DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

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

Usually constructive (7)9-16 HCP but can be weak if partner has passed.
New suit F1 if pd unpassed
Responses: CUE is minimum good raise with support

1NT OVERCALL ( $2^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening)
15-18 HCP (system on)
11-14 HCP BAL position (system on)
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## JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

Sound 5-10 HCP with 6 card suit.
With a passed partner strength and suit length can vary, also pending vulnerability.

DIRECT \& JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
At least opening values w/ 5 in highest unbid suit and another suit (5 card +). 2NT asks for the other suit and lowest suit is P/C

VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; PH)
$2 \boldsymbol{*}=$ Both major (min 5-4). Wide range against strong NT.
$2 \diamond / \nabla / \wedge=$ Natural. Wide range against strong NT.
$2 \mathrm{NT}=$ Two suiter minors. Wide range against strong NT.
DBL= 15+ HCP
DBL against weak NT: $2^{\text {nd }}$ hand: $14+\mathrm{HCP}, 4^{\text {th }}$ hand $12+\mathrm{HCP}$
Overcall against weak NT is constructive
VS.PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
DBL=T/O, CUE=two suiter; Jump is strong, NT=NAT
$4 \% / \star$ on a weak $2 \diamond / \vee / \uparrow$ opening shows suit + a major suit
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1* or 2\%
NT = both minors (54). DBL both Majors (54).
Other bids is natural but can be wide range (HCP), aggressive style.

## OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

RD shows values

| LEADS AND SIGNALS |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| OPENING LEADS STYLE |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Lead |  | In Partner's Suit |  |
| Suit |  | 1-3-5 |  | 1-3-5 |  |
| NT |  | 1-4 but 1-3 if 8 or higher |  | 1-3-5 |  |
| Subseq. |  | 1-3-5 |  | 1-3-5 |  |
| LEADS |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lead |  | vs. Suit |  | vs. NT |  |
| Ace |  | AKx(x), Ax |  | Same |  |
| King |  | KQx(x), Kx, AK. |  | Same, could be AKJT |  |
| Queen |  | Top |  | Same, could be KQT9 |  |
| Jack |  | Top |  | Same |  |
| 10 |  | Tx, KJT(x) |  | T9x(x), Same |  |
| 9 |  | 9x |  | Same |  |
| $\mathrm{Hi}-\mathrm{X}$ |  | 1-3-5, 3rd/LOW 3rd from xxx |  | 1st from xxx |  |
| Lo-X |  | 1-3-5, 3rd from xxx |  | 4th if possible, 1st from xxx |  |
| SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Partner's Lead |  | Declarer's Lead |  | Discarding |
| 1 | Hi=DISC |  | $\mathrm{Hi} / \mathrm{Lo}=$ odd |  | $\mathrm{Hi}=\mathrm{DISC}$ |
| Suit 2 | Hi=odd, | , Low=even |  |  |  |
| 3 | Suit pref |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | Hi=DISC |  | Hi/Lo=odd |  | $\mathrm{Hi}=$ DISC |
| NT 2 | Hi=odd, | , Low=even |  |  |  |
| 3 | Suit pref |  |  |  |  |

Signals (including Trumps):

## DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)
11-16 HCP normally with 3+ in unbid suits, or 17+ any distribution
$3^{\text {rd }}$ hand balancing DBL requires less $(8+\mathrm{HCP})$.

