## DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

## OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1/2 Level; Reopening)

Wide-ranging (mostly constructive) non-jump overcalls Cue of opponent's suit at the 2lvl below our suit promises support
Jump raise is preemptive
New suit is F1
1NT OVERCALL ( $2^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening)
[1x] - 1NT (15-18 HCP normally with a stop) $\rightarrow$ system ON 2NT Lebensohl and 3lvl inv+ transfers over intervention Reopen: 11-14 HCP

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Weak over 1lvl, mostly sound over 2lvl / 3lvl preempt
2NT - 5+ 5+ lowest in rank unbid suits
Leaping Michaels over 2M opening
Direct cue in $3^{\text {rd }}$ level asks stop
When partner has passed HCP count can vary more

DIRECT \& JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
2lvl / 4lvl Michaels
3lvl asks for a stop

VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; PH)
Dbl - penalty (PH - 5+m 4M)
2\& - both majors 9+cards
$2 \diamond$ - one major $5+$ cards
2M - 5M 4+m
2NT - both minors 9+cards
VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
Leaping Michaels over 2M opening
Non-leaping Michaels over 3lvl opening
Direct cue at 3lvl asks stop
2NT / 3NT bids are natural with a stop
Dbls are takeout oriented vs 2lvl-3lvl preempts, values vs 4lvl
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS
Over strong 1\%:
1lvl - natural, lead directing
2lvl - same as over 1NT

## OVER OPPONENTS’ TAKEOUT DOUBLE

Fit jumps after 1M, weak jumps after 1m
1suit - [Dbl] - Rdbl - 8+HCP (mostly BAL) raise,
2suit - 4-7 HCP raise, 2NT - 8+HCP UNBAL raise
$2 \diamond-[\mathrm{Dbl}]-$ Rdbl - forcing to bid $2 \vee$ if a)
2M - [Dbl] - Rdbl - asks to bid the minor, 3m - natural NF

| LEADS AND SIGNALS |  |  |
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| OPENING LEADS STYLE |  |  |
|  | Lead | In Partner's Suit |
| Suit | 1/3/5 | 1/3/5 |
| NT | 1/3/5 | 1/3/5 |
| Subsequent | Mostly 1/3/5 | Mostly 1/3/5 |
| Other: Leading style above may be overridden if deemed appropriate |  |  |
| LEADS |  |  |
| Lead (asks for) | Vs. Suit | Vs. NT |
| Ace (attitude) |  |  |
| King (count) | AK(x...); $\underline{\underline{K Q}(x . . .) ; \underline{K}(x) 10}$ |  |
| Queen (attitude) | KQ(x...); QJ(x...); ${ }^{\text {Q (x) }}$ |  |
| Jack (attitude) | J10(x...); J (x) | AQJ(x...); $\underline{\mathrm{J} 10(x . . .) ; ~} \underline{\mathrm{~J}}$ (x) |
| 10 (count vs suit, attitude vs NT) | KJ10(x...); 10(x) | A/K J10(x...); 10(x) |
| 9 (count vs suit, attitude vs NT) | K/Q 109(x...); 9(x) | A/K/Q 109(x...); $\underline{9}$ (x) |
| x (count) | $\operatorname{xxxx} \underline{x}(\mathrm{x}) ; \mathrm{xx} \underline{x}(\mathrm{x}) ; \underline{\mathrm{x}}(\mathrm{x})$ |  |

## SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

|  |  | Partner's Lead | Declarer's Lead | Discarding |
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| Suit | 1 | Attitude | Smith | Lavinthal |
|  | 2 | Count | Count |  |
|  | 3 | Lavinthal |  |  |
| NT | 1 | Attitude | 2 | Count |

Signals: Reverse count / attitude, Smith at trick 2 by both players unless contextually clear that count has priority or encouragement in the suit led is impossible, $1^{\text {st }}$ discard Lavinthal

## DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)
May be light with classic shape or when feel like partner is trapping Natural responses
May be light in reopen seat
May be very light when partner is passed

## SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL \& COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

## 1m- [1•]-Dbl-4ヘ

1m-1M - [2suit] - Dbl - 17+HCP, denies 6m, mostly (semi)BAL 1suit - [Dbl] - Rdbl - 8+HCP (mostly BAL) raise
1NT - [Dbl] - Rdbl - 5+any suit

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CATEGORY: GREEN
NCBO: SCOTLAND
PLAYERS: Stewart Pinkerton, Gints Freimanis

