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GENERAL APPROACH

Two Over One: Game Forcing... VERY LIGHT: Openings... FORCING OPENING: 1♣...

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT 14+ to 17... 2NT 20 to 21... 3NT to... Conventional NT Openings transfer lebensohl...

MAJOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 5... 1st/2nd... 3rd/4th... RESPONSES Double Raise: Force...

MINOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 3 0-2 Conv... 1♣... 1♦... RESPONSES Double Raise: Force...

SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty... Negative... Responsive... Support: Dbl... Card-showing...

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on... Conv... Balancing: 10-14m to 11-16 Maj... Conv... Systems on over Bal. NT

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: Strong (16) Wk (top 15)... 2♣ ♣ + Major... 2♦ ♦ + Major... Dbl: 1 min or 2Maj HCP

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 7 to 17 HCP (usually) often 4 cards... Responses New Suit: Forcing... Mixed Raise 1 suit under jumps

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong... Intermediate... Weak

OVER OPP'S T/O DOUBLE

New Suit Forcing: 1 level... Jump Shift: Forcing... 2NT Over Limit+ Limit Weak Majors...

OPENING PREEMPTS

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

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major... Natural... Strong T/O... Michaels... Over 1♣ nat 2♣=♣ 1 min 2♦=Major

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru 4♥ Penalty... Conv. Takeout... Lebensohl 2NT Response... Other: Leaping Michaels

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber... 4NT: Blackwood... RKC... 1430

Specific Ks, Minorwood, Kantar RKC rules... 4♣ Modified KC over our preempts... vs Interference: DOPI... DEPO... Level: 5/6 resp... ROPI

LEADS (circle card led, if not in bold)

Table with columns for versus Suits and versus Notrump, showing lead patterns like X X, T 9, K J, Q T, J T, K Q, etc.

LENGTH LEADS:

4th Best vs SUITS vs NT... 3rd/5th Best vs SUITS vs NT... A vs. NT=unblk/ct. K=Att. K at 5 level... Primary signal to partner's leads Attitude Count Suit preference

DEFENSIVE CARDING

Standard: Except... Upside-Down: count attitude... FIRST DISCARD Lavinthal Odd/Even Std Suit Pref... OTHER CARDING Smith Echo Rev Trump Suit Pref Foster Echo

SPECIAL CARDING PLEASE ASK