

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

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

New Suit F1

Jumpshift = fit and good suit after pass, else weak

Direct jump raise = preempt

Jump cue-bid = 4 card fit and good hand

1NT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live, Responses, Reopening)

In 2nd strong, balanced or semi-balanced

Responses: after minor opening- stayman, transfers

After major –**stayman** - transfers

In 4th : 10 – 13 Responses same as above

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style, Responses, Unusual NT)

weak

Reopen natural 2nt = 1nt opening 17-19

DIRECT AND JUMP CUE BIDS (Style, Responses, Reopen)

1 m – 2♦ = majors 1M – 2M other M + ♣

Jump cuebid asks for stopper

Reopening cue= 2suiter

VS. NT (vs. Strong / Weak, Reopening, PH)

multilandy

VS PREEMPTS (Doubles, Cue-bids, Jumps, NT bids)

Takeout X natural cuebid = asks for stopper, may be

Minors

Leaping Michaels

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

1♣ strong: double = both majors 1nt = both minors

Natural

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

New suit F1 1 over 1, 2 over 1 nf

Redouble = 10+ HCP

Truscott(inv + with 3/4 card fit), rev in minor

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS STYLE

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	3rd – 5th	3rd – 5th
NT	4th best	3rd – 5th
Subseq		

Other:

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	AKx	AKx
King	KQx	KQJx, KQ10x
Queen	QJx	QJ10x or KQx
Jack	J10x or HonorJ10x	J10x or Honor J10x
10	10 9 x or Honor 109	10 9 x or Honor 109
9	9x	9xx or Honor 98x
Hi-x	even number	Bad suit
Lo-x	odd number	4 th best

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit	1 low enc	high=odd	Small enc
	2 count	Suit pref.	count
	3 Suit pref		
NT	1 low = encour.	high=odd	Small enc
	2 count	Suit pref	Small=even
	3 Suit pref		

Signals (including Trumps): UDCA,

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style, Responses, Reopening)

3 suiter or 16+ HCP any distribution

Responses natural – only cuebid F

Suit at lowest level ambiguous

SPECIAL; ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE (RE-)DOUBLES

1♥/♠ - double - 2♥/♠ - 2NT is a preference for minors

Openers X show either 3 cards in partners M

or a strong hand

International-Convention-Card



Category: _____

NCBO: Switzerland

EVENT: _____

PLAYERS: Jean-Jacques Dousse

Chris Catzefflis

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

NATURAL, 5 CARD MAJOR

2♣ = gf (except on the answer of 2K)

2♦ = multi

2♥/♠ = WK 5+cards ♥/♠ and 4+♣/♦

1NT Opening: (14+)15 – 17(18-) balanced or semi-balanced

2 over 1 Responses: Game Forcing

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE

2♣ Roudi

2♣ drury (10-11) 2♦ mini drury (7 – 9)

3NT: solid minor no outside A or K 7cads AKQ

Michaels specified (except 3♣)

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

Dopi/ropi

IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE

Frequent light opening in 3rd seat according to vulnerability.

In 3rd seat, preempts are often weak

PSYCHICS: rarely

OPENING	TICK IFA RT	MIN No.OF C	NEG X THRU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	PASSED HAND BIDDING
1 ♣		3	4♥	Nat 11 – 22HCP	2♣ inv + 2♦ = fit 7-9 3♣ = preempt	1♣ - 2♣ -2NT or 3♣ NF	Inverted Truscott Jumps with fit
1 ♦		3		Nat11 – 22 HCP	2♦ inv + 3♣ = fit 7-9 3♦ = preempt	1♦ - 2♦ - 2NT or 3♦ NF	
1 ♥		5	4♦	Nat11 – 22 HCP	Rev bergen 1NT F1 / 2NT GF + fit 4 cards 3NT Sign off	1♥/1♠ – 2x – 2♥/2♠ – 3♥/3♠ : FORCING! 1♥ - 1NT - 2NT 18-19	Jump = fit natural , Drury2♣ (10-11),
1 ♠		5	4♥	Nat 11 – 22HCP	Rev bergen 1NT F1 / 2NT GF + fit 4 cards 3NT GF 15 – 16 +fit	Same	See above Jump in new suit is 5 cards + 4 cards in opening suit after pass
1 NT				15 – 17 balanced or Semi-balanced Possible 5Maj or 6minor	2♣ =stayman 2♦ /2♥ /2♠ /2NT =transfer 3 ANY strong 4♣ majors with ambition, 4♦ majors no ambition	SMOLEN	Rebensohl/,2nt with stopper
2 ♣	X	0		Gf (except on the answer of 2♦)	2♣ - 2♦ - 2Maj - F 2♣ - 2♦ - 3Maj – NF		
2 ♦	X	0		Weak in ♥ or ♠ or 22-23 balanced	2♥/♠ pass/correct, 2NT relay asking 4♣ ask to texas the Maj 4♦ ask to bid the Maj	2♦ - 2X - 4♣/♦ = both Maj, short ♣/♦	
2 ♥		5		5♥ + and 4+ m weak	2NT relay		
2 ♠		5		5♠ + and 4+m weak	2NT relay		
2 NT				20/21 balanced	Puppet / 4♣ majors with ambition, 4♦ majors no ambition / 4♥ 5 5 minors short ♥, 4♠ 5 5 minors short ♠ / 3♠-3nt-4♥= 5♣ +4♦ slammish, 3♠-3nt-4♠ 5♦+ 4♣ slammish, 3♠-3nt- 4♣=♦ slammish,3♠-3nt-4♦ = ♣slammish / 3/4NT 5♠ + 4♥		
3 ANY				PREEMPT	3H/S = nat or relay		
3 NT				Solid Minor	4♣ = correct in minor 4♦ = asking singleton, 4NT asking length	HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
						RKCB 4130 After Blackwood, next step asks for Queen of trumps – 1st step = no	
4 ♣				NAMYATS	STRONG HEART SUIT	JOSEPHINE	
4 ♦				NAMYATS	STRONG SPADE SUIT	LIGHTNER DOUBLES	
4 NT				BOTH MINORS			