-opening similar but K lighter		<b>Other:</b> *Rusinow vs NT and when leading own suit vs SUIT				
<b>1NT OVERCALL (2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Live; Responses; Reopening)</b>		<b>LEADS</b>			<b>SYSTEM SUMMARY</b>	
2 <sup>nd</sup> : 15-18; RESP STAYMAN/TRANS; 4 <sup>th</sup> LIVE 16-19 RESP NAT		<b>Lead</b>	<b>Vs. Suit (see * above)</b>	<b>Vs. NT</b>	<b>GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE</b>	
In Competition 2NT+ transfers; DBL T/O		<b>Ace</b>	AKx(+), AQx(+), Ax(+); REV. ATT		5-card majors; 1♣ NAT, or any (17)18-19(20) BAL, or many 11-14 BAL	
Re-opening: 11-15 (PH 9-11) Responses: 2♣ ART ENQ others NAT		<b>King</b>	AK(+), KQ(+); CT/ REV ATT			
PH shows 5-5 in two unbid suits		<b>Queen</b>	QJ(+); REV. ATT (KQ+*)			
		<b>Jack</b>	KJ10(+), J10(+); (QJ*+)			
<b>JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Reopen)</b>		<b>10</b>	109(+); KJ10; (J10*+)		Pre-empts classical in 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 1 <sup>st</sup> VUL; random 1/3 NV	
WK, Random NV (5+ cards), RESP TRANS, jumps FIT, X =save?		<b>9</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> from even length or 9x		Double often not PEN even in FP sequences	
2NT (CONSTR+) other M+♣ (over 1M), ♠+other m (over 1m)		<b>Hi-x</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> /LOW			
RESP: all jumps PRE; new suit NAT NF;		<b>Lo-x</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> /LOW		<b>1NT Opening:</b> (14)15-17 may have 6m or 5♥ (5♠ more common 3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> )	
<b>Reopen:</b> INTERMEDIATE 6+ cards; 2NT NAT 19-21 RESP as open		<b>SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY</b>			<b>2 OVER 1 Response:</b> FG/1M 1♦-2♣ F2NT	
<b>DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopen)</b>			<b>Partner's Lead</b>	<b>Declarer's Lead</b>	<b>Discarding</b>	<b>SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE</b>
(1m)–2m: 55+ in M WK+;		<b>Suit 1</b>	Lo = ENC	S/P	Lo = ENC	
(1M)–2M: 55+ in OM + ♦, Constructive.+; 2NT INV+ relay		<b>Suit 2</b>	Lo = ODD	Lo = ODD	Lo = ODD	Transfer responses to 1♣, may respond very light
RESP: all jumps PRE; DBL PEN; RDBL 1-card pref for higher suit		<b>Suit 3</b>	S/P		S/P	1♥ - 1♣ 0-12 HCP, no more than 4 spades unless also 3+ hearts May have 3 or 4 hearts if very weak or INV
(1x)-3x asks 3NT with stop (no FP). (1♠ short) - 3♣ NAT CONSTR		<b>NT 1</b>	Lo = ODD	"SMITH SIGNAL"	Lo = ENC	1♥ - 1NT 5+ Spades any strength, may have 3 hearts if weak
<b>VS. NT (vs. Strong / Weak; Reopening; PH)</b>		<b>NT 2</b>	Lo = ENC	Lo = ODD	Lo = ODD	We open most balanced 11-counts
Non-PH 2♣=♥+?, 2♦=♠+?, 2M NAT, 3x WK, 2NT good 3m bid		<b>NT 3</b>	S/P	S/P	S/P	
PH: 2♣ = ♥+♠, 2♦ = 1M, 2M = suit bid + a minor		<b>Signals (including Trumps):</b> REVERSE ATTITUDE; REMAINDER				
X PEN of WK NT, 16+ or PEN of STR NT (then 2♣ scramble)		COUNT; SMITH v NT: PETER BY EITHER HAND ENC LEAD vs NT;				Transfers in competition by responder in many auctions
X of WK NT sets up FP over 2m		A lot of S/P. REV. ATT on K lead in Bath Coup positions				
PH: DBL = max pass (vs WK NT)/M=m canapé (vs 14+ 1NT)		<b>Doubles</b>				1♦ – 2NT WK raise (not interested in 3NT opposite 18-19 BAL)
X of STAY or JTB = vs WK NT shows PEN DBL of opening 1NT						WJS in response to 1m (jump to 2x is NAT, 4-8 HCP, 6 or 7 cards)
<b>VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)</b>		<b>TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)</b>				
X t/o LEB FAST(6);(3m)-4m FG MM; 4m-(4NT) NAT; 3NT NAT		10+ HCP Shape-suitable or STR (19+ or equivalent); K less by reopener				2NT in competition TRF, LEB, SCRAMBLING or GOOD RAISE (1)
4M-4NT any 2 suits; (2/3M) – 4m FG 55+ in OM and suit bid		Responses: cue forcing to suit agreement; jumps 8-11, 1NT 6-10				FIT-SHOWING BIDS IN COMPETITION (2)
VS. ART PREEMPTS see (6)		If doubler then cues, step 1 = NEG others 5+ HCP				
<b>VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS</b>		COMPETITION: (4)				<b>SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES</b>
(1♣) – x/1♦/1NT=CRO others NAT; lowest NT response ART INV+		<b>SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES/REDOUBLES</b>				(1NT weak) – PEN DBL forcing to (2m)
Otherwise DBL = MM, NT shows the minors		Most X T/O before fit found or hand defined (some game-try) (5).				In major suit raise auctions 3NT often sets up a FP, 4M does not.
Jumps WK; P then bid after 1♣ strong.		In penalty FP auctions, DBL as the first action is T/O				Higher-level P only F if we have clearly forced from strength (V or NV)
General style very aggressive NV (over 1♣ may be 4-4)		DBL of 1-level overcall = TRANS. DBL after partner's PRE is PEN				<b>IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE</b>
<b>OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE</b>		DBL of suit we have bid or implied is PEN except 1♣-(2/3♣)-DBL T/O				1♣ may be short if 18-20 BAL, 11-14 BAL < 4♦ or any 11-12 min
1M–DBL–RDBL 7-9 BAL or STR; P=WK or 10+ PEN seeking		Action X: by Pre-emptor shows extra offence.				18-19 (or bad 20) BAL opens 1♣ with five (sometimes 6) diamonds
1M-DBL-1NT/2-level TRANS; other jumps FIT (1♠-x-3♥ PRE RAISE)		RESP DBL show 2 places to play, may not have OM				11-14 BAL may open 1♣ with 4♦ or 5♥ if min or bad suit
1M –DBL–3M = Mixed; 2M+1 L/R+		(2/3x)-DBL-(raise)-DBL shows convertible values				<b>Lead Rusinow in own bid suits against suit contracts</b>
1m–DBL–RDBL/1x TRANSFERS; 2NT WK raise 0-6		DBL of response to PRE t/o of opener's suit.				<b>PSYCHICS:</b> Rare.

