

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

OVERCALLS (Style; Resp; 1/2 level; Reopening)

NAT, can be weak on level one, usually sound 2level
 responses: NS on 2level or higher = constructive
 after 1 level overcall: cue=inv (if passed with sup);
 jump cue=4card sup, const; 2NT after 1M ov=12+, 4cfit
 jump raise= pre, 1st round cue F1, not promising
 support

1NT OVERCALL (2nt/4th; Responses; Reopening)

2nd pos: (15)16-18 HCP system on if no overcall, if DBL (*),
 4th pos: 11-15 after 1M, 11-13 after 1m
 responses nat, if dbl same as / D of 1NT open
 4th pos 2NT=19-21, over (1x)-pass-(1Y)-1NT=
 16-18 x, Y stoppers

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

1 - Suit: intermediate (8-12 HCP) level 2; pre level 3
 2 - Suit: _____

Reopen: 6c opening hand

DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Resp; Reopen)

over 1X opening: jump cue asks for stopper
 over 1♦: 2♦=♥-♠ (same over 1♣)
 over 1M: 2M=other M+m

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

VS STR: 2♣=5-5M or 5M-5m; 2♦=6cM/♥/♠
 2♥/♠=4♥/♠-6m; dbl=5-4M or 6m or 19+; 2NT=twoM, strong
 3♣=4♣-4♥-1♦-4♠; 3♦=4♠-4♥-4♦-1♣
 Vs weak NT: dbl 14+(semi)bal; 2c: asks 5cM with at least one
 4c M, 2♦/♥=6+♥/♠; 2♠=55m; 2NT=3colours 4441M,
 3bids pre

VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)

vs weak two: dbl=T/O, then lebensohl applies
 2NT=16-19, Then 3♣=puppet, 3♦=trf OM, 3M=55m
 cue=asking stopper; lebensohl;
 (2M) - 4m = 5m-5OM, GF

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

VS. 1♣: Dbl=5♦ or ♥-♠ (5-4at least); 1♦=5♥ or ♠-♠ (5-4at least)
 1♥=5♠ or ♠-♦ (5-4at least); 1♠=5♣ or ♦-♥ (5-4at least);
 1NT=♠-♥ or ♠-♠ (5-4at least); 2♣/♦/♥/♠=6(7)c weak
 VS. 2♣: same as above but 6c first colour 5-5 the others

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

Rdbl = 9 HCP after 2 level opening. 7 HCP after 1 level opening (penalty seeking),
 2NT= Limit raise at least,
 except 1♣-(DBL)-2NT(5M332)FG

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS STYLE

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	4th/2nd from 3+lowcards, MUD	3rd from even, lowest from odd
NT	4th/2nd from 3+lowcards	3rd from even, lowest from odd
Subseq		

Other: in NT: A, Q, ask unblock or count; K, J attitude
 in NT: 10, 9, may have 1 higher

LEADS

LEADS	Vs Suit	Vs NT
A	A(K)+***	AQJ10, AKJ10, AKxxx+
K	KQ+, AK	KQ(x), AKx(x), AKJ(+)
Q	QJ+	KQ109+, QJ10xx(+)
J	J10, KJ10+, J9	QJ9(x), (H)J10(+), jX, (H)Jx
10	H109+, 109+, 10X	K10x, K109(+), Q109, Q109x
9	(H)98+, 9x	J98x, Q98(+), K98(+), 9x
High	xSx(+), Sx, HxxSx(+)	xSx(+)
Low	xSx, HxS, HxxS(+)	xSx, HxS, HxxS(+)

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	hi=d, low=e	count (hi-lo=odd)	s/p
Suit 2	count	S/P	Hi=S/P
3	suit pref		count (present)
1	hi=d, low=e	count (hi-lo=odd)	s/p
NT 2	count		Hi=S/P
3	suit pref		count (present)

Signals (incl. Trumps): S/P signals (potentially):

in trumps: Hi-lo=ability to ruff, in NT: smith peter.

