DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1/2 Level; Reopening) 1 level $6+$ HCP, 2 level $9+$ HCP, New suit $F$ by UNPH exc. in comp Jump Raise=WK (mixed if jump cue or jump to suit below our suit) Jump Cue=mixed ( $7-9$ HCP $4+$ trumps
Strength can be a little lighter if PH
Cue bids in responses are 3+ Trumps and LIM+ values
ACBL Option 1 versus MULTI 2D
1NT OVERCALL (2 $\mathbf{2 d}^{\text {nd }} / \mathbf{4}^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening)
(1X) 1NT and (1X) P (1Y) 1NT 15-18 HCP (Upgrades) System On (1X) P (P) 1NT=11-16 HCP 2C=range ask, TRF, 2NT INV (1X) P (P) 2NT 18+20- HCP (Upgrades) System On (1m) P ( 2 m simple raise) 2NT 15-18 HCP System On (1M) P (2M) 2NT=15-18 HCP System On
(1X) P (2Y) 2NT=UNT
=UNT
PH (1X) P (1Y) 1NT=UNT
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
2/3 level-good suits esp. VUL-usually less than an opening bid-but
VUL can be stronger, esp.if Partner a PH. Exp. Length 2 lev 6, but may have 5 if good sui t NV or 7 VUL if suit medium and 7-2-2-2 3 level $7 \mathrm{w} /$ some variances $\mathrm{w} /$ respect to VUL. 2NT asks/2 level
Reopen: Jumps are very good suits and usually a card outside (INT)

## DIRECT \& JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)

Over mm cue=MM Sound w/ respect to VUL-can be very strong if
Planning to take 2 bids. Over mm 2 or less $\mathrm{m} 2 \mathrm{~m}=$ NAT.
Over $\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{OM}+1$ unknown m
$1 \mathrm{M}-3 \mathrm{M}$ asks stopper/ $1 \mathrm{~m}-3 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{NAT}$
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)
$\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{PENish}, 2 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{D}$ or $\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{H}, 2 \mathrm{H}=\mathrm{MM}, 2 \mathrm{~S}$ NAT, $2 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{C}$
3C=mm/AFTER 2C X asks compete, 2NT F inquiry all auctions.
In BAL position VS Strong $X=T / O \mathrm{w} /$ less than $3 \mathrm{~S}, 2 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O} \mathrm{w} / 3+\mathrm{S}$ (Both promise at least 2 suits), 2D=MM $(5+, 5+)$ CONST-2NT asks In BAL position as PH VS weak NT X=C CONST
Otherwise Direct System applies
VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
X T/O/weak $2 \mathrm{w} / \mathrm{LEB}$ responses unless PH is X
Leaping Michaels over $2 \mathrm{M} / 2 \mathrm{D} / 3 \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{MM}, 4 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}+\mathrm{M}, 4 \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{BIG}$ MM 2M 3M asks stopper
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. $1 *$ or 2*
CRASH/1C/2C (Color/Rank/Shape) and after (1C/2C) (1D/2D) Bids after CRASH are P/C and cheapest NT says have own suit. Cheapest NT=Cue if we bid a NAT suit. We tend to bid soundly.

## OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

TRF Advances THRU 2M, after M (X) 2M very WK, 2NT=LIM+, Suit below 3 of our suit=MIXED, 3NT FG raise with F PASS
$1 \mathrm{C}(\mathrm{X}) 2 \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{LIM}+, 2 \mathrm{NT}=$ mixed, 3C weak, 1D (X) 2NT,3C,3D

## LEADS AND SIGNALS

| OPENING LEADS STYLE |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Lead |  | In Partner's Suit |  |
| Suit |  | $33^{\text {rd }}$ from E, low from odd |  | Same |  |
| NT |  | HxxS(+), xSxx(+),Sxx,Sx |  | $3^{\text {rd }}$ from even, low from odd |  |
| Subseq |  | ATT (if CT then as above) |  | ATT (if CT then as above) |  |
| Other: : J denies, 10 or 9 zero or 2 higher if feasible after trick 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Versus slams tend to lead ATT rather than CT |  |  |  |  |  |
| LEADS |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lead |  | Vs. Suit |  | Vs. NT |  |
| Ace |  | $\mathrm{AKx}(+)$ unless 5 level or DECL is a PRE=CT lo E |  | AK+ asks ATT lo ENC |  |
| King |  | $\mathrm{AK}, \mathrm{KQ}(+), \mathrm{AKx}(+)$ at 5 lev or DECL is a PRE=CT lo E |  | AKJ10(+), KQ109(+) asks UB or CT lo E |  |
| Queen |  | QJ(+), Qx, ATT lo ENC |  | KQ(+) asks ATT lo ENC |  |
| Jack |  | J10(+), Jx, ATT lo ENC |  | QJxx(+)RUS4+, J10(x) ATT |  |
| 10 |  | 109(+), 10x, |  | J10xx(+) RUS4+, 109(x) |  |
| 9 |  | 98(+), 9x, |  | 109xx(+) RUS4+, 9xx, 9x |  |
| Hi-X |  | Sx, Sxx if SUPP PARTNER |  | xSxx(+), Sxx, Sx |  |
| Lo-X |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { HxS(x), } \operatorname{HxSx}(\mathrm{xx}), \operatorname{HxxxS} \\ & \mathrm{xxS}, \text { xxSx(xx), xxxxS } \end{aligned}$ |  | HxS, HxxS(+) |  |
| SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Partner's Lead |  | Declarer's Lead |  | Discarding |
| 1 | ATT lo ENC |  | CT lo EVEN |  | ATT lo ENC (S/P) |
| Suit 2 | CT lo EVEN (S/P) |  | S/P |  | CURRENT CT (S/P) |
| 3 | S/P |  | S/P |  | S/P |
| 1 | ATT lo ENC |  | CT lo EVEN (S/P) |  | ATT lo ENC |
| NT 2 | CT lo EVEN |  | S/P Unless CT needed |  | CURRENT CT (S/P) |
| 3 | S/P |  | S/P |  | S/P |

