DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1/2 Level; Reopening)

- Natural; $4^{+}$c. $=6 / 16 \mathrm{HCP}$

Responses

- Cue bid = Forcing (w/ or w/out fit)
- New Suit without jump= Forcing at level 1 and 3, NF at level 2
- Jump Raise = Preemptive; Major in jump over Minor preemptive;
- Minor in jump over Major is fit bid or mixed raised

Take out Double

- X followed by 1 suit $=18+$ HCP ( $4 / 5$ LT)

1NT OVERCALL ( $2^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening)
2th position $\Rightarrow 15^{+} / 18 \mathrm{HCP}$ (System on)
4th position $\Rightarrow$ 10/14 (System on)
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
$\Rightarrow$ Pre-emptive (at level 2: constructive if vulnerable, light if not vulnerable) Unusual NT $\Rightarrow 2$ suiter (passed hand)
2 suiter bids $\Rightarrow$ Gestem: $1 \star-2 *$ or $1 *-2 *=$ Majors
Reopening:
DIRECT \& JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopening)
Reopening in $4^{\text {th }}$ seat -2 ST - 19-21 Balanced
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; PH)
Overcall over 1NT in $2^{\text {nd }}$ pos. If NT Strong P. Transfers

- $2 \%=\vee+\wedge 8^{+}$cards ( $4^{+}-4$ )
- $2 \star=$ Hearts
- $2 \vee=$ Spades
- $2 \boldsymbol{A}=$ Minors
- 2ST = Clubs
- 3\% = Diamonds
- $\mathbf{X}=5 \mathrm{M}+4^{+} \mathrm{m}$ ( $12^{+}$points) or any strong (over weak NT $14^{+}$)

In 4rd pos $\rightarrow$ Landy and $X=5 M+4+m$ (10+ points) or any strong VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)


VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS - i.e. $1 *$ or 2\%
VS 1~ - 1NT=Minors
Level 2=Multilandy

## $\mathbf{x}=\stackrel{\text { ® }}{4}$

## OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

- Fit w/3c: $2 \vee / \wedge=5-8^{-} ; 2 \bullet / \bullet=8-10 ; \quad X X=11^{+} ;$Transfers
- Fit $w / 4^{+} c: 3 \vee / \uparrow=0-6 ; 2 N T=11^{+}$

Mixed raises 7-10; Splinter 12-15
$\bullet 1$ NT of de opener $=$ Support RDBL with at least one doubleton

| LEADS AND SIGNALS |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| OPENING LEADS STYLE |  |  |
|  | Lead | In Partner's Suit |
| Suit | $1 \mathrm{st} / 3 \mathrm{rd} / 5^{t^{\mathrm{h}}+\text { internal sequences }}$ | $1 \mathrm{st} / 3 \mathrm{rd} / 5^{\text {th }}+$ internal sequences |
| NT | Attitude | $1 \mathrm{st} / 3 \mathrm{rd} / 5^{\text {th }}+$ internal sequences |
| Subsequent | Attitude | Attitude |

Other: In NT k ask four unblock or count and A or Q asks for attitude

| LEADS |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lead | Vs. Suit | Vs. NT |
| Ace | Ax: AKx:, AKJ10x | Ax, AKx, AKJx |
| King | K; Kx; KQ (+); KQJ (+) | AKJT (+), KQJ (+) |
| Queen | QJ (+); Qx; Q | QJ (+), AQJ (+); RDxxx |
| Jack | J x; J10 (+); H J 10 (+) | J x, J10 (+) H J 10 (+) |
| 10 | 10 x, 109 (+), H 109 | 10 x, H 109 (+) |
| 9 | $9 \mathrm{x}, \mathrm{H} 98 \mathrm{x}$ | 9x; 98 x |
| Hi | Seq.; int. seq, Doubleton | Seq.; int. seq, Doubleton |
| Lo | $3^{\text {rd }}$ or $5^{\text {th }}$ | Promise Honor |

## SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

|  | Partner's Lead | Declarer's Lead | Discarding |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | Small Encor | Count | Odd Encor |
| Suit 2 | High Descor | lavintal | Even Prefer |
| 3 | Count |  | Count |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| 1 | Small Encor | Reverse Smith | Odd Encor |
| NT 2 | High Descor | Count | Even Prefer |
| 3 | Count | Lavintal | Lavintal |

