DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: $1 / 2$ Level; Reopening)
New suit NF $2 / 1$ and $2 / 2$. F1 $1 / 1$ and over weak bids.
2NT = LR+ in Major suit overcall if advancer bids,
natural if advancer passes and over 2 m
3-level jump Q = mixed raise, cue usually shows 3 fit Transfers after negative double, starting with NT.

1NT OVERCALL (2 ${ }^{\text {nd } / 4}{ }^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening)
Direct 15-18, system on
Reopening $11-14$ after m and $11-16$ after $1 \mathrm{M}, 2 \mathrm{~m}=$ range ask after 1 M

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
3 level jump overcalls are pre. vulnerability dependant.
2 level jump overcalls weak but show some playing strength
Reopen: Intermediate single jump
$1 \mathrm{X}-2 \mathrm{NT}=2$ lower. 1 m (nebulous)- $2 \mathrm{NT}=\uparrow+$ other minor
DIRECT \& JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen) $1 \%-2 \&=$ nat. $1 \mathrm{~m}-2 *=$ Majors.
Vs art $1 \star: 2 \star=$ nat, $2 \uparrow / 3 \star=$ Majors weak/strong
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)
Strong: $2 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{m}+\mathrm{M}, 2 \mathrm{M}=$ nat, $\mathrm{X}=$ one minor or both Majors or
good $\geqslant$ overcall or strong hand not 2 suited.
2NT shows any strong 2 suiter other than minors and puppets $3{ }^{\circ}$
Weak: $\mathrm{X}=14+2 \boldsymbol{*}=+(\boldsymbol{\varphi}$ or $) 2 \downarrow=+(\boldsymbol{\text { or }}$ ) 2 M Natural. $2 \mathrm{NT}=1$ suit
$3 \&$ or 3 show that minor plus $\downarrow$
Lebensohl after they run to 2 M after Dbl
VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
X = T/O. Cue = Michaels. 2 M : $42=$ minors
$4 \diamond=$ strong OM. $2 \mathrm{~m}-4 \mathrm{om}=5+$ om \& $5+$ M F. $3 \&-4 \diamond=\downarrow+\mathrm{M} \mathrm{F}$.
NT = nat: Wolff, stayman and transfers.
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS
Dbl = Majors, NT = minors. $12-\mathrm{P}-14: \mathrm{X}=$ Majors, $\mathrm{NT}=$ minors
$\mathbf{1 2 n}-2$ = one Major, $1 \approx-2 M=M+m$.
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE
Transfers if we open $1 \star, 1 \mathrm{M}, 2 \mathrm{M}$.

$2 \mathrm{NT}=\boldsymbol{2}$ preemptive $3=$ minors weak.

| LEADS AND SIGNALS |  |  |  |
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| OPENING LEADS STYLE |  |  |  |
|  | Lead In |  | In Partner's Suit |
| Suit | $3{ }^{\text {rd }}$ and lowest |  | $3{ }^{\text {rd }}$ and lowest |
| NT | $4^{\text {th }}$ best, Rusinow |  | $3^{\text {rd }} / 5^{\text {th }}$ |
| Subseq | $4^{\text {th/ }}$ Attitude |  |  |
| Other: |  |  |  |
| LEADS |  |  |  |
| Lead | Vs. Suit |  | Vs. NT: Rusinow |
| Ace | AKx |  | $\mathrm{AK}(\mathrm{x})(\mathrm{x})$ |
| King | AK, KQ | (AKx at 5+level) | Asks unblock/count |
| Queen | QJ+, Qx |  | KQ(x), AQJxx |
| Jack | JT+, Jx, |  | KQJx, QJxx, |
| 10 | T9+, Tx, |  | JTxx, HJTx, |
| 9 | 9x, KJ9 |  | T9x(x), HT9(x), |
| Hi-X | xx, xxx+ | length assumed | xx, xxx, maybe xxx+ |
| Lo-X | xxx, $4^{\text {th }}$ |  | $4^{\text {th }}$ best |
| SIGNAL | LS IN ORDER | PRIORITY |  |
|  | Partner's Lead | Declarer's Lead | Discarding |
| 1 | Lo = encourage | Lo = even | Lo = encourage |
| Suit 2 | Lo = even | S/P | Lo= even |
| 3 | S/P |  | S/P |
| 1 | same as suits | Trick $2 \mathrm{~S} / \mathrm{P}$ | same as suits |
| NT 2 |  | Else like suit |  |
| 3 |  |  |  |

Signals (including Trumps): S/P
Trick 2 suit pref. vs NT, unless count needed.
Trick 1 Signal VS suit is standard when lead shows AK.

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)
Jumps invitational (but preemptive over XX)
X of m : cue-bid $=\mathrm{GF}$ or pick M inv+
X of $M$ : cue-bid = GF
X of 2M: Lebensohl with some special art slam tries
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL \& COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS
Support X through 3 level. Support XX.
P/X inversion in forces after $1 \propto$ opening, also vs. 5 level preempt In comp many dbls say consider additional competition.
Game try X. $4^{\text {th }}$ suit X. X and XX as part of Ace-asking interference.

## CATEGORY: Green

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SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
Precision. $1 \phi=16+.1 \star=11-15$, usually $2+\uparrow$.
5 -card Majors (4 possible $3^{\text {rd }}$ ).
$2 *$ opening $=11-15,6+$. Can be 5 cards in 3rd
$2 \star$ opening $=11-15$, short $\downarrow, 3$-suiter w 3 -card M possible
$14-16 \mathrm{NT}\left(15-17 \mathrm{vul} 3^{\text {rd }}, \&\right.$ all $\left.4^{\text {th }}\right)$ upgrade common
2/1 Response $=$ GF with $2 *$ artificial
All high card requirements are subject to judgement.

## SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

1\% opening $=16+$, artificial
$1 \diamond$ opening $=11-15,2+\diamond$ 's (or stiff honor)
$2 \star$ opening $=11-15$, short $\downarrow$, 3-suiter w 3-card M possible
ART responses to $1 \%$ opening ( $1 \vee$ and higher $=\mathrm{FG}$ ).

$1 \diamond-\mathrm{P}-3 \%=$ minors, less than inv
Transfers in comp. $1 \mathrm{M}-\mathrm{X}, 1 \star-\mathrm{X}, 1 \star-2 / 3 \& \& 1 \star-1 / 2 \star$ by uph 2M-X, 1M overcall and neg X, opp's Michaels, opp's 3M Lebensohl and better minor 2NT bids
Artificial raises. 1 under or 3 level cue often mixed raise.
2NT normally raise of openers M, splinters.
Pass/Correct bids. X to ask clarification when partner has multiple possible hand types.
$2 \%$ response to 1 M opening $=\mathrm{FG}$ but $2+$ cards
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
After 1\% opening: If opponents bid above 3 of partner's
suit: $X=$ fit and $P$ requests $X$. If responder shows values
but no suit: $X=$ takeout between $3 \vee$ and $4 \vee$. At $4 \uparrow$ and

## IMPORTANT NOTES

Frequent upgrades of point count
can open lighter NV than V
PSYCHICS: light $3^{\text {rd }}$ seat openings some tactical

realys after 1C opener and M pos.
Artificial rebids after 2 m response to 1 M
Artificial suit agreement methods in $2 / 1$ auctions after 1 M
Many non-competitive switched auctions

## Comprehensive defence to Multi 2D

Artificial rebids and responses in 1C strong auctions.
At Favourable vul we can act very light in $3^{\text {rd }}$ and $4^{\text {th }}$ position.

