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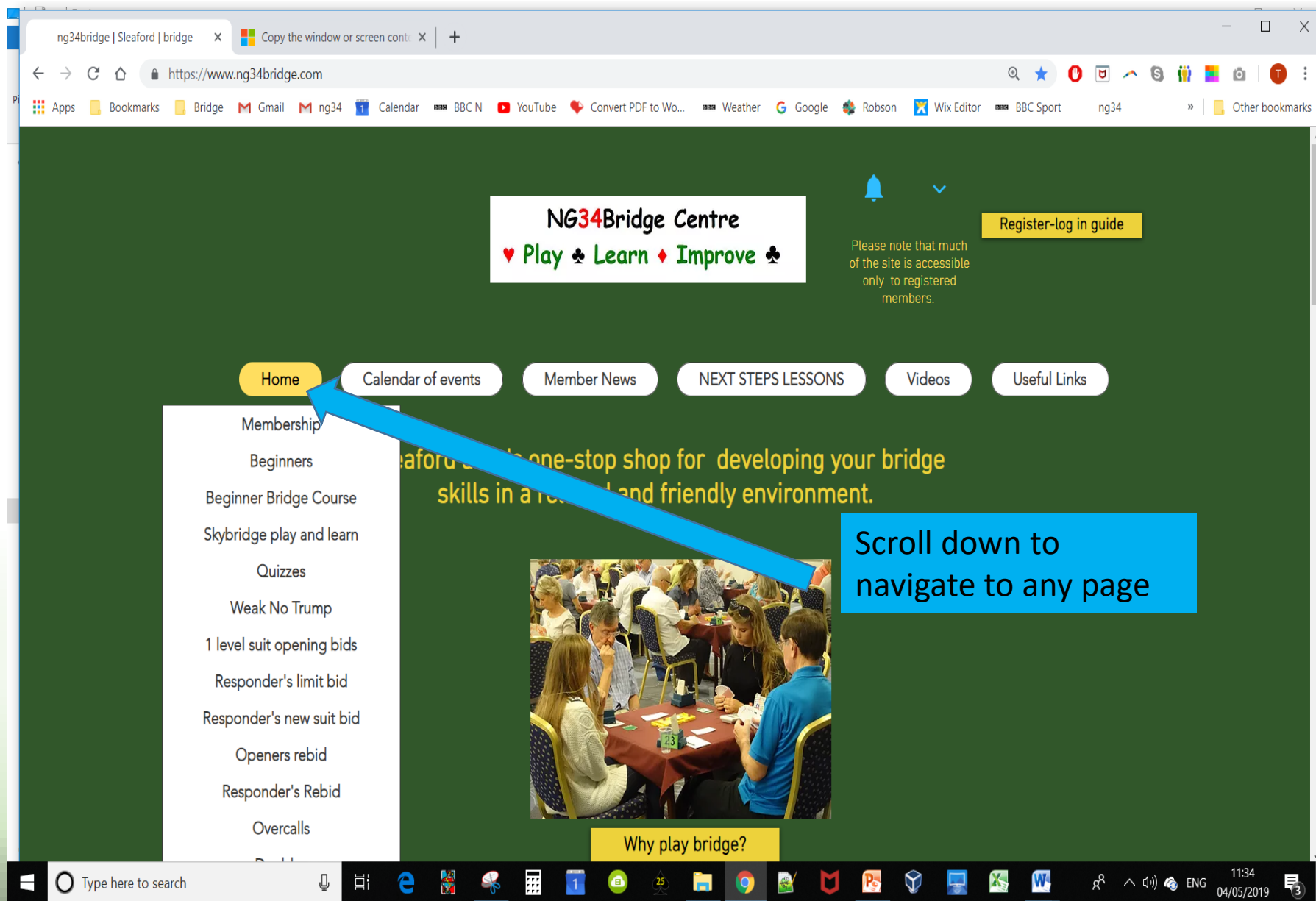
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Wednesday 1pm start