## SYSTEM SUMMARY

## 2 over 1 GF

11-14 HCP / 18-19 HCP BAL hands without 5M open $1 \star$ with $4 \star-4 \%$ or whenever $\leqslant>\%$, otherwise $1 \%$ is opened, in $3^{\text {rd }}$ seat the minor of better quality may be opened
1NT - 15-17 HCP BAL includes 5M332, may have 5m422 and 6m322
2\% - a) At most 10 HCP (5)6+ *
b) $22+\mathrm{HCP}$ or at most 4 losers

2 - a) At most 10 HCP (5)6+M
b) 9 playing tricks in any suit contract

2M - At most 10 HCP 5M 4+m
Gazzilli, Jacoby, Bergen raises over 1M opening, Kokish after 2 \&

## SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

$2 *$ M openings
$1 \mathrm{M}-2 \%-4-7 \mathrm{HCP}$ raise in M or $2+\& \mathrm{GF}$ unless repeated
Gambling 3NT opening
2-way Drury raise by a passed hand
Fast Arrival Shows Stop in Lebensohl, dbld Stayman / transfer sequences

## SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

## When GF

1NT - [pass] - 2suit - [Dbl] - pass - no stop in the suit

## IMPORTANT NOTES

$3^{\text {rd }}$ seat openings may be light in values and lead-directing
BAL raises contain hands with no shortage
UNBAL raises contain hands with a shortage
PSYCHICS: RARE