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. No. OF CARDS	NEG. DBL THRU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	PASSED HAND / COMPETITIVE BIDDING
1♣	✓	2	4♣	NAT or BAL Open 1♣ (17)18-19(20) BAL 10+ HCP/6-card suit (11+ if BAL)	1♦=4+♥, 1♥=4+♠, 1♠=4+♦ no M unless FG 2♣=10+ 4+♣ F1, 3♣ 6-10 (5)6+♣. WJS (4-8 HCP, 6 or 7 cards) 2NT 15+ with 4+ ♣ 1NT 5-10 USU. 4♣; 3x SPL; 3NT 3334 12-14	Complete TRANS 12-14 SEMI-BAL or MIN 3-card support. 1♣ -1red -1NT = 18-20 BAL. In competition complete=3 cards 1♣-2♣-2♦=NAT or BAL now 2♥ FG(R), 2NT/3♣ NAT INV 1NT rebid may have 4-card M. 2NT rebid ART	XFRS after 1♣-(1 red) (11) SWITCH after 1♣-(1/2♣) XFRS after ART overcalls PH 2-level Jumps NF Weak
1♦		4	4♣	NAT 9+ HCP (11+ if BAL). May open 1♣ if min & bad♦ Else 1♦ with 4+ & 12-14 BAL	INVERTED MINOR RAISES (3♦ 6-10) 2M WJS (4-8 HCP 6 or 7 cards) 2NT 0-6 4+♦ 3♣ NF INV. 2♣ F2NT	ART rebids after 1♦-2m and responder's rebids after 1♦-1M 2♣ then 3♣ FG 1♦ - 1♥-1♠-2♣ = ART weak or FG, 2 other constructive	XFRS after 1♦ - (1♥) SWITCH after 1♣-(1/2♣) PH 2-level Jumps NF FIT
1♥		5	4♣	NAT 9+ HCP (11+ if BAL) May open 1♣ if min bad suit	1♠ F1 ART up to 12 may have 3♥; 2♦ NAT FG 2♣ FG NAT or BAL 1NT 5+ ♠ F1 any strength. 2♣ WJS (4-8 HCP 6 or 7 cards) 3♣ L/R, 3♦ STR SPL 2NT FG RAISE 3♣ WEAK SPL any suit 3NT+ Void	1♥-1♠-1NT = 11-14 BAL or 4+ diamonds or 6+ ♥; 1♥-1♠-2♦ = 2♥ = 45 MM WK or STR, 2♥ 45 MM 14-16 (not 4 <sup>th</sup> ) 1♥-1NT-2♣ = NAT, or BAL 11-14/18-19 ART continuations over all responses	2♣ = 8+ with 3♥; 2♦ 8+ with 4♥ 2♣ = SPL to 3-level (2NT asks) 3♥ = 5(332) 6-9; 3m = FIT 2NT FIT in ♠.
1♠		5	4♥	NAT 9+ HCP (11+ if BAL)	1NT up to 12 HCP nearly F; may have 3 spades 2x NAT FG. 3♥ NAT INV Other 2NT+ ART with 4♣	ART continuations over all responses (1♠-1NT-2red = NAT)	2♣ = 8+ with 3♠; 2♦ 8+ with 4♣ 2NT = SPL to 3-level (3♣ asks) 3♣ = 5(332) 6-9; 3m = FIT
1NT		2	4♥	15-17, may be good 14 (may be 6m, 5♠ rare)	2♣ Relay INV+ may be INV with 5CM 2♦ JTB OR 4♥ / 5m FG 2♥ JTB 2♣ ART INV+, 2NT TRF to ♣, 3♣ TRF to ♦ 3♦/♥ 3-suiter short in next suit. 3♠ mm FG 4♣ MM no slam interest. 4♦ 5♠332 mild SLAM TRY	ART continuations after 2♣, 2♠ and after JTB break JTB to Ax or Kx or to step 2 with long suit or 3M if BAL If JTB doubled complete with 3-cards support+, RDBL NAT see (3)	2NT+ XFER after intervention DBL = TO of NAT bid SYSTEM ON after ART 2♣
2♣	✓			FG or (22)23-24 BAL	2♦ NEG or waiting, 2M NAT FG, 2NT+ TRANS	2♣-2♦-2NT continuations as 2NT opening 2♣-2♦-2♥- Hearts or 25+ BAL FG; 2♠ Relay others TRF 2♣-2♥/♠-2NT bids NAT	DBL = NEG by RESPONDER DBL = BAL by OPENER FP by OPENER 2-suiter
2♦		5		1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> WK (sound in 2 <sup>nd</sup> ) 3 <sup>rd</sup> WK random 4 <sup>th</sup> 14-16 4=5 majors	2♥/♠ NF INV; 2NT NAT; 3♣ STR ENQ 2M to play others NAT CONSTR.		
2♥/♠		5		1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> WK (sound in 2 <sup>nd</sup> ) 3 <sup>rd</sup> WK random 4 <sup>th</sup> Intermediate	2NT=ASK SHORTAGE; raises PRE; 2♥-2♠ NF CONSTR; others NAT FG 4♣ RKCB		
2NT				NAT 20-21 (22) HCP 20 HCP may open 1♣ 5422/6322 (long m) rare	3♣ "PUP STAY" 3♦/3♥ JTB 3♣ TRF to 3NT or ♦ S/T; 3NT ♣ S/T 4m SA TEXAS; 4M slam try in linked m	3♦+ from responder is FG. Opener completes JTB with fit. Many ART auctions later. 3♣ - 3♦ 1/2 4CMs, 3♥ no M, 3♠ 5 cards, 3NT 5 hearts	
3 suit				SOUND 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 4 <sup>th</sup> 3M maybe < HCP than 2M	3♣-4♦/3♦-4♣ RKCB	<b>HIGH LEVEL BIDDING</b>	
3NT		N/A		Good 4M opening (8.5 – 9 tricks). Stronger 3/4 position	4♣ slam try; 4♦ asks major; 4M slam try shortage in bid suit		'last train' type bids in some auctions 5NT GRAND SLAM FORCE (5♠ if ♣ agreed) RESP: 6 trump suit 0, 6NT 2, 7♣ 3, lower bids stronger if room; see also (9) for kickback
4 suit		6	N/A	NAT PRE	4m-4NT NAT; 4M-4NT RKCB; 4m-4M NAT 4♣-4♦ RKCB	If ♠ agreed 4NT RKCB If ♥ agreed 4♣ RKCB if opponents only P/DBL Otherwise 4NT RKCB	If cue-bid is doubled, XX shows control 4NT in competition:
4NT		N/A		Specific ace ask	5♣ none, 5♦/♥/♠/6♣ ace of bid suit, 5NT two aces	DOPI/ROPI if room else DOPE/ROPE.	Good raise of partner's suit if no cue available RKCB in M as jump or with no intervening bid NAT or Two places to play otherwise

