## **AUSTRALIAN BRIDGE** 4. BASIC RESPONSES FEDERATION LTD. Jump raises - minors Weak 0-6HCP, 5+ card support Jump raises - Majors Bergin, 4 card support plus a singleton ABF Nos. 598143 Jump shifts after minor opening Weak 0-6HCP, 6+ for 2 level, 7+ for 3 level Lammie Barrett & Names: 728748 Ross Best Jump shifts after Major opening Bergin: 3C 8-9 4 card support; 3D 10-11 4 card support; 2NT 12+ Basic System: SAYC with Multi 2s Responses to strong 2 suit open. 2D 0-7HCP; 2H/S 8+HCP 5+; 2NT 8+HCP; 3C/D 8+HSP 5+ Brown Sticker Classification: Green X Blue Red Yellow 3C Puppet Stayman; 3D=Xfer to H; 3H=Xfer to S; 3S=4H+5S form Responses to 2NT opening 1. OPENING BIDS Describe strength, min.length, or specific meaning Canapé 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS 14 11-21 HCP 2+ 1♥ 11-21 HCP, 5+ Show priorities Versus NoTrump (if different) 1 11-21 HCP 4+ 1♠ 11-21 HCP, 5+ Overlead Leads Sequences: 1NT 15-17 HCP, Balanced may contain 5 card Major X Four or more with an honour 4th highest 1NT Responses 24 5 card major enquiry From 4 small 2nd highest 2♦ Transfer to H 5+ 2 Tifer to minor 6+ (Opener bids 3C) 2nd highest From 3 cards (no honour) 2♥ Transfer to S. 5+ 2NT 8-9 HCP, Invite 3NT In partner's suit hxX; hhxX; xXx; Xx (Dbl) XX=Penalties other bids unchanged other Discards Odd encourage; even McKenny Count High-low even (seldom used) 24 HCP or 4 loser hand. GF unless rebid 2NT (22-24 HCP) Signal on partner's lead: Attitude: Odd encourage 2 Weak with 6+ Major or 20/21 balanced Signal on declarer's lead: Count: High-low even (seldom used) 2♥ Weak 5+H plus one other suit 2A Weak 5+S plus a minor Notes 2NT 18-19 HCP 3NT Gambling, solid 7+ minor no side A other 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS 4♣ Gerber X Jump to 4C over NT 2. PRE-ALERTS (1m) 1NT 10-15 HCP 4M, 5 other m 4NT: Blackwood X RKCB (1M) 1NT 10-15 HCP 4 other M 5m Asking Bids Cue Bids X 3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS Doubles Support doubles, negative, lead direct, penalties Negative DBL thru 4H 1H/S 2NT opener bids void or singleton 1NT (2C) X=Stayman other bids unchanged Responsive DBL thru 3S 1NT (2D/H/S) Suit bids at 2 level to play Jump overcalls Weak Unusual NT Lower 2 unbid suits 4th suit forcing Inverted minor 11+HCP no 4+M 1NT (2D/H/S) 2NT Xfer to 3C:next bid to pla 1NT overcall: (immediate) Raptor - see pre-alerts (re-opening) Raptor - see pre-alerts 1NT (2?) 