

SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty 4 \heartsuit
 Negative thru 4 \heartsuit
 Responsive : thru 3 \heartsuit Maximal
 Support Dbl. thru Redbl
 Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems On
 Conv.
 Balancing: 11 to 18
 Jump to 2NT: Minors 2 Lowest
 Conv. 2 \clubsuit =range finder

NAMES Fred Hamilton - Arnie Fisher

1m

GENERAL APPROACH

TWO OVER ONE: Game Forcing Game Forcing Except When Suit Rebid
VERY LIGHT: Openings 3rd Hand Overcalls Preempts
FORCING OPENING: 1 \heartsuit 2 \clubsuit Natural 2 Bids Other

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 8 to + HCP (usually)
 often 4 cards very light style
Responses
 New Suit: Forcing NFConst NF
 Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak
 JQ=shape LR

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: Strong _____ Weak _____
 2 \heartsuit \heartsuit or M+m _____ 1-suit _____
 2 \heartsuit \heartsuit & \clubsuit _____ \heartsuit & \clubsuit _____
 2 \heartsuit Nat _____ \heartsuit & \clubsuit & \heartsuit _____
 2 \heartsuit Nat _____ \heartsuit & \clubsuit & \heartsuit _____
 Dbl: Strong _____ PEN _____
 Other Passed Hand = Mackwell

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT 15 to 17 3 \clubsuit => 3 \heartsuit
 to 3 \heartsuit FG, \heartsuit & \heartsuit
 5-card Major common 3 \heartsuit 31(54)
 System on over DBL, 2 \clubsuit 3 \clubsuit 13(54)
 2 \clubsuit Stayman Puppet
 2 \heartsuit Transfer to \heartsuit 4 \heartsuit , 4 \heartsuit Transfer
 Forcing Stayman Smolen
 2 \heartsuit Transfer to \heartsuit Labensohl (slow)denies
 2 \heartsuit => \heartsuit _____ Neg. Double
 2NT _____ Other: transfer labensohl
 2NT _____ Conventional NT Openings
 *3N=long \heartsuit & \heartsuit + 2 stoppers
 maybe less in 3rd seat

2NT 20 to 21
 Puppet Stayman
Transfer Responses:
 Jacoby Texas
 3 \clubsuit cross minors

3NT *ACOL to _____

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong Intermediats Weak
 2N=Ogust

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 \div Limit Weak
 Majors
 Minors
 Other _____

OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound Light Very Light
 3/4-bids
 Conv./Resp. 4 \heartsuit , 4 \heartsuit /3 \heartsuit =RKC

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major Artif. Bids
 Natural
 Strong T/O
 Michaels

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru 4 \heartsuit Penalty
 Conv. Takeout: _____
 Labensohl 2NT Response
 Other: Roman Jump 4-level

MAJOR OPENING

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

MINOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 3 0-2 Conv. NF
 1 \heartsuit
 1 \heartsuit

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
 After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
 Conv. Raise: 2NT 3NT Splinter
 Other: 3M-1=LR, 3N=good preempt, Bart
 1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing
 2NT: Forcing Inv. _____ to _____
 3NT: _____ to _____
 Drury : Reverse 2-Way Fit
 Other: void SPL, 1M-3 \heartsuit =mixed

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
 After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
 Forcing Raise: Single Raise
 1m-2 \heartsuit =11-12 or Slam Try Raise
 Frequently bypass 4+ \heartsuit
 1N/1 \heartsuit 6 to 10
 2NT Forcing may have Major(s)
 3NT: 16 to 18 1 \heartsuit -3 \heartsuit =nat. inv
 Other: 1 \heartsuit -2 \heartsuit = \heartsuit & \heartsuit 3 \heartsuit /2N=checkback

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430
 if RKC Gerber 1430, Redwood, Exclusion, specific Kings

vs Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: _____ ROPI

LEADS (circle card led, if not in bold)

versus Suits		versus Notrump	
x x	x x x x	x x	\heartsuit \heartsuit \heartsuit \heartsuit
x x x	x x x x x	x x x	\heartsuit \heartsuit \heartsuit \heartsuit \heartsuit
A K x	T 9 x	A K J x	A Q J x
K Q x	K J \heartsuit x	A J \heartsuit 9	A T \heartsuit x
Q J x	K T \heartsuit x	K Q J x	K Q T 9
J T x	Q T \heartsuit x	Q J T x	Q T \heartsuit x
K Q T 9		J T 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.

DESCRIBE

RESPONSE

2 \clubsuit _____ to _____ HCP
 Strong Other
 2 \heartsuit Resp: Neg. Waiting
 2 \heartsuit 11 to 16 HCP Flannery 4 \heartsuit 5/6 \heartsuit
 Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv.
 2NT Force New Suit NF
 McCabe
 2 \heartsuit 5 to 11 HCP
 Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv.
 2N NV=Ogust VUL=Feature
 NS NF @3-level
 2 \heartsuit 5 to 11 HCP
 Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv.
 2NT Force New Suit NF
OTHER CONV. CALLS: New Minor Forcing: 2-Way NMF uph
 Weak Jump Shifts not in Comp. 4th Suit Forcing: 1 Round Game
 fit jumps in comp, XYZ, Unusual vs Unusual, lead transfers after 1M-(X) or Overcall-(X)
 Mad Hamilton 1/1N Overcall

SPECIAL CARDING **PLEASE ASK**