## DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

## OVERCALLS（Style：Responses： 1 ／ 2 Level；Reopening）

Wide－ranging（mostly constructive）non－jump overcalls
Over a minor suit overcall cue bid of opponent＇s suit is a limit＋ raise，2NT is natural and F1 if 2 m is overcalled while it is natural and invitational to game if $1 \diamond$ is overcalled
Over a major suit overcall cue bid of opponent＇s suit is a 3－card limit＋raise， 2 NT is a 4 －card limit＋raise
Jump in a new suit is natural and with a fit，jump raises are preemptive
1NT OVERCALL（2 ${ }^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ Live；Responses；Reopening）
［1m］－1NT $\rightarrow$ system ON
［1M］－1NT $\rightarrow$ 2（M－1）－3OM INV +
［1X］－pass－［1Y］－1NT $\rightarrow 2 \mathrm{X}-5+$ cards in lowest unbid suit INV + ， $2 \mathrm{Y}-4+$ cards in highest unbid suit INV＋， 2 Z －NF
Direct：15－18 HCP，Reopen：11－14 HCP
JUMP OVERCALLS（Style；Responses；Unusual NT）
Weak over 1lvl，sound over 2lvl／3lvl preempts
When partner has passed HCP count can vary more
Natural responses
2NT／4NT－5＋5＋lowest in rank unbid suits
DIRECT \＆JUMP CUE BIDS（Style；Response；Reopen）
Wide－ranging（mostly constructive）cue－bids
If 1X promises $4+$ cards or 1 NT opening＝weak， 2 X －Michaels，
3X－asking for a stop，otherwise both bids are natural
2X NAT］－3X－Michaels
VS．NT（vs．Strong／Weak；Reopening；PH）
Dbl－16（13）＋HCP vs strong（weak）NT，PH－5＋m 4M
2\％－both majors 9＋cards
2 －one major $5+$ cards
2M－5M 4＋m
2NT－both minors $10+$ cards
VS．PREEMTS（Doubles；Cue－bids；Jumps；NT Bids）
Dbls are takeout oriented over natural preempts
Over natural 2－and 3－level preempts：4X－（non－）leaping Michaels
Over multi 2 that contains a weak option：Dbl－13－16 HCP （semi）BAL or strong
Sound jump overcalls
2NT／3NT bids are natural with a stop

## VS．ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

Strong 1ঞ：NT bids－minors， 2 X －same as vs 1NT
Strong 2\％：Dbl－majors，NT bids－minors
OVER OPPONENTS＇TAKEOUT DOUBLE
Rdbl－11＋HCP
2NT is an unlimited raise with a fit
Transfers between 1NT and 2（M－1）if 1M is opened／overcalled

| LEADS AND SIGNALS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| OPENING LEADS STYLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Lead |  | In Partner＇s Suit |  |
| Suit and NT |  |  | $11^{\text {st }} / 3^{\text {rd }}$（even）／lowest（odd） |  | High from even Low from odd |  |
| Subsequent |  |  | Attitude |  |  |  |
| Other：high from even，low from odd when returning a suit just led Original leading style may be overridden when deemed appropriate，e．g．： <br> 1）Lowest from 4 cards vs NT <br> 2）Top from 3 cards vs NT |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LEADS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lead（asks for） |  |  | Vs．Suit |  |  | Vs．NT |
| Ace（attitude） |  |  | $\underline{\text { A } K}$ |  |  |  |
| King（count） |  |  | AK；KQ |  |  |  |
| Queen（attitude） |  |  | KQ；QJ |  |  |  |
| Jack（count） |  |  | J10 |  |  |  |
| 10 （count） |  |  | KJ10； 109 |  |  | A／K J10； 109 |
| 9 （count） |  |  | K／Q 109； 98 |  |  | A／K／Q 109；$\underline{\underline{9} 8}$ |
| Hi－x（count） |  |  | HxS；HxSx；HxxxS |  |  |  |
| Lo－x（count） |  |  | Sx；xxS；xxSx；xxxxS |  |  |  |
| SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Partner＇s Lead |  |  |  | Declarer＇s Lead |  | Discarding |
| Suit | 1 | Attitude |  | Count |  | Attitude |
|  | 2 | Count |  | Suit preference |  | Count |
|  | 3 | Suit preference |  |  |  |  |
| NT | 1 | Attitude |  | Smith |  | Attitude |
|  | 2 | Count |  | Count |  | Count |
|  | 3 | Suit preference |  | Suit preference |  |  |

Signals：Reverse attitude，reverse count
Usually reverse Smith at trick 2 by both players against NT contracts

## DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES（Style；Responses；Reopening）
May be light with classic shape
［1X＜4＋X］－Dbl－［1Y］－Dbl－takeout，2X－natural NF，
2 Y －forcing to suit agreement
［1X 4＋X］－Dbl－［1Y］－Dbl－4－5Y，2X－forcing to suit agreement，
2Y－natural NF
May be light in reopen seat

