

SPECIAL DOUBLES
 After Overcall: Penalty
 Negative thru 4♦
 Responsive: thru 3♣ Maximal
 Support: Dbl thru 3♥ Rdbl
 Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O
 1st 1/2-L X = not PEN, Cue=fit

SIMPLE OVERCALL
 1-level 9 to 11 HCP (usually)
 Often 4 cards Very light style
Responses
 New Suit: Forcing NFConst NF
 Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak
 1/2: X=♣s, ♦=♥&♠, 2N=♠&♦

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
 Highest Unbid + 1

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430
 Blkwd & Excl Blkwd: reply 0/3,4/1
 5N re-ask: ascendant K's...5N GSF: A OR K, bid < trump
 vs. Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: "E/O" when can't show 2wQ ROPI

LEADS (click card led, if not in bold)
 versus Suits versus Notrump
 x x x x x x
 x x x x x x x
 A K x A K J x
 K Q x K J 10 x
 Q J x K 10 9 x
 J 10 x Q J 10 x
 K Q 10 9 J 10 9 x
 10 9 x 10 9 8 x
 Length Leads:
 4th Best vs Suits vs NT
 3rd/5th Best vs Suits vs NT
 Even # vs Suit: Hi/Lo Attitude vs NT

Primary signal to partner's leads
 Attitude Count Suit Preference

DEFENSIVE CARDING
 Standard:
 Except H/L: Even, L:Odd
 Upside-Down Count
 Upside-Down Attitude
FIRST DISCARD
 Lavinthal
 Odd/Even
 when obvious
OTHER CARDING
 Smith Echo
 Trump Suit Pref.
 Foster Echo

SPECIAL CARDING PLEASE ASK

NAMES Roar Sletner and Ken Bowlby

GENERAL APPROACH
 2/1 GF
 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 NAT 2C
 2♣ Stayman Puppet
 2♦ Transfer to ♥
 Forcing Stayman
 2♥ Transfer to ♠
 2♠ >>♠s (2N: SA)
 2NT >>♦s (3♣: SA)

3♣ Puppet Stayman
 3♦ 5♥&5♠, Invite
 3♥ 3-1-(4/5)
 3♠ 1-3-(4/5)
 3♠ Afr. Texas Trans
 Crawling ("Garbage")
 4♣, 4♥ Transfer
 Smolen
 Lebensohl (fast denies)
 Negative Double 2L
 Smolen

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: Rev Berg. 1/2nd ♠ better
 1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing
 2NT: Forcing Inv. to
 3NT: 13 to 15
 Drury : Reverse 2-Way Fit
 Other: Splinter: 1/2 Void, 3/4 Mini

MINOR O
 Expected Min. Length
 1♣
 1♦

RESPO
 Double Raise: Force In
 After Overcall: Force In
 Forcing Raise: J/S in the
 Single raise Other: GF
 Frequently bypass 4♦
 1NT/1♣: 8 to 10
 2NT: Forcing Inv. 11
 3NT: 13 to 15
 Other: Walsh, Wolff/2N Re

DESCRIBE
 2♣ 22 to + HCP
 Strong Other
 2♦ Response: Neg Waiting
 2♥ 6 to 10 HCP
 Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv
 2♥ 6 to 10 HCP
 Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv
 2♠ 6 to 10 HCP
 Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv

OTHER CONV CALLS: New Minor Forcing 2-Way NMF XYZ
 Weak jump shifts: In Comp. Not In Comp. FSJ
 4th Suit Forcing: 1 Round To Game
 Positive Trial Bids (HSGT) ... Drury 2♣=4, 2♦=3
 1♣♦ - (1N) - 2♣ = both Majors