

| DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING |
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| OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening) |
| 1 level: Usually 5 card (May be 4 if good suit) |
| 2 Level: Usually 6 card (May be 5 if nv&pre-emptive) |
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| INT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening) |
| 2 nd 15-18 (System on) |
| 4 th 11-14 (System on) |
| 2NT in 4 th is 20-21 (System on) |
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| JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT) |
| Weak: 6 card suit |
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| DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen) |
| Michaels 5-5 weak or strong |
| After 1C (short) : 2♣ =Clubs; 2♦ =both M 2NT=both Minors! |
| After 1M : 2N=both m , 2M =OM & ♣ or ♦ |
| VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH) |
| Double is penalty against a weak NT and shows 5+ minor and 4 Major against Strong NT and also if a passed hand |
| Multi-Landy: |
| 2♣ both Majors |
| 2♦ single Major |
| 2♥ Hearts and a minor |
| 2♠ Spades and a minor |
| 2N both Minors |
| 3♣/3♦ single suited |
| VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids) |
| double=T/o Lebensohl Fast Shows |
| VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣ |
| After 1♣ 1/2NT = both m; Double = both M |
| OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE |
| Redouble is strong ;Generally SYSTEM is on-except inverted minors |
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| LEADS AND SIGNALS | | | |
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| OPENING LEADS STYLE | | | |
| | Lead | In Partner's Suit | |
| Suit | 4 th and 2 nd Also High from 3 small | Supported-High if no honour else Low. If not supported low from length ** | |
| NT | 4 th and 2 nd Also High from 3 small; coded 10 and 9 | Supported-High if no honour else Low. If not supported low from length ** | |
| Subseq | Attitude | | |
| Other: Remaining count when necessary | | | |
| LEADS | | | |
| Lead | Vs. Suit | Vs. NT | |
| Ace | For Rev Attitude | For Rev Attitude | |
| King | For Count | For Unblock / Count | |
| Queen | For Rev attitude | For Rev attitude | |
| Jack | KJT(x), JT(x) | Denies higher | |
| 10 | 109(x) | 0 or 2 higher includes J | |
| 9 | 98(xx) | 0 or 2 higher includes T | |
| Hi-X | Denies interest | Denies interest | |
| Lo-X | Interest (except ** above) | Interest (except ** above) | |
| SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY | | | |
| | Partner's Lead | Declarer's Lead | Discarding |
| 1 | Lo= Encrg | Hi=Even | Lo=Encrg |
| Suit 2 | Hi=even | SP | Remaining Count |
| 3 | SP | | |
| 1 | Lo=ENCRG | Hi=Even | Lo=Encrg |
| NT 2 | Hi=Even | | Remaining Count |
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| Signals (including Trumps): SP; Reverse Smith Peters v NT | | | |
| Note – No MUD | | | |
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| DOUBLES | | | |
| TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening) | | | |
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| SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS | | | |
| X of own suit suggests another lead. | | | |
| XX of Partner's overcall shows A or K | | | |
| "Out of the Blue" X of their NT game+ asks for a Spade lead eg 1N-P-3N-X | | | |
| X of a GF splinter asks for a lead of the Higher Side Suit eg Hearts agreed, | | | |
| Double of Spades asks for a Diamond; Double of Clubs asks for a Spade | | | |
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| W B F CONVENTION CARD |
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| CATEGORY: Green |
| NCBO: SBU |
| PLAYERS: Robert Clow 6358 / Mike McGinley 3101 |
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| SYSTEM SUMMARY |
| GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE |
| 5 card majors 2/1 GF except 1M-2m-2N!-3m (poss 4 in 3 rd /4 th) |
| 1♣ = 3+; either 12-14 balanced or clubs |
| 1♦ = 3+; usually 4 except when 4432 |
| 2♣ 24+ Bal or GF |
| 2♦ Multi 6 card Major 5-8+ or 20-21 balanced |
| 2♥ 9-11 6♥ or 5♥ and 4+ Minor |
| 2♠ 9-11 6♠ or 5♠ and 4+ Minor |
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| SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE |
