## Defensive and Competitive Bidding

#### Overcalls (Style; Responses; Reopening)

1-level Light overcalls,

2- level Sound overcalls

## 1 NT overcall (2ND/4TH; Responses; Reopening)

15 - 18 HCP, system on

### Jump Overcalls (Style; Responses; Un usual NT)

Pre acc to vul, Leaping Michaels 4m,

NT=to lowest unbid

#### Direct and Jump Cue Bids (Style; Responses)

1 **♣** - 2 **♣** = Both Majors

2 **♦** / 2 **♥** / **♦** = weak

1M-2M = Other M + m

1 ♦ ♥ ♦ - 3 ♦ ♥ ♦ = Asks for stopper

# VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopen: PH)

Dbl = Same range +, 2♣= Both Major, 2♦ =  $\forall$  or  $\spadesuit$ ,

2 ✓ / ♠ = nat and opening values, 2NT= Both minor or GF any 2- suiter.

### VS. Preempts (Doubles; Cue bids; Jumps; NT bids)

Take out doble

Cue-bid = asks for stopper

Jump in m = That minor + other major (GF)

Over 3M= That minor + other major (GF)

## **VS. Artificial Strong Openings**

VS. strong 1♣ (Yeslek)

Yeslek applies for overcalls up to 4♦

VS. strong 2♣: Yeslek, dbl = both majors

#### Over Opponents' take out double

Of 1M: Transfers

1M - (DBL) - 3M-2 = Limit

Of 1m: System on, xx = Strong

Leads and Signals					
Opening Leads Style					
	Lead	In Partner's Suit			
Suit	3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>			
NT	3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>			
Subseq	Sometimes lead 4th				
Leads					

Leaus						
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT				
Ace	AK/AKx/AKxx(x)	AK/AKx/AKxx(x)				
King	KQ/KQJ(x)/KQT(x)	KQ/KQJ(x)/KQT(x)				
Queen	AQJ(x)/QJ(x)/QJT(x)	AQJ(x)/QJ(x)/QJT(x)				
Jack	HJT(x)/JT(x)	HJT(x)/JT(x)				
10	HT9x/AQT(x)/T9x	HT9x/AQT(x)/T9x				
9	H9x/9xx/T9	H9x/9xx/T9				
Х	Hxxx/HT9x/xxxx(x)	Hxxx/HT9x/xxxx(x)				

Signals in order of priority						
	Partners lead	Declarer	Discarding			
Suit:	Encrg/Discrg		Encrg/Discrg			
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Count	Count	Count			
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Suit preference	Suit preference	Suit preference			
NT:	Encrg/Discrg	Smith	Encrg/Discrg			
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Count	Count	Count			
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Suit preference	Suit preference	Suit preference			

*Signals (including Trump's)*: Hi-low = Discrg/Even number Low-Hi =Encrg/Odd number

Smith vs NT (Low=positive)

#### **Doubles**

### Takeout Doubles (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Light style also reopenings, most dbls for take-out

#### Special, Art and Comp Dbl/Rdbl's

Neg, Responsive, Support Dbl to 2♥, Competative Dbl



## Special bids that may require defence

1♣ - 1♠ = 6-9nt OR ◆

1NT no vul = 8-12

2♦ both M

## Special forcing pass sequences

## Important notes that don't fit

After opponets overcall:

1 ♣ / • -(1 • )-1 • = Denies 4 • unless strong with • + •

1♣ /♦ -(1♥) - dbl = 4+ ♠

#### **Psychics**

Can occur

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Opening	Art	Min. #	င်း Description	Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bidding
1*		2	9-22 2+ <b>♣</b> May have 4 <b>♦</b>	$1 ◆ = 4 + \checkmark$ , $1 \checkmark = 4 + ♠$ , 1 ♠ = No 4 M unless GF ◆ + M 1NT = 11-12, $2 \clubsuit = \text{Inverted}$ , $2 ♠ / 2 \blacktriangledown = \text{transfer (weak)}$ . $2 ♠ = 6-9 \text{ hp and } \clubsuit$ , $2 \text{NT} = \text{Inv}$ $3 \clubsuit = \text{weak pree}$ , $2 ♠ = \text{good pree in } \clubsuit$	Accepts TRF with 3 card support XYZ	TRF ON 1 LEVEL
1 ♦		5(4)	9-22 5(4)+◆	2 ◆ = inverted, 2 ▼ / 2 ★ = WJS 2NT = inv 3 ★ = 6-9 hp and ◆ , 3 ◆ = weak pree	XYZ	
1♥		5	9-22 5+♥	$2 \triangleq$ = minisplinter ♣/ ♦, 2NT = GF ♥ support, 3♣ = single ♠, 3♦ = limit raise, 3♥ = pree	1 v - 2N, 3 v = min, 3nt = min bal	1 • -2 • / • = 8-11,3+ • and values in suit, 1 • -3 • = limit 4+ •
1♠		5	9-22 5+♠	2NT = GF $\spadesuit$ support, $3 \clubsuit$ = minisplinter $\spadesuit / \spadesuit$ , $3 \spadesuit$ = limit raise, $3 \clubsuit$ = single $\clubsuit$ , $3 \spadesuit$ = pree	Simular as for 1♥	As 1♥
1 NT			8-12 no vul 15- 17 vul May have 5cM Ore 7cm	VS weakNT: 2♣=weak stayman/invite, 2♠=GF, 2♥/♠ = to play, 2NT = invite VS StrongNT: Stayman/Transfer, 3♣ = splinter minor 3♠ = ask 5-card major, 3♥/♠ = splinter		1Nt-2 <b>*</b> , 2 <b>♦</b> 2 <b>♦</b> = 5+ <b>♦</b>
2*	Х		3-4 loosers or strong NT	2 → =waiting 2 ▼ /2 → =weak, not forcing over 20-21 NT	After NT -3 $\clubsuit$ = puppet Stayman 3 $\spadesuit$ / $\blacktriangledown$ = Transfer 3 $\spadesuit$ = 4+/4+ in minors 4 $\clubsuit$ / $\spadesuit$ / $\spadesuit$ = Slam try with $\blacktriangledown$ / $\spadesuit$ / $\spadesuit$ /	
2♦	Х		Both M 5(4) +4, 7-10 hcp	3 Forcing		
2♥		4	6 card, 6-11 hcp	2NT - Asks for Singleton		
2 🏟		6	6 card, 6-11 hcp	2NT= Asks for Singleton		
2 NT	х		22-24 hcp	$3 \clubsuit$ =puppet Stayman $3 \spadesuit / \blacktriangledown$ = Transfer $3 \spadesuit$ = $4 + / 4 +$ in minors $4 \clubsuit / \spadesuit / \blacktriangledown / \spadesuit$ =Slam try with $\blacktriangledown / \spadesuit / \clubsuit / \spadesuit$	Slam Conventions	
3x		6	PRE, ACC TO VUL	$3 - 3 = Asking \rightarrow 3 = min, 3 = xtra, 6, 3N = xtra, 7$ $3 - M: 4 = slamtry \rightarrow 4 = min, 4 = max, 6, 4 = max 7$	0314 RKCB	
3NT	Χ		Running minor, no sidetricks	4♣ = P/C 4♦=slamtry 4♥, 4n=rkc ♠	Exclusion RKCB, DOPI/ROPI	
4x		6	PRE, ACC TO VUL		5NT is frequently pick a slam	
4NT		6	Asks for specific aces	5♣ = 0 Aces 5NT= 2 Aces 5♦/5♥/5♠/6♣ = That Ace	Splinter bids, Cue bids (Italian style) lots of last train cue-bids	