

| DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING  |
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| <b>OVERCALLS (Style; Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)</b>                    |
| Wideranging, sound at 2-level. 1M may be 4 cards with longer m                 |
| Cue response = 3+card raise, 9+HCP   |
| New suit F1  |
| 2N = STR 4card raise of M, 9+HCP; NAT over m, 9+HCP                            |
| Jump cue = Mixed Raise, 7-9HCP Frequent FIT Jumps                              |
| <b>INT OVERCALL (2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Live; Responses; Reopening)</b> |
| 15+-18, System on  |
| In 4 <sup>th</sup> = 10-14 over 1m, 11-16 over 1M. System on                   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> live = 55+ unbid suits (16-18 in short club auctions)          |
| <b>JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)</b>                           |
| Weak, 6+suit 5-12 HCP  |
| UNT = 55+ 2 lowest unbid suits, unlimited                                      |
| Reopen: Intermediate in 4 <sup>th</sup> = 10-15HCP; 2N = 19-21, System on      |
| <b>DIRECT &amp; JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)</b>                    |
| (1m) 2m = 55+Ms unlimited (1♣) 2♦ = Ms when 1♣ = short                         |
| (1M) 2M = 5OM + 5m, unlimited  |
| Response: jumps promise 3+card support, cue = STR, Dbl = PEN                   |
| Jump cue overcall ASK for stopper  |
| <b>VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)</b>                                  |
| 2♣ = Ms. 2♦ response = same length, 2N = INV                                   |
| 2♦ = one M. 2/3♥=P/C, 2♠ = P/C, 2N = INV                                       |
| 2M = 5+ with 4+m. 3♠=P/C, 2N = INV   |
| 2N = 55+ms or STR 2-suiter, any suits  |
| Dbl = PEN, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dbl of NAT rescue = t/o                             |
| Dbl by PH = 6cardm. 2C = P/C   |
| <b>VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)</b>                          |
| T/ox + LEB FAST. Cue = 2-suiter.   |
| (2M) 4m = 55+bid m+OM FG   |
| <b>VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣</b>                           |
| Over 1♣ dbl = 4+♥; 1♦ = 4+♠, 1♥ = 44+ 2suits same colour;                      |
| 1♠ = 44+ Ms OR ms; 1N = 44+ ♠+♦ OR ♥+♣   |
| All less than opening strength   |
| <b>OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE</b>  |
| XX = Strong misfit, F 2NT. Raises PRE, 0-9 HCP. 2N = STR raise                 |
| New suit F1. Jump new suit = FIT   |
| 1M (dbl) 1N thru 2M-1 = TRF  |

| LEADS AND SIGNALS  |                                     |                       |            |
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| <b>OPENING LEADS STYLE</b>   |                                     |                       |            |
|  | Lead                                | In Partner's Suit     |            |
| Suit   | 4 <sup>th</sup> (Hi from bad suits) | Lowest from Odd       |            |
| NT   | 4 <sup>th</sup> (Hi from bad suits) | Hi = Even             |            |
| Subseq   | ATT                                 |                       |            |
| Other: SP leads when length known (eg after 2 opener)                  |                                     |                       |            |
| <b>LEADS</b>   |                                     |                       |            |
| Lead   | Vs. Suit                            | Vs. NT                |            |
| Ace  | A(xx) AK(xx)                        | Axx AKx(x) ATT        |            |
| King   | AK(xx) KQ(xx) Kx                    | AKJ .KQJ. KQT. CT/UB  |            |
| Queen  | QJ(xx) Qx                           | AQJ.. QJT.. QJ9.. ATT |            |
| Jack   | JTx(x) KJT(x)                       | JT9x JT8x             |            |
| 10   | KT9(x) QT9(x) 10x                   | KJT.. AJT.. HT9..     |            |
| 9  | T9(xx)                              | T9(xx)                |            |
| Hi-X   | Xx xXx(x)                           | Xxx xXx(x)            |            |
| Lo-X   | HxX HxxX(x)                         |                       |            |
| <b>SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY</b>                                    |                                     |                       |            |
|  | Partner's Lead                      | Declarer's Lead       | Discarding |
| 1  | Hi=Odd                              | Hi = Odd              | Hi = DISC  |
| Suit 2   | Hi=Disc                             | SPS                   | Hi = Odd   |
| 3  | SPS                                 |                       | SPS        |
| 1  | Hi=Odd                              | Hi=Odd                | Hi=Disc    |
| NT 2   | Hi = DISC on A/Q                    | SPS                   | Hi = Odd   |
| 3  | UB on K                             |                       |            |
| Signals (including Trumps):  |                                     |                       |            |
| UDCA. Standard remainder count. Hi-lo in trump = Odd. SPS possible     |                                     |                       |            |
| SMITH v NT: hi-lo by leader asks switch; by 3 <sup>rd</sup> hand = ENC |                                     |                       |            |
| <b>DOUBLES</b>   |                                     |                       |            |
| <b>TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)</b>                   |                                     |                       |            |
| Shape-suitable or STR. ELC after 2♣ response. Cue F suit agreement     |                                     |                       |            |
| NegX thru 4♦. Likely 4unbidM at 1-/2-evel, values at higher levels     |                                     |                       |            |
| RespX thru 4♦  |                                     |                       |            |
| <b>SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL &amp; COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS</b>                 |                                     |                       |            |
| Gametry X of suit immediately below                                    |                                     |                       |            |
| Rosenkranz X/XX of cue/dbl of partner's overcall to show Hx            |                                     |                       |            |
| Lightner of freely bid games /slams asks unusual lead, eg dummy's suit |                                     |                       |            |
| After 1N (PENX) XX = any single suit                                   |                                     |                       |            |
| Dbl of SPL asks for lead of suit below                                 |                                     |                       |            |

