# DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING OVERCALLS

Wide Range 1 Level : 2 Level Sound if Vul. Responses : New Suit Non Forcing Cue bid shows good raise or strong hand 1NT OVERCALL 2nd / 3rd Position is Raptor In 4th Position : 11/14 HCP Bal. System on

2NT. OVERCALL in any position Minors no agreement on strength 5/5

JUMP OVERCALLS

weak usually 6 card suits 2Nt relay Weaker the strength longer the length DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS

Michaels Cue Bid : at least 5/4 Jump Cue : asks for stopper for Nt. *Also GF* U.C.B. either relay or forcing DEFENSE AGAINST 1 Nt.

weak Nt "X" Pen. Splash : Suit Bid also Higher Suit Strong Nt 14+ "X" says bid 2 ♣ Pass or Corr Splash also played over Strong Nt DEFENSE TO A STRONG ♣

X = Majors or strong hand : One of a suit nat.
 1Nt = minors : 2♣ = 5/5 Majors :

2♦ = Multi up to 9 HCP 2♥/♠ = 6 + 10/13 DEFENCE TO WEAK TWO`S

Suit bids 15 + at least 5 HCP if less than

15 HCP will have longer length

"X" 15/16 HCP or 19+ : 2Nt 17/18 HCP

### LEADS AND SIGNALS

#### **OPENING LEADS STYLE**

Attitude from length to Suit or Nt Contracts M.U.D. if nothing better to lead Ace or Queen for Reverse Attitude King for Standard Count Strong 10 to Nt Contracts High /Low Dblton : Low attitude at least 3 SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORTY

ON PARTNER`S LEAD Ace or Queen - Reverse Attitude King - Standard Count McKinney style carding where possible If trumph, suit preference if possible IF OPPOSITION WINS THE TRICK Suit preference is the preferred play and holding useless trumph High Low suggests a McKenny style DISCARDS

Odds and Evens to Suit : McK to Nt thereafter give standard count This is our normal style while it is not always possible common sense takes precedence intent to deceive is a big part of the game NOTES 1♣ 2♣ Micheals : usually 5/4

1♣ 2♦ Micheals at least 5/5

after a X all systems on : Overcall system off

#### SCOTTISH BRIDGE UNION

CONVENTION CARD March 2019 Players:- Sandy Anderson Stewart Duguid Number:- 3552 6134

SYSTEM SUMMARY General Approach and Style

## 5 CARD MAJORS

1NT 15 - 17
May contain a 5 card Major Responses to 1NT
2C is Non Promisory Stayman
3♣ Puppet: 3♦ minors wk: 3♠ minors S
4 Way Transfers
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Other Opening Bids
2♣ :- is strong or a weak 2 in ♦

which covers a variety of hands

2♦ Majors up to 10 HCP or Bal 19/20 HCP

2♥/♠ weak 2 usually 6 cards

2Nt 21 - 22 Responses to 2Nt Puppet : Transfers to the Majors 3♠ shows 5♠ and 4♥

Gambling 3Nt Opening 3 Bids may be undisciplined

Any other bid that does not fit the system is treated as ambiguous and is forcing

