

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style; Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)
Normal style, 8-17, 5+ cards.
UCB: good raise w/3 cards, or strong; UCB+1=good raise w/4 cards
Response with change of suit = forcing
Fit bids are based on distribution, not points
Reopening (by suit or double) can be low in points
1 or 2NT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)
1NT: 2 nd in hand 16-18; 4 th in hand 10-12; system on
2NT: 2 nd in hand = lowest unbid 2-suiter; 4 th in hand = bal 17-19
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Weak (5-10), 6+ cards
2NT Forcing response to 2-level jump overcall: feature ask
Unusual NT: lowest 2 unbid suits, 5-5 +
In 4 th seat: Suit = Intermediate. 2NT = 17-19 bal
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
Michaels Precision (see notes): 5-5+, good suit quality
2NT constructive suit enquiry.
Cue bid of intervening bid GF & guarantees 4+ cards support
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Re-opening; PH)
VS strong NT (2 nd): X=4xmajor+5+minor; 2C = Majors; 2D= 6+maj
2M = 5xM+4+m; 2NT = minors or big 2 suiter;
VS strong NT (4 th): X = majors, all suit bids natural
VS weak NT: as per strong NT, but X is penalty
VS weak NT in 4 th : X = penalty, 2C = majors, 2D/H/S & 3C = natural
VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
X: T/O. at 4-level X guarantees contract can be beaten
Leaping Michaels over opening 2 of major
2NT: 16-18; 3NT to play
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣
Vs. 1C – X: = majors, 1NT = minors, suit bids natural
Vs. 2C – X: =majors, 2NT = minors, suit bids natural
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE
Redouble: 10+ (with xx or worse over 1M), X is penalty by either.
PH redouble when 1M opened may mean mixed raise
1M (X): any non-jump bid is forcing, jump fit bids in other suits

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	3 rd , 5 th	3 rd , 5 th	
NT	4 th , 2 nd with no honour	3 rd , 5 th	
Subsequent	Attitude	Attitude	
Other: K for count or unblock to all contracts			
Smith, hi-lo by leader is discourage, by partner encourage			
LEADS			
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	AK, A	AK, A	
King	KQ	KQ	
Queen	KQ, QJ	KQ, QJ	
Jack	AJ10, KJ10, J10	AJ10, KJ10, J10	
10	H109, 10x, 109(x)	H109, 10x, 109x	
9	109x, 9x	9x, (109x)	
Hi-X	Xx, xXx	Xx, xXx	
Lo-X	xxX, HxX, xXxx, HxXx	Xxx, HxX, HxxX	
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit 1	Standard Attitude	Std Count	Standard Attitude
Suit 2	Standard Count	Suit Preference	Std Count
Suit 3	Suit Preference		Suit Preference
NT 1	Standard Attitude	Standard Attitude	Count
NT 2	Standard Count	Standard Count	Std Attitude
NT 3	Suit Preference	Suit Preference	Suit Preference
Signals (including Trumps): Normal Attitude, Standard Count,			
Levinthal in various [obvious] situations			
DOUBLES			
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)			
Emphasis on majors, can be light with classic shape or in reopening			
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS			
Support doubles and redoubles below 2M (guarantees 7-card fit)			
1m-(1S)-X = 4 cards in H guaranteed			
1NT (X)[pen] XX = 5 card suit; 1NT (X)[not] XX = values, others = system on			

W B F CONVENTION CARD	
CATEGORY:	Green
NCBO:	Scotland
EVENT:	Autumn 2021
PLAYERS:	Bill Whyte & Joe Duxbury
NBO numbers	971 & 10017
SYSTEM SUMMARY	
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE	
15-17, 2/1 GF, 5 card majors, better minor (3+)	
Weak Twos in majors	
2C = GF	
2D = Strong	
1NT Opening: 15-17	
2 Over 1 Responses: GF	
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE	
Gambling 3NT	
1M-3C/D mixed raises of opening major suit	
Rubensohl – Fast Arrival Shows Stop, Impossible trf = Stayman	
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES	
IMPORTANT NOTES	
PSYCHICS:	Very Rare

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU				
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		3	4H	11+HCP 3+C	1D = (3)4+D, 1M = 4+M, 1NT=6-10 (denies major)	1x-1M-1N-?: 2-way checkback 2C/2D	Fit jumps by PH
					2C = natural & GF. 1m-2m GF, denies major 2NT = 11 natural; 3C = 6-9 HCP, 4D = RKCB	2C checkback = Invitation, 2D obligatory relay 2D checkback = GF, natural responses	
1♦		3	4H	11+HCP 3+D	1M = 4+M, 1NT = 6-10 (denies maj)	Checkback as above	
					2C = GF, 2D = 10+, 2M = WJS, 0-8 (5NV)6 M 2NT = 11-12 nat, 3C = 9-11 IJS, 4C = RKCB		
1♥		5	4D	11+HCP 5+H	1NT = 5-11		P-1M-2C = 3+M Drury 1M (X) ? then 2C -> 3M-1 (except 2M) are transfers
					All bids showing fit apply to S & H.		
					1M-3C/3D – mixed raises (C = 3cnds; D=4cnds) 1M-3M & 1M-4M basically pre-empt		
1♠		5	4H	11+HCP 5+S	2NT = GF raise (3C response = min)		
					1M-1NT; 3X = GF natural		
					1M-1NT; not fitted, max 11 pts 1M-3NT, 4 card raise, no singleton		
1NT		–	4H	15-17 Balanced	2C = stayman, 2D/H/S/2NT all trfs	1N-2D-2H-? 2S = Marionette cont. relay to 2N, Others = hearts	Lebensohl over interference
					3C = 5/4 in minors, singleton major		
					3D = 5cd stayman with 1 or 2 three card majors		
2♣	√	0	4H	22+ Semi-Balanced Any GF	2D = Relay; 2NT with flat 8-9pts incl 2xK	2H = H or strong bal, 3M = 4M and longer D; Next suit by responder = second negative	
2♦		0	-	Strong one suiter or 23-24 flat	Relay 2H	2 nd bid GF	
2♥		6	-	5-10, 6+H	2S = F1, 2N = Feature ask, 3m = NF		
					3S = invitational nat		
2♠		6	-	5-10, 6+S	2N = Feature ask, 3m = NF, 3H = F1		
2NT		–	4H	20-21 Semi-Balanced	3C = 4 cd Stayman, 3D/H/S = transfer; 4C= trf		
				May include off shape/singleton			
3x		6	-	0-11 HCP, Pre-emptive			
3NT	√	–	-	Running minor, no outside A/K	4C/D/5C = P/c, 4H/S = nat	HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
4x		7	-	0-11 HCP, Pre-emptive		RKCB 3041.	
4NT	√		-	Blackwood			
5m		7	-	0-11HCP, Pre-emptive			
5M		(7)8	-	Trump Suit Ask		Natural cue bidding 1 st /2 nd round controls	
5NT			-	Slam try		3NT = non-serious slam try in some Major auctions	
6M		(7)8	-	Trump Suit Ask		Exclusion key card 3041	
6NT			-	Grand slam try			