

System Summary Form

Precision, Variable NT, Openings could be light

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Team:

We play the following methods that may require advance preparation:

1C= Strong, 16+ or distributional equivalent; ART responses, Optional relays after positives

1H = 8+, UNBAL with 4+ in a black suit

1S = 8+ BAL

1N = 8+, 5+H

2C = 8+, 5+D, 0-3S

From 2D up: semi-positive transfers with good suits

1D= 10-15, 0+D

1H - 1S = Natural, non-forcing, Up to INV.

1M - 2C: Artificial, any GF hand, Relays

1H - 2D and 1S - 2H = ART, bad (>9 losers) M raise or any invite

1S - 2D = 5+ H and less than INV or 4+H invitational

1N is dependent on sit and vulnerability:

1-2 sit: NV = 10-12 VUL: 13-15

3rd sit: NV:10-15 (system off). VUL: 13-15, UNFAV: 14-16

4th sit: 11-15 (system off NV)

NV weak 2D-2S are very aggressive: 3-9, 5 cards is expected, could be any suit quality and side shape

In competition we use transfers, normally starting from 2NT

Our general bidding style is:

Precision, Variable NT, 1D = 0+D. Many ART GF and INV sequences.

Bidding style, especially preempts strongly depending on vulnerability: from anything goes NV to solid preempts based on losing trick count UNFAV

HPC is just a guide. We tend to follow K&R for hand evaluation. Frequent upgrades, less frequent downgrades (mostly "quacky" 4333)

NV we open most 10 HCP and may open lighter with distribution.

VUL we tend to open 11+ balanced, may be lighter with distribution and chunky suits

Many decisions are based on losing trick count.

Our responses could be very light

Our defensive signaling philosophy is:

Standard count and suit preference, UD attitude

On opening lead we signal std attitude.

Exception: On A/K lead on 5 level or higher and against DBL contract on 4+ L

In the middle of the hand we usually signal UD attitude or SP.

If we chose to give count its STD present count in a suit.

We give SP in trumps when we can, including on opening lead

Special carding in our 5+ suits: Hi/Lo = SP, middle = encouragement

Rev Smith Echo vs. NT

Our leads are:

Vs. NT: 4th best, but often lead high or second high from bad 4+ card suits.

Vs. suits: 4th best, from xxx (x) we normally lead low, however high might be led to emphasis suit quality

Both: STD honor combination, A from AK