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL \& COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS
Most low-level doubles, T/O
Neg. DBL
Support, 3-card supp DBL up to $2 \boldsymbol{v}$. Support RD
$1 *-(1 * / \vee)$ - DBL is TRF (sys on)
NAT overcall on our NT, direct DBL is T/O
ART overcall on our 1NT, direct DBL is T/O against showed suit(s)
Optional DBL on $4^{\text {th }}$ or higher levels
DBL against 1NT-3NT asks for shortest M as lead
Lightner doubles against games and slams

EBL CONVENTION CARD

## CATEGORY: Green

NCBO: SWEDEN
PLAYERS: Andrea Nilsson - Lars-Anders Callenberg

## SYSTEM SUMMARY

## GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

$1 \boldsymbol{\circ}=\min 2$ card suit: (a) 11-13 HCP, BAL (b) 17-19 HCP, BAL
(c) $\min 5$ card suit or 4 card w/ 4414
$1 \star=\min (4) 5$ card suit, 4 card w/ 1444, 4144, 4441
$1 \vee / \Delta=\min 5$ card suit
$1 \mathrm{NT}=15-17$ (rarely semibal), STAY, TRF, Smolen
2 - Multi w/ (a) 6+ card suit, 6-10 HCP (b) 24-25 BAL
$2 \vee / \mathrm{A}$ shows $\geq 5 \mathrm{M} / 4 \mathrm{~m},(3) 6-10 \mathrm{HCP}$

## SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

## $2 \star=$ Multi

$2 \vee / \wedge=\mathrm{WK} \mathrm{w} / 5+\mathrm{M}$ and $4+\mathrm{m}$

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| SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES |
| 1x - (DBL) - RD, After 2/1 |
| After opening and overcall pass might be a forcing pass but pd <br> doesn't need to dbl with length in opps suit |
| When game forcing is established |
| IMPORTANT NOTES |
| $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { New suit on any level after opponents overcall on partners } \\ \text { opening bid is CONST but NF (example } 1 \boldsymbol{n}-(2 \bullet)-2\end{array}\right)$ |
| PSYCHICS: Very rare |


