

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)
5+ card with 8+ at the 1-level, 10+ at 2-level
New suit response non-forcing
Unassuming cue bid; so a direct raise may be pre-emptive
Gambling 3NT overcall with solid 7/8 card minor + 2 outside stops
Cue bid over opps overcall = good raise
INT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)
15-18 with stopper, except for protective position, 10-14 with stopper
Responses are identical to 1NT opening:
System on for responses even after interference eg. tfers, stayman
‘X’ means ‘they stole my bid’
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Weak, 6-10 with 6+ cards
Unusual 2NT at least 5/5 in 2 lowest unbid suits
Gambling 3NT overcall with solid 7/8 card minor + 2 outside stops
Michaels, 2NT response is strength enquiry
DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
Direct cue bid = 10/12 agreeing trump
Jump cue bid = stop ask Assuming Cue Bid
Michaels Cue Bids (short club opening by opps treated as natural)
Cue bid after partner’s t/o X shows 10+ pts when 3 rd seat passes.
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; PH)
Cappelletti after weak NT: double shows 15+ pts, 2C is a long
suit, 2D both majors, 2M 5+ in M and 4+ in a minor, 2NT minors).
Cappelletti after strong NT or if overcaller has passed: X is long
suit, 2C both minors, 2H hearts and a minor, 2S spades and a minor.
VS.PRE-EMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
Double = takeout up to 4H inclusive, = penalty over 4S opening
4NT after 4H shows the minors
4NT after 4S asks for suits upwards, change of suit nf & shows 5/5
Lebensohl after weak 2, but only when X is in 2nd seat. (SANS)
Over Multi 2D - 2NT=16/18 with stp, 3NT=19/22 with stp, Suit bids
of 3C/3D=nat with min strength opening hand. Jump in suit=6+, pre-
emptive (wk). Double= 16+ and any shape except those above.
In response to Double in 2nd seat, play Lebensohl (SANS).
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣
OVER OPPONENTS’ TAKEOUT DOUBLE
Redouble shows 10+ pts, & no fit. 1H-X-2C = 8/9 with fit, or 2H =
5/7, 1S-X-2H=8/9 with fit, or 2S=5/7, 3H/S = 10/12,
Jacoby still on over interference.

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	2 nd & 4 th	2 nd & 4 th	
NT	2 nd & 4 th	2 nd & 4 th	
Subseq	2 nd & 4 th	2 nd & 4 th	
Other: MUD with 3 rags, small from 3 to an Honour			
LEADS			
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	A, AK, asks for attitude	AKQ(x), AKJ(x)	
King	AK, KQ, asks for count	KQJ(x), KQ10(x)	
Queen	QJ(x), Q(x)	AQJ(x), QJ10(x), QJ9(x)	
Jack	J10(x), KJ10(x), J(x)	AJ10(x), KJ10(x), J10(x), J(x)	
10	K109(x), Q109(x), 109(x),10(x)	A109(x), K109(x), Q109(x), 109(x)	
9	9(x)	9(x)	
Hi-X	Xx, xXx, xXxx	Xx, xXx, xXxx	
Lo-X	HxX, HxxX(x)	HxX, HxxX(x)	
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit 1	rev att unless K led	count	Italian (odd we like,
	2 count		even suit pref.)
	3 suit pref		
NT 1	count	count	Italian, as above
	2 reverse attitude		
	3 suit pref		
Signals (including Trumps):			
Reverse attitude, standard count			
Where possible, first trump played gives suit preference			
DOUBLES			
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)			
May be light (9+) with good shape			
Negative double up to 3 Spades incl.			
T/O after 1NT response			
Support doubles, Responsive doubles			
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS:			
Competitive Double at the 3 level over opps bid shows strong hand			
Lead directing doubles			
Lightner doubles, lead first suit bid by opps, other than trumps			
Responsive: LHO opens, Partner overcalls, RHO raises, X=unbid suits 10+pt			
Opps play transfer responses, 1C-P-1H - our X = I have Hs, 1S = takeout.			

W B F CONVENTION CARD
CATEGORY: Green
NCBO: Ireland
PLAYERS: Fran Ronan and Pascale Wolfe
EVENT: Lady Milne Trials
SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
Strong NT (15/17) and 5 card major, club could be 2+, nf
New minor forcing, 4th suit forcing, Jacoby, Splinters, Transfers,
Texas, Smolen, Non-prom Stayman, Puppet Stayman over 2NT.
Over Puppet, 3S shows at least 5/4 in minors, no 3+ in majors
Benji Twos, Ogust in response to weak 2 opening,
Unusual NT, Michaels, Unassuming Cue Bid, Italian Discards,
Cappelletti, Helvic, Trial Bids, RKCB 14/30, DOPI/ROPI,
Standard count, reverse attitude, 2nd and 4th leads.
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE
2C = 8 playing tricks or 21/22 (or 25/26) points balanced
2D = GF
2NT = 20 points, balanced
2M = 6 to 10 points, 6+ cards
3NT = long solid minor (gambling)
IMPORTANT NOTES
4 th suit GF (except 1-level, forcing for 1 round)
Helvic after opps double 1NT opening for penalties
New Minor Forcing after opener’s 1NT rebid
Jacoby - on over interference and can have singleton/void
Defence to Ekrens and Tartan Twos is the same as our defence to
weak twos, which includes playing Lebensohl if Double is made
in 2nd seat.
Splinters - less than 13 HCPs but min 7 loser hand
2 over 1 response is not a GF
PSYCHICS: No

