


W B F CONVENTION CARD

| CATEGORY: | Green |
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| NCBO: | Australia |
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| EVENT | Open |

## SYSTEM SUMMARY

## GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE <br> OUTBACK ACOL

Aggressive Openings (generally 9+ any - vul not 4432) Aggressive Preempts (we often open 1x what others pre-empt) Wide ranging weak NT in $1^{\text {st }}$ and $2^{\text {nd }}$ seat (9)10-13(14) HCP Destructive Specific Twos in $1^{\text {st }}$ and $2^{\text {nd }}$ seat ( $0-8 \mathrm{HCP}$ ) 5 card major except 1 H can be 4 if exactly $4432 \&(14) 15+$ HCP 1 D is always $4+$
1C can be 2 if exactly 4432 with (14) $15+$ HCP
Transfer Responses to 1C opening
$3^{\text {rd }}$ seat openings can be destructive and lead directing
$3^{\text {rd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ seat $1 \mathrm{NT}=$ strong (14)15-17
$3^{\text {rd }}$ seat 2D/H/S $=$ weak $2,4^{\text {th }}$ seat $2 \mathrm{D} / \mathrm{H} / \mathrm{S}=10-13 \& 6$ cards
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
1NT may be off shape \& 9-14 HCP
1NT pass pass $=$ not $0-6 \mathrm{HCP}$ with 4333 or 4432
1NT pass 2C/D/H may be any 4333/4432 including psyche
1NT pass pass double redouble with nearly all hands
$2 \mathrm{D}=0-8 \mathrm{HCP}$ with $4+4+\mathrm{D} \& \mathrm{~S}(\operatorname{not} 4432 \mathrm{vul})$
$2 \mathrm{H}=0-8 \mathrm{HCP}$ with $4+4+\mathrm{H} \& \mathrm{~S}($ not 4432 vul$)$
$2 \mathrm{~S}=0-8 \mathrm{HCP}$ with $4+4+\mathrm{S} \& \mathrm{C}($ not 4432 vul$)$
pass in $1^{\text {st }} / 2^{\text {nd }}$ seat has seldom $4+S$

## SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

After an overcall by us and opponents 3 level Cue Bid/Stopper ask, pass = please lead vs NT, $\mathrm{X}=$ don't lead vs NT

