

EBL CONVENTION CARD	
CATEGORY:	Green
NCBO:	Ireland
PLAYERS:	Betty Cody and Una O’Gorman
EVENT:	Irish Events 2026
SYSTEM SUMMARY	
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE	
Weak NT 5 Card Majors (5533) Better Minor	
Benjamin Twos 2C/2D strong 2M weak twos	
Leads: 4th vs NT and Suit	
Signals: Standard Count and Reverse Attitude; Standard	
Discards: Even=SP; Odd=Like	
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE	
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES	
IMPORTANT NOTES	

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU				
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1 ♣	No	3	3 ♠	11 to 20, 15+ if balanced	1NT 6-9 pts , 2M weak 6 card suit 0-5 pts 3NT=Bal 13-15	Rebids 1NT 15-16 2NT 17-18, 3NT solid suit 18+	
1 ♦	No	3	4 ♣	11 to 20, 15+ if balanced	1NT 6-9 pts , 2M weak 6 card suit 0-5 pts 3NT=Bal 13-15	Rebids 1NT 15-16 2NT 17-18, 3NT solid suit 18+	
1 ♥	No	5	3S	9 to 20		Rebids 1NT 15-16 2NT 17-18, 3NT solid suit 18+	
1 ♠	No	5	4 ♥	9 to 20		Rebids 1NT 15-16 2NT 17-18, 3NT solid suit 18+	
INT	No	-		12-14 HCP	2C=Stayman or weak clubs; 2D=Hearts or weak diams; 2H=Spades; 2S=11 pts 2NT 12 pts 4NT slam INV 19 pts Responses note 1	See Note 3 following interference	
2 ♣	Yes			Balanced 21+ or 8+ tricks	2D relay rebids 2M 8 tricks, 3m 9.5 tricks Rebid 2NT 21-22 pts, 3NT 25-26 pts		
2 ♦	No	6		Balanced 23+ or GF	2D relay 2S/3H GF, 2NT 23-24 pts, 3NT 27-28 pts		
2 ♥	No	6		Weak-Two, 5-10 hcp	2NT=enquiry 15+ pts , ask feature if max	Rebid suit if weak 3C 0r 3D a feature 3Nt Max 3 top hons	
2 ♠	No	6		Weak-Two, 5-10 hcp		Ditto 3 level suit shows feature	
2NT	No	-		20 pts	3C=Stayman; 3D=hearts, 3H=spades;		
3 ♣	No	6		5-10 HCP	3NT Strong hand with outside stoppers		
3 ♦	No	6		5-10 HCP	3NT Strong hand with outside stoppers		
3 ♥	No	7		5-10 HCP	3Nt with outside stoppers		
3 ♠	No	7		5-10 HCP	3NT or 4S Strong hand		
3NT	Yes	7		Solid minor no outside stops	4♣ or 5♣ pass or correct		
4 ♣	No	7		Pre-empt			
4 ♦	No	7		Pre-empt			
4 ♥	No	7		Pre-empt		HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
4 ♠	No	7		Pre-empt			
		-				4NT= RKC-1430	
						4C is Gerber looking for Aces 4D 0 0r 4 4H 1 4S 2 4Nt 3 5C is Gerber looking for Kings Ditto	

Note 1: Responses to 1NT

2♣ Stayman or weak takeout 6+ clubs
2♦ Transfer with 5♥+ or weak takeout 6+ diamonds
2♥ Transfer with 5♠+
2♠ 11+ pts
2NT 12 pts
3 C 3D Forcing (Perhaps a minor Slam)
3NT To Play
4♣ Gerber for Aces (0/4,1,2,3)
4NT Slam INV

Note 2: Helvic when our 1NT is doubled for penalties

Pass Shows 7 plus points
Any bid is a take out bid showing weakness.
Opener can bid again if they have a decent 5 card suit

Note 3 Defence when our INT is overcalled (either convention or actual bid)

1NT (2♥) ?

2♠ natural non forcing (2-level new suit bids NF)
3♣ Competing (Invitational)
3D Competing(Invitational)
3♥ is a cue bid looking for a stopper game going
3♠ natural Invitational

3NT to play shows heart stop similar after a 2S overcall.