

**SPECIAL DOUBLES**  
 After Overcall: Penalty   
 Negative  thru 4S  
 Responsive:  thru 4S Maximal   
 Support: Dbl  thru 2M Rdbl   
 Card-showing  Min. Offshape T/O   
 Snapdragon > 3S

**NOTRUMP OVERCALLS**  
 Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on   
 Conv. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Balance: 12 to 16  
 Jump to 2NT: Minors  2 Lowest   
 Conv. \_\_\_\_\_

**DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP**  
 vs: STR (13+) Weak  
 2♠ 4+C & 5 M MMs  
 2♥ 4+D & 5M 1-Major  
 2♥ 5H & 4+m 5H & 4+m  
 2♠ 5S & 4+m 5S & 4+m  
 Dbl 1-suit or MMs Penalty  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**OVER OPP'S T/O DOUBLE**  
 New Suit Forcing: 1-level  2-level   
 Redouble implies no fit   
 2NT Over Limit + Limit Weak  
 Majors     
 Minors     
 Other: 2C=CR/1M

**VS OPENING PREEMPT DOUBLE IS**  
 Takeout  thru 4H Penalty   
 Conv. Takeout: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lebensohl 2NT Response   
 Other: Leaping Michaels

**SLAM CONVENTIONS** Gerber  4NT: Blackwood  RKC  1430   
 XKCB, D1P2, R1P2,  
 vs. Interference: DOPI  DEPO  Level; trump suit+ ROPI

**LEADS** (click card led, if not in bold)  
 versus Suits versus Notrump  
 Standard:   
 Except  2nd/4th > declarer  
 Upside-Down Count    
 Upside-Down Attitude    
**FIRST DISCARD**  
 Lavinthal    
 Odd/Even    
**OTHER CARDING**  
 Smith Echo    
 Trump Suit Pref.    
 Foster Echo

**SPECIAL CARDING**  PLEASE ASK

**NAMES** John Carruthers/Marty Kirr

**GENERAL APPROACH**  
 Strong Club  
 Two Over One: Game Forcing  Game Forcing Except When Suit Rebid   
 VERY LIGHT: Openings  3rd Hand  Overcalls  Preempts   
 FORCING OPENING: 1♠  2♠  Natural 2 Bids  Other

**NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS**  
 1NT \_\_\_\_\_  
 14 to 16 \_\_\_\_\_  
 to \_\_\_\_\_  
 5-Card Major Common   
 System On Over X and 2C  
 2♠ Stayman  Puppet   
 2♥ Transfer to ♥   
 Forcing Stayman   
 2♥ Transfer to ♠   
 2♠ \_\_\_\_\_  
 2NT Weak m/Str M \_\_\_\_\_

3♣ Inv \_\_\_\_\_  
 3♥ Inv \_\_\_\_\_  
 3♥ 3145, GF \_\_\_\_\_  
 3♠ 1345, GF \_\_\_\_\_  
 Baron Cor, 4S/5C=Tfr  
 4♥, 4♥ Transfer   
 Smolen   
 Lebensohl  (Fast denies)  
 Negative Double

2NT 21 to 22 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Puppet Stayman   
 Transfer Responses:  
 Jacoby  Texas   
 3♠ Pups 3N \_\_\_\_\_  
 3NT \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 Solid minor+A/K  
 Conventional NT Openings

**MAJOR OPENING**  
 Expected Min. Length 4 5  
 1st/2nd    
 3rd/4th    
**RESPONSES**  
 Double Raise: Force  Inv.  Weak   
 After Overcall: Force  Inv.  Weak   
 Conv. Raise: 2NT  3NT  Splinter   
 Other: 3cd=Inv \_\_\_\_\_  
 1NT: Forcing  Semi-forcing   
 2NT: Forcing  Inv.  to \_\_\_\_\_  
 3NT: 17 to 18 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Drury  : Reverse  2-Way  Fit   
 Other: 2S/3H=Limit (3+)

**MINOR OPENING**  
 Expected Min. Length 4 3 NF 0-2 Conv.  
 1♠      
 1♦      
**RESPONSES**  
 Double Raise: Force  Inv.  Weak   
 After Overcall: Force  Inv.  Weak   
 Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor   
 Single raise  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Frequently bypass 4+♦   
 1NT/1♠: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 2NT: Forcing  Inv.  to \_\_\_\_\_  
 3NT: 17 to 18 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other: 1C-ART resp, 1D-2hsn \_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIBE**  
 2♠ 10 to 16 HCP6+Clubs, may have 4-other  
 Strong  Other   
 2♥ Response: Neg  Waiting   
 2♥ 10 to 16 HCP Short Diam, 43 or 44 maj  
 Natural: Weak  Intermediate  Strong  Conv   
 2♥ 3 to 9 HCP6+ usually  
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 Natural: Weak  Intermediate  Strong  Conv

**RESPONSES/REBIDS**  
 2D/2N \_\_\_\_\_  
 3D=Ctrl Ask  
 2NT Force  New Suit NF   
 OGUST  
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**OTHER CONV CALLS:** New Minor Forcing  2-Way NMF   
 Weak jump shifts: In Comp.  Not In Comp.   
 4th Suit Forcing: 1 Round  To Game   
 FSJIC, Good/Bad 2N, 1D-2H=54 MMs & WK, 1D-2S=Bal 12-13/GF Ds,