Signals (including Trumps):

* Counting: hi/low = odd nr of cards ( given only if considered important) Reverse Smith


## DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

- Negative Double thru 4
-Penalty double after $2 / 1$ and others Gf situations and after preemtive openings in knowned suit

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL \& COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS
With passed hand over 1 $\downarrow /$ /
2 \% = Drury 3 cards( or 4333); Bergen raises

- Over $1 \vee-2 S T=$ Minors
- Over $1 \boldsymbol{\bullet}-2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}$ and over $1 \boldsymbol{\wedge}-2$ ST= drury with $4+$ cards and any singleton

EBL CONVENTION CARD

## CATEGORY: i.e. Green

## NCBO: PORTUGAL

PLAYERS: Alexandra Rosado 2508 POR
Paulo Gonçalves Pereira 1200 POR

## EVENT: Mixed Teams

## SYSTEM SUMMARY

## GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

- $\circ=2^{+}$c. (only with 4432 and 18-19)
- $=3^{+}$c. (only with 4432 and 11-14)
- $\bullet, \boldsymbol{\wedge}=5^{+} c$
- $1 \mathrm{NT}=14^{+}-17 \mathrm{HCP}$
- '2/1' GF
- After $1 \stackrel{\circ}{*}-1 \vee$ (or other 3 suits at first level): $2 \%$ ask to bid $2 \diamond ; 2 \diamond$ GF; 2NT ask to bid $3 *$
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
- Gazilli over $1 \vee-1 N T, 1 \vee-1 \wedge$ and $1 \wedge-1 N T$
- Jacobi and bergen raises; 1M-2*GF, asks opener description
- 2\% N Vul= Strong (could be GF or not) ; VUL = Strong No GF
- $2 \star$ N Vul $=\vee$ - $\uparrow$ weak or 21-23 bal; Vul= GF
- $2 \vee \mathrm{~N} \mathrm{Vul}=5 \vee$ and $4^{+}$in minor; Vul= $6+\ominus(8-12)$
-2 $\boldsymbol{\wedge}$ N VUL $=5 \boldsymbol{\wedge}$ and $4^{+}$in minor; Vul $=6+\boldsymbol{\wedge}(8-12)$
- $2 \mathrm{NT}=20-21 \mathrm{bal}$
- $3 \infty / \star / \vee / \mathrm{ST}=\mathrm{PRE}$ in the next suit (not vulnerable
could be very light) or 2 suits GF
$3 \uparrow$ - solid minor or 2 suits GF
$\bullet 4 \% / \star=$ Pre-emptive (in $1^{\text {st }}$ or $2^{\text {nd }}$ pos bad suit)
- $4 \boldsymbol{\bullet}-\boldsymbol{n}=$ Natural
- Rubensol and Lebensol
- Over $2 \diamond$ Multi $\rightarrow 2 \vee / \wedge=$ short
$2 \mathrm{NT}=16-18 \mathrm{HCP}$ bal (Follow by Muppet)
- After 1NT-2 could be:
a) Hearts
b) Invitation for 3NT with \& or long suit
c) Slam try in $\vee-\uparrow$ with independent suit

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES:

- $1 \boldsymbol{x}$ / LHO Overcall / Pass = May have penalty double
- 1NT / LHO Overcall / Pass = May have penalty double