3C/D/H/S notional Xfer with 5+ Immediate cue: (minor) 5H+5S 7-10 or 16+HCP (Major) 5M+5m, 7-10 or 16+HCP and invitational values Over: Weak Twos 2NT 16~19, Take out X Opening Threes Take out X, 3NT to play www.abt.com.au Opponent's transfers X for lead direct PDF Form Rev. 21E29 by RoL Opponent's 1NT X=4M+5m; 2C=4H+4S; 2D=6+M; 2H=5+H+m; 2S=5+S+m; 2NT=4+C&4+D MyRev. Copyright @ ABF 2021 8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS 2♥ 2♠ Pass or correct 3♦ To play 3NT To play Describe strength, minimum length, or specific meaning 2NT Asking 15+HCP 3♥ Weak 3+ 4. Not allowed 4 Not allowed 1♣ 1♦ 6+HCP 4+ 2 Weak 0-5HCP, 6+ 3 Weak 0-5HCP, 7+ 3. Pass or correct 3♠ Not allowed other 19 6+HCP 4+ 2 Weak 0-5HCP 6+ Weak 0-5HCP 7+ 1♠ 6+HCP 4+ 2♠ Weak 0-5HCP, 6+ 3♠ Weak 0-5HCP, 7+ 2A 2NT Asking 15+HCP 3♥ To play 1NT 6-9HCP, no 4+M 2NT 11-12HCP, no 4+M 3NT To play 3♣ Pass or correct 3♠ Weak, 3+ 24 11+HCP, 4+C, no4+M 34 Weak 0-5HCP, 5+ 44 N/A 3NT To play 3♦ To play 4♠ To play other other 2♥ Weak 0-5HCP, 6+ 3 Weak 0-5HCP, 7+ 1♦ 1♥ 6+HCP 4+ 3♠ Transfer to C, 6+ miner 4♦ 2NT 3♣ Puppet Stayman 1♠ 6+HCP 4+ 2A Weak 0-5HCP, 6+ 3♠ Weak 0-5HCP, 7+ 3 Transfer to H 3NT To play 1NT 6-9HCP, no 4+M 2NT 11-12HCP, no 4+M 3NT To play 3♥ Transfer to S 4. Gerber 44 24 10+HCP, 4+C, no4+M 34 Weak 0-5HCP, 7+ 44 Splinter 5+D, void C other 4 N/A 11+HCP, 4+D, no4+M 3 Weak 0-5HCP, 5+ 24 9. CONVENTIONS other Unusual NT: 2 lower unbid suits 3♦ Bergen 10-11HCP, 4 1 1♥ 1♠ 6+HCP 4+ 29 6-9HCP, 3+ 4th Suit Forcing One round X 1NT 6-9HCP 2A Weak 0-5HCP, 6+ Bergen 7HCP, 4+H NT Checkback Priorities: N/A 24 10+HCP, 4+ 2NT Jacoby 12+HCP 4+H 3♠ Splinter 12+HCP Void§ Defence to 3NT opening Natural 20 10+HCP, 4+ 3♣ Bergen 8-9HCP, 4+H 3NT To play Defence to Opening Twos Natural; 2NT 16~19 HCP other 4C/4D=Splinter 12+HCP void C/D; 4H=0-10HCP 5+ Multi 2 Natural 1♠ 1NT 6-9HCP 2♠ 6-9HCP, 3+ 3♥ Weak 0-5HCP, 7+ RCO style 2-s Natural 24 10+HCP. 4+ 2NT Jacoby 12+HCP 4+S 3♠ Bergen 7HCP, 4+S Other 2-s Natural 2♦ 10+HCP, 4+ 3. Bergen 8-9HCP, 4+S 3NT To play 2♥ 10+HCP, 5+ 3♦ Bergen 10-11HCP, 4+ 4♣ Splinter 4+S, void C Defence (1♣): Natural other 4C/4D=Splinter 12+HCP void C/D; 4S=0-10HCP 5+ to 1NT 3♣ 6+, 8-9HCP invites 3N 3♠ 6+, slam interest 4 To play strong (2♣): Natural 3♦ 6+, 8-9HCP invites 3N 3NT To play √ To play 14/24 3♥ 6+, slam interest 44 Gerber 4♠ To play Over 1NT Interference (2C) X = Sayman other bids as if no intervention other 2C Puppet Stayman Lebensohl - other uses 2♣ 2♦ Weak, 0-7 HCP 2NT 8+ HCP Not allowed Take out of 4 level pre-empts 4♣/4♦ X for take out 2♥ 8+ HCP, 5+ 34 8+ HCP, 5+ Mot allowed 4 X for take out 4♠ X shows 4+H, 5N = 2 places to play 2A 8+ HCP, 5+ 3 8+ HCP, 5+ 3NT Not allowed 10. OTHER NOTES other Partner opens, RHO X, system on. RHO overcall system off. 2♦ 2♥ Pass or correct 34 Weak 7+C 3A Not allowed 3 Weak 7+D 3NT Not allowed 2. Invite game in H 2NT Asking 15+HCP 3 Pass or correct 4. Not allowed other After 2D 2NT Opener responds 3C/D good hand with H/S; 3H/S poor with H/S