

Defensive and Competitive Bidding

Overcalls (Style; responses: 1/2 level; reopening)

Take-out double:

INT overcalls (2nd/4th live; responses; reopening)

2nd Position = 15-17

Jump Overcalls: (Style; responses; unusual NT)

Direct and Jump cue Bids (Style; responses; reopen)

Vs NT (vs Strong/weak; reopening; pH)

Vs preempts (doubles, cue-Bids; jumps; NT bids)

Vs Artificial Strong Openings

Over Opponents take out double

Leads and Signals

Opening Leads - style

Lead	Top of Partner's Suit
Suit	
NT	4 th highest or top of sequence
Subseq	
Other	

Leads

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	AK	
King	small	
Queen	small	
Jack	small	
10	doubleton	
9	doubleton	
Hi-x	even	
Lo-x	odd	

Signals in order of Priority

Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1 att	count	levinthal
2 att	count	levinthal
3		
1 att	count	att
2		
3		

Signals (including trumps):

standard

Takeout Doubles (Style; responses reopening)

standard

Special, artificial and competitive doubles/redoubles

Positive doubles in 3rd seat



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Players: Clive and Marcia Hammans

Event: CACBF Seniors

System Summary

General approach and Style

Standard American
5 card majors
Weak 2D/2H/2S
Balanced Minimum Opening 11 HCP
1C 12-21 HCP could be short

INT Opening: 15 - 17

Special Bids that may require defence

2C reply over 1 level opening is Artificial and Game Forcing

Special Forcing Pass Sequences

Important notes that don't fit elsewhere

Psychics:

Rare

Opening	Tick if Artificial	Min. No. Cards	Neg. Dbl. Thru'	Description	Responses	Subsequent Action	Modifications over Competition and with Passed Partner
Pass				Not an Opening Bid			
1C		2		12 - 21 HCP	Show 4 card major 2C Artificial and game force	2D Minimum opener	
1D		4		12 - 21 HCP	As above	As above	
1H		5		11 - 21 HCP	1NT 6-10 HCP 2C Artificial and game force	2D Minimum opener	
1S		5		11 - 21 HCP	As above	As above	
1NT				15 - 17 balanced	Jacoby Transfers: Stayman		
2C	<input type="checkbox"/>	6		Artificial, strong - any shape 22+ HCP	Artificial Relay		
2D		6		6 - 10 HCP	natural		
2H		6		6 - 10 HCP	natural		
2S		6		6 - 10 HCP	natural		
2NT				20 - 21 balanced	Jacoby Transfers; Stayman		
3C		7		Pre-emptive			
3D		7		Pre-emptive			
3H		7		Pre-emptive			
3S		7		Pre-emptive			
3NT				25+ HCP balanced			
4C		8		Pre-emptive			
4D		8		Pre-emptive			
4H		8		Pre-emptive			
4S		8		Pre-emptive			
						Slam Approach and Conventions (including all Slam-Interest Bids)	
						Blackwood	
						Gerber over 3NT	



Supplementary Sheet

Note 1: Michaels Cue Bids:

(1♣) – 2♣
 (1♦) – 2♦
 Both majors 5(+) / 5(+)

(1♥) – 2♥ = 5♠ + 5 minor
 (1♠) – 2♠ = 5♥ + 5 minor
 All jumps in known suits are PRE (but may be tactically strong)

Note 2: Lebensohl:

2NT forces 3♣. Responder may now pass or make a minimum bid in a suit, NF
 2-level new suit bids are not encouraging. 3-level new-suit bids are forcing

1NT (2x) 2NT (p)
 3♣ (p) 3x = GF No Stopper

Note 3: Landy: (vs No Trump)

Penalty Double
 2♣ shows at least four cards in each major suit = Landy
 2♦/♥/♠ = Natural

1NT - 2♣ - ?
 2♦ = relay to play the better major
 2NT = strong inquiry (cue-bid!)

Note 4: Opener's Splinter Raise

Opener's rebid 1 level above either a jump shift or a forcing reverse is a game-forcing splinter raise.

Note 5: Responses after NT rebid

1♦ - 1♥ 1♥ - 1♠
 1NT – 2♣ = new minor, forcing
 1NT – 3♥ = forcing
 3♦ = Nat. forcing

1♣ - 1♥ 2NT - 3♣ Nat. Forcing (2NT denies 4 card ♠ suit)
 1♣ - 1♦ 1NT - 3♣ = forcing

3rd suit: one round force

4th suit: one round force but 3 level responses or further bids by responder are game forcing

Note 6: R K C B (4NT asks for 5 key cards, 4 Aces + King of Trumps)

Responses: 5♣ = 3 or 0
 5♦ = 4 or 1
 5♥ = 2
 5♠ = 2 + Queen of Trumps
 5NT = 2 + a void
 6♣ = 1 + a void

Note 7: Non Forcing Sequences

2♦/♥/♠ - 3♣

2♦/♥ - 2♣

2♦/♥/♠ - 2NT

1♠ - 2♣

1M - 2 lower

2♠ - 3♠

2NT = extra values

1♥ - 1♠

2♣ - 3♥ - limit raise

Note 8: Take Out Double

1♣ - 1♦ - X = denies 4-card major

1♣ - 1♥ - X = denies 4♠

Take Out Double by Opener: shows three card support for responder and a non-minimum hand or a strong hand

Note 9: Responses to 1NT and 2NT Opening

a) Stayman

1NT - 2♣:

2♦ = No Major

2♥ = 4♥

2♠ = 4♠

2NT - 3♣

b) Transfers

1NT -

2♦ = 5+♥

2♥ = 5+♠

2♠ = 5+♣

2NT = Nat

3♣ = 5+♦

4♦ = 5♥+5♠

2NT -

Same

c) 1NT - 3♦/♥/♠ = strong, Natural

d) Subsequent Bids:

1NT - 2♣

2♦ - 3♥ = 4♥ + 5♠ F

1NT - 2♣

2 any - 3♣ = forcing

Note 10: Drury

After an opening bid of one in a major in third or fourth position the partner's 2♣ shows 9/11 HCP and 3/4 card support. Subsequent bids:

2♦ from the opener shows a normal hand with proper opening values.

2 in the opening major is a sign off

2♥ (after a 1♠ opening bid) is weakish with ♥