IMPORTANT NOTES:
PSYCHICS:
Frequent in 3th position with vuln favorable

|  |  |  |  | DESCRIPTION | RESPONSES | SUBSEQUENT ACTION |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | COMPETITIVE \& PASSED HAND BIDDING |
| 1\% |  | 2 | $4 \vee$ | Natural, 2 or $+\ldots$ ( 2 with 4432 and 18-19) | Walsh; Inverted minors <br> $1 \%-2 *(11+)$-Forcing till $3 \% ; 2 *=$ intermediate ( $7-10$ ) <br> $2 \boldsymbol{A}=$ strong and independent suit GF (follow by controls) $2 \vee=5 v+4 \wedge \quad 7-10$ |  or $1 \propto-1 \vee-1 \wedge$ <br> a) $2 *=$ Forcing to $2 \diamond$; b) $2 \star=$ Checkback GF; c) 2ST Forcing to $3 \%$ |  |
| 1 |  | 3 | 4 | Natural, 3 or + (if 4432) and 11-14 | ```Inverted minors. \(1 \star-2 \vee 10-20\left(11^{+}\right)\)forcing till \(3 \star\); \(3 \star=\) intermediate (7-10) \(2 / 1=\) GF. (except after 1d-2c-2d-3c) \(2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=\) strong and independent suit GF (follow by controls) \(2 v=5 v+4 \wedge 7-10\)``` | After $1 \star-1(\vee / \star)-1 \mathrm{NT}$ : or $1 \star-1 \vee-1 \uparrow$ <br> a) $2 \%=$ Forcing to $2 *$; <br> b) $2 \star=$ Checkback GF; <br> c) 2 ST Forcing to $3 \%$ |  |
| $1 v$ |  | 5* | 4 | $\begin{aligned} & 10-21 \mathrm{HCP}, 5^{+} \vee \\ & * \text { In } 3^{\text {rd }} \text { place: } 4^{+} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1NT-Up to } 11 \text { points: ' } 2 / 1^{\prime}=\mathrm{GF} ; \\ & 2 \downarrow=9-11, \text { w } 3 \text { cards support; } \\ & 2 \mathrm{NT}=\text { fit } \mathrm{w} / 4^{+} \mathrm{GF} ; \\ & 3 \mathrm{x}=\text { Bergen raises; } 4 \mathrm{x}=\text { splinter; } \\ & 3 \mathrm{~A}=4^{+} \vee \mathrm{GF} \text { with one void; 3NT-Splinter in } \mathrm{n} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow>\text { over } 2 \backsim-2 \downarrow=\text { catch-all; } 2 N T=14-18 ; \\ & \Rightarrow 2 \uparrow \text {, any short ( } 2 \text { st asks);2NT= trial in } \uparrow \text {; } \\ & 3 X=\text { trial in X } \\ & \Rightarrow \text { Over } 1 \backsim-1 \wedge / 1 N T-\text { Gazzili } \\ & \Rightarrow \text { Over } 1 \backsim-2 \& \text { Relay GF } \end{aligned}$ | 2\%=Drury (3 c or 4333); Over 1『, 2ST = Both Minors; 2A; $=$ 4 cards drury with 1 short; 3x - Bergen |
| 1 A |  | 5* | 4 | $10-21 \mathrm{HCP}, 5^{+} a \text {; }$ <br> * $3^{\text {rd }}$ and $4^{\text {th }} \mathrm{pl}$ : $4^{+}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1NT-Up to } 11 \text { points: }{ }^{\prime} 2 / 1 ’=\mathrm{GF} \\ & 2 \wedge=9-11 \text {, w } 3 \text { cards support; } \\ & 2 \mathrm{NT}=\text { fit w/ } 4^{+} \text {GF } \\ & 3 \mathrm{x}=\text { Bergen raises; } 4 \mathrm{x}=\text { splinter. } 3 \mathrm{NT} 4^{+} \uparrow \text { GF with void } \end{aligned}$ | - Over $2 / 1$ GF in diamonds or hards, $2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ catch-all; $2 \mathrm{NT}=14-18 ; 3 \mathrm{NT}=11-12$ <br> - Over $2 \wedge, 2 N T=$ any short ( 3 \& asks), $3 \mathrm{X}=$ trial in X | $2 \%=$ Drury ( 3 c or 4333); Over 1『, 2ST $=4$ cards drury with 1 short; 3x - Bergen |
