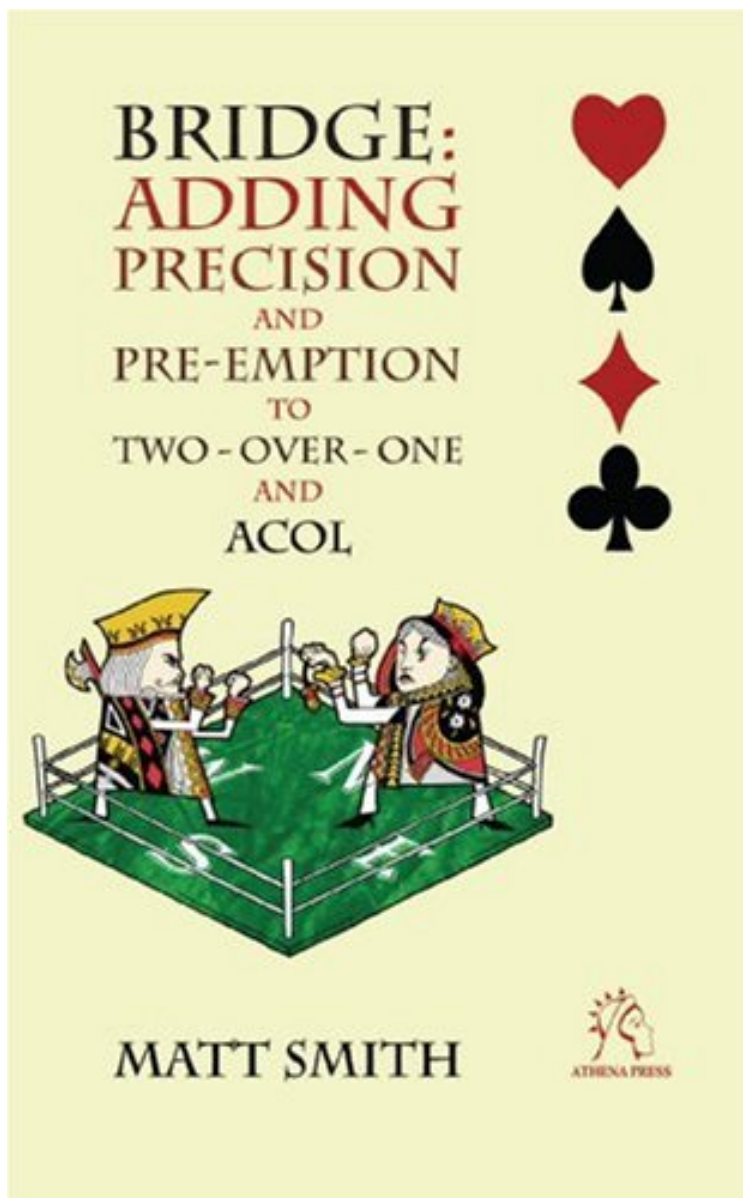


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author has boldly taken on the task of bridging Precision, pre-empt, Two-over-One, and ACOL. This is not a mean undertaking, since many bridge players--lacking imagination--prefer to adhere to the accustomed (and comfortable) rigidity of their formative ways of playing bridge. The author has had the benefit of eclectically garnering the best from both the British ACOL and American Two-over-One Systems, with the hope of providing an amalgam that will lessen differences and bond strengths between bridge players. This is a valiant quest that is worthy of our attention, since we have everything to gain and nothing to lose from it. Case-in-Point: How many good bridge players are familiar with The Zar Point Theory? Very few, I would dare say. Well, read pages 85-93 and learn something about Zar Petrov (Who is not listed in "The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge!") and his formulation of this approach to bridge. I recommend this paperback book to those who are serious about the game of bridge; it is not a book for "Mama-Papa" bridge players.

This book is aimed at Two-over-one or Acol partnerships who are looking for ways to make their game and slam bidding more accurate and at the same time to increase opportunities to bid early and pre-emptively. Bringing together in one volume a large variety of ideas pertinent to Precision and Pre-emption, this is an invaluable reference for all enthusiastic and knowledgeable bridge players.

About the Author Dr Matt Smith is an academic who decided to travel extensively after retirement to both play bridge and to study how bridge practice and theory vary globally. This book is the result of those travels. The originality is not in the ideas themselves but in the fact that such a diversity of ideas pertinent to Precision and Pre-emption have been brought together in one volume for the first time.