## **Defensive and Competitive Bidding**

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

Natural overcalls (normally 5card but may have 4 sometimes).

Will reopen If short in their suit.

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

15-18 NT in second and 10-14 in  $4^{th}$  seat. 2c asks major, and 2D and H transfers. (Syst is on).

## Jump Overcalls (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

Weak jump (1-2-3 rule) all new suit are forcing either natural og cue bid.

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

Michael cue bid on major with other major and a minor, 1C - 2C and 1D - 2D = Both major, 2NT = Two lowest

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

Dobl = as strong as they at least

2C= both minor

2D= both major

2H and S is natural

2NT = Two suits and good card.

Else preemtives \*

Same defence aginst stron ad weak NT.

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

Take out dobles, 2NT is 15-18, Leaping Michael.

#### **VS. Artificial Strong Openings**

Natural bidding. Against strong 1C, 1NT and 2NT is two suit in any. (At least 9 card with 1NT and at least 10 card with 2NT).

#### Over Opponents' take out double

Natural suit with at least 6points, 1NT = 6-9, Redobl = 10+,

2NT inv with support im 1 Major - dobl - ? but Inv if 1 minor - dobl - ?

# Leads and Signals

## **Opening Leads Style**

	Lead	In Partner's Suit			
Suit	3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> =odd	3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> =odd			
NT 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> =odd 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> =odd		3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> =odd			
Subseq	Count from what is left of suit				

#### Leads

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	Hxx <u>x</u> /HT9 <u>x</u> /x <u>x</u> xx(x)	Hxx <u>x</u> /HT9 <u>x</u> /x <u>x</u> xx(x)

# Signals in order of priority

	Partners lead	Declarer	Discarding	
Suit:	Low enc	count	Low =enc	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Count		Count	
3 <sup>rd</sup>				
NT:	Low enc	Lavinthal	Lavinthal	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Count	Count	Count	
3 <sup>rd</sup>				

### Signals (including Trump's):

Ekko in trump, else count, lavinthal.

Low card = enc, high card = disc

#### **Doubles**

## Takeout Doubles (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Based on majors and often short in their suit, competive dobles for take out.

# Special, Art and Comp Dbl/Rdbl's

Neg, hi-low, support dobl, responsive, competive dobls for take out.



# System Card





# System:

# Players





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# **System Summary**

## General Approach and Style

Natural

Normally open lowest 4card suit.

1 H/Sp opening normally 5 card.

1 NT (14)15-17 May have 5 card major or 6 card minor

2 over 1 is game forcing.

# Special bids that may require defence

2C: 19+ strong and forcing

2D: Multi, weak two in H or S, 20-21 or 25-27 NT or 19+4441 with any single.

2H: 5-5 in H and minor, 4 - 10 HP

2S: 5-5 in S and other suit, 4 - 10 HP

2NT: 5-5 in minor and 9-12 HP

# Special forcing pass sequences

1x-1/2y-pass: ask for dobl if partner is short in their suit.

## Important notes that don't fit

1x-1y-1NT-2 ♣= Checkback, at least inv

#### **Psychics**

Very rare, but possible.

Opening	Art	Min.#	Neg. D.	Description	Despenses	Cubacquent Austion	Deced Head Diddies
රි		₹	¥ £	Description	Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bidding
1*		3	4♥	11-20 hp Shows 4c, except 4- 3-3-3 or 3-4-3-3	1D/H/S is natural and forcing (May have longer dia after 1/H or S response if weak), 1NT= 6-10, 2C 11+ Hp with 4+card, 2D= 8 - 11 with 4+ club, 2H/S = weak 6+cards. 2NT=Invitational, 3C=preemptive	1C - 1Major - 1NT - 2D= longer dia then major and weak. 1C - 1Major - 1NT - 2C= Checkback at least invitational.	
1♦		3	4♥	11 – 20 hp 4+ suit	1H/S is natural and forcing. 1NT= 6-10, 2D= 11+ HP, 2H/S= weak 6+cards, 3C= 8-11 with 4+Dia, 2NT= inv, 3D= preemtive.	1D - 1Major - 1NT - 2C= Checkback at least invitational.	
1♥		5	4♦	11 – 20 hp 4+ suit	2NT= support and at least invitational. 2S/3C/3D= Short suit and 6-9points, 3H= preemtive, 3S/4C/4D = splinter with void.	1H-2NT, 3♣♦=nat (may be 3 card), gameforcing.	2♣ = Drury after passed hand.
1♠		5	4♥	11 – 20 5+ suit	2NT= support and at least invitational. 3C/3D/3H = Short suit and 6-9 points, SH= preemtive, 4C/4D/4H = splinter with void.	1S-2NT, 3♣♦= nat (may be 3card), gameforcing.	2♣ = Drury after passed hand.
1 NT				(14)15-17 Balanced May have 5 card major or 6 card minor.	2C Stayman, 2D/H is transfers, 2S is one or both minors, 3C/D is inv. to 3NT with HHxxxx, 3H is slam inv with club and 3D slam inv with diamond.	1NT-2C-2D-? 3H= 5S + 4H 3S= 5H + 4S 1NT - 4NT asks for maximum.	
2*	х	0		Strong and forcing	2D = 0-5 unbal or 0-8 balanced. 2H/S 3CD natural 5+card and 6+ point, normally at least one of top three in the suit. 2NT = 9+ bal.	2C-2D, 2M-3C =0-3 with no support.  2C - 3H/S/4C/D=Semi solid suit with 6+cards.  2C - 4H/S/5C/D= Solid suit with 6+ cards.	
2♦	х	0		Multi, Weak Two in H or S, 19+hp 4441 any singel or 20 – 21/25 - 27NT	2H/S = pass or correct, 2NT = Relay, 3C/D natural not forcing, 3H= pass or correct, 4H/S = to play with own suit.	2D-2NT-? 3C = good H suit, 3D is good S suit. 2D - 2NT - 3NT = 20 - 21	
2♥	х	5		Tartan 5H - 5+ minor and 5 - 10hp	2NT= Realay asks for other suit, New suit is natural and non forcing.	2H - 2NT - 3C/D - 3H is invitational 2H - 2NT - 3C/D - New suit is forcing.	4.th. hand opening shows 10 – 13 HP.
2.	х	5		Tartan 5S – 5+ in other suit and 5 - 10 HP	2NT= Realay asks for other suit, New suit is natural and non forcing.	2S - 2NT - 3C/D/H - 3S is invitational 2S - 2NT - 3C/D/H - New suit is forcing.	4.th. hand opening shows 10 – 13 HP.
2 NT	Х			5 - 5+ in minors, 9-12 hp	3C/D = to play, 3H forcing relay, 3S ask for Aces with 6 aces.	Slam Conventions	
3x		6		Preemt	3X is natural and forc.	4NT: Roman Key Card Blackwood: 5C= 1/4, 5D= 0/3 (Other way if answer to 4NT	
3NT	х			Solid 7 or 8 card minor suit no A or K outside the suit.	4C to correct for partner.	blackwood after partners strong 2NT or strong 2C opening), 5H= 2 without queen and 5S 2 with queen.	
4♣,♦		6		Natural preemt	Natural 4h and 4S responses.	Cue bids (first and second up the line), splinter and minisplinters.	
4♥,♠		6		Natural Preemt	Cue bid responses, 4NT is Rkc blackwood.	Josephine 5NT asks for tops in trump.	
4NT				Asks for specific ace.	5C=0ace, suit shows that ace, 5NT= 2 aces and 6 C club ace.	Void showing blackwood.	