(1) 2NT in competition:  
 2NT by opener is weak in ♣ or good elsewhere in 5<sup>th</sup> position opposite a 1-level response  
 2NT is LEB after a 2M overcall or opening and DBL/2-level bid by 3<sup>rd</sup> hand  
 2NT as response to a T/O x is LEB if bidder's strength is undefined, else shows 2+ places to play  
 (e.g. (1♠)-x-(2♠)-2NT= LEB, 1♠-(2♥)-P-(P)-x-(P)-2NT = LEB  
 but 1♠-P-2♠-P-P-x-P-2NT = SCRAMBLING; 1NT-(2♥)-x-(P)-2NT = SCRAMBLING )  
 2NT by 4<sup>th</sup> hand in competition if partner has bid is good raise if no cue below 3 our suit else LEB  
 (1♠)-2♥-(2♠)-2NT Good raise but (1♥)-1♠-(2♥)-2NT = to play in 3m, 3m directly FIT; 3♥ L/R+  
 2NT by 4<sup>th</sup> hand after pass by partner is lowest two suits except 1♠-P-2♠-2NT = any two suits  
 Rubensohl after 1NT – (2suit NAT) – ; and (1x) – 1NT – (2any)  
 DBL T/O usually 2 cards+; 2x NAT WK; 2NT+ transfers  
 3NT directly promises stop (or wants to play in 3NT)  
 LEB also after 4<sup>th</sup> hand overcall of 1NT e.g. 1NT-(P)-2♦-(2♠)-P-(P)-2NT LEB 3m FG  
 2NT as overcall of 2-level WK bid is 15-18 NAT responses as after 2NT opening

