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Constructive bidding

1. is strong, starting at 15 with unbal hand and 17 with bal.

With 15-16 and 2/3-suited with 4+♦, we have a choice to open 1♣ or 1♦.

1 ♦ is never 1-suited with 6+ ♦.

1 ♦ - 1 ♥ is relay, range from weak to any FG (see other responses also).

1M – (2lower) – D is transfer to next higher suit.

Varible 1N-opening, 11-14 1/2/4 NV else 14-16 (with 14 we frequently up-/downgrade) and open 1 ◆ with complement.

Relays are used extensively after all constructive opening bids.

Defensive bidding

After (1m) then 2x-overcall shows 2-suiters (2m = 5+m & 4M, 2M = 12-15 5+M & 4+m).

After (1M) then 1N/2m/2 - overcall shows 2-suiters (1N = m's, 2m = 5+m & 4+oM).

With 1-suited minor, we pass, double or jump-overcall (12-15).

ART vs strong/2-way 1♣.