8/05/2019	Duplicate + Opening Strong Unbalanced Hands
15/05/2019	<b>Bidding Slams Workshop</b>
22/05/19	Duplicate +
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with links to  
revision resources  
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Updated Friday 3rd May

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# Lesson 6: Responder's Rebids

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Student Notes (6a)

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Lesson PowerPoint (pdf)

Practise responder's rebids (6c)

Weak Preference Bid (6b)

NZB video : Responder's Rebids

Andrew Robson Tips

# 6a: Responder's Rebids

## Responder's Rebids – the 4<sup>th</sup> bid of the Auction

Opener's Bid (1)	–	Responder's Bid (2)
Opener's Rebid (3)	–	<b>Responder's Rebid (4)</b>

### Choice of suit or NT

- Give preference to one of partner's suits – Major suit if possible
- Bid NT with no fit and strength in the unbid suit(s) (see example below )
- Rebid own suit. MUST HAVE 6+ CARDS and a decent honour card. Partner has bid two other suits and may be very short in your suit.
- *Bid a new suit ("4<sup>th</sup> Suit Forcing" - advanced and infrequent– not covered in Next Steps)*

### Choice of level

- After opener's rebid, responder **should** now indicate their strength by making a limit



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How to count losers

Drawing Trumps - Student Notes (14c)

Ruffing in Dummy - Student Notes (14b)

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Discarding Losers - Video

Ruffing in Dummy - Video

Ruffing in the short Suit - Mr Bridge

Loser on Loser Play

Drawing Trumps - Video

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## 14e: Play of the hand: Finesse

A finesse is an attempt to score a lesser honour which could be beaten by an opponent's higher honour. You are hoping the critical missing honour is favourably placed.

Lead towards the honour or honours – if the missing critical honour is in the hand that plays second, then the finesse will succeed.

1. You need to make one trick in the following example:

**K83      974**

If the critical honour (ace) is with South you will succeed in making 1 trick as long as you lead from the East hand towards the king.

2. You need to make 2 tricks in the following example:

**AQ3      974**

If the critical honour (King) is with South you will succeed in making 2 tricks as long as you lead from the East hand and insert the Q if the K does not appear.



## Video lessons

Now have a choice of presenters and styles of Beginner Lesson videos. You can follow the original 'Bridget Jane' programme, or the Skybridge with 'Tina' programme. (Personally I prefer Tina's presentation style.)

Link to all our  
lesson videos

### "SkyBridge with Tina" Beginner Bridge Lesson videos

1. Introduction

6. Other No Trump Bids

2. Opening Suit Bid

7. Overcalls

# "Bridget Jane" Beginner Bridge Lesson videos

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## Play Technique Lessons

Drawing Trumps

Ruffing

Finessing

Developing a Side Suit

Opening Leads

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with "BRIDGE-IT JANE"



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Ruffing in Dummy



## Lesson Seven

### Overcalls

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## Lesson 3: Responder's Limit Bids

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## Lesson 4: Responder's New Suit Bid

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## Strong Opening Bids - 2NT & 2C - 'Jane' Video

### Prepared hands for pairs practice

Practise  
be played  
provided

Bid and play prepared hands  
specific to each lesson on-line vs.  
the computer, with or without  
hints.

Partner at home. These hands will  
recommended bidding and rationale is

## Interactive 'Play and Learn'

<https://skybridgeclub.com/play/strong-openings/>

[https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/15ed9f\\_1a29cb8edb984db7bcf39ba93868c565.pdf](https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/15ed9f_1a29cb8edb984db7bcf39ba93868c565.pdf)

4♥ South

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Andrew Robson

Bid&Made

Mr Bridge

Sky Bridge

Lots of 'extras':

## NG34Bridge Acol Card

### OPENING THE BIDDING

Are you **BALANCED** OR **UNBALANCED**?

Balanced Hand = No void or singleton and not more than one doubleton. All other distributions are unbalanced.