| INT |  |  | 4 | $14^{+}-17$ HCP BAL (May have 5 cards Majors) | $2 \%=$ Stay (may have no majors and may be weak); $2 \star=$ transfer or others; $2 \boldsymbol{v}=$ transfer $2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ Both minors, weak or strong, or sign off in $*$ $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ weak or strong with $\%$ or strong with <br> 3\& Puppet; $3 \diamond=5^{+} \bullet+5^{+} \uparrow$ invit; $3 \vee / \wedge=$ singl $\vee / \wedge+3$ other $M$ $4 \%=$ Majors; $4 \diamond=\vee ; 4 \vee=\wedge$; 4NT invitational | - After 1NT - Gazilli <br> - After 1NT - 2*-2 $\rightarrow$ Smolen, and Super Smolen in $4 \%$ and $4 *$ | After RHO natural overcall, negative doubles and Rubensohl. |
| 2\% | V | 0 |  | Strong ( If N VUL could be GF) | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \diamond=\text { Relay; } 2 \vee / \uparrow=5 \text { cards with } 2 \text { honors; } 2 \mathrm{ST}=14^{+} \\ & 3 \star / \diamond=6 \text { cards with } 2 \text { honors } \end{aligned}$ | After $2 *-2 \star-2 N T \rightarrow 3 \%=$ Muppet Stayman <br> If not vul After $2 \propto-2 \vee-2 \vee / 2 \wedge \rightarrow 3 \approx=2^{\text {nd }}$ neg. |  |
| 2 | V | 0 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NV } \vee \text { - } \uparrow \text { weak (4-10), or } 22-23 \text { HCP BAL } \\ & \mathrm{V}=\mathrm{GF} \end{aligned}$ | $\mathrm{NV}=2 \boldsymbol{\vee}=$ to play if weak in $\boldsymbol{\vee} ; 2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ to play if weak in $\uparrow$ 2NT=asks; $3 \% / \star=$ Forcing | After 2NT, $3 *=\vee \min , 3 *=\uparrow \min , 3 \vee=\max , 3$ max; = ${ }^{-}$max. |  |
| $2 \vee$ |  | 5/6 |  | NV $5 \vee 4^{+}$minor 4-10; <br> Vul- 6+H 10-13 | $\mathrm{NV}-2 \boldsymbol{A}$ : natural, $\mathrm{NF} 2 \mathrm{ST}=$ Ask minor ; $3 \star=$ Inv. or more with fit $\mathrm{V}=2 \wedge$ ask strong and distribution; 2 NT ask number of spades | 2A: 2 NT Min - 3* max; Balanc 3* max sing \% |  |
| 2A |  | 5/6 |  | NV 5 ^ $4^{+}$minor 4-10; <br> Vul- 6+S 10-13 | $\mathrm{NV}: 2 \mathrm{ST}=$ Ask minor, $3 \%=$ Pass or correct; $3 *=$ Inv. or more with fit $\mathrm{V}=2 \mathrm{ST}$ Ask ask strong and distribution; $3 \%$ ask number of hearts | 2NT $=>3 *$ Min $-3 *$ Balanced max |  |
| 2NT |  |  |  | $19^{+}-21$ HCP BAL (May have 5 cards Majors) | 3\&=Muppet stayman; $3 \diamond / \vee=$ transfer; $3 \boldsymbol{A}=$ minors, slamish; 3 NT To play; $4 \curvearrowright / 4 \diamond=$ Hearts; $4 \vee=\& ; 4 \wedge=*$ | After $3 \star$, $4 \star=$ both majors slamish, $4 \diamond=$ both majors to play. |  |
| 3\% |  | 0 |  | Pre-empt in * or bic 5\% and 6 other GF |  |  |  |
| 3 |  | 0 |  | Pre-empt in $\vee$ or bic $5 *$ and 6 other GF |  |  |  |
| $3 v$ |  | 0 |  | Pre-empt in $\uparrow$ or bic $5 \vee$ and other GF |  | HIGH LEVEL BIDDING |  |
| 3n |  | 0 |  | Solid minor or bic 5a and 6 other GF |  | ( RKCB for $\vee$ is $4 \uparrow$ and Blackwood) - Minor Wood |  |
| 3NT |  |  |  | Pre-empt in \%, good suit |  | $\bullet$ RKCB \& Blackwood $\rightarrow$ • 3/0 • 4/1 - 2 | $2+$ Q |
| 4\% |  | 6 |  | Pre-empt, with bad suit if in $1^{\text {st }}$ and $2^{\text {nd }}$ position |  | - $5 \mathrm{NT}=1$ Ace +1 Useful Void |  |
| 4 |  | 6 |  | Pre-empt, with bad suit if in $1^{\text {st }}$ and $2^{\text {nd }}$ position |  | - 6 X (under trump) $=2 \mathrm{~A}+1$ useful void in X ( | Q of trump) |
| $4 \vee$ |  | 6 |  | Natural |  | - 6 on trump suit $=2 \mathrm{~A}+1$ useful void |  |
| 4 a |  | 6 |  | Natural |  | - If LHO bid , X or XX is even, "pass" is odd (D | PO) |

