

Blue Club – Quelle Wikipedia

Blue Club is a [bridge bidding system](#), developed mainly by [Benito Garozzo](#). It was used by the famous [Blue Team](#) and became very popular in the 1960s. It has gained a strong following ever since.

The main features are:

- [Strong club system](#): 1♣ opening promises 17 or more [HCP](#), with step answers showing [controls](#) (K=1 and A=2 controls) or HCP. 1♦ being negative showing 0-5 HCP and 1♥ showing 6-12 HCP but with no more than 2 controls, 1♠ showing 3 controls, 1NT showing 4 controls etc.
- Four-card majors: 1♥ and 1♠ and 1♦ openings are limited (12-16 [HCP](#)),
- [Canapé](#). With two-suited hands, the opener's second bid is in the longer suit, whereas other more popular systems bid their shorter suit second. However, unlike the "fellow" [Roman Club](#), there are many exceptions to this rule in Blue Club.
- 1NT ranging from 13-17 [high card points](#). It can be either 13-15 points, which is essentially a replacement bid for a balanced club suit with two specific shapes, 3-3-3-4 and 3-3-2-5, or 16-17 pts and balanced. A more modern treatment is to play the lower range as 13–14, and the upper range as 15–17, this removes some of the strain on this bid.