



NAMES Floyd McWilliams and Scott Benson - Caroline Club

**GENERAL APPROACH**

Strong club, canape, 2-bids are intermediate 2-suiters, mini NT  
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  4♣, 4♦

**NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS**

1NT 10 to 12 3♣ ->3♦, weak/slam try  
1-2 to NV V/V 3♦ ->3♥, "  
5-card Major common 3♥ ->3♠, "  
System on overart X, 2♣ 3♠ \_\_\_\_\_  
2♣ Stayman  Puppet  2♣ GF, 2♦ inv  
2♦ Transfer to ♥  4♦, 4♥ Transfer   
Forcing Stayman  Smolen   
2♥ Transfer to ♠  Lebensohl  (fast denies)  
2♠ \_\_\_\_\_ Neg. Double  3 level  
2NT ->3♣, wk/str Other: 4♣, 4♦ xfer

2NT \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
Puppet Stayman   
Transfer Responses:  
Jacoby  Texas   
3♠ \_\_\_\_\_

3NT \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
Conventional NT Openings  
2N = ♣+♦ 6-10  
3N = 4 level minor

**MAJOR OPENING**

Expected Min. Length 4 5  
1st/2nd 4 if canape    
3rd/4th 4 if canape

**MINOR OPENING**

Expected Min. Length 4 3 0-2 Conv.  
1♣       
1♦

**RESPONSES**

Double Raise: Force  Inv.  Weak   
After Overcall: Force  Inv.  Weak   
Conv. Raise: 2NT  3NT  Splinter   
Other: 3♣ GF, 3♦ LR  
1NT: Forcing  Semi-forcing  6-10  
2NT: Forcing  Inv.  14 to 15  
3NT: 16 to 17  
Drury  Reverse  2-Way  Fit   
Other: 1♥-1♠ = 3 cd

**RESPONSES**

Double Raise: Force  Inv.  Weak   
After Overcall: Force  Inv.  Weak   
Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor   
Single raise  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Frequently bypass 4+♦   
1NT/1♣ \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
2NT Forcing  Inv.  14 to 15  
3NT: 16 to 17  
Other 3m preempt

**SPECIAL DOUBLES**

After Overcall: Penalty  \_\_\_\_\_  
Negative  thru after 1♦ only  
Responsive  : thru \_\_\_\_\_ Maximal   
Support: Dbl.  thru \_\_\_\_\_ Redbl   
Card-showing  Min. Offshape T/O   
1M - minor - X = 3OM

**NOTRUMP OVERCALLS**

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on   
Conv.  \_\_\_\_\_  
Balancing: 11 to 15  
Jump to 2NT: Minors  2 Lowest   
Conv.  \_\_\_\_\_

**DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP**

vs: weak \_\_\_\_\_ strong \_\_\_\_\_  
2♣ ♥+♠ \_\_\_\_\_ ♣+another \_\_\_\_\_  
2♦ \_\_\_\_\_ ♦+major \_\_\_\_\_  
2♥ \_\_\_\_\_ ♥+♠ \_\_\_\_\_  
2♠ \_\_\_\_\_ ♠ \_\_\_\_\_  
Dbl: penalty \_\_\_\_\_ suit \_\_\_\_\_  
Other After 2♣ majors, 2♦ asks  
X force thru 2♥, 1st X T/O

**SIMPLE OVERCALL**

1 level 8 to 18 HCP (usually)  
often 4 cards  very light style   
Responses  
New Suit: Forcing  NF Const  NF   
Jump Raise: Forcing  Inv.  Weak   
JQ=MR

**JUMP OVERCALL**

Strong  Intermediate  Weak

**OPENING PREEMPTS**

Sound \_\_\_\_\_ Light \_\_\_\_\_ Very Light \_\_\_\_\_  
3/4-bids      
Conv./Resp. 3 bids can be 6 cards

**DIRECT CUEBID**

OVER: Minor Major  
Natural    
Strong T/O    
Michaels

**OVER OPP'S T/O DOUBLE**

New Suit Forcing: 1 level  2 level   
Jump Shift: Forcing  Inv.  Weak   
Redouble implies no fit

2NT Over Limit+ Limit Weak  
Majors     
Minors     
Other \_\_\_\_\_

**VS Opening Preempts Double Is**

Takeout  thru \_\_\_\_\_ Penalty   
Conv. Takeout: Leaping Michaels  
Lebensohl 2NT Response   
Other: \_\_\_\_\_

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood  RKC  1430

vs Interference: DOPI  DEPO  Level: \_\_\_\_\_ ROPI

**LEADS** (circle card led, if not in bold)

versus Suits	versus Notrump
<b>X X</b> x x x x	<b>X X</b> x x x x
x x x x	x x x x
<b>(A)K</b> x T 9 x	<b>A K J</b> x A Q J x
<b>K Q</b> x K J T x	<b>A J T</b> 9 A T 9 x
<b>Q J</b> x K T 9 x	<b>K Q J</b> x K Q T 9
<b>J T</b> 9 Q T 9 x	<b>Q J T</b> x Q T 9 x
<b>K Q T</b> 9	<b>J T</b> 9 x T 9 x x

**LENGTH LEADS:**

4th Best vs SUITS  vs NT   
3rd/5th Best vs SUITS  vs NT   
Attitude vs NT

Primary signal to partner's leads  
Attitude  Count  Suit preference

**DEFENSIVE CARDING**

vs SUITS vs NT  
Standard:     
Except   
Upside-Down:  
count    
attitude

**FIRST DISCARD**

Lavinthal    
Odd/Even

**OTHER CARDING**

Smith Echo    
Trump Suit Pref.    
Foster Echo

**SPECIAL CARDING**

**PLEASE ASK**