| OPENING | ART | MIN \# CARDS | Neg DBL thru | DESCRIPTION | RESPONSES | SUBSEQUENT ACTION | COMPETITIVE \& PASSED HAND BIDDING |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1\% | $\checkmark$ | 2 | $3 \wedge$ | (a) 11-13 HCP, BAL <br> (b) 17-19 HCP, BAL <br> (c) 5+ card $\&$ if not 4414 | $1 \diamond / \downarrow=$ TRF, $4+\vee / \wedge, 1 \wedge=6-11 \mathrm{HCP}$, denies $4+\mathrm{M}, 13-$ HCP, BAL no 4+ M, 6-c m, INV to 11-13 HCP, BAL, $1 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{GF}, 4+\boldsymbol{\star}, 2 \boldsymbol{*}=\mathrm{FG}, 6+\star, 2 \star / \downarrow=\mathrm{TRF}, 6+\vee / \wedge$, 3-7 HCP or $14+\mathrm{HCP}, 2 \mathrm{NT}=12-13 \mathrm{HCP}, \mathrm{BAL}$ no $4+\mathrm{M}$ 3 m decent PRE 6+c m, 3M=7+M, decent PRE | $\begin{aligned} & 1 *-1 /-1 \vee / \uparrow=11-13 \text { HCP, BAL } \\ & 1 *-1 / \leftarrow-1 N T=17-19 \text { HCP, BAL } \\ & 1 *-1 /-2 N T(\text { note } 3) \end{aligned}$ <br> Nat. reverse shows extra values | New suit over OPPT overcall is NF approx. 7-11 HCP except $1 *-(1 \diamond / \downarrow)-2 \mathrm{~m}$ is NAT, GF $1 *-(1 \diamond / \vee)$ - DBL is TRF (sys on) |
| 1 |  | 4 | $3 \wedge$ | $11-21 \mathrm{HCP}, 5+*$ if not 1444, 4144, 4441 <br> Always UNBAL | $1 \diamond / \vee / \wedge=$ Nat, 1NT=6-11(12) HCP (deny 4 card major) 2•FG w/ SUPP, 2NT INV w/ SUPP, 3 * PRE 4+ c * | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \star-1 \mathrm{M}-1 \mathrm{NT}=4+\star, 1 \star-1 \mathrm{M}-2 \star=4+\star \\ & 1 \star-1 \diamond-2 \star=3 \mathrm{c} \text { SUPP, } 1 \star-1 \star-2 \star=4+\bullet, \\ & 11-15 \mathrm{HCP}, 1 \star-1 \mathrm{M}-2 \mathrm{NT}(\text { note } 3) \end{aligned}$ | New suit over OPPT overcall is NF (approx. 7-11 HCP) |
| $1 v$ |  | 5 | $3 \wedge$ | 11-21 HCP | 1NT 6-11(12) HCP or 5-7 HCP w/ 3-card SUPP, 2/1 FG, 2NT FG w/ SUPP, $2 \vee=8$ - $11 \mathrm{HCP}, 3 / 4$ SUPP, $3 \star / \star=$ SPL, INV, $3 \downarrow=$ mixed raise | $1 \vee-2 N T$ (Note 2); 1 $\vee-1 \mathrm{NT} ; 2 \boldsymbol{*}=$ nat minimum or forcing (Note 1) | Direct CUE over OPPT overcall shows SUPP and INV+ on lowest level. |
| 14 |  | 5 | $3 \vee$ | 11-21 HCP | 1NT 6-11(12) HCP or 5-7 HCP w/ 3-card SUPP, 2/1 FG, 2NT FG w/ SUPP, $2 \wedge=8-11 \mathrm{HCP}, 3 / 4$ SUPP, $3 \star / \star=$ SPL, INV, $3 \wedge=$ mixed raise | 1 $\boldsymbol{\wedge}$-2NT (Note 2); 1~-1NT; $2 \boldsymbol{*}=$ nat minimum or forcing (Note 1) |  |
| INT |  |  |  | 14-16 HCP, BAL, rarely semibal (5 card M or 6 card $m$ or (4441)) | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \star=\text { STAY, } 2 \wedge=\text { TRF, } 2 \star=\text { TRF to } 3 \star .2 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{INV} \text {. } \\ & 3 \star=\text { TRF to } 3 \star, 3 \star=\mathrm{INV} \text { to } 3 \mathrm{NT}, 3 \mathrm{M} \text { is singleton and } \\ & 54+\text { minors, } 4 \star=55 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{~S} / \mathrm{T}, 4 \star=55 \mathrm{M} \end{aligned}$ | 1NT-2 $\boldsymbol{a}-2 \boldsymbol{\bullet}-2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=\mathrm{S} / \mathrm{T}$ in $\bullet$ w/o shortness 1NT-2 $\boldsymbol{*}-2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}-3 \boldsymbol{v}=\mathrm{S} / \mathrm{T}$ in $\boldsymbol{\wedge}$ w/o shortness 1NT-2 $-2 \bullet-3 \downarrow$ shows $5 c \uparrow+4 c \vee$, FG | DBL on OPPT overcall is T/O 2 X on OPPT overcall is to play 3 X on OPPT overcall is INV 2NT on OPPT overcall asks opener to bid 3* |
