## DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: $1 / 2$ Level; Reopening)
Light with shape and/or good suit.
Responses: 1- and 3-level forcing, 2-level nonforcing
After 1M - (overcall): Cuebid $=\mathrm{inv}+$ raise, 3 card support
2NT $=$ Mixed raise in competition
1x (1M) (p/x): Transfers from 2x/1NT
1NT OVERCALL ( $2^{\text {nd } / 4} 4^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening)
$2^{\text {nd. }} 15-18,4^{\text {th }}: 11-15$
Stayman and transfers, system on

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Weak jumps, but 2 M in reopening $=10-13$
Unusual NT, 2NT in reopening: 19-22

DIRECT \& JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen) Jump cue is natural if opponents' suit can be 3 or less, asks
for stopper otherwise
$2 \mathrm{M}=$ other $\mathrm{M}+$ minor
( $1 *$ ) $-2 *=$ both majors; $(1 \star)-2 \star=$ both majors
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)
$\mathrm{x}=$ points
In $2^{\text {nd }}$ seat: Multi Landy:
$2 \Leftrightarrow=$ both majors, $2 \star=1$ major, $2 \mathrm{M}=5+\mathrm{M}+4+\mathrm{m}$
2NT = both minors $5+5+$
In $4^{\text {th }}$ seat: Landy:
$2 \mathrm{a}=$ both majors, $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ both minors $5+5+$, rest natural
VS. PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
Takeout Doubles, Leaping and Non-Leaping Michaels
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 12 or 2\&
Suit bids at same level natural
Higher level suit bids: natural or the two higher suits NT bids show two-suited hands

## OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

$\mathrm{XX}=$ values
Transfers after 1* (x) and 1M (x) and (1X) 1M (x)

| LEADS AND SIGNALS |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| OPENING LEADS STYLE |  |  |  |  |
|  | Lead |  | In Partner's Suit |  |
| Suit | 2./4./6. |  | same |  |
| NT | 2./4./6. |  | same |  |
| Subsequent | 2./4./6., attitude possible |  | same |  |
| Other: |  |  |  |  |
| LEADS |  |  |  |  |
| Lead | Vs. Suit |  | Vs. NT |  |
| Ace | $\mathbf{A}(+), \mathbf{A K}(+)$ |  | $\mathbf{A}(+), \mathbf{A K}(+)$ |  |
| King | AK, K(+), KQ ${ }^{(+)}$ |  | AK, K(+), KQ ${ }^{(+)}$ |  |
| Queen | $\mathbf{Q}(+), \mathbf{Q J}(+)$ |  | $\mathbf{Q}(+), \mathbf{Q J}(+), \mathrm{KQT} 9(+)$ |  |
| Jack | $\mathbf{J}(+), \mathbf{J T}(+), \mathbf{K J T}(+)$ |  | $\mathbf{J}(+),(\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{K}) \mathrm{JT}(+)$ |  |
| 10 | T(+), (A/K/Q) $\mathbf{T}^{(1+)}$ |  | T(+), (A/K/Q)T9(+) |  |
| 9 | H9x |  | H9x |  |
| Hi-X | xXx, xXxxx, HxxXx |  | xXx, xXxxx, HxxXx |  |
| Lo-X | xX, HxxX(x), HxxxxX |  | xXx, xXxxx, HxxXx |  |
| SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY |  |  |  |  |
| Partner's Lead |  | Declarer's Lead |  | Discarding |
| 1 Attitude |  | Count |  | Suit preference |
| Suit 2 S | Suit preference | Suit preference |  | Count |
|  | 3 Count |  |  | Attitude |
| 1 Attitude |  | Smith-Peter |  | Suit preference |
| NT 2 Count |  | Count |  | Count |
| 3 Suit preference |  | Suit preference |  |  |

Signals (including Trumps):
Low $=$ encouraging and even
Later in the play: A for attitude and K for count
Smith Peter: Low is positive for the suit led
Discards: the cards 5/6/7 are neutral or enc., other cards suit pref.

## DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)
Might be light with classic shape, focus on majors
Reopening can be lighter.
Doubler raises freely in competition.

## SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL \& COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

Doubles on low levels are typically takeout


| $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & 7 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\stackrel{\hat{e}}{\stackrel{\alpha}{4}}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { U } \\ & \underset{Z}{\mathrm{M}} \end{aligned}$ | DESCRIPTION | RESPONSES | SUBSEQUENT AUCTION | $\begin{aligned} & \text { PASSED } \\ & \text { HAND } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1\％ | X | 0 | 4 | a）12－14 balanced <br> b）natural（NOT 6＋2 w／o 4c M and 10－14） <br> c）18＋any | 1ヶ：a）0－6 any；b）7－11 unbalanced without 4 $4 / \mathbf{4}$ ； c） $5+\star$ ，GF；d）GF balanced without $4 \vee / \stackrel{\wedge}{ }$ $1 \vee / \mathrm{A}: 7+\mathrm{hcp}$ ，nat， $4(3)+\boldsymbol{\mathrm { C }}$ ，may have $5 \mathrm{~m}, \mathrm{~F}$ 1NT：7－11，usually no 4c M 2 11＋hcp，nat， $5+$ ，GF；2 4－8，5＋＊； 2 $\mathrm{V} / \mathrm{A}$ ：9－11，nat，inv．；2NT GF bal，4M poss 3\％／4：6＋，good suit，invitational <br> $3 \mathrm{~W} / \mathrm{a}$ ： $12-15 \mathrm{hcp}, \mathrm{xxx}$ in this suit，bal，GF |  | 20／4：5＋，9－11 |
| $1 *$ |  | 2／4 | $4 \checkmark$ | 11－21，4＋（4＊5 possible），unbalanced； $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{nv} / 2^{\text {nd }}$ nv vs v： $2+$ | $1 \vee / \mathrm{A}$ ： $6+$ hcp，nat， $4+\Psi / \mathrm{A}$ ，may have $5 \stackrel{5}{2}$ ； 1／3NT：nat，bal，NF；2ヶ／4：9－11，inv，6＋；2 $\downarrow$ ：10＋， inv＋；34：preemptive nv，mixed raise v |  | 20／4：5／4＋，NF |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1 \vee \\ & 1 \stackrel{1}{4} \end{aligned}$ |  | 5 | 4 | $\begin{aligned} & 11-18,5+\varphi \\ & 11-18,5+\varphi \end{aligned}$ | 1NT：F1，unlimited；2e：10＋hcp，3＋card fit in $\mathbf{V} / \mathbf{a}$ ； $2 \star$ ：nat， $5+\uparrow, 10+; 2 N T / 3 * ;$ GF／invit hands w／s 1ヶ－2 $\mathbf{\wedge}$ ：nat，inv．；1－3v：nat，inv．；3ヶ：inv，4＋fit |  | 2ヶV：5＋，NF 2NT：mixed raise |
| 1NT |  |  | 4 | 15－17，balanced， 5 c major frequently | 2\＆：Stayman； $2 \star / \mathrm{\wedge}$ ：transfer；2 2 ：invit or clubs， 2NT：Puppet Stayman；3e：trf 4；3＊：（41） 44 GF； <br>  | 1NT－2 $-2 \uparrow-2 \boldsymbol{*}: 5 \uparrow, 4+\boldsymbol{*}, \mathrm{NF} ;-2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ invit 5 c $1 \mathrm{NT}-2 \mathrm{NT}-3 \mathrm{c}=$ no $5 \mathrm{M}, 3 \star / \mathrm{\gamma}=5 \mathrm{\nabla} / \mathrm{\wedge}$ |  |
| 1NT |  |  | － | $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{nv} \& 2^{\text {nd }} \mathrm{nv}$ vs v： <br> 9－11，（semi－）balanced | $2 \star$ ：Puppet to $2 \star ; 2 \star$ ：asking for major shortness； 2 M ：to play，2NT：Puppet Stayman；3X：to play； <br>  |  |  |
| 2\％ | X | 6 | $3{ }^{1}$ | 11－15，6＋\＆，no 4M |  | break transfer in new suit＝superaccept break in clubs＝no fit and longer clubs |  |
| 2 | X | 0 | － | Weak Two $\vee$ or $\uparrow$ ， regularly 5 cards，4－8 points（4 $4^{\text {th }}$ hand nat） | 2M：pass／correct；2NT：asking relay；3m：to play； 3ヶ：pass／correct； $3 \boldsymbol{1}=$ nat，invit；4e：asking for transfer；4\％：asking for suit |  |  |
| $2 \vee$ |  | 6 | － | 8－11，6＋（5）『，W2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2 } \downarrow \text { : asks for shortness, } \mathrm{F} 1 ; 2 \mathrm{NT}: 5+\uparrow, \mathrm{FG} ; 3 \Perp / 3 \star \text { : } \\ & \text { nat, } 5+, \mathrm{F} ; 3 \downarrow: \text { pre, NF } \end{aligned}$ | Shortnesses after 2＾and 2NT |  |
| 2. |  | 6 | － | 8－11，6＋（5）＾，W2 | 2NT：asks for shortness； $3 \times / \uparrow / \mathrm{l}$ ：nat， $5+$ ，F；3\＆：pre， NF | Shortnesses after 2NT |  |
| 2NT |  |  | 4 | 20－22，balanced | 3ゃ：Puppet Stayman；3＊／४：Transfer；3\＆：minors， <br>  |  |  |
| 3\％ |  | 6 | － | preempt | 34：relay；3¢／4：nat，5＋ฯ／4，F；4ヶ：RKCB \＆ | SLAM BIDDING <br> RKCB 30／41／2without／2with $\rightarrow$ next free step asks queen／kings <br> Responses to queen／king ask：back to trump $=$ no queen／kings；suit $=($ queen $)+$ king in this suit or kings in both other suits <br> Cue－bids（1st／2nd round controls），Splinter <br> 5NT：pick a slam if necessary and it＇s no further relay <br> $4=$ Minorwood if fit is confirmed and GF； $4=$ RKCB on $\vee$ if obvious |  |
| 3 |  | 6 | － | preempt |  |  |  |
| 3 V |  | 6 | － | preempt | 3＾：nat，5＋ゅ，FG；4¢：RKCB |  |  |
| 3． |  | 6 | － | preempt | 4\＆：RKCB $\boldsymbol{4}$ ；4V：to play |  |  |
| 3NT | X |  | － | good 4M opening | 4\％：asking for transfer；4\＆／4M：slam interest／w short |  |  |
| 4\％ |  |  | － | preempt | $4 \mathrm{M}=$ to play， $4 *=$ RKCB |  |  |
| 4 |  |  | － | preempt | $4 \mathrm{M}=$ to play， 5 ＝RKCB |  |  |