(2) FIT BIDS: Show 5+ cards in suit bid and 4+ card support for partner, F1 (except by passed hand)  
 NEW SUIT JUMPS IN COMPETITION are FIT if a non-jump would be forcing EXCEPT all game bids by a non-passed hand and WJS at 2-level after T/O DBL or overcall of 1♣ opening  
 NEW SUIT NON-JUMP IN COMPETITIONS are 3-card FIT when three suits have been bid  
 DBL shows the fourth suit without a fit); also frequently by a passed hand.

(3) Intervention over our 1NT opening (see also (5))  
 After 2♣/DBL with no anchor suit, system ON - DBL/RDBL replaces systemic 2♣ bid  
 FP after 1NT – P – 2♣ - Action with DBL T/O. After responder's TRANS, DBL = it is our hand  
 After 2m overcall with one anchor major, 2-level cue bid = INV+ in other major.  
 After overcall up to 3♦ responder's bids 2NT to 3♥ are transfers (xfer to cue = 3-suiter)

(4) AFTER T/O DBL  
 (1x) – DBL – (1y) – 2y NAT NF 5+; DBL PEN 4 cards or STR  
 RESPONSIVE DOUBLES at all levels show 2 (or 3) suits may not have OM  
 DBL by Aggressor: extra values and usually fewer than 4-cards support (e.g. 1♠-x-P-2♥-2♠-DBL)  
 DBL followed by new suit is STR NF. DBL then 3-level jump in new suit is F  
 P of RDBL is USUALLY NAT EXCEPT 1x – DBL – RDBL – P and 1x – P – 1y – DBL – RDBL – P

(5) DOUBLES  
 NEGATIVE DOUBLES  
 1m-(1♠)-DBL shows 4♥. 1♣/♦ - 1♦/♥- DBL = 4+ cards in next suit  
 Higher doubles of an overcall may be quite weak if shape-suitable  
 DBL then bid is NF over minimum rebid. DBL unlimited in HCP but can bid NAT F if suitable  
 DBL of a 2-suited overcall shows any unbid major, pass NF  
 SUPPORT DOUBLES over simple 4<sup>th</sup> hand overcalls after a major-showing response  
 e.g. 1♦ - (P) – 1♥ - (1♠) – DBL shows exactly 3♥;