| 2* | $\checkmark$ |  |  | (a) 20-21 HCP, BAL <br> (b) any strong hand | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \star=0-6 \text { HCP, } 2 \vee=7+\text { HCP, denies } 5+\text { M/6+ m } \\ & 2 \uparrow=7+\text { HCP, MIN } 5 \text {-cards } \vee, 2 N T=7+\text {, MIN 5-cards } \uparrow \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \bullet-2 \diamond ; 2 \mathrm{NT}-3 \star=\text { STAY }(\text { ask for } 5 \mathrm{c} \mathrm{M}) \\ & 3 \bullet / \vee=\text { TRF } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 2 | $\checkmark$ |  |  | (a) 6-10 HCP (6c $\downarrow$ or $\uparrow$ ) <br> (b) 24-25 HCP, BAL | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \downarrow=\text { MAX } 2 \text {-card hearts } \\ & 2 \wedge=\text { MAX } 2 \text {-card spades, MIN 3-cards hearts } \\ & 2 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{F} 1,3 \mathrm{M}=\mathrm{P} / \mathrm{C}, 4 \star=\text { ask for suit, } 4 \mathrm{M}=\mathrm{own} \text { suit } \end{aligned}$ | 2 -2NT-3*, 8-10 HCP w/ hearts $2 \star-2 N T-3 \star, 8-10 \mathrm{HCP}$ w/ spades |  |
| $2 \vee$ |  | 5 |  | $6-10 \mathrm{HCP}, 5 \vee, 4+\mathrm{m}$ <br> PRE according to VUL | New suit F1, raise PRE, 2NT ask for m, 3* is P/C | $2 \vee-2 N T-3 \vee$ MAX w/ clubs 2 - 2 NT- $3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}$ MAX w/ diamonds | DBL on OPPT overcall penalty |
| 2A |  | 5 |  | $6-10 \mathrm{HCP}, 5 \mathrm{~A}, 4+\mathrm{m}$ <br> PRE according to VUL | New suit F1, raise PRE, 2NT ask for m, 3* is P/C | 2 $\uparrow$ - 2 NT-3 - MAX w/ clubs 2 $\boldsymbol{A}$-2NT- $3 \boldsymbol{A}$ MAX w/ diamonds | DBL on OPPT overcall penalty |
| 2NT |  |  |  | 22-23 HCP, BAL | STAY (ask for 5card M) and TRF | 2NT-3*-3 at least one 4c M <br> 2NT- $3 \bullet-3 \bullet-3 \bullet$ shows $4 c$ spades |  |
| 3\% |  | (6) 7 |  | PRE according to VUL | $3 \bullet / \downarrow / \uparrow=$ forcing, $4 \vee / \uparrow$ to play |  | DBL on OPPT overcall penalty |
| 3 |  | (6) 7 |  | PRE according to VUL | $3 \vee / \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ forcing, $4 \vee / \boldsymbol{A}$ to play |  | DBL on OPPT overcall penalty |
| $3 \vee$ |  | 7 |  | PRE according to VUL | $3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ forcing, $4 \boldsymbol{\wedge} / \boldsymbol{\wedge}$ to play |  | DBL on OPPT overcall penalty |
| 3 n |  | 7 |  | PRE according to VUL | New suit forcing |  | DBL on OPPT overcall penalty |
| 3NT | $\checkmark$ |  |  | Solid minor w/o side ace or king |  |  |  |
| 4* |  |  |  | PRE according to VUL | 4M to play |  |  |
| 4 |  |  |  | PRE according to VUL | 4M to play |  |  |
| $4 \vee$ |  |  |  | PRE according to VUL |  |  |  |
| 4* |  |  |  | PRE according to VUL |  |  |  |
| 4NT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5\% |  |  |  | PRE according to VUL |  | HIGH LEVEL BIDDING |  |
| 5 |  |  |  | PRE according to VUL |  | RKC 1430 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 5 NT is often grand slam try |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Splinter |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Q-bids |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 4NT on NT-bids is QUANT (not if a Major trump is set) |  |