Signals (including Trumps): We play ALOT of S/P including TRUMP S/P
Generally, our Default signal is $\mathrm{S} / \mathrm{P}$ when their is no future in a SUIT
However, there may be other considerations relative to the hand before $\mathrm{S} / \mathrm{P}$
DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)
$10+\mathrm{HCP}$ w/ shortness in OPPT suit/Cue bid FG UNPH/2 Suits by a PH
$18+$ HCP if offshape/If offshape aggressive to overcall 1NT and/or good 4M Equal level conversion, converting C to D not extras, BAL 2NT=C+another PENALTY PASS over XX, RESP X when bid and raise suit after T/O X
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL \& COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS
NEG thru 7S, 1C (1D) X both MM, 1m (1H) X=4S, 1m (1S) X tends 4+H RESPOSIVE X thru 7S (Almost all initial X are T/O)
Max X thru 3H, SUPP X and XX thru 2H, SOL X (X says can lead another suit) Snapdragon thru 3S ((1X) Y (Z) X other suit not strong enough to bid) Tolerance XX thru 2S (8+HCP) and doubleton in Partner's suit SPL X=NO lead if 1 unbid suit/lead lo suit if 2 unbid.

W B F CONVENTION CARD

CATEGORY: i.e. Green / Blue / Red / HUM / Brown Sticker: NCBO:
PLAYERS: Drew Casen, Jim Krekorian
EVENT (Open/Women/Senior/Transnational)

## SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
Standard American 2/1 FG 5+card M (semi-F 1NT) With $4-4 \mathrm{~mm}$ will open 1D unless C significantly better We tend to open 1C with 4D and 5C
We almost never respond 1 D to $1 \mathrm{C} w / 4 \mathrm{M}$ unless FG (exc. is a hand like $x x x x / x \mathrm{KQJxxx}^{\prime} / \mathrm{xx}$ ). We rebid 1NT with a variety of distributions including (3-1)(54) w/ 11-14 HCP
We respond light to 1 M . We open most 12 HCP and shapely 11 s using the rule of 20. We stretch to open 1NT to avoid rebid problems $\mathrm{w} /(5422)$ and (5431) subject to ACBL restrictions. We are more likely to ugrade 2 NT rebids, opening 2 NT , BAL

## 2C hands rather than 1NT openers. PRE sound w/respect to VUL

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE
We play TRF advances when we open $1 \mathrm{M}(\mathrm{X})$ and when we overcal 1M (X)
4+M raises at the 3 level,H/S C/D=LIM,D/H=MIX,H/S=PRE
2NT BAL so $2 \mathrm{~S} / 1 \mathrm{H}$ and $3 \mathrm{C} / 1 \mathrm{~S}$ are our FG raises with $4+$ plus M Option 1 ACBL DEF VS Multi ie. $2 \mathrm{H}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ of S Unusual/Unusual ( $\mathrm{Lo}=\mathrm{OM} / \mathrm{mm} /$ Om over MM with punt Over (1C,1D) 2 or less in suit $2 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{NAT},(1 \mathrm{C})-2 \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{MM}$ (1D) $-2 \mathrm{H}=\mathrm{MM}, 2 \mathrm{~S}=$ BIG MM
Over (1C)-P-TRF-X=T/O for other suits. Bidding the TRF suit T/O of TRF suit so includes C-only 1 cue bid
WKJS in COMP thru 3S by UNPH unless mixed applies
Jumps higher than 3S by UNPH=FITS (EXC 4OM)/short if their suit. By PH Jumps are FITS w/ SPL in their suit at 4 level.

## SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

Direct raise=Slam try/Pass and pull=weaker
New suit NAT, tends NOT to be a slam try
If make LIM+ and we don't get to clarify= a F Pass situation
IMPORTANT NOTES Default for X is T/O in COMP
New suit in COMP NF 2 level/F 3 level
PSYCHICS: Rare/Could only pass a F bid to expose