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|  |  |  |  | DESCRIPTION | RESPONSES | SUBSEQUENT ACTION | $\begin{gathered} \text { COMPETITIVE \& } \\ \text { PASSED HAND } \\ \text { BIDDING } \end{gathered}$ |
| 1\% |  | 3 | $7{ }^{\text {a }}$ | 10-21 НСР 3+* <br> Can be light in $3^{\text {rd }}$ seat | 1suit - 4+suit F1, 1NT - 5-10 HCP, no 4M 2\% - inverted minor <br> 2 - 7-9 HCP UNBAL \& raise, no 4M <br> 2M / 3M - weak <br> 2NT / 3\%-5+\& weak, cannot/ can support <br> 18-19 NT respectively, 3NT - 12-14 HCP 4\% | 1*-1x-1M - natural, UNBAL $\rightarrow$ 1NT / 2 \% - NF, $2 \mathrm{x}-8-11$ HCP $6+\mathrm{x}, 4^{\text {th }}$ suit F1 $1 *-1 \mathrm{x}-1 \mathrm{NT}$ - any 11-14 HCP (semi)BAL without a 4-card support, does not deny 4 cards in the unbid suits $\rightarrow 2 \star$ - relay to $2 \diamond$ or invitational, $2 \diamond-$ GF any $1 \%-2 \%-2 N T-11-14$ HCP BAL (rejects invitation), $3 \%-5+\%$ (rejects invitation), Jumps bids - splinter, Other bids - GF semi-natural | Weak jumps in competition and by passed hand |
| 1 |  | 3 | 74 | 10-21 HCP 3+ <br> Can be light in $3^{\text {rd }}$ seat | Same as after 1* except 3* - 7-9 HCP UNBAL raise, no 4M | Same as after 1* | Same as after $1 \%$ except $1 \star-2 *-9-11$ with $4+$ $1 *-2-6-8$ with $4+$ |
| $1 \vee$ |  | 5 | 74 | 10-21 HCP 5+ <br> Can be light in $3^{\text {rd }}$ seat and $4+\bullet$ | 1NT - 6-11 HCP, no 4 $\uparrow$ <br> 2* - 4-7 HCP raise in $\bullet$ or $2+\%$ GF unless repeated, $2 \star-5+$ GF unless repeated 2•-8-10 НСР 3 $\downarrow$, 2 $\downarrow$ - 11-12 НСР $3 \vee$ <br> 2NT - 13+ HCP 3+ $\bullet$, $3 *-7-9$ HCP $4+\bullet$ <br> 3 - 10-12 НСР $4+\bullet, 3 \vee-0-7$ НСР $4+\bullet$ <br> 3NT - 12-14 HCP 3433 | ```1v-1^ / NT-2& - 11-15 HCP 4+& or 16+HCP, 2NT - 14-16 HCP 6+` 4 in any other suit with good playing strength, 3m-14-16 HCP 5v 5m with good playing strength, 3 - 14-16 HCP 6+` with good playing strength 1\vee-2&-2\diamond\vee - interested / not interested in game opposite 4-7 HCP raise in \vee, other bids - same as after 1 -1 / NT, but 19+HCP or equivalent playing strength 1v-2 -2NT - 18-19 HCP (semi)BAL 1\vee-2NT-3m / - - shortage, 3 - no shortage, min, 3NT - no shortage, non-min``` | 1 - -2 * - 8-11 with $3 \vee$ $1 \vee-2$ - $8-11$ with $4 \vee$ $1 \vee-2 \vee-4-7$ with $3+\bullet$ <br> Fit jumps in competition and by passed hand |
| 14 |  | 5 | $7 \vee$ | 10-21 НCP 5+ $\boldsymbol{\wedge}$ <br> Can be light in $3^{\text {rd }}$ seat and $4+\boldsymbol{a}$ | Same as after 1v except $3 \bullet-11-12 \text { НСР } 3 \wedge$ | Same as after $1 \vee$ | Same as after 1v except $1 \wedge-2 \bullet-N F$ |
| 1NT |  | 2 | 74 | 15-17 HCP (semi)BAL Includes 5M332 and 5m422 May have 6m322 | $\begin{aligned} & 2 *-\text { Stayman, } 2 \triangleleft \vee \uparrow / N T-\text { transfer } \\ & 3 *-\text { Muppet Stayman } \\ & 3 *-5+5+\text { minors GF } \\ & 3 \vee-3-1-(5-4), 3 \uparrow-1-3-(5-4) \\ & 4 *-5+5+\text { majors GF, } 4 \diamond \vee-\text { transfer } \end{aligned}$ | 1NT-2*-2 - no 4M, 2M - 4-5M <br> 1NT-2*-2 -2M - NF, 3M - 4M 5OM GF <br> 1NT-2 -2 $/ 3 *-4 \wedge * 4-5 \bullet$ max <br> 1NT-3\&-3 - at least one 4-card major, 3 - no 4M, 3^-5^, 3NT - 5 <br> 1NT-3 $\boldsymbol{\bullet} \boldsymbol{\wedge} \boldsymbol{\wedge}$ - relay to confirm the number of | 2NT Lebensohl and 3lvl inv+ transfers in competition <br> $4 \diamond \bullet$ bids are same after intervention of up to $3 \%$ |
| 2\% | $\checkmark$ | 0 | 74 | a) At most 10 HCP (5)6+ <br> b) $22+\mathrm{HCP}$ or at most 4 losers | 2 / 3 - pass / correct 2M / 3\% - natural NF if a) 2NT - relay |  | SAME |
| 2 | $\checkmark$ | 0 |  | a) At most 10 HCP (5)6+M <br> b) 9 playing tricks in any suit contract | 2M / 3M - passs / correct <br> 2NT - relay, 3m - natural NF if a) <br> 4\% - asks for transfer to 4M if a) <br> 4 - asks to bid 4M if a) <br> 4 M - natural, to play if a) | ```2*-2NT-3*-6+\bullet min, 3*-6+^ min, 3\bullet - 6+ m max, 3^-6+\bullet max, 4suit - 9 playing tricks, natural 2*-2^-2NT - max weak 2\vee opening``` | SAME |
| 20* | $\checkmark$ | 5 |  | At most 10 HCP 5 ¢ A 4+m | 3\% - pass / correct, 2NT - relay Other non-jump bids - NF |  | SAME |
| 2NT |  | 2 | $7{ }^{*}$ | 20-21 HCP (semi)BAL <br> Includes 5M332 and 5m422 <br> May have 6m322 | ```3\& - Muppet Stayman, \(3 \diamond \vee\) - transfer 3- - minor suit Stayman 4m - natural slam try``` |  2NT-3A-3NT - no 4m, 4m - 4+m | SAME |
| $3 * *$ - |  | 6 |  | Constructive 6+preempt | 4* (4* after 3\%) - RKCB | Over 3suit response, 3NT may be used just to deny support for partner | Response is non-forcing |
| 3NT | $\checkmark$ | 0 |  | AKQxxxx(+) in a minor, no A / K in other suits | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Pass - to play, } 4 \& \text { - pass / correct } \\ & 4 \text { - asks shortage } \end{aligned}$ | When a major has been agreed at the 3lvl, +1 bid is a non-serious slam try, other bid | are natural control bids |
| 4\%* |  | 7 |  | Destructive 7+preempt | 4NT - RKCB | and serious slam tries |  |
| 4VA |  | 7 |  | Depends on seat and vul | 4NT - RKCB | If opponents intervene over 4NT key-card, then pass - even number of key-cards, |  |
| 4NT | $\checkmark$ | 0 |  | Specific ace ask | 5* - no aces, $5 *$ ¢ / 6* - specific ace |  |  |