Bid	Art.	Lth.	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION BY OPENER
1♣	Ν	3	11 - 19 H.C.P.	2♣ 5/7 With 4/5 : 3♣ 10/11 with 4+	1Nt up to 14 HCP
never less than 3			or Rule of 18/19	1Nt 8/9 denies another 4 card suit must have (4♣)	Minor then Major at the 1 level shows 5/4
1 vill be 4			Does not deny a 5 Card	Hackett responses over 1 dus : 1 them	Must Jump to Force
unless 44 <mark>3</mark> 2		<mark>3</mark> 2	Major if longer 🛃	1 Level Majors natural : Jump 2 Level Major weak (6)	1Nt 12/14( Checkback used) 2Nt 18 HCP
1♦	Ν	4	11 - 19 H.C.P. as above	More or less as above	More or less as above
1♥	Ν	5	10 - 19 HCP.	2♥ 5/9 : 1Nt denies 3♥	Rebid of another suit shows shape
			May contain 5 <b>♣ or</b> 5♦	2♣ May be artificial: 10 + HCP 3/4 card fit	may be 11 + HCP will pass 2Nt response
Two Over One			in a weak hand.	3♣ 3♦ 2Nt 3Nt Bergen style bids	Rebid 2♥ will be a 6 card suit weak
Ford	Forcing to 2Nt		or Rule of 18/19	3≜ 4♣ 4♦ Splinters : To Bid 3Nt must go via 2♣	1Nt 12/14(2 way Checkback used) 2Nt 18 HCP
1♠	Ν	5	10 -19 HCP.	2♠ 5/9 : 2 ♥ Natural Good 10 HCP	Rebid of another suit shows shape
			May contain 5♣ or 5♦	2. May be artificial: 10 + 3/4 card fit	may be 11 + HCP will pass 2Nt response
Two Over One			in a weak hand.	3♣ 3♦ 2Nt 3Nt Bergen style bids	Rebid 2 will be a 6 card suit weak
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1Nt	Ν	2	Nt	Non Promisary Stayman also Puppet	Transfers can be broken
No	Singlet	ton	15/17	4 way Transfers: 3♦ weak minors 3♠ Strong minors	Complete transfer with 3 to an Honour
2♣	Yes	0	Acol 2& or weak 2	2 Relay or may have nothing at all	Pass = weak 2♦
			8 + playing trick hand	2 of a Major 6+ HCP 5 + suit : 2Nt 8/10 HCP bal.	Bids as sees fit
2♦	Yes	0	Weak with both Majors	Bid best Major	Pass with a weak Hand or bid 2Nt with Bal 19/20
			or balanced 19/20	2Nt Relay asking partner to describe hand	3♣ 6/8 : 3♦ 9/10 : 3M shows 5 max
27	No	6	weak 2♥	Any bid forcing 1 round	Bid 3♥ with nothing to say or support with 3 +
				2Nt Relay asking partner to describe hand	3♣ Minimum 3 of the Suit Max or nearly Max
2♠	No	6	weak 2♥	Any bid forcing 1 round	Bid 3♥ with nothing to say or support with 3 +
		-		2Nt Relay asking partner to describe hand	3♣ Minimum 3 of the Suit Max or nearly Max
2Nt	Ν	1	21 - 22 HCP	Puppet Stayman	Bids a 5 card major: 3♦ with a 4 card or 3Nt
Singl	eton P			3♠ is GF Shows 5/4  ♠'s and ♥'s	Bids either 3 Nt or 4 of a major
3♣	Ν	6+	These	4♣/5♣ Preemptive : 3Nt to Play	Pass - or bid game if Major with 3 or 2 Hon.
3♦	Ν	6+	Bids	4♦/5♦ Preemptive : 3Nt to Play	Pass - or bid game if Major with 3 or 2 Hon.
3♥	Ν	6+	are all	4♥ to Play 3Nt to Play	Pass - Pass - 4♥ or 4♠ if as Above
3♠	Ν	6+	Pre - emptive	4 <b>≜</b> to Play - 3Nt to Play	Pass - Pass. Responses to RKCB as below
4♣	Ν	7+	These	5♣ To Play -Any other bid forcing	HIGH LEVEL BIDDING AND CONVENTIONS
4♦	Ν	7+	Bids	5 To Play - Any other bid forcing	RKCB (1340) To Suits : Roman Gerber over Nt 4D 0/4
4♥	Ν	7+	are all	4Nt RKCB Any other bid is a Cue (1st Round)	4Nt Quant : 5Nt GSF
4♠	Ν	7+	to Play	4Nt RKCB Any other bid is a Cue (1st Round)	Cue - Bids usually first round control ahead of 2nd.
5 Level Bids			Normally to Play	No Partnership Agreement	Over interference bids used is Podi.
					2 way Checkback over 1Nt rebids : UCB : Suit Trial bid (3)
					Michaels : 2Nt unusual : Bergen : Support Dbls
Although we have filled out a convention card and this will be our system, when					4Nt over 4♥/4♠ shows minors "X" show's ♥'s over ♠
it comes down to high level bidding,doubles,ovecalls a lot of this we will have no					Leaping Micheals over weak Twos : Lebenshol
partnership agreement and will be down to judgement, experience and luck					Over a minor a Cue bid would show the Majors
Any Other Bid that does not fit into the system is treated as Ambiguous and Forcing					these are all used in a competitive auction