DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING **OVERCALLS** 1-level: 8+, 7L in direct seat, 4 card suits are possible 2-level: 10+7L in direct seat, 6+otherwise New suit below Q=F, jump raise=0-8, jump Q=F raise 1NT OVERCALL 14+-18 in direct seat, 10-14 in balacing seat, System on Offshape possible JUMP OVERCALLS Jump to 2 level=5+suit 0-12HCP,2NT resp=Bargust Jump to 2NT direct=Unusual, 2 lowest, 5L (4L VUL v NV) **DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS** Direct Cue: (1m)-2m=5/5+MM, 5L (4L VUL), Strong (1M)-2M=50M/5m+, 5L (4L VUL), Strong Jump Cue: Asking for stopper, normally 7+cashing suit VS. NT Against any NT direct seat: Featherston 2♣ =4+♣ & 4+♥, 2♦=4+♦& 4+♠, 2M=Nat, 6+ 3m=Nat, 6+, X=2 touching suits, 4/4+ 2NT=5/6+mm or 5/5+MM & very strong Reopen: 2♣ =♥; 2♦=♠; 2♥=♠; 2♠ =♦; X=Any 2 suits or 5332 9+ VS. PREEMPTS X=T/O, NAT overcalls, new suit F, Q=majors oriented, Over 3♠: 3♦=T/O L/T 13HCP, X=T/O 14+

vs Weak Twos:

2NT LEB resp to X.

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

X=BAL/SEMIBAL 13+:

1suit=two touching suits, suit+higher 0-13 OR suit+lower 10-17

1NT=♥& OR & OR & Work is NAT and weak

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

New suit 1-level F, 2-level NF;

Jump to 2-level = WEAK, Jump to 3-level = FIT JUMP

2NT = Limit Raise (over m + M), XX = 10 + implies no fit.

Other:

1 - (X) - XX =any hand 0 or 1 -

P-(P)-1M-(X)-XX = any hand 0 or 1 in M EXCEPT Weak $6+\spadesuit$.

LEADS	ΑN	ID	SI	GN	AL
ODENII	JC.	TI	7 4	DC	CT

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	LO = ENC	Same
Notrump	LO = ENC	Same
Subsequent	LO = ENC & S/P	Same

Other: HI from xx, attitude

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT		
Ace	AK(+)	AKQx(+), AKJT(+)		
King	AK(+), AK, KQ(+)	KQJ(+), KQT(+),		
		AKJx(+)		
Queen	QJ(+), KQT(+),	QJ(+), KQT(+)		
Jack	JT(+), QJ9(+)	HJTx(+), JT(+), QJ((+)		
10	T9(+), JT8(+)	HT9x(+), T9(+), JT8(+),		
9	9x, 9	9x		
Hi-X	Xx, xXx(+)	Xx, xXx(+), Xxx(+)		
Lo-X	Hx(+)	Hxx(+)		

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	COUNT	COUNT	COUNT,
2 Suit	S/P	S/P	
3			
1	COUNT	HI=EVEN	COUNT
2 NT	S/P	COUNT	S/P
3		S/P	

Signals: HI=EVEN

First discard: HI=EVEN or S/P & DISC; AKQJT discard ENC

Lead A for S/P, K for COUNT, QJT surround leads: Q=QJ+,KQT+ or shortness: same for J/T

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES

Min offshape possible, Equal Level Conversion

Responses:

1x=0-11 4c supp, 2x=0-11 5+c supp;

O=F up to suit agreement;

Single raise by T/O doubler does not promise extras.

MISCELLANEOUS DOUBLES/REDOUBLES

Most doubles are T/O.

Negative double thru ALL

Responsive double, Maximal double

Anti-Lead Directional doubles

WBF CONVENTION CARD

CATEGORY: Green

NCBO: CBAI

EVENT: Camrose trials 2025

PLAYERS:

John Connolly and Michael Donnelly

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

2/1. Natural Style

7L 14+-17 1NTopening (6cm/singleton possible)

1♦=4+in all seats

Light initial action: may open 7 losers w/8+HCP

Forcing Openings:

2♣ =Any GF or 23+BAL, 4♣/4♦=♥/♠

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

Weak Two openings 2♦, 2♥ and 2♠

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

When a GF has been established

When game has been constructively bid

Over 2♣ interfernece, X = Neg, Pass = GF or Trap Pass and F

IMPORTANT NOTES

May open light (8+) with 7L, light responses possible, third seat openings may be light, pass then bid could have up to 12HCP

Equal Level Negative Freebids

Against two suited bids: higher Q bid shows higher suit

PSYCHICS: RARE but POSSIBLE.

