

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Re-opening)
O/call Style: 8-15hcp; sound at the 2- level when vulnerable
Responses: UCB then
Resp. Dble: values or T/O
Neg. Dble to 3S
Support Doubles at 1/2 level
INT OVERCALL (2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Live; Responses; Re-opening)
2 <sup>nd</sup> seat: (15 – 17) hcp. Systems on as over 1NT opening
4 <sup>th</sup> seat: (10 – 14) hcp, protective. Systems on as over 1NT opening
bid of 2C A asks if P had 14, with 14 P bids 2nt with< bids suit at 2 level.
After 2nt resp from opener then normal systems on tx and stayman 3c
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
2-Level : 6-card, 3 way
Michaels
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
1h 2h
Vs. 1NT opening (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; PH)
2c majors, 2d single majors 2h/2s that major and a minor
X of weak NT Penalties x strong both minors 5/5
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Dble of 4H T/O,4NT=Minors.- X of 4S=Pen , 4NT = T/o
After their 2nt opening both minors,X by us to show both maj, 3c both with longer H and 3D both with longer spades?
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣
1-level o/calls – natural. our def to 1nt multi Landy
OVER OPPONENTS’ TAKEOUT DOUBLE:
Direct suit raises to 2/3/4 level over T.O.
XX (Redble) = 9+hcp and shortage in partner’s suit

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	4 <sup>th</sup> and Mud2nd & 4ths	4 <sup>th</sup>	
NT	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4ths	2nd & 4ths	
Subsequent	Std count	Std count	
Other: Ace seeks attitude (Q or 3 <sup>rd</sup> round ruff in a suit;? King for count)			
LEADS			
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	AK(x)+; Ax(+)	AK(x)+	
King	KA(x)+, KQ(x)+, KQ10+	KA(x)+, KQJ(x)+, KQ10+	
Queen	QJx(+)	QJ10(x)+	
Jack	J10x	J10x	
10	Could be Doubleton or top of sequence	Possibly top of sequence	
9	109x	109x	
Lo-X	Hxx	Hxx	
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	Reverse att	Std count	Odd Enc/Even = SP
Suit 2			
3			
1	As above	As above	As above
NT 2			
3			
Signals rev att and standard ct			
DOUBLES			
Responses: natural; cue-bid with 11+hcp			
1 any – Dble (us) – P – 2 Opener's suit = 11+ deny major, stop ask P opens 1c opps bid 1d then x – both majors so 1h or is can be 4			
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SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE Doubles/Redoubles			

W B F CONVENTION CARD			
CATEGORY: IBU Mixed Trials September 2026			
PLAYERS: Finian O’Donoghue & Mary Kelly-Rogers			
SYSTEM SUMMARY			
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE			
Competitive style 2 bids after 1 opening is F to 2nt			
1NT is (15-17)hcp; 5-card Majors; 1C can be 2-card and is nf			
Three weak 2s D/H/S			
1D P 2S/2S=6 card suit and <6 pts			
1D -1H- 2S by response of 1D opener is 6 card suit and<6 pts			
Support Doubles UCB			
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE			
New Minor Forcing – invitational to game (Off after a suit is bid)			
On after a X			
Drury: P – P – 1H/S* – P – *3 <sup>rd</sup> or 4 <sup>th</sup> seat			
2C(10/11) hcp with 4 card support, 2D (10/11) with 3 card support			
Over 1NT o/call: all systems on			
Minor wood n 1430 Bergin NMF ucb lebensohl			
Puppet stayman over 1nt and 2nt=			
1nt 3c=5/5 mimors 3d=5/5 minors F, 3h 5/5 and 3sMaj F			
1nt – 2c is looking for a 4 or 5 card major			
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES			
IMPORTANT NOTES: UCB, FSF, New minor forcing			
Non Promissory stayman? Puppet over 1 and 2 NT			

				Defense to their NT = multi Landy			
OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU				
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣	Yes	2	3S	11-19 non-forcing		1NT = 12-14hcp; 1c 2c and now 2h is showing a heart stopper.	
1♦		4	3S	11-19	1 any is natural; 1NT = (6-9)hcp; 2H/S , 6 pts & 6 card suit, 2D= good pts10-11 and Ds 3D semi pre-empt 7/9hcp; 4H/S Splinter sameish	As 1C above.	
1♥		5	3S	11-19	1S nat.; 1NT = (6-10)hcp; 2C/D nat. F1 2H = (6-9) 3-card support; 2S < 6 pts and 6 card suit, 3C 6-9 and 4 card support, 3D 10-11 and 4, 2nt 12+and 4, 3nt natural	Over 2NT :- 4H sign off; but 3H = max and asking for a Q bid 3C/D = F1, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Suit, 3NT bal to play+show bal hand 4C/D splinter	
1♠		5	3S	11-19	As for 1H	After 1h- 3c thhen 3d from opener asks for the 9 As for 1H	
INT				15-17	Puppet Stayman ; 2D/H =Transfers,2S =tx to C, 2NT = tx to D with opener showing like by bidding the suit=3 toA,K,Q - = slam invite 4C = Gerber; 4NT quantative 3c 5/5 minors, 3d 5/5 minors F 3h/3s5/5 m and 3S 5h/5sF	Lebensohl (SANS) if o/c;	*Puppet here after 2c then 2d neither 4 or 5, h=4,2nt=5 min with a 5 card major 3h /3sor 3s showing 5 of that suit and max
2♣	Yes			Strongest bid	2D = relay		After 2nt enquiry show hand but if 2 suiter bid higher suit to show the higher pts
2♦	No	6					
2♥	No	6					
2♠	No	6					
2NT	yes	20-22			Puppet and TX		
3♣	yes	6/7*			Change of suit F for one round		
3♦	yes	6/7*			Change of suit F for one round	Dop	
3♥	yes	7			Change of suit F for one round		
3♠	yes	7				P or 4D	
3NT	Yes	7			Bid of 4C Pass or correct	P or correct	
4♣/♦		8		preempt		HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
4♥/4♠		8		Pre-empt		4NT = RKCB 14/30; after 5C or 5D response to 4NT, cheapest non-trump bid = Q ask. Sign off in trump suit denies trump Q. With trump Q after 5C/5D then 5NT asks for Ks;	
4NT				Ace asking	5♣ no ace 5♦A♦d 5♥A♥ 5♠A♠ 5nt 2 aces, 6♣ A♣		
5♣/5♦		9		Pre-empt		4c/4d is minorwood hen we have agreed that minor suit bid	
5♥/5♠		9		Pre-empt			