SPECIAL，ARTIFICIAL \＆COMPETITIVE DBLS／RDLS
1m－［pass／1↔］－1M－［1X／2X＜2M］－Dbl－3M
1m－［1v］－Dbl－4＋
1m－［1•］－Dbl－［1X／2X＜2 $\uparrow$ ］－Dbl－3
1 NT －［Dbl］－Rdbl－5＋any suit if Dbl is for penalties
［1X］－1M－［Dbl］－Rdbl－Ax or Kx in M

W B F CONVENTION CARD

CATEGORY：GREEN
NCBO：SCOTLAND
PLAYERS：Liz McGowan，Gints Freimanis

## SYSTEM SUMMARY

## GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

2 over 1 FG unless repeated
$1 \mathrm{M}-5+\mathrm{M}$ with Bergen raises and Gazzill
1m－3＋m with inverted raises，11－14 HCP／18－19 HCP BAL hands without 5 M open $1 \star$ with $4 \star-4 \star$ or whenever $>\&$ ，otherwise $1 \%$ is opened，in $3^{\text {rd }}$ seat the minor of better quality may be opened 1NT－15－17 HCP BAL includes 5M332，may have 5m422 and 6m322

## SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

## 3NT opening

m－［1v］－1ヶ－0－3a
$2 \vee-$ less than opening values and preempt in a major（ $1^{\text {st }} / 2^{\text {nd }}$ seat）
$2 \vee$－less than opening values and $5+4+$ majors（ $1^{\text {st }} / 2^{\text {nd }}$ seat）
$2 \uparrow$－less than opening values and $5 \uparrow 4+m\left(1^{\text {st }} / 2^{\text {nd }}\right.$ seat $)$
$2 \diamond \vee \uparrow$ openings bids are natural and preemptive（ $3^{\text {rd }}$ seat）／constructive $6+$ card suit with $8-8.5$ playing tricks（ $4^{\text {th }}$ seat）

## SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

1NT－［pass］－2＊ $\boldsymbol{\wedge}$－［Dbl］－pass－no $\approx \wedge$ stop
1NT－［pass］－2ヶレ－［Dbl］－pass－2 $\downarrow$＾
IMPORTANT NOTES
$3^{\text {rd }}$ seat openings may be light in values and contain less length
PSYCHICS：RARE