Past psychics have included: 3rd seat opening, response to PRE-EMPT

OPEN	ART	MIN	NEG.	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED
		CRDS	DBL				HAND BIDDING
1.		2	All	NF 8+HCP, 2+♣, 11-14/18- 20 BAL	1♦=NAT or 3-7 BAL or 6-9 FIT, 1♥/♣=4+ maybe longer♦, 1NT F, 2♣ =WEAK 0-6, 3♣ =F, strong; WJS, SPL, 4♣/♦=TRF to ♥/♠	NAT, 1NT=12-14, 2NT=18-19(20). 1♣-1♦; 2♦=F 3+♦, 3♦=4+♦and AKQxxx+♣	
1+		4	All	8+HCP, QTxx or better or 5+, might be BAL (11-14/18-20)	NAT, 1NT=0-11 NF, 2*=WEAK 0-6, 2NT= 13-15 F, 3*=F, strong; WJS, SPL	1♦-1♥/♠- 1NT=11-14, 2x= NAT, 2NT=18-19(20) BAL	
1♥		5	All	8+HCP, 4+ in all seats, if L/T reverse may be 4♥/5m	1♠ NAT, 1NT=0-11 F, 2/1 NAT GF, 2NT=GF 4+supp, 2♥=3+supp, 6-10, 3♥=3+supp, 10- 12 INV SPL, 3♠/♦=FIT JUMP	1NT=11-14/18-19 then 2♠ =♦sign-off or ART INV, 2♦=GF, 2NT=♠ sign-off/others	Odd/Even Drury: 2♣ = Lim+ 3/5, 2◆ = Lim+ 4/6
1.		5	All	8+HCP, 5+ in 1st/2nd, may be 4 in 3rd/4th, if only 4♠ may have other 5 card suit	1NT=0-11 F, 2/1=GF, 2♠ =6-10 3+supp, 2NT =GF w/4+supp, 3♠/♦=FIT JUMP, 3♠ =10-12 4+supp INV, SPL		Odd/Even Drury: 2♣ = Lim+ 3/5, 2♦ = Lim+ 4/6
1NT				14+-17, freq. 5 card M, 6cm or singleton possible	2♣ =STAY, 2♦/♥=TRF, 2♠ = MSS or ♦ weak, 2NT=Weak♣/4x1/others, 3♣/♦=6+INV, 3♥/♠=6+SlamTry, 4♦/♥TRF 4♣ =5/5+mm SlamTry, 4♠ =23(44) Quantitive, 4NT=33(43) Quantitive.	1NT-2\(\delta\)-2\(\delta\)-3M = 5+oM does not promise 5/4MM	Negative Doubles, Transfer LEB
2*	X			23+BAL or any GF (16+ L/T 4L)	2♦=Waiting 3+HCP; 2♥=Double NEG 0- 2HCP, 2♠ =5/5mm+0-2HCP, 2NT=A or K in 3 suits, 3♠ =5+♠/5+M, 0-2HCP, 3♦=AKxx or shorter in some suit and not much else		X=Neg, Pass=GF or Trap Pass
2•		5		5-11HCP, 5-7 cards, 2/3 honours in 1st/2nd seat	2 V /♠ =NF, 2NT=F, 3♠ =ASKS 4cM, GF		
2♥		5		5-11HCP, 5-7 cards, 2/3 honours in 1st/2nd seat	New suit F, 2NT = F feature ask		Bargust 2NT over 3rd/4th open-ing
2.		6		5-11HCP, 6-7 cards, 2/3 honours in 1st/2nd seat	New suit F, 2NT = F feature ask		Bargust 2NT over 3rd/4th opening
2NT				19+-22 5L	3♣ =STAY, 3q/r=TRF, 3♠ =5+m SlamTry, 4♣ =5/5+mm SlamTry		
3x		7		0-11, 6+2/3 top honours Vul 1st/2nd	New suit F		
3NT				23-26HCP, 4432 or 4333 no 4cM	$4 \clubsuit = 5/5 + MM$, $4 \spadesuit / ♥ = TRF$, $4 \spadesuit = 23(44)$ Quantitive, $4NT = 33(43)$ Quantitive		
4.	X			TRF to 4♥, same as 4♥ opening			
4	X			TRF to 4, same as 4 opening			
4♥		7		L/T 12HCP, Promises A or K, To play, may be 6 card suit with distribution, no slam interest	4♠ = To Play, 4NT = RKCB		
4♠		7		As above	4NT = RKCB		
4NT	X			6/6+ minors	5♥ = 1430KC♣, 5♠ = 1430KC♦		
5m		7		PRE-EMPT, TO PLAY			
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HIGH LEVEL BIDDING

1430 RKCB & Queen ask

5NT=specific king ask. Jump to 5NT=Pick a slam
R0P1, D0P1

Cue bid A/K/shortness, A/KQ/shortness by respd.

Lightner doubles