



# St Annes Bridge Club

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# Bidding

Before play begins there is a 'bidding' phase which determines who is declarer and what is the contract. The bidding phase is an auction where the highest bidder wins the contract.

## Rules

- Dealer makes opening bid/pass
- Player on dealers left bids/passes next
- Bidding proceeds clockwise round table
- Each bid must outrank the last one made (its an auction!)
- A player who does not want to bid 'passes'
- A bid is a number from one to seven followed by a suit or no trumps
- The final bid in the auction is reached when there are three consecutive passes

The contract is 6+number in the final bid

Player who bids suit/no trumps first is declarer even if partner bids final contract

# RECAP

## The One No Trump Opening Bid

A balanced hand, 12-14pts

Balanced means:





- No void
- No singleton
- Not more than 1 doubleton
- No 6 card or longer suit

# Quiz

For each of the following hands answer the following 3 questions:

- How many High Card Points?
- Is the hand Balanced? (Yes/no)
- Would you open 1 NT? (Yes/no)

1





	A 2
	K J 10 9 6 3
	K J 7
	A 5

HCP?

Balanced?

Open 1NT?

2





	K 4 2
	K 7 6
	K Q 5
	K 5 4 3

HCP?

Balanced?

Open 1NT?

3





	K 5 3
	Q 8 2
	K 4
	K Q 8 5 2

HCP?

Balanced?

Open 1NT?

4





	Q J 10 9 3
	A 9
	K 4 3
	A 7 6

HCP?

Balanced?

Open 1NT?

1





	A 2
	K J 10 9 6 3
	K J 7
	A 5

HCP?                      16

Balanced?                No

Open 1NT?                No

2





	K 4 2
	K 7 6
	K Q 5
	K 5 4 3

HCP?                      14

Balanced?                Yes

Open 1NT?                Yes

3





	K 5 3
	Q 8 2
	K 4
	K Q 8 5 2

HCP?                    13

Balanced?             Yes

Open 1NT?            Yes

4

	Q J 10 9 3
	A 9
	K 4 3
	A 7 6

HCP?                      14

Balanced?                Yes

Open 1NT?                Yes





## Responses to 1NT with Balanced Hands

0-10	Pass	There is no prospect of game
13-19	3 NT	Combined points are enough for game
11-12	2 NT	Have we got enough combined points for game partner? Partner will bid 3NT 14 points or pass with 12.





# Responses to 1NT with unbalanced Hands

6 card major 12+ points

Bid game in major

	A 2
	K J 10 9 6 3
	K J 7
	A 5

Over 1 NT bid 4 H

	A Q 9 7 6 2
	K 8 3
	Q J 7
	9

Over 1 NT bid 4S

# Responses to 1NT with unbalanced Hands

5 card major 12+pts 'Invite' game in major/3 NT

Opener



A 10 4



K 9



Q 9 6 4



A 10 9 8

Responder



K Q 9 7 2



Q 3 2



K J 7



K 4

1 NT

4 S

3 S

Pass

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'Invite' game in major/3 NT

Opener



A 4



K J 10 9



Q 9 6



A 10 9 8

Responder



K Q 9 7 2



Q 3 2



K J 7



K 4

1 NT

3 NT





3 S

Pass





# Responses to 1NT with unbalanced Hands

5+card suit 0 – 10 pts

'Take out' into long suit

	9 8 6 3 2
	8 7
	J 5 2
	10 6 2

2 S

	K Q 6 4 3 2
	K 7
	J 5
	10 6 2

2 S

# Hand 1

## North

♠ K Q J 7

♥ A 6 2

♦ 8 7

♣ K 9 5 3

1 NT

4 H

## West

♠ 10 9 8

♥ J 8

♦ A 9 6 5 4

♣ Q 8 6

Pass

pass

## East

♠ 6 4 3

♥ Q 7 4

♦ Q J 10 3

♣ J 4 2

pass

pass

## South

♠ A 5 2

♥ K 10 9 5 3

♦ K 2

♣ A 10 7

3 H

pass

# Hand 2

## North

♠ A 7 5

♥ K 4 2

♦ 10 9 2

♣ 8 6 5 4

pass

pass

## West

♠ 8 6

♥ A Q J 3

♦ A J 5 4

♣ Q 10 7

1 NT

3 NT

## East

♠ K 10 4 3 2

♥ 8 6

♦ K Q 3

♣ A K 2

3 S

pass

## South

♠ Q J 9

♥ 10 9 7 5

♦ 8 7 6

♣ J 9 3

pass

pass

# Hand 3

## North

♠ K Q J 7 5 3

♥ A 6 2

♦ 8 7

♣ K 5

4S

## West

♠ A 9 4

♥ J 10 9

♦ Q J 4 3

♣ 8 6 4

pass

pass

## East

♠ 8 6

♥ Q 8 7 4

♦ K 10 5

♣ J 10 3 2

pass

## South

♠ 10 2

♥ K 5 3

♦ A 9 6 2

♣ A Q 9 7

1 NT

pass

# Hand 4

## North

♠ A Q 10 4 3

♥ A 3

♦ J 10 6

♣ Q 6 3

pass

pass

## West

♠ J 6

♥ Q 4 2

♦ A K 7 5

♣ K J 8 7

1 NT

pass

## East

♠ 7 5

♥ J 9 8 6 5

♦ 4 3 2

♣ 10 9 2

2 H

## South

♠ K 9 8 2

♥ K 10 7

♦ Q 9 8

♣ A 5 4

pass

# RECAP (Responding to partners 1NT)

With balanced hand

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With unbalanced hand

12+	6 Card major	Bid game in the major
12+	5 Card major	'Invite' game bid 3 of major
<10		'take out' into 5+ suit

# Homework!

- Recap today's lesson Pg 22 - 26
- Read Pgs 23-29
- Memorise Pg 26 (summary of bidding)