## DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

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

Aggressive overcalls, 5-20 range, may be a 4 card suit (rarely) Sound overcalls at 2 -level, $10-16$ ish with $5+$ suit
New suit $=$ NF, Jump new suit $=$ NAT F
Jump raise $=$ PRE, 1 NT 7-12 stopper, RESP DBL $=$ Values, T/O
CUE: INV+ 3-Support, Jump CUE = Mixed OR INV 4+ Support
1NT OVERCALL ( $2^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening)
15-18: System as per 1NT opening
TRF LEBENSOHL applicable
$4^{\text {th }} 14-16$ over $1 \mathrm{M}, 11-14$ over 1 m
$4^{\text {t1 }}$ LIVE: $15-18$

## JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

1-Suit: NV is pre-emptive, V is $10-15$ ish
2-Suit: 2NT: 2 lowest unbid suits
Reopen: 2NT = 19-21; Stayman and transfers apply
DIRECT \& JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)

## MICHAELS CUE

(1m)-2m: H+S, (1M)-2M: OM +m ; 2NT asks m, 3D = INV + (1x) -3 x : Stopper ask, usually strong hand with $7+$ solid suit

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


## LEADS AND SIGNALS

| OPENING LEADS STYLE |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Lead | In Partner's Suit |
| Suit | 3rd, 5th | Same |
| NT | $4^{\mathrm{tn}} ; 1^{\text {st }} / 2^{\text {nd }}$ from weakness | Same |
| Subseq | Same V Suits, ATT V NT |  |
| Other: Overlead all sequences, except at 5-level+ can lead either/any |  |  |
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| LEADS |  |  |
| Lead | Vs. Suit | Vs. NT |
| Ace | AK(x+); A(x) | AK, A(x+), Asks ATT |
| King | KQ(x+); K(x) | AK/KQ - CT/UNBLOCK |
| Queen | QJ(x+); Q (x) | KQ(x+), asks ATT |
| Jack | J10(x+), KJ10(x+); J(x) | $\mathrm{QJ}(\mathrm{x}+$ ), $\mathrm{AQJ}(\mathrm{x}+$ ) |
| 10 | 109(x+); H109(x+); 10(x) | J10(x+); HJ10(x+); |
| 9 | 9(x) | T9, HT9 (x+) |
| Hi-X | DOUBLETON | xXxx, Xxxx |
| Lo-X | 3rd, 5th | HxxX |

## SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

|  | Partner's Lead | Declarer's Lead | Discarding |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Low = ENCRG | Low = Even | ATT; LO = ENCRG |
| Suit 2 | Low = Even | S/P | Low = Even |
|  | S/P |  | S/P |
|  | Low encourage | Low = Even | Low encourage |
| NT 2 | Low = Even | Rev Smith | Low = Even |
|  | S/P | S/P | S/P |

Signals (including Trumps): S/P

## DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)
Aggressive; CUE = FG; ELC applies in most cases.
1NT = 7-11, Stopper
Support X, XX
TRF over 1x-(DBL) i.e. $1 \mathrm{D}-(\mathrm{DBL})-\mathrm{RDBL}=\mathrm{H}$
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL \& COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS
NEG X thru 3S
1m-(1H)-DBL: 4S; 1m-(1S)-DBL suggests 4+H, 6+HCP
(1x)-DBL-(1y)-DBL = VALUES
(2/3x)-DBL-(2/3y)-DBL = PEN
Some DBLs \& RDBLs are transfers, others are INV
ightner DBL

## CATEGORY: GREEN

NCBO: NZCBA
PLAYERS: Michael WHIBLEY; Matthew BROWN
EVENT: OPEN

## SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE:
2/1 FG, 5-card Majors, Semi-F 1NT (0-12 NV, 3-12 V) Weak 2D/H/S
NV, open ALL 11s; V can pass 11.
Frequent upgrades. Aggressive openings when distributional ( $\sim 9+$ ), vul/seat dependant
1NT = 15-17 GAZILLI after 1M-1NT
1M response can bypass $D$ suit
Some relay bidding after $2 / 1$ sequences
Frequent Artificial 2NT bids
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
3NT OPENING = SOLID 7M
$1^{\mathrm{ST}}$ FAV 3NT = Good 4M in context
$1 \mathrm{H}-2 \mathrm{~S}=5-9 \mathrm{NAT}$
TRF OVER 1C AND IN COMPETITION
TRF including some X and XX
1M-2C can be 0+C ART GF RELAY
1 C can be $2 / 3$ and have 4D
HYPER AGGRESSIVE ${ }^{1{ }^{\text {T }} \text { FAV OPENINGS }}$
${ }^{\text {ST }}$ FAV 1 NT $=(13+) 14-16$

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| SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES |
| Minimal FP Sequences |
| 1H-(spades bid or implied)-3NT establishes FP with 4+H |
| FP usually only applies when we are V vs NV |
| IMPORTANT NOTES |
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| PSYCHICS: Rare, usually low risk. |



