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GENERAL APPROACH

Nebulous 2C, Schuler Shift; Range Stayman

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
15 to 17
to
5-card Major common System on over X, 2♣
2♣ Stayman Puppet
2♦ Transfer to ♥ 4♦, 4♥ Transfer
Forcing Stayman Smolen
2♥ Transfer to ♠ Lebensohl (Fast denies)
2♠ Range or C Neg. Double
2NT D or 5/5 m weak Other: _____

2NT 20 to 21
Puppet Stayman
Transfer Responses:
Jacoby Texas
3♠ ->3NT; 4m-Opt
4M=shortness (5-5 m)
3NT Gamb to 4D-s/v?

Conventional NT Openings
Baze _____

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: 3D=3c LR, 3C=4c MR/LR; ON
1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing 1H-1NT
2NT: Forcing Inv. _____ to _____
3NT: 13-15 to 333/4
Drury : Reverse 2-Way Fit
Other: 2D=3c LR, 2C=4c MR/LR; ON

MINOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 3 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: GF; 2S=raise
Frequently bypass 4+♦
1NT/1♣ _____ 6 to 10
2NT Forcing Inv. 11 to 12
3NT: 13 to 15
Other: _____

DESCRIBE RESPONSES/REBIDS

2♣ 22 to + HCP
Strong Other Kokish Relay
2♦ Resp: Neg Waiting
2♦ 6 to 11 HCP 5 Step KC Feature; McCabe
Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv. 2NT Force New Suit NF
2♥ 5 to 10 HCP 5 Step KC Ogust; McCabe
Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv. 2NT Force New Suit NF
2♠ 5 to 10 HCP 5 Step KC Ogust; McCabe
Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv. 2NT Force New Suit NF

OTHER CONV. CALLS: New Minor Forcing 2-Way NMF oM first
Weak Jump Shifts: In Comp. Not in Comp. Wolff Checkback
4th Suit Forcing: 1 Rd. Game
Spiral (2NT ask); UvU (Low = Other); Equal Level Conversion
Next step Game Try; 2nd Suit Slam Tries

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on
Conv. Sandwich NT (PH only)
Balancing: m:11-14 to M:12-16
Jump to 2NT: Minors 2Lowest
Conv.

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: Strong _____ **Weak (incl 13)** _____
2♣ Majors _____ Majors _____
2♦ 1 Major _____ 1 Major _____
2♥ H + minor _____ H + minor _____
2♠ S + minor _____ S + minor _____
Dbl: 4xM, 5m+ _____ >=15 Sys ON _____
Other 2NT - Minors _____

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 Bergen On; 2NT natural

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru 4H Penalty
Conv. Takeout: 4NT=2 suits
Lebensohl 2NT Response
Other: oM=weak

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

SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty
Negative thru 4H
Responsive : thru 4H Maximal
Support: Dbl. thru 2H Redbl
Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O
Snapdragon

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 8 to 17 HCP (usually)
often 4 cards very light style
Responses
New Suit: Forcing NFConst NF
Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong **Intermediate** **Weak**

OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound Light Very Light
3/4-bids
Conv./Resp. _____

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major
Natural
Strong T/O
Michaels
Min-Max 12-15

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430

Optional Minorwood Gerber-3014 Min/Max 4S = KC for Hearts

Q ask-lowest King; Exclusion (0,1,2,2+); Non-serious 3NT

vs Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: _____ ROPI

LEADS (circle card led, if not in bold)

versus Suits versus Notrump
X X (X) X X X **X X** (X) X X X
(X) X X (X) X X X X X X X (X) X X X
(A) K x T 9 x A K J x A Q J x
K Q x K J T x A J T 9 A T 9 x
Q J x K T 9 x K Q J x K Q T 9
J T 9 Q T 9 x Q J T x Q T 9 x
K Q T 9 J T 9 x T 9 x x

LENGTH LEADS:

4th Best vs SUITS vs NT
3rd/5th Best vs SUITS vs NT

Attitude vs. NT

NT: A-Drop H or Count, K-Att, Q-Drop J

Primary signal to partner's leads

Attitude Count Suit preference

SPECIAL CARDING

PLEASE ASK