## DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1/2 Level; Reopening)
1-level: ~ 7-17 hcp, may be good 4c suit
2-level: ~ 10-17 hcp good 5+c suit
Responses:
New suits NF constructive ( $\sim-14 \mathrm{hcp}$ ), cue= inv+ supp. or ART GF Jump cue= mixed raise (4c supp, 7-9p), jump raise to 3: PRE ( $\sim 3-7 \mathrm{p}$ ) Jump shift in a new suit: FG with $6+\mathrm{c}$
1NT OVERCALL ( $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening)
2nd seat: 15-17; sys on
4th live: 16-18; sys on
Balancing: 10-14, might be without stopper; sys on with special responses to stayman
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
Weak jump overcalls (VUL dependent, usually $\sim 5-11 \mathrm{hcp}$ )
Responses: new suit forcing; cue $=$ inv + with sup.
Unusual 2NT: two lowest unbid, $\sim 10+$ hcp (VUL dependent)
Reopen: Intermediate jumps ( 6 card suit $\sim 12-15 \mathrm{hcp}$ ), $2 \mathrm{NT}=\sim 18$-20
DIRECT \& JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
Over minor: $2 \mathrm{~m}=$ both majors, about $8+\mathrm{p}$ (if $1 \mathrm{~m} 3+\mathrm{c}$ ) (->2NT=ask)
Over major: $2 \mathrm{M}=\mathrm{oM}+$ minor, about $8+\mathrm{p}(->2 \mathrm{~N}$ ask suit, 3 m NAT) Jump cue bid: Asking for stopper (weak nat if 1 x shows less 3 c suit) Reopening cue= void, FG; 4th live: NAT
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH) Vs. Strong
DBL= minor+major two suiter OR at least 8,5 tricks in one M
$2 \star=$ Both majors $(\rightarrow 2 \star=$ ask longer), $2 \star=$ NAT
$2 \vee \wedge=$ NAT ( $\rightarrow$ transfers), $2 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{FG}$ distributional hand
Generally, all bids promise $\sim 8+$ hcp depending vul. + suit quality;
reopening may be weaker.
Vs. Weak (lower and upper limit below 29 hcp ), DBL= PEN,
$2 *=$ Majors (balancing $\bullet$ or MM), $2=$ minor + major , rest is NAT VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
Lebensohl after 2M, (NON) -Leaping Michaels, Cue = Ask stopper (2/3M)-4M= minors, ( $2 / 3 \mathrm{X}$ )-4NT= one-suit Slam try
$2 \mathrm{NT}=16-18$ (14-16 in balancing), 2 NT sys. on.
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1* or 2*
DBL=», 1NT= majors, $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ minors
After 1M-overcall advancer's $1 \mathrm{NT}=$ good raise.
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE
RDBL $=10+$ hcp
1-level= F1
Transfers starting from 1NT (also after our own 1M-overcall)

LEADS AND SIGNALS

## OPENING LEADS STYLE

|  | Lead | In Partner's Suit |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Suit | 1st/3rd/5th | 1st/3rd/5th |
| NT | 1st/3rd/5th | 1st/3rd/5th |
| Subseq | Attitude in NT | Attitude in NT |
| On |  |  |

Other: K-strong lead against NT: ask unbock or count
4th possible if 3rd too expensive (eg. KJ93 -> 3)

## LEADS

| Lead | Vs. Suit | Vs. NT |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ace | AK,+ Ax + | AK + |
| King | KQ,+ AK | AKJ,+ KQT9+ |
| Queen | QJ+ | QJ,+ KQ + |
| Jack | $\mathrm{JT}+$ | $\mathrm{JT}+$, |
| 10 | $\mathrm{~T} 9+$, HJT + | $\mathrm{HJT}+$, T9+ |
| 9 | $\mathrm{HT} 9+, 9 \mathrm{x},(98+)$ | $\mathrm{HT9}, 9 \mathrm{x}, 98+$ |
| Hi-X | $1 \mathrm{st} / 3 \mathrm{rd} / 5 \mathrm{th}$ | $1 \mathrm{st} / 3 \mathrm{rd} / 5 \mathrm{th}$ |
| Lo-X | $1 \mathrm{st} / 3 \mathrm{rd} / 5 \mathrm{th}$ | $1 \mathrm{st} / 3 \mathrm{rd} / 5 \mathrm{th}$ |
| SICNALS IN $\mathbf{O R D E R}$ OF PRIORITY |  |  |

## SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

|  | Partner's Lead | Declarer's Lead | Discarding |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | Attitude | Count | 1st O/E (trump suit) |
| Suit 2 | Count |  | Attitude |
| 3 | Suit preference |  | Count |
| 1 | Attitude | Smith-Echo | Attitude |
| NT 2 | Count | Count | Count |
| 3 | Suit preference |  |  |
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## Signals (including Trumps)

Low discouraging, low-high = odd, Smith-Echo (High likes lead by both)
1st discard = Odd: encouraging, Even: suit preference if not following trump suit. Not following any other suit STD attitude. STD. remaining count. In
NT-contract discard of the opening lead suit is generally suit preference.

## DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)
Normally $12+$ hcp other suits or $17+$; Reopening may be weaker.
Responses:
cue $=$ forcing until trump agreed
Jump cue (after M)= ask stopper, (After m)= both majors
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL \& COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS
Support DBL/RDBL -> 2v
Maximal overcall DBL
Responsive DBL
Lightner DBL

CATEGORY: Green
NCBO: Finland
PLAYERS: FAGERLUND Vesa - KOISTINEN Kauko EVENT: All

## SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
2/1 Game forcing unless rebid
5 majors, 3 minors
Weak 2s
1NT: 14+-17
Walsh-Style responses to $1 \%$-opening.

## SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

3NT-Opening: Weak PRE in one minor: 7/8 card suit, $\sim 5-11$ hcp
$4 *$-opening: good $4 \boldsymbol{v}$-opening ( $\sim 8-9$ playing tricks)
$4 \wedge$-opening: good $4 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ opening ( $\sim 8-9$ playing tricks)
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## SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

After we double weak 1NT (lower and upper limit below 29 hcp ), pass is generally forcing to $2 \downarrow$

## IMPORTANT NOTES

$\mathrm{p} / \mathrm{c}=$ pass or correct
PSYCHICS: Rare


