

All Around Game 4

All course materials designed by World Champion & Master Teacher Donna Compton.

8 Week Course ~ Classes may be taken on an individual basis. Material presentation and Real Time Play of Hands. Live class, video and handout included with lesson. Replay lesson hands on Shark Bridge following live class.

Lesson 1 Major Suit Raises ~ Jacoby 2NT

Join Donna for Major Suit Raises ~ Jacoby 2NT. Fitting hands often take more tricks. In this class, we will explore different ways of finding these hands. Responder knows when there is a fit but needs further information to find out if there is a second suit in common.

Lesson 2 Splinter Bids

Join Donna Splinter Bids. There are some hands that have support for Opener's major but are not designed to be in control. We will focus on Opener and Responder's hand reevaluation based on shortness.

Lesson 3 To Finesse or Not to Finesse

Join Donna for To Finesse or Not to Finesse. There are lots of types of finesses including practice finesses and necessary finesses. But finesses are only 50%, so we are going to look at other options like dropping an honor, long suit development, throw-in suits and trumping out a high honor.

Lesson 4 Balancing, Responsive & Support Doubles

Join Donna for Balancing, Responsive and Support Doubles. B, R & S Doubles gives you three new doubles for your convention card! Balancing Doubles keep the auction alive. Responsive Doubles keep the Intervenor's side in the auction and Support Doubles help the Opener's side compete when it is right with nine trumps.

Lesson 5 New Minor Forcing

Join Donna for New Minor Forcing. I often get asked the question, "If Responder cannot rebid their five-card major, then how do we find a 5-3 fit? Join me for this class and find out how! This toy may be played with Standard American or 2/1 Game Forcing.

Lesson 6 Fourth Suit Forcing

Join Donna for Fourth Suit Forcing. Responder has three buckets in which to place their hands. Once the bucket is determined, the Responder has several ways of describing these buckets to Opener. Since Responder has only two forcing bids, we will investigate a new toy to help Responder force the auction.

Lesson 7 Strip Endplays

Join Donna for Strip Endplays. When your contract depends on a finesse, look elsewhere to make the hand. Each suit has a job and this play technique can be seen at trick one! Join Donna as she walks you through the identifying and executing a strip end play.

Lesson 8 Maximal Doubles & Game Tries

Join Donna for Maximal Doubles & Game Tries. Once you have found a fit, the next question is "how high?" As our hand evaluation grows, we need to add toys to help us focus on the things. We will look at blocking bids, specific games tries and random game tries all in the name of more accurate bidding.

