## DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; 1/2 Level; Reopening) Aggressive on 1-level, 6-16, may be on a 4 card suit (seldom) Sound on 2-level, 10-16 and 5+ suit
2 NT after 1-level M-overcall shows support and is $\mathrm{G} / \mathrm{T}+$ Cue shows a good raise +
New suit is NAT F1 but we may have to lie because we have no better alternative (cf. CUE), it could even be on a 2 card suit! 1NT-2 under M=TRF after negative DBL of 1 M overcall For further overcalls and responses: [3.1]
1N OVERCALL (2 ${ }^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening)
Direct:15-18, continuation as after 1NT opening
Reopen: 11-14, same continuation
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
1-Suiter: weak jump shifts, may be 5 card suit in green, usually 6 2-Suiter: 2NT shows at least 5-5 in 2 lowest unbid suits and opening strength or more, $2 \star$ over $1 \%$ that can be short $=5-5$ in M's and const. Reopen: 2NT=19-21, Resp: $3 \approx=$ PUP to $3 \diamond, 3 \star=$ STAY, $3 \mathrm{M}=5+$ FG DIRECT AND JUMP CUE-BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopen) Direct $\mathrm{Cue}=5+$ highest unbid and $5+$ other unbid, opening strength + Responses: $2 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{G} / \mathrm{T}+$ asking, $3 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{P} / \mathrm{C}$, After 2 NT see [3.2] Jump Cue = Asking for stopper, normally a $7+$ solid suit somewhere Same when reopen
VS. NT (Vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; Passed Hand) $2 \%=$ At least (43) in M's, if only (43) then usually $5+$
$2 \star=$ Weak or very strong overcall in one M, $2 \star-2 \mathrm{M}$ is $\mathrm{P} / \mathrm{C}, 2 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{F} 1$ $2 \mathrm{M}=$ Intermediate strength, something like $11+-15$ 2NT=minors
$\mathrm{D}=\mathrm{PEN}$ oriented, if BAL then at least about opener's max Passed hand: $\mathrm{D}=\mathrm{m}+$ another, $2 \mathrm{~m}=5+\mathrm{m}$ and $4+\boldsymbol{\bullet}$ VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids) $2 \mathrm{NT}=15-18, \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$, after $(2-\boldsymbol{A})$-D-(?): LEB if possible $(2 \mathrm{~m})-3 \mathrm{~m}=5+\uparrow$ and $5+$ other unbid suit, $(2 \mathrm{~m})-4 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{M}$ 's, ( 2 M )$3 \mathrm{M}=$ minors, $(2 \mathrm{M})-4 \mathrm{~m}=5+\mathrm{m}$ and $5+\mathrm{oM} \mathrm{NF},(2 \mathrm{M})-4 \mathrm{M}=\mathrm{FG}$ with highest unbid $+1,(3 \mathrm{M})-4 \mathrm{~m}=5+\mathrm{m}$ and $4+\mathrm{OM}$
4NT overcalls are 2 -suited
Over 2 multi DBL shows 13-15 NT or any 17+, After $(2 \star=$ multi)-DBL-2M:DBL=Takeoutish, promising values VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS
On strong hands we usually pass at first
On the 1-level if is NAT but can be very weak.
2-level: Bid in a suit shows that suit or the 2 above, destructive. NT-bids shows pointed or rounded, also destructive OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE
RD is strong, usually $10+$ and establishes FP to one level higher After 1M-(D) we use from 1NT to 2 just under opening suit as TRF $1 \mathrm{X}=\mathrm{F} 1,2$ new suit $=\mathrm{NF}$

LEADS AND SIGNALS
OPENING LEADS STYLE

| Suit | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Lead } \\ & 3^{\text {rd }} / \text { LOW } \end{aligned}$ | In Partner's Suit Same |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NT | $4^{\text {th }}$, high from bad holdings | $3{ }^{\text {rd }} / \mathrm{LOW}$ |
| Subsequent | $22^{\text {nd }}-4^{\text {th }}$ with ATT thru declarer | declarer Same |
| Other: | [4.1] |  |
| LEADS |  |  |
|  | Vs. Suit | Vs. NT |
| Ace | Ax, AKx + , AKQ+ | Same, *unless rusinow [4.1] |
| King | Kx, AK, KQ ${ }^{+}$, KQJ+ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Kx}, \mathrm{AKQ}^{+}, \mathrm{AKJT}+, \mathrm{KQx}+ \\ & \text { *unless rusinow }[4.1] \end{aligned}$ |
| Queen | Qx, QJ+, AQJ+ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Qx, QJ+, KQJx, KQT9+, } \\ & \text { AQJ+ *unless rusinow [4.1] } \end{aligned}$ |
| Jack | Jx, JT+, AQJ+ | Same *unless rusinow [4.1] |
| 10 | Tx, T9+, $3^{\text {rd }}$ | Same *unless rusinow [4.1] |
| 9 | 9 x , or $3^{\text {rd }}$ | Same |
| $\mathrm{Hi}-\mathrm{x}$ | Sx, xxSx, xxSxxx | Same |
| Lo-x | xxS, xxxxS | Same |

## SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

Partner's Lead D $2^{\text {nd }}$ LOW=ENCRG $3^{\text {rd }} \mathrm{S} / \mathrm{P}$
NT: $1^{\text {st }} \quad$ LOW $=$ ENCRG $\quad$ LOW=EVEN $2^{\text {nd }} \quad$ LOW $=$ EVEN $\quad \mathrm{S} / \mathrm{P}$ $3^{\text {rd }} \mathrm{S} / \mathrm{P}$

Declarer's Lead LOW=EVEN S/P
LOW=EVEN S/P

Discarding LOW=ENCRG LOW=EVEN S/P
LOW=ENCRG LOW=EVEN S/P
OTHER SIGNALS (INCLUDING TRUMPS)
S/P in trumps: $3^{\text {rd }}$ lowest means: next two will be $\mathrm{S} / \mathrm{P}$

## DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)
May be light with classic shape.
$(1 / 2 \mathrm{M})-\mathrm{X}$ can be ELC with 4OM and $5+$ (rebid $*$ over partner's \&)
(1 \& )-D-(P):1NT=0-7 any, $2 Y=8-11$
(3*)-D-(P)-3 $=0-7(8)$ any, $3 \mathrm{M}=8-10$
(1X)-D-(2X):2NT+=LEB, $(2--\uparrow)-\mathrm{X}-($ Bid or P$): 2 N T=L E B$
A CUE on 2-level is G/T+ and F1
If XX then P is penalty unless $1 \%-1 \vee$ and we sit under the suit RESP DBL to $4 *$
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE
DOUBLES/REDOUBLES
Lightner DBL (Of 3NT, on high level and when pre-emptor doubles). We also DBL 3NT on strength.
PEN DBL may be somewhat speculative
INV DBL (Only when there is no other invitational bid)
Support DBL and RDBL (after $1 \star-1 \mathrm{M}-: 1 \vee-1 \mathrm{M}-($ Bid under 2 M$)$ )

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## SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
Strong $\%(16+)$ with a lot of relays (pattern and location of honors)
$1 \diamond=0+$ and we may respond on $0+$ hcp
$1 \mathrm{M}=5+\mathrm{M} 10-15$
Variable NT opening
Generally aggressive style also PRE's
Relay bidding after $1 \star, 1 \star, 1 \mathrm{M}, 2 \mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{NT}$
Frequent use of non-PEN DBL and 2NT as ART in competition. 1NT Openings: $\quad 1^{\text {st }}-3^{\text {rd }}$ NV vs V:10-12, else: $14-16,4^{\text {th }} 15$ 16
2-over-1 Responses: ART
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE
RESP to $1 *$ opening, especially the $1 \checkmark$ response
$1 \mathrm{NT} 1^{\text {st }}-3^{\text {rd }} \mathrm{NV}$ vs V is $10-12$
$2 \mathrm{NT}=12-15$ and at least 5-5 in m's
$1 \mathrm{M}-2 *=\mathrm{FG}(\mathrm{R})$
$2 \mathrm{~m}-1$ step $=\mathrm{G} / \mathrm{T}+(\mathrm{R}), 2 \mathrm{NT}-3 \vee=\mathrm{FG}(\mathrm{R})$
$1 \vee-1 \uparrow / 1 N T-2 *$ a) 10-13 w/ (3)4+* b) 14-15, all hands except 5-5.
$1 \uparrow-1 N T-2 \%=$ a) 10-13 w/ (3)4+ b) 14-15, all hands except 5-5
$1 \uparrow-2 \downarrow$ and $1 \bullet-2$ show a good raise or better
$1 \wedge-2 \star=$.
$1-2 \mathrm{M}$ and $1 \bullet-2 \boldsymbol{\sim}$ is weak, $(0) 4-8(9), 6+$
$1 \mathrm{M}-(\mathrm{X}): 1 \mathrm{NT}+$ and (1X)-1M-(X)-1NT+ = TRF
$1 *-(1 N T)-2 *$ and $1 \mathrm{M}-(1 N T)-2 \&=$ STAY
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
After 1M-2NT we have eternal FP
$1 \%-(4 \mathrm{NT}+)$ now we have FP
1NT (14-16)-(X)-XX establishes FP to 2 NT
1 NT-(2X=Art)-X establishes FP to 2 NT
IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE
In the relay bidding we use zz and not HCP.
A=3 zz, K=2 zz, Q=1 zz, SING K=1 zz, SING Q=0 zz, J=0 zz
Psychics: Happens but pretty rare, types are explained at [5.1]