#### BALANCED

- |       |  |
|-------|--|
| 0-11  | PASS                                       |
| 12-14 | 1NT (except with a very good 5-card major) |
| 15-16 | Open suit then rebid lowest NT             |
| 17-18 | Open suit then jump rebid in NT            |
| 19    | Open suit then jump bid 3NT                |
| 20-22 | 2NT  |
| 23-24 | Open 2♣ then rebid 2NT                     |

#### UNBALANCED

- |      |   |
|------|---|
| 0-11 | PASS but see the pre-empt section following   |
| 12+  | Open longest suit, (but see 'Strong' section) |

#### Two or more suits to choose from

- |         |   |
|---------|---|
| 5-5     | Bid higher ranking suit   |
| 4-4-3-2 | Bid the MAJOR. Both majors bid 1♥.<br>Both minors bid 1♦.   |
| 4-4-4-1 | Black suit singleton – bid the middle of the<br>three touching 4 card suits<br>Red suit singleton – bid the suit below the<br>singleton |

## NG34Bridge Acol Card

### RESPONDING

#### RESPONDING TO 1-OF A SUIT (e.g. 1♥)

##### With 4-card SUPPORT for opener's suit

- |       |    |
|-------|----|
| 5-9   | 2♥ |
| 10-12 | 3♥ |
| 13+   | 4♥ |

**Note:** show a major suit before supporting a minor suit. Do not raise a minor to the 4-level without considering 3NT.

##### Without SUPPORT

- |     |  |
|-----|--|
| 0-5 | PASS   |
| 6-9 | bid suit at 1-level or 1NT<br>(always show a suit at 1-level if you can) |
| 10+ | show a suit at 1-level or 2-level –<br>Note: 1♠-2♥ promises 5 hearts!    |
| 16+ | 6-card suit JUMP IN YOUR NEW SUIT  |

#### RESPONDING to 1NT

- |       |   |
|-------|---|
| 0-10  | NO GAME: with no 5-card suit PASS<br>Bid five-card at two-level |
| 11-12 | CHANCE FOR GAME: Bid 2NT<br>or 3♥/3♠ with a 5+ card suit        |
| 13+   | GAME is ON: Bid long suit at 3-level,                           |

# Announcements and Alerts

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Why do we have to make announcements and alerts?

An important part of the game of bridge is that you and your partner have agreements as to the meaning of certain conventional bids. For example, you may agree to play the Stayman convention. A bid of 2♣ after your partner has made an opening bid of 1NT does not say anything about your club suit. It asks your partner to bid his or her 4-card major suit(s).

It is only fair that your opponents have the right to know about all the agreements that you and your partner have made. One of the ways in which you disclose these agreements is through announcements and alerts. Other ways are by looking at your convention card (if you have one) or by asking questions.

So although the rules of the game require you to alert or announce your bids correctly, it is also important so that your opponents are not unfairly disadvantaged through lack of knowledge of what your bids mean.





## DUPLICATE BRIDGE SCORING

	Points Per Trick	Tricks per Game	Game Contract	HCPs needed for Game
♣ and ♦	20	11	5♣/5♦	27
♥ and ♠	30	10	4♥/4♠	25
No Trumps	40 for 1 <sup>st</sup> trick 30 thereafter	9	3NT	25

The declaring side only scores points if they win the number of tricks they bid (or more). No points are won for the first six tricks. A **game** contract is the number of tricks required to score 100 points. Your aim is to bid and make a **game**. This scores a bonus of **300** points (or **500** if vulnerable).

If you bid a contract that scores less than 100 points, this is called a **Part Score**. If you make a Part Score you score a bonus of **50** points.

If you fail to make your contract your opponents score **50** points (or **100** if vulnerable) for every trick you fail by (called **undertricks**).

Notice from the table above that you need less tricks to make game in ♥ and ♠ (**major suits**) or in No Trumps than you do in ♣ and ♦ (**minor suits**). You also need less High Card Points (**HCPs**) to make game in the



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