## MPORTANT NOTES

After 1x 1y highest jump to new suit below 3NT $=>$ bid 3NT

PSYCHICS: Occasionally

|  |  |  |  | general notes: $M=$ Major, $\mathbf{m}=\mathbf{m i n o r}$ |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  | DESCRIPTION | RESPONSES | SUBSEQUENT ACTION | COMPETITIVE \& PASSED HAND BIDDING |
| 1* |  | (2)3 | 4* | natural | $1 \bullet / \downarrow$ Transfer (can be very weak) | 1H/S = (14) 15-17 bal, 1NT 18-19 bal <br> $\Rightarrow 2 *$ Pup, $2 \bullet / \vee / \mathrm{NT}$ TF, 2 $\wedge$ Enq, $3 \mathrm{x}=5-5 \mathrm{GF}$ <br> $2 \mathrm{M}=4 \mathrm{M}$ \& $14-16 \mathrm{HCP}$ or 3 M \& 9-11 HCP | ```System on: 1C X, 1C 1D, 1C 1H with \(\mathrm{X}=\) Transfer \(3^{\text {rd }} / 4^{\text {th }}\) weak NT will generally pass responders answer``` |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \mathrm{~S}=8+\text { bal or diamonds, } 1 \mathrm{NT}=5-7 \mathrm{HCP}, 2 \mathrm{~m}=5-9,3 \mathrm{~m}=\text { limit, } \\ & 2 \mathrm{NT}=16+\text { raise, } 3 \mathrm{NT}=12-15 \text { raise, } 2 \bullet / \wedge / \wedge=\text { weak jump }(2-7 \mathrm{HCP}) \end{aligned}$ | Natural new suit is either 5-4 or 4441 |  |
| $1 *$ |  | 4 | $4 *$ | 4 cards mainly up line | $1 \mathrm{x}=$ natural, 1 NT and above as over 1 C , however other single jumps = Mini or Mega Splinter (also by opener) double jumps = Maxi Splinter (also by opener) | $1 \mathrm{NT}=(14) 15-17$ bal, $2 \mathrm{NT}=18-19 \mathrm{bal}$ <br> new suit is either 5-4 or 4441 <br> Jumps are Splinters (Mini, Mega, Maxi) <br> $3 \mathrm{NT}=$ too strong for 3 m rebid (eg ACOL 2 ) <br> 1 m 1 x 2 m Step new suit $=$ art game force <br> after Reverse $4^{\text {th }}$ suit/ $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ weak, $2 \mathrm{x}=5$ weak | $\begin{aligned} & 3^{\text {rd } / 4^{\text {th }} 1 \mathrm{NT} \text { rebid }=17-19 \mathrm{HCP}} \\ & 1 \mathrm{x} \mathrm{X} \mathrm{XX}=9 / 10+\text { w/o fit } \\ & \Rightarrow \text { next } X=\text { penalty } \end{aligned}$ |
| 1 $1 /$ |  | (4)5 | $4 *$ | natural, $4 \bullet$ if 4432 | 1NT normally 5-9, may include balance invite with clubs | opener may lie with $15+$ balanced |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $2 \boldsymbol{*}=3$ way ( 3 card limit raise or game forcing with $\boldsymbol{*}$ or balanced) (may be 5332 with diamonds) | $\begin{aligned} & 2=\text { accept w/o other major, } 2 \mathrm{M}=\text { sign off } \\ & 2 \mathrm{NT}=(17) 18-19 \mathrm{bal}, 3=16+\text { broken suit, } \\ & 3 *=16+\& \text { nat, } 3 \mathrm{M}=16+\& 0-1 \text { loser suit } \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $2 \bullet=9+$ HCP \& $4+\bullet, 2 \bullet=9+$ HCP \& $5+\bullet$ (now $3 \bullet=$ forcing), | natural, $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ balanced 15-20 HCP |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | raise $6-9$ \& $3 / 4 \mathrm{M}, 3 \mathrm{M}=9-12$ \& $4 \mathrm{M}, 3 \mathrm{NT}=12-15 \mathrm{HCP}$ \& 4 M |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 2NT $=4 \mathrm{M}$ \& (15) 16+ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \mathrm{M}=\text { sign off, } 3 \mathrm{x}=\text { Splinter, } 3 \mathrm{NT}=14+\text { bal, } \\ & 4 \mathrm{~m}=5 / 5 \text { good } 2^{\text {nd }} \text { suit } \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Jumps = Mini, Mega, Maxi Splinter as above |  |  |
| INT |  | 13 | 4* | (9) $10-13(14)$ off-shape possible Seldom $5 / 6$ spades | 2* = Stayman or advanced run (may not have major) | 1NT $2 * 2 * 3 \mathrm{M}=$ nat $5-4 \mathrm{M}$ game force <br> 1NT 2* $2 \mathrm{x} 3 \mathrm{~m}=$ nat invite | 1NT P P $=\operatorname{not} 4333 / 4432$ 0-6 HCP <br> 1NT P P X XX=95\%, 2x=5+ \&9-10 <br> 1NT X XX aggressive to play ( $8+$ ) |
|  |  |  |  |  | $2 / \downarrow=$ Transfer or advanced run | Super accept with 4+M denies medium range |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $2 \boldsymbol{*}=$ Baron | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \mathrm{NT}=4333,3 \star \bullet \vee=4-4 \text { (over } 3 \star 3 \star \text { asks), } \\ & 3 \star=5 \star, 3 \mathrm{NT}=5 \end{aligned}$ | X of TF $=>\mathrm{XX}$ max with 3 support else system on <br> Take Out double over interference Lots of $1 / 2 / 3$ doubles over interf. |
