



# Adventures in Bridge

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## ***This Week in Bridge***

### **Fundamentals – Openings and Responses**

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#### **Thinking Before Auction Begins**

- Hand Evaluation - Points
  - HCP and Length Points
- Hand Type – Balanced vs. Unbalanced
- What do we need to Open the bidding – Partnership Style?
- Opener's Buckets – Prepared Rebids
  - Plan for Balanced Hands
  - Plan for Unbalanced Hands
    - 1-suiter
    - 2-suiter
- Opening Options
  - Opening NT
  - Opening Majors
  - Opening Minors

#### **Thinking After Partner Opens**

- Hand Evaluation and Re-Evaluation
  - HCP
  - Length Points
  - Support Points
  - Fitting Honors
- Responder's Buckets -- Prepared Rebids
  - Responder's Priority – Finding Fit
  - 2/1 GF Style
- Responding Options
  - Responding to 1-minor
    - Walsh Style
  - Responding to 1-Major
  - Responding to NT