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				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		2	3♣	10-20 HCPs, no 5 card major, no 4 card Diamond	suit NAT, 1NT 6-10 pts, jump shift 0-5 pts & 6 card suit nf, 2NT 11-12 pts, splinters	NT 12-14 pts, jump NT 18-19pts	1♣ opening: cue bid over overcall asks for stopper
1♦		4	3♣	10-20 HCPs, 4 Diamonds	suit NAT, 1NT 6-10 pts, jump shift 0-5pts & 6 card suit nf, 2NT 11-12 pts, splinters	NT 12-14 pts, jump NT 18-19pts	1♦ opening: cue bid over overcall asks for stopper
1♥		5	3♣	10-20 HCPs, 5 hearts	suit NAT, 1NT 6-10 pts, jump shift 0-5 pts & 6 card suit nf, 2NT Jacoby, splinters	NT 12-14 pts, jump NT 18-19pts. Response to Jacoby: 3 of opening suit=6 losers max, 3 of other suit=singleton, jump to 4 of other suit = singleton Ace or void in that suit, (excluded in RKCB response now)	1♥ opening: cue bid over overcall shows a good raise
1♠		5	3♣	10-20 HCPs, 5 spades	suit NAT, 1NT 6-10 pts, jump shift 0-5pts & 6 card suit nf, 2NT Jacoby, splinters	NT 12-14 pts, jump NT 18-19pts Response to Jacoby as above.	1♠ opening: cue bid over overcall shows a good raise
INT				15-17 pts, balanced or semi-bal. 2S invite or long minor takeout 2NT showing at least 5-5 in minors Jump in a suit shows singleton and 4-4-4-1, GF Ext Stayman: 1NT-2C-2D-4D = 5/5 in Majors 1NT-2C-2D/H/S-3C/D = long minor, GF Non-prom Stayman, Transfers, Texas, Smolen		After 2S, Opener bids 2NT if min, 3C with 17, responder passes or corrects with minor takeout or bids 3NT	System on over interference, X=they stole my bid but when 2C o/c shows Ms, X shows 8+ pts. Helvic when opps X is penalties.
2♣	x			8 playing tricks or 21/22 bal or 25/26 bal	2D relay	Transfers, Puppet Stayman and 3S showing minors over 2NT response (21/22 pts), 3NT (25/26) - 4C = Puppet, 4NT Blackwood	Over interference after opening, Pass =0-7, X or a bid = 8+ pts. 2NT shows 8+ and a stopper.
2♦	x			GF or strong balanced	2H relay	Transfers, Puppet Stayman and 3S showing minors over 2NT response (23/24 pts), 3NT (27+) - 4C = Puppet, 4NT Blackwood	As above.
2♥		6		6 to 10 points, 6+ cards 9 - 11pts if opening in 4 th seat	2NT enquiry shows 15+ pts Change of suit is forcing	Ogust responses to 2NT enquiry: 3C weak P&H, 3D weak P strong H, 3H strong P weak H, 3S strong P&H, 3NT with A,K,Q trumps & 9-10pts	
2♠		6		6 to 10 points, 6+ cards 9-11pts if opening in 4 th seat	2NT enquiry Ogust responses, see above. Change of suit is forcing	Ogust responses, see above.	
2NT				19/20 pts, bal	3C puppet Stayman or 3S shows 5/4+ in minors with no 3 card or longer Major		
3♣, 3♦		6		preempt	Change of suit is forcing		
3♥, 3♠		7		preempt	Change of suit is forcing		
3NT	x			Gambling, solid minor, no outside stoppers	4C pass or correct, 4D asks for void/singleton	Response to 4D: 4H=H, 4S=S, 5C=D, 5D=C and 4NT =7-2-2-2	
4♣, 4♦		7		preempt	Change of suit is forcing	HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
4♥, 4♠		7		preempt		RKCB 1430 with showing a void: 5NT odd no and a void, 6 even no & void in suit bid	
4NT						Response to King ask: 6C = KC or 2 other kings, 6D/6H/6S similar,	
5♣, 5♦		7		preempt		6 of the agreed suit is signoff , i.e. no king	
5♥, 5♠						RKCB DOPI/ROPI 14/30	
						1 st and 2 nd round controls shown below game	