|  |  |  |  |  | $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ weak minor, $3 \mathrm{x}=$ natural slam try, $4 \mathrm{NT}=$ quant, else to play | 3 m : $\operatorname{step}=\sup \& \min , 3 \mathrm{M}$ is med, 4 x is max $3 \mathrm{M}: 3 \wedge$ Cue, $3 \mathrm{NT}=$ non ser, 4 x ser, $4 \mathrm{M}=$ bad |  |
| 2* | X | 13 | 4* | any Game Force especially if Controls are important | $2 \star=0-1$ King based Controls, $2 \boldsymbol{\bullet}=2,2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=3,2 \mathrm{NT}=4,3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=5,3 \wedge=6$ $3 \mathrm{M}=6+$ playable opp void, $0-2$ king based controls | Natural <br> No key card ask by responder | $2 \mathrm{C} \mathrm{X}, 2 \mathrm{D} / \mathrm{H} \Rightarrow \mathrm{P}=0-1$ control, etc 2C $2 \mathrm{~S}+=>\mathrm{P}=$ even controls, $\mathrm{X}=$ odd controls |
| $2 *$$2 凶$$2 \wedge$ | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \mathrm{X} \\ \mathrm{X} \\ \mathrm{X} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l} 4 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { N/A } \\ & \text { N/A } \\ & \text { N/A } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 0-8 \text { with } 4+4+\& \& \\ 0-8 \text { with } 4+4+\& \& \\ 0-8 \text { with } 4+4+\bullet \& \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 2NT = Enquiry | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \boldsymbol{3}=\min , 3 \wedge=52^{\text {nd }} \text { suit, } 3 \mathrm{H}=5 \wedge, 3 \boldsymbol{A}=4-4 \\ & 3 \mathrm{NT}=55(21) \text { or } 6511,4 \mathrm{x}=\text { Void or } 6511 \end{aligned}$ | all X are penalties |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $3^{\text {rd }}$ seat $2 / / / \wedge=$ Weak 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  | all other bids are natural, non-forcing |  | $4^{\text {th }}$ seat $2 * / \wedge / \wedge=6+\& 10-14 \mathrm{CP}$ |
| 2NT |  | 13 |  | about 20-22 HCP | 3* $=$ Muppet Stayman, $\Rightarrow>3 \wedge=1-24 \mathrm{M}, 3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ none, $3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=5,3 \mathrm{NT}=5 \boldsymbol{\downarrow}$ | $3 \bullet 3 \mathrm{M}=4 \mathrm{oM}, 4 \star=$ both \& slam, $4 *=$ both |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $3 \star / \downarrow=$ Transfer, now new suit natural $2^{\text {nd }}$ suit |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $3 \wedge=$ Minor Suit Stayman $=>3 \mathrm{NT}=$ non or bad hand, 4*/* $/ 4$ (up line) | $4 \vee / n=5 \mathrm{~m}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $4 \mathrm{~m}=$ natural slam try, $4 \mathrm{M} / 5 \mathrm{~m}=$ to play, $4 \mathrm{NT}=$ quantitative |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 3 \star / \star \\ & 3 v / \star \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline(5) 6 \\ 6 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | aggressive preempt aggressive pre-empt |  |  | all X are penalties new suit forcing |
|  | XX | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { Maj } \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ \text { Min } \\ 7 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \uparrow \& 6 \boldsymbol{\downarrow}, 10-13 \mathrm{HCP} \\ & \text { aggressive pre-empt } \\ & \text { to play } \\ & \text { to play } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $4 \mathrm{~m}=$ forward going, $4 \mathrm{M}=$ to play | HIGH LEVEL BIDDING |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $1^{\text {st }} / 2^{\text {nd }}$ round Cue Bids, 3 NT in major suit auctions = non serious slam try Step above 4 level of agreed fit is asking for key cards (also implied fits) answers are $0 / 3,1 / 4,2 \mathrm{w} / \mathrm{o} 2+\mathrm{Q}$ - PODI over interference |  |