## LATER DOUBLES BY OPENING SIDE

DBL is T/O EXCEPT in the following situations:

We have tried to pass out a contract having both bid; we have explicitly found a fit (except game try doubles); opposite a pre-empt;  
 they bid a suit we have shown (not a short club); after a 2/1 FG or after a forcing major suit raise  
 After a 2/1 FG DBL = PEN; in competition after a FG bid, DBL = extras (1M-2x-3y-3x-DBL)  
 After 1x – (simple overcall) – P – (P) Opener will DBL on all shape-suitable hands  
 After 1M – 2NT – (bid) DBL = shortage in overcaller's suit  
 After an inverted raise DBL = PEN

## LATER DOUBLES BY OVERCALLING SIDE

Generally T/O even in unclear situations (e.g. (1♠) – P – (P) – 1♠ - (2♠) – DBL)  
 PEN only if we have tried to pass out a contract or if we DBL a suit we have implied  
 PEN if we DBL a suit we passed earlier except DBL protective up to 3♥ after 1-level opening  
 (e.g. 1♠-P-2♠-P-P-X)

## AFTER WE HAVE PRE-EMPTED

DBL shows extra offence by pre-emptor i.e. desire to bid again  
 DBL of a FIT bid = FIT in the other suit. Double of a forcing bid opp a WJO is save-suggesting

## AFTER THEY HAVE OPENED WITH A PRE-EMPT

DBL of a new suit over a T/O DBL is PEN / T/O of opener's suit.  
 DBL of a raise after partner has overcalled shows convertible values  
 DBL of a raise after partner has doubled is RESP

## AFTER WE HAVE OPENED 2♣ STR

2♣ STR – (bid) – DBL T/O FG; P PEN or WK; DBL by opener usually BAL  
 2♣ STR – (bid) – P – (new suit) – DBL PEN

## AFTER 1NT OPENING AND OVERCALL

1NT – (2-level overcall that does NOT promise the suit bid) -  
 DBL sets up FP at 2-level then 1st DBL of new suit T/O  
 P then DBL light take-out

1NT opener will always re-open with a low doubleton after 1NT-(2x)-P-(P) and often with Hx

1NT – (overcall that shows suit bid) – DBL T/O, often doubleton+ at 2-level  
 1NT-(P)-2♦-(2♠)-P-(P)-DBL includes all FG hands any ♠ length

## LEAD-DIRECTING DOUBLES

DBL of a freely bid slam or uncontested 3NT asks for unusual lead usually dummy's first bid suit  
 DBL of 3NT in competition asks for 1) partner's suit 2) own suit 3) dummy's suit  
 Lead-directing DBL of an ART BID followed by DBL of final contract still wants same lead  
 DBL of 1NT – 3NT asks leader to find doubler's major  
 DBL by pre-emptor = don't lead it. Double of slam by pre-emptor partner asks for pre-empt suit

## DOUBLES OF ARTIFICIAL BIDS

Generally length-showing below game; lead-directing above game but in particular:

DBL of an artificial bid by fourth hand is T/O of the suit shown

DBL of ♣ cue-bid by 1♣ opener just shows a genuine suit

(1NT weak) – P – (2-level response not promising values)-DBL = PEN of 1NT; now DBL T/O

DBL of BERGEN RAISE (or similar) T/O of opener's suit e.g. 1♠-P-3♣-X T/O of ♠

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(6) DEFENCES To PRE-EMPTS (OTHER THAN DOUBLE – SEE NOTE 5)  
 DEFENCE TO A MULTI 2♦ or similar 2-level opening that does not define a 5+ card suit  
 X 13-16 BAL or STR; LEB applies by partner; later X T/O; 2NT 16-19 NAT by either hand;  
 delayed 2NT 2-suiter; all 2/3 level suits NAT except cue of suit shown by opener passing 2Mx or  
 correcting/competing; delayed suit bids NAT WK; 3NT NAT (usually has a long suit). 4m=2-suiter  
 After 2M/3M overcall bid of the other major by fourth hand = cue raise  
 DEFENCE TO OPENINGS THAT PROMISE SUIT OPENED (WK 2, LUCAS 2, WK 3 etc)  
 X T/O with LEB over 2♦ or 2M (3NT NAT, CUE FG with stop & 1/2M, 2NT WK or FG no stop)  
 Bids NAT; jump to 4m shows suit bid+OM 55+ FG; 2NT 15-18 BAL (may be slightly light in 4<sup>th</sup>)  
 CUE asks for a stop for 3NT (often has a long suit)  
 In response to 3NT overcall of WK 2 or 3-level opening: 4♣ ASK (4NT MIN, suit NAT, CUE MAX)  
 4♦ to sign off in any suit; 4M NAT INV; 4NT NAT; 4M CUE STR S/S