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

NAT, almost all 1st round doubles at any sequence are T/O.
 responses: nat, Lebensohl NT, responsive D, Cbs
 reopenings: may be very light
 JUMP CUE RESP to T/O D= asks stopper, 1m(DBL)M (2M)=nat

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DBL/RDBL

after overcall: redouble shows high card (A, KorD) in pd's suit
 support double and redouble, competitive, lead directing, maximal,
 responsive, negative, lightner, snapdragon, SOS redbls
 after pd overcall DBL of CUE=A or K at partners suit
 dbl on oppt's spl. for next lower suit, or lower suit not bid
 after pd overcall DBL of SPL=weak=4+c sup, 1♣(1♦)DBL=4♥, 1♠(1♥)DBL
 4+♠, 1♣(1♠)DBL=4+♥, 1♦(♥)DBL: 6HCP not promising 4♠



CONVENTION CARD

CATEGORY

NCBO: HBF EVENT: _____

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PLAYERS: KOTRONAROU Anastasia (2956)

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SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

1♣/♦/♥/♠=14 or good 12/13 with 5 cards 1♣ could be 15+ bal
 1♣/♦ could be 4th with 4441; in 3rd seat could be 13+
 1♥/♠ could be (11)12/13 if 4 cOM; in 3rd could be 13+any
 2♣/♦/♥/♠=(9)10-13 with 5c UNBALANCED
 in 3rd could be weaker (max12) also 5332
 1NT Open: (11)12-14BAL (5332, 5422 no both M, 4441)
 2 OVER 1: usually FG some sequences not forcing
 if opener 11-12 with 5-4M 2/1 not forcing if passed hand

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE

WEAK RAISES IN COMPETITION

3NT Gambling

1♣/♦/♥/♠-3x=5+5+x and next suit; 1♣-3♣=5+♠ other 3♦ asks

Over 1 level overcall of our 1♣ opening, transfer bids

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

When HCP superiority is established; over doubled cue=2nd round ctrl
 On relays or ask bids situations; On high level competition
 When our NT gets doubled, pass if forcing showing either
 1. 1m, 2. both m (4+-4+), 3. both M (4-4), Then XX=♦ pref, 2♣=♣ pref

IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE

PSYCHICS: Our 3rd seat opening at the 2/3 level

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	Min. number of Cards	Neg Dbl Thru	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣	X	2	4♥	14+(good12/13)4+♣ or 15+BAL 1 round forcing	1♠/♥=0-11 4+♥/♠,1♣=0-11no4M, 1NT=10+BAL,2x=5+FG;3x=2suiter (x and next 5+) 2NT=5M332FG,3NT=11-14 3334 (4♣or♦) (4♣or♦)	1♣-1♦/♥-1NT=15-18bal no 4c sup;1♣-1♠-1NT=15-18bal 1♣-1♦:1♣=4+♠14-17;2♣=4+♠ 18-21;1♣-1NT-2♣=♣orBAL; after that 2♦=STAY;1♣-1NT-2♣-2♦-2NT/3NT=no4cM((17)18+,14-17) 1♣-1NT-2♣-2♦-2/3♥/♠=4/5♥/♠;1♣-2NT-3♣=♣or bal 1♣-2NT-3♦/♥/♠=♣+♦/♥/♠	1♣=13+4+♣ or 15 bal 2/1 response = INV
1♦		4	4♥	14+(good12/13)4+♦F1	1♥/♠NT=0-9 4♥/♠no 4M,2♦/3♦=3-4/4+♦0-5;2♣=FG 2♥/♠FG, 2NT=FG5M332,3♣/♥/♠=5+5+FG	1♦-1♥/♠-1NT=18+F1,1♦-1NT-2♣=14-17nat or 18+unbalF1 1♦-1♥/♠/NT-2NT=FG any	1♦=12(13)+, 2/1 response = INV
1♥		5	4♦	14+(good 12/13) 5+♥ or 11-13 with 5+♥ - 4♣ F1	1♠=0-9 4+♠,1NT=0-9hcp no 4+ ♠no 3+♥ 2♣=FG 10+ ♣ or bal or ♥ sup, 2♦/♠=FG 5+♦/♠ 2♥/3♥=3-4/4+♥0-5 hcp, 2NT=3+♥ 6-10 hcp,SPL 3♣/♦/♠=FG 5+5+suit bid and next,3NT=10-14 3244	1♥-1♠-1NT=15-17 5332;1♥-1♠/1NT-2♣=Gazzilli then 2♦=relay 1♥-1♠/1NT-2NT=6♥4m or 5♥ 5m ,1♥-1♠/1NT-3m=5♥ 5m 16-17 1♥-1♠/1NT-3♥=6+♥FG;1♥-2♣-2♦=5+♥4+♠ then 2♥/♠/ NT=10-11INV 1♥-2♣-2♠=5+♥4+♠then 2NT=ask,resp;3♣=5♥4♣3♣,3♦=5♥5♦,3♥=6♥4♦ 1♥-2♣-2♥/2NT=6+♥withS/6+♥no S or 5332(then3♣=ask);1♥-2♣-3♦/♠=nat 18+	1♥=(12)13+even without 4♣ 2/1 response = INV
1♠		5	4♦	14+(good 12/13) 5+♠ or11-13with 5+♠-4♥F1	similar to 1♥ opening;1NT=0-9hcp no 3♠ maybe 4♥ 2NT=3+♠ 6-10hcp,2♣=FG10+♠ or bal or ♣ sup etc	similar as after 1♥ open. 1♠-2♣-2♦=5+♠4+♥11+hcp; 1♠-2♣-3♥=5+♠4+♥14+hcp 1♠-2♣-2♥=5+♠4+♠then2NT=ask,1♠-1NT-2♣/2NT=as for1♥;1♠-1NT-3♥=5-5 16-17	1♠=(12)13+even without 4♥ 2/1 response = INV
1NT				12-14(good11) bal 5332,5422,not54M, 4441,6m332	stay(not prom M);trf's(♠for,♣2NTfor♦);texas;smolen 3♣=5-5m weak; 3♦=asks for 5cardM; 3♥/♠=5-4m-1♥/♠-3OM	1NT-2♣-2M-3OM=Msup 16+ with singleton slam try(3NTasks sing!);after 2♣/2NT trsf for m first step super acceptance,1NT-2♣-3♥/♠=5♥/♠14hcp 1NT-3♦-3♥/♠-3(4)OM=slam try with fit	
2♣		5	4♦	10-13(9)5+♣UNBAL	2♣= relayF1;2♥/♠=INV 5+♥/♠;2NT=5♠4♥INV 3♦/♥/♠=6+♦/♥/♠INV	2♣-2♦ then a)2♥/♠=3 or 4 ♥/♠;b)2NT/3♣=6+♣ max/min; c)3♦=6♣+4+♦max	opening can be weaker
2♦		5	4♦	10-13(9)5+♦UNBAL	2♥= relayF1;2♠=4+♠INV,3♣=4♠5♥INV,3♦=55M INV 3♥/♠=6+♥/♠INV,2NT=trf♣(weak♣ or FG with M)	2♦-2♥ then a)2♠=5♥;b)2NT=6♣322 or 5-6♦4♣c)3♣=5-6♦4♣;d)3♦=5♣or♠; e)3♥/♠/3NT=5♦4♥3♣/5♦4♥1♠/6♦4♥	opening can be weaker 2♦-3♦=♦PRE
2♥		5	4♦	10-13(9)5+♥UNBAL (no 4♣)	2♠=relayF1,2NT=5+♠INV,3♣/♦=6+♠/♦F1,3♠=6+♠FG 3NT/4♠/♦=4+♥ and 0 ♣/♦/♠	2♥-2♠ then a)2NT=only ♥(3♠=FG R);b)3♣/♦=4+♠/♦(3♦/♥=FG R); c)3♥=5♥5♦	opening can be weaker
2♠		5	4♦	10-13(9)5+♠UNBAL (no 4♥)	2NT=RELAY F1,3♣=5♥+F1,3♦=6+♦F1,3♥=6+♠F1 3NT/4♠/♦=4+♠ and 0 ♣/♦/♥	2♠-2NT then a)3♣/♦=4+♠/♦(3♦/♥=FG R);b)3♥=5♠5♦;c)3♠=6+♠	opening can be weaker
2NT			4♦	21-23BALor semiBAL	may have 5cM;stay;transf;texas;3♠=trsf3NT 4♠/4NT quantitative both m/bal	2NT-3♠-3NT then a)4♠=♣b)4♦=♦c)4♥/♠=S♥/♠ 5-5m slam try after trsf 3♦/♥: 3♥/♠=no 3♥/♠,3NT=3+♥/♠,4♥/♠=23hcp 4♥/♠	
3bid		6		pre	NS=F1;after 3♥/♠:4♠/♦=cue, slam try		
3NT				Gambling,7c solid m no outside K or A	4♠=p/c,4♦=R;5♣/♦/6♠=p/c	after 3NT-4♦/4♥/♠=S♥/♠;5♣/♦=S in other m	4th seat may have outside H
4♣		7		pre	4♦=F,4♥/♠= to play		
4♦		7		pre	4♥/♠= to play;5♣=F slam try		
4♥		7		pre except (possibly)3rd or 4th	NS=cue slam try		
4♠		7		same as above	NS=cue slam try		
4NT				constructive 5♣/♦ opening	bid in m = p/c	RCKB (1430r3041 - Kantar style),GSF,exclusion Blackwood,Gerber ask bids,splinters,control asks,DOPI,ROPI,DEPO,REPO , F pass situations Queen ask after RCKB,Lightner doubles, Quant NT, pick a slam 5nt Cue's and direct cue's.	

HIGH LEVEL BIDDING