Supplemtary Sheet, PLAYERS: Andrea Nilsson - Lars-Anders Callenberg NOTE 1
$1 \boldsymbol{v}-1 \boldsymbol{\wedge} ; 2 \boldsymbol{*}$ or $1 \boldsymbol{v}-1 \mathrm{NT} ; 2 \boldsymbol{*}$ or $1 \boldsymbol{n}-1 \mathrm{NT} ; 2 \boldsymbol{*}$

| Bid, i/e RESP $2^{\text {nd }}$ bid | Shows | Openers $3^{\text {rd }}$ bid |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 * | 8+ HCP, FG to 16+. | $2 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{M}+*$ 11-16. <br> 2NT 15-16 HCP, 5332. <br> $3 \boldsymbol{*} /{ }^{*} 16+$ often $54 \mathrm{M}+\boldsymbol{*} / *$ <br> 3M 18+ HCP, 6+ M |
| 2M | $\leq 7 \mathrm{HCP}$, pref. | Bid is $18+$ HCP, FG |
| $2 v$ | 6-11 HCP, NEU 5+ ${ }^{\text {¢ }}$ | $2 \vee$ is INV |
| 2^ | $\leq 8 \mathrm{HCP},(5) 6+\uparrow$ |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \boldsymbol{1} \boldsymbol{\psi}-1 \mathrm{NT} \\ & 2 \boldsymbol{*}-2 \boldsymbol{n} \end{aligned}$ | $\leq 8 \mathrm{HCP}, 3 \uparrow 54+$ minors. |  |
| 2NT | No other suitable call |  |
| 3*/* | $\leq 8 \mathrm{HCP}, 6+$ \% $/$ * |  |

NOTE 2
After $1 \vee / \wedge-2 N T$ FG, $1 \vee / \wedge-(D B L / 1 X / 2 X)-2 N T ~ F G$

| Bid Openers $2^{\text {nd }}$ bid | Shows | RESP $2^{\text {nd }}$ bid | Openers $3^{\text {rd }}$ bid |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3* | MIN, 11-15 HCP | $\begin{aligned} & 3 *=\text { Asking for shortage. } \\ & 3 \backsim \text { shows S/S } \\ & \text { 3 shows S/S } \\ & \text { 3NT shows } S / S \text { other M } \end{aligned}$ | 1M-2NT; 3*-3*; <br>  <br> $3 \wedge$ shows $S / S$. <br> 3NT shows $\mathrm{S} / \mathrm{S}$ other M |
| 3 | EXTRAS, $16+$ HCP <br> No shortage | $3 \vee$ shows $S / S$ * <br> 3n shows $\mathrm{S} / \mathrm{S}$ * <br> 3NT shows $\mathrm{S} / \mathrm{S}$ other M <br> 4 X is CTRL w/o S/S <br> 4 M is MIN | New suit is CTRL |
| $3 v$ | $16+\mathrm{HCP}, \mathrm{S} / \mathrm{S}$ * | New suit is CTRL |  |
| 3^ | $16+\mathrm{HCP}, \mathrm{S} / \mathrm{S}$ | New suit is CTRL |  |
| 3NT | $16+\mathrm{HCP}, \mathrm{S} / \mathrm{S}$ oM | New suit is CTRL |  |
| 4*/* | VOID |  |  |
| $4 \vee$ | VOID oM |  |  |

Contested (overcall on 2 NT bid): On $3 * / 3 *$ system is on

NOTE 3
$1 *-1 *-2 N T$ shows (a) $15+$ HCP, $6+\mathrm{m}$ w/ $0-2 \mathrm{c}$ M, (b) $15+\mathrm{HCP}, 4+\mathrm{M}$
$1+1 \mathrm{M}-2 \mathrm{NT}$ shows (a) $15+\mathrm{HCP}, 6+\mathrm{m}$ w/ $0-2 \mathrm{c}$ M, (b) $15+\mathrm{HCP}, 4+\mathrm{M}$

| Bid, i/e <br> RESP <br> $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ bid | Shows | Openers 3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ bid |
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| 3 m | S/O, 0-8 HCP |  |
|  | $9+\mathrm{HCP}$, ask opener, GF | $3 \mathrm{M}=15+\mathrm{HCP}, 4+\mathrm{M}, \mathrm{no} \mathrm{S} / \mathrm{S}$ <br> $3 \mathrm{~m} / 3 \mathrm{NT}=15+\mathrm{HCP}, 6+\mathrm{m}$ <br> $\mathrm{w} / 0-2 \mathrm{c} \mathrm{M}$ |
| 3 m | $8-13 \mathrm{HCP}, 6+\mathrm{M}, \mathrm{GF}$ |  |
| 3 M | $8+\mathrm{HCP}, \mathrm{NAT}, \mathrm{GF}$ |  |
| 3 M |  |  |