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|  |  |  |  | DESCRIPTION | RESPONSES | SUBSEQUENT ACTION | COMPETITIVE \＆ PASSED HAND BIDDING |
| 1\％ |  | 3 | $7{ }^{*}$ | 11－21 HCP 3＋\％ | ```1NT - 7-10 HCP 2\%-11+НСР 4+ \% 2 - 10-12 НСР 6+ 2M - 6-9 HCP 5M 4-5* 2NT - \(5+\ldots\) weak, cannot support 18-19 NT for game 3\%-5+\& weak, can support 18-19 NT for game 3NT - 13-15 HCP BAL 4-5``` | 1＊－1x－1M－natural UNBAL <br> 1＊－1x－1NT－11－14 HCP（semi）BAL without a 4－card support，does not deny 4 cards in the unbid suits，may contain shortage in partner＇s suit $1 \%-1 \mathrm{x}-2 \%-11-14$ HCP $6+\%$ or 15－16 HCP $5+\%$ <br> $1 *-1 \mathrm{M}-2 \star-15-16$ HCP 3M UNBAL or $17+$ HCP $4+\% 4+$ UNBAL $1 \approx-2 \&-2 \diamond M$－natural or a stop FG，2NT $-3 \% \mathrm{~min}, 3 \approx-4+\% \mathrm{~min}$ | Fit jumps in competition and by passed hand |
| 1 |  | 3 | $7{ }^{\text {a }}$ | 11－21 HCP 4－4－3－2 or 4＋＊ | Same as after 1＊except $3 *-10-12 \text { HCP 6+ }$ | Same as after 1＊ | Same as after 1\％ |
| 1v |  | 5 | $7{ }^{*}$ | 11－21 HCP $5+\boldsymbol{}$－ | ```1NT - 6-11 HCP no 4^, 2\& - 2+ \% FG unless repeated \(2 \star-5+\) FG unless repeated 2•-6-9 НСР \(3 \vee\) 2ヘ-10-12 НСР 3 - 2NT - 4+ + FG 3*-10-12 НСР 4+ \(\downarrow\) 3 - \(-6-9\) НСР \(4+\bullet, 3 \vee-0-5\) НСР \(4+\bullet\) 3 - 11-14 HCP 4+ \(\bullet\) unspecified void 3NT / 4m - 11-14 HCP 4+ \(\downarrow\) © /m singleton``` | ```1•-1 / 1NT-2*-11-15 HCP 6+ \({ }^{*}\) or 16+HCP, 2v-11-15 НСР 5 \(\downarrow\) 4+ \%, 2NT - 13-15 HCP 6v 4any with good playing strength, 3m-13-15 HCP \(5 \vee 5 \mathrm{~m}\) with good playing strength \(1 \vee-2 *-4+\) any strength, \(2 \vee\) - unbalanced min without \(4 \star\), 2NT - 11-14 HCP or 18-19 HCP (3)-5-(3-2), other bids - natural non-min \(1 \vee-2 N T-3 m / 3 \wedge-m / \wedge\) shortage, \(3 \vee-\) no shortage non-min, 3NT - no shortage min, \(4 \mathrm{~m}-5+\vee 5+\mathrm{m}\) with at most 5 -losers, \(4 \vee\) - very weak opening bid``` | $\begin{gathered} \text { Same as after } 1 * \text { except } \\ 1 \downarrow-2 *-8-11 \text { with } 3 \\ 1 \downarrow-2 \\ 1 \vee-2-11 \text { with } 4+\bullet-7 \text { with } 3+\bullet \end{gathered}$ |
| 14 |  | 5 | 7 | 11－21 HCP 5＋a | Same as after $1 \vee$ except $3 \bullet-10-12 \text { НСР } 3 \boldsymbol{\downarrow}$ | Same as after 1 ${ }^{\bullet}$ | Same as after $1 \vee$ except $1 \wedge-2 \bullet-N F$ |
| 1NT |  |  | 74 | 15－17 HCP（semi）BAL Includes 5M332 and 5m422 <br> May have 6m322 |  |  | 2NT and 3lvl bids are transfers in competition $4 \diamond \bullet$ bids are same after intervention of up to $3 \%$ |
| 2\％ | $\checkmark$ |  | $7{ }^{\wedge}$ | $22+$ HCP or FG | 2 －relay <br> $2 \mathrm{M}-5+$ cards with at least 2 out of top 3 honours <br> $3 \mathrm{~m}-6+$ cards with at least 2 out of top 3 honours | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 2 \star-2 \star-2 \downarrow-5+\downarrow \text { or } 24+\mathrm{HCP}(\text { semi)BAL } \\ & 2 \leftrightarrow-2 \star-2 \mathrm{NT}-22-23 \mathrm{HCP}(\text { semi)BAL } \\ & 2 *-2 \star-3 *-6+* \text { or } 5+4 \mathrm{M}, 3 \star-6+\star, 3 \mathrm{M}-5+\star 4 \mathrm{M} \end{aligned}$ | Pass by responder NF over direct seat intervention |
| 2 ＊ | $\checkmark$ |  |  | （1／2）At most 10 HCP 6＋M <br> （3） $5+$ preemptive | 2M／3M－pass／correct，2NT－relay，3m－natural F1 4＊－asking for transfer to／bid M，4M－to play |  | Same as after 1\％ |
| 2 － | $\checkmark$ | 4 |  | $(1 / 2)<=10 \mathrm{HCP} 5+4+\mathrm{MM}$ <br> （3） $5+\bullet$ preemptive | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2NT - relay, 3m - natural F1 } \\ & 4 \&-\text { asking for transfer to / bid better M } \end{aligned}$ | $2 \bullet-2 N T-3 \leftarrow-$ any max， $3 \bullet-5 \vee 4 \wedge$ min， $3 \bullet-5 \wedge 4 \vee$ min， 3NT－5• 5－min | Same as after 1 \％ |
| $2 \wedge$ | $\checkmark$ | 5 |  | （1／2）At most 10 HCP 5a 4＋m <br> （3） $5+\uparrow$ preemptive | 2NT－relay，3\％－pass／correct，3－natural F1 | 2ヵ－2NT－3m－4＋mmin，3 ¢－－＋＋max | Same as after $1 \%$ |
| 2NT |  |  | $7{ }^{7}$ | 20－21 HCP（semi）BAL <br> Includes 5M332 and 5m422 <br> May have 6m322 | ```3* - Stayman, 3\diamond\vee - transfer 3^ - minor suit Stayman, 4&-5+5+ majors FG 4M - natural slam try NF``` | 2NT－3＊－3－no 4M，3M－4－5M | Pass by responder NF over direct seat intervention |
|  |  | 6 |  | Depends on sseat and vul | 4ヶ（4＊after 3\％）－RKCB | 3＊－3X－3（X＋1）－shortage in partner＇s suit | Same as after 1 \％ |
| 3NT | $\checkmark$ |  |  | Preempt in a major with usually one side suit A／K | $4 \%$－asking for transfer to M <br> 4M－pass／correct | HIGH LEVEL BIDDING <br> In 2 over 1 sequences when a major has been agreed at the 3lvl，＋1 bid is a serious slam try，other bids are natural control bids and non－serious slam tries RKCB and minorwood 1403．Responses to RKCB after opened with a weak bid：0／2＋Q，1，1＋Q， 2 If opponents intervene over 4 NT key－card，then pass－ 1 or 4 key－cards，Dbl／Rdbl－ 0 or 3 key－cards |  |
| $4 ヶ \rightarrow$－ |  | 7 |  | Depends on seat and vul | 4NT（4＊after 4＊）－RKCB |  |  |
| 4NT | $\checkmark$ |  |  | Specific ace ask | 5＊－no aces， $5 \diamond \vee \uparrow / 6 *-$ specific ace， $5 \mathrm{NT}-2$ aces |  |  |