DEFENCE TO 2♠/2NT showing ♣+♦  
 3M NAT, 3♣ both M longer ♥, 3♦ both M longer ♠; (2♠)-x ♠, 2NT NAT; (2NT)-X BAL; later X T/O

DEFENCE TO OTHER OPENINGS THAT PROMISE DIFFERENT SUIT(s) (e.g. 2♦ shows both M)  
 If min suit-length shown is 4 then all suits NAT; if min 5+ CUE OM+m/both M, 55+  
 X T/O of anchor suit(s); X then X strong T/O; P then X BAL (3 or 4 trumps); 2NT 15-19 NAT

(7) ASPTRO: 2♣: ♥+any, 2♦: ♠+any, with both M anchor to shorter (or weaker with equal length).

RESPONSES TO ASPTRO: step 1 to play opposite 5-card suit; 2♠ NAT NF; 2NT NAT INV  
 3♣ FG INQ: 3♦ 5M4m, 3♥ both M, 3♣ 4M5♣, 3NT 4M5♦, 4m 65; 3♦ INV 3 cards in anchor suit  
 After X of ASPTRO RDBL shows own suit, P to play opposite 4 cards  
 After a bid over ASPTRO: X of anchor suit PEN, X of other suits T/O, re-opening X T/O

(8) DEFENCE TO CONVENTIONAL OVERCALLS  
 2-SUITED OVERCALLS (e.g. cue bid or UNT), BOTH SUITS SPECIFIED  
 If two cues available below 3 of opener's suit: lower FG in 4<sup>th</sup> suit, upper L/R+, raise WK, 4<sup>th</sup> suit NF  
 If one cue below 3 of opener's suit: lower cue L/R+, higher cue FG in 4<sup>th</sup> suit, 4<sup>th</sup> suit NF, raise WK  
 If no cue below 3 of opener's suit: cue good raise (now FP), new suit FG; in all cases jump cue SPL  
 2-SUITED OVERCALLS, ONE SUIT SPECIFIED  
 1♥-(2♥ ♠+m)-2♠ 3-card L/R+, 2NT TRF to ♣, 3♣ TRF to ♦, 3♦ L/R+, 3♥ PRE, 3♠ SPL, 4m FIT  
 1♠-(2♠ ♥+m)-2NT TRF to ♣, 3♣ TRF to ♦, 3♦ 3-card L/R+, 3♥ L/R+, 3♠ PRE, 4♥ SPL, 4m FIT  
 1m-(2m MM)-2NT both minors  
 Other auctions CUE good raise, raise WK, new suit F often a transfer, jumps FIT  
 COMIC or GARDINER 1NT OVERCALL  
 X 8+ BAL, first subsequent X T/O, opener bids immediately if weak, suits NAT F1, 2NT L/R+  
 Jump raise MIXED

(9) GENERAL AGREEMENTS IN CONSTRUCTIVE AUCTION  
 4SF FG at 2-level+ (except 1D-1H-1S-2C is artificial), raise of 4<sup>th</sup> suit extras FG  
 After a reverse at 2-level over 1-level response continuations ART

TWO-WAY GAME TRY: after 1M-2M also 1M-3M and after 1M-2m (Drury) by either hand  
 KICKBACK RKCB: After a minor suit is agreed at the 2 level, 4 of that minor is RKCB. After a minor  
 is rebid at the 2 or 3 level, 4 of the next unbid suit up is RKCB. With hearts agreed, 4♠ is RKCB

(10) NON-STANDARD LEADS/SIGNALS  
 From Q109(xxx) or K109(xxx) in a suit bid and supported, will make the standard length lead  
 e.g. 9 from Q109xxx (3<sup>rd</sup> highest). Similarly from KJ10. Also applies to long suits if a length  
 lead is likely to be helpful.  
 When we have raised partner and length in the suit is known, lead attitude (i.e. top from xxx(x))

When following suit having shown length (5+ cards) high/low are suit pref, middle encourages

Against NTs, lead top from 3 low but second from 4 low

(11) After 1♣ - 1red  
 TRF at 1-level, including dbl  
 2♣ = NAT INV+ values, F2NT  
 Cue = 6+ cards in the next suit up (INV if showing spades)  
 2♠ = WK