| W B F CONVENTION CARD  |
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| <b>CATEGORY:</b> i.e. <b>Green</b> / Blue / Red / HUM / Brown Sticker: |
| <b>NCBO:</b> Scotland  |
| <b>PLAYERS:</b> Liz McGOWAN/Fiona McQUAKER                             |
| <b>EVENT:</b> Venice Cup   |
| <b>SYSTEM SUMMARY</b>  |
| <b>GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE</b>                                      |
| Acol style   |
| 4card Ms   |
| Weak 2s in ♦♥♠ 5-10HCP   |
| 2over1 F to 2 of suit opened   |
| INT = 11-14  |
| <b>SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE</b>                           |
| 2♦ = NAT Weak 2 5-9HCP   |
| 2M = Weak 5-9HCP   |
| 3NT = STR M pre-empt 6-11HCP   |
| <b>SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES</b>                                  |
| 1x (dbl) redbl = FP below 2NT  |
| <b>IMPORTANT NOTES</b>   |
| <b>PSYCHICS:</b> Rare. Frequent light opener in 3 <sup>rd</sup> seat   |

| OPENING | TICK IF ARTIFICIAL | MIN. NO. OF CARDS | NEG.DBL THRU | McGowan/McQuaker SCOTLAND Women        |  |  |  |
|---------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|
|         |                    |                   |              | DESCRIPTION                            | RESPONSES  | SUBSEQUENT ACTION  | COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING  |
| 1♣      |                    | 4                 | 4♦           | NAT,15+HCP if BAL<br>Open 1♣ with 44ms | Limit raises. SPL<br>2N = 16+ FG raise. Strong Jump Shifts                                       | 1N rebid = 15-17. Now 2♣ = PUP 2♦;<br>2♦ = FG Major ASK  |  |
| 1♦      |                    | 4                 | 4♣           |  | New suit unlimited, F1   | 2N rebid = 18-19, 3♣ Major ASK   | Jump new suit by PH = FIT  |
| 1♥      |                    | 4                 | 4♦           | 10-20HCP<br>44(32) opens 1♥            | Limit raises, SPL. 2N = FG 4card raise<br>3♠/3NT = any void, relay asks                          | 1M-2x-2N=15-19, 3♣ ASKS range  | 2♠/2N by PH = 4card raise w unspecified singleton. Relay ASK                                 |
| 1♠      |                    | 4                 | 4♦           | Open 1M with 44Mm                      | 2over1 9+ F to 2 of suit opened. Rebid NF  |  |  |
| INT     |                    |                   |              | 11-14 BAL, 5M, 6mOK                    | STAY, 4-suit TRF (2♠ = ♣; 2N = ♦)<br>4♣ = Gerber; 4♦ = 55+Ms<br>3m = 54ms, GF; 3M = NAT slam try | After STAY new m = INV, NF<br>After TRF new suit = FG  | (PENX) XX = PUP 2♣, any single-suiter<br>New suit = NAT w higher suit (overcall) dbl = 5+HCP |
| 2♣      | √                  |                   |              | STR, 22+BAL or GF                      | 2♦ = relay. 2♥ = 0-4. 2N = ♥HHxxx+   | 2♣-2♦-2♥ = GF, NAT or 24+BAL   |  |
| 2♦      |                    | 5                 |              | 5-9, NAT                               | Raise nonconstructive; new suit F1<br>Jump new suit = FIT  | 2♦/M- 2N – 3new = Hx+; 4new = SPL  | New suit NF after overcall/dbl   |
| 2♥      |                    | 5(6VUL)           |              | 5-9, NAT                               | Raises non-CONSTR<br>2N ASKs high card feature   |  |  |
| 2♠      |                    | 5(6VUL)           |              | 5-9, NAT                               | 2N ASKs high card feature  |  |  |
| 2NT     | 20-21              |                   |              | BAL, 5M, 6m OK                         | 3♣ = 5cardPUPSTAY; 3red = TRF; 3♠ = PUP 3N<br>3N = 5♠4♥NF; 4m = Minorwood; 4M = NAT 9-11         |  |  |
| 3♣      |                    | 6                 |              | PRE, 0-9                               | New suit F1  |  |  |
| 3♦      |                    | 6                 |              | PRE, 0-9                               |  |  |  |
| 3♥      |                    | 6                 |              | PRE, 0-9                               |  |  |  |
| 3♠      |                    | 6                 |              | PRE, 0-9                               |  |  |  |
| 3NT     | √                  | 7                 |              | Sound PRE in a Major                   | 4♣ asks for suit below real suit. 4♦ asks singleton  |  |  |
| 4♣      |                    | 7                 |              | PRE, 3-11                              |  |  |  |
| 4♦      |                    | 7                 |              | PRE 3-11                               |  |  |  |
| 4♥      |                    | 7                 |              | PRE 3-11                               |  |  |  |
| 4♠      |                    | 7                 |              | PRE 3-11                               |  |  |  |
| 4NT     |                    |                   |              | Asks specific Aces                     | See High-level Bidding   |  |  |
| 5♣      |                    | 7                 |              | To play                                |  | <b>HIGH LEVEL BIDDING</b>  |  |
| 5♦      |                    | 7                 |              | To play                                |  | RKCB when M agreed: 1430; DOPI, ROPI. Relay ASKs TRQ;  |  |
| 5♥      |                    | 7                 |              | STR – bid 6M with TR A/K               |  | 4N-5x-5N = Grand Slam try  |  |
| 5♠      |                    | 7                 |              | STR – bid 6M with TR A/K               |  | Minorwood when m agreed: 4m asks, 1430 responses<br>Cues = 1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> round equally<br>4N opener asks for specific aces: 5♣ = 0; 5N = 2; 6♣ = ♣A |  |