| Weak jump shifts 1m (p) 2♥- 6+♥ 5-7; 1m (p) 2♠ 6+♠ 5-7; 1♣ (p) 2♦ 6+♦ 5-7 |
| Math Gazzilli: 1M (p) 1♠/NT (p) 2♣ = natural OR 16+ artificial |
| 2-Way-XYZ : 1m (p) 1Y(p) 1N(p) : 2♣=Xfer to♦ : 2♦=GF |
| Support Doubles to 2 level only; 2N after Partner's Major opener in competition is at least a limit 4 card raise |
| 4 th Suit forcing to current NT level or suit agreement. Any bid at 3level is GF |
| After a Double of our 1N opener or overcall; xx shows a 5 card suit; a bid of a suit shows that suit and a higher equal length |
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| SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES |
| Intervention after any GF sequence |
| IMPORTANT NOTES |
| Any Balanced opening bid may contain a singleton honour (1N, 2♣., 2N); A rebid of NT may contain a singleton and very rarely a Void. |
| PSYCHICS: Rare |

| OPENING | TICK IF ARTIFICIAL | MIN. NO. OF CARDS | NEG.DBL THRU | DESCRIPTION | RESPONSES | SUBSEQUENT ACTION | PASSED HAND BIDDING |
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| | | | | 1♣ | | 3 | |
| 1♦ | | 3 | | 11+HCP 3+♦, Usually 4 unless 4432 | 3♣/♦ pre-emptive; 1♦-3♣ Invitational; 1♣-2♦=6♦, 1m-2♥=6♥ or 2♠=6♠ (all 5-7HCP) | | |
| 1♥ | | 5 | | 11+ HCP | Gazzilli 2NT= 4 card raise (13- GF) ; Bergen 3♣=6-9 4 cards; 3♦=10-12+ 4 cards; 3M=Weak with a shortage; Jump in other Major = 3 card limit raise+. 1♥-3♣ unspecified shortage; 1♥-3N/4♣/ 4♦ Void in L/M/H suit (♣/♦/♠). 1♠-3N unspecified shortage. 1♠/4♣/ 4♦/4♥ Void in L/M/H | After 2N; 3♣=15+ with a Shortage, 3♦=Non-min, 3M=6 card, non-min; 3 other M=15-17; 3N=18-19; 4 of a new suit is a 2 nd 5 card suit. After 1M-2any-2M = 6 cards; 2N=Bucket After shortage next suit relays then L/M/H. After Void, Exclusion replies | Drury 2C = 3+ support, limit values. On in competition below 2♣ overcall. If Drury applies 2N shows long clubs NF. Bergen off in competition |
| 1♠ | | | | | | | |
| INT | | | | 15-17 | 2♣ no-promissory Stayman, Smolen applies; 4 suit transfers; 4♦/4♥ Texas puppet to 4♥/4♠ | Opener bids 3M 2♣ with 5. Transfers break (M) to Doubleton or 2N (re-xfer); (m) below | |
| 2♣ | √ | 0 | | GF or Strong Bal 24+ | 2♦ relay; any other bid promises at least a 6 card suit with 2 TH and an outside K+ | 2♥ Kokish relay to 2♠; then 2N = 26+; immediate 2N=24-25 | |
| 2♦ | √ | 6 (5) | | 5-8+ 6 card Major or 20-21 balanced | 2♥/♠ and 3♥ Pass or Correct; 3♠ Nat GI Pass, 3♣/♦, 3N, 4♥/♠ all to play 2NT enquiry; usually GI+ 4♣/♦ Transfer into suit / Bid your suit | After 2N: 3♣ Maximum; 3♦ asks which M and Partner bids the Major he doesn't have. 3♦/3♥ are transfers, minimum with 6 ♥/♠ | |
| 2♥ | √ | 5 | | 9-11 with either 6♥ or 5♥ and 4+ Minor | Pass, 3♥, 3N, 4♥ to play 2♠ enquiry; usually GI+ 3♣, 3♦ Nat F1; 3♠ Nat GI | After 2♠: 2N= 6♥, Short ♣; 3♠=Short ♦; 3N=Short ♠ 3♥=6♥ No shortage, 3♣, 3♦ = Lucas Style hand | Mostly Natural |
| 2♠ | √ | 5 | | 9-11 with either 6♠ or 5♠ and 4+ Minor | Pass, 3♠, 3N, 4♠ to play 2N enquiry; usually GI+ 3♣, 3♦, 3♥ Nat F1 | After 2N: 3♥=6♠, Short red suit (4♣ asks); 3N=Short ♣ 3♠=6♠ No shortage, 3♣, 3♦ = Lucas Style hand | Mostly Natural |
| 2NT | | | | 22-23 Balanced | 3♣=5card puppet. Major Xfers; 3♠=MSS; 3NT=4♥&5♠; Higher NT bids quantitative 4♦/4♥ Texas puppet to 4♥/4♠ 4♣=RKB ♣; 4♠=RKB ♦ | After 3♣; 3♦=1+ 4 Card Major(s); responder reverses majors to show other Major 4♦=Pick a Major 2N-3♥-3♠-4♥ is 5-5 no slam interest | |
| 3♣ | | 7(6) | | Pre-empt | 4♦ RKB (Pre-empt Keycard applies) | | |
| 3♦ | | 7(6) | | | 4♣=RKB (PK) | | |
| 3♥ | | 7(6) | | | 4♠=RKB (PK) | | |
| 3♠ | | 7 | | | 4♣=RKB (PK) | | |
| 3NT | √ | 7 | | Good Major – 8.5 + tricks | 4♣=Transfer into your Suit; 4♦=Bid Suit | | |
| 4♣ | | 7 | | Natural | 4♥/♠ to play (PK) | | |
| 4♦ | | 7 | | Natural | 4♥/♠ to play (PK) | | |
| 4♥ | | 7 | | Weaker than 3N | PK | | |
| 4♠ | | 7 | | Weaker than 3N | PK | | |
| 4NT | √ | 8 | | Specific Ace ask | 5♣=No Ace,5♦=A♦ etc 6♣=A♣,5N=2 Aces | Cue of a known singleton is either the Ace or shows interest | |
| 5♣/5♦ | | 8 | | Pre-Emptive | No outside values | Exclusion RKB is 0,1,2,2 with Q,3; 4N RKB is 14/30 | |
| 5♥/5♠ | | | | No outside loser; trump suit ask; missing AK | | Pre-empt Keycard is 0, 1, 1 with Q, 2, 2 with Q; applies after any pre-emptive opening or overcall | |