DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1/2 Level; Reopening) $1^{\text {st }}$ level: Aggressive, Natural overcalls, (5) 8-15 HCP, (4) 5+ cards, $2^{\text {nd }}$ level: 12-16, constructive
Responses: new suit 2nd level NF, opp suit F1,
After 1M overcall - transfer bids, fit bids, SPL

1NT OVERCALL (2 $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd } / 4} 4^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening)
2nd seat 15-18 bal, 4th seat 11-14; 9-11 after pas
Responses: System on after [1m] - 1NT - [pass]
[1M]-1NT-pas- transfers, transfer to opponent suit= 4OM, inv+,
$2 \boldsymbol{*}$ or invitational, 2NT=both minors
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
1-Suit: WEAK

| 2-Suit: (1M)-2M-5OM+5C (1M)-3c- 5+D+5OM |
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| ;4th level leaping Michaels (5OM, 5m) |

DIRECT \& JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
(1c)-2c nat (1c/1d)-2d both M
( $1 \mathrm{H} / 1 \mathrm{~s}$ )-2H/2S OM and C/3c- OM + 5D
(1x)-3x asking stopper

VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)
X-Competitive strength plus, $2 \boldsymbol{2}=$ both majors $4+/ 4+; 2=$ one major (5) $6+2 \downarrow / \Delta=$ nat + minor, $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ minors, $3 \mathrm{x}=$ nat

Passes hand or 4th seat vs strong NT - DONT DBL = onesuiter; suit= nat+ higher suit 4+/4+

VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
DBL for takeout,
2NT $=16-19 \mathrm{HCP},[2 \mathrm{M}]-4 \mathrm{~m}=$ nat + other M;
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1* or 2*
same as after 1NT, except [1* ]-1NT=minors, 2NT=stronger 5-5;
DBL=*
over strong $2 \ldots, 2 \mathrm{NT}=5+5+$ any
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE
Redouble- strong except after 1D-(X)-XX = hearts
$1 \mathrm{M}-[\mathrm{dbl}]-1 \mathrm{NT} / 2 \mathrm{~s} / \mathbf{/} / \mathbf{/}=$ transfers, fit-bids; 2NT=unbal invitational
1C-(X)- transfers from 1D

LEADS AND SIGNALS
OPENING LEADS STYLE

|  | Lead | In Partner's Suit |
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| Suit | $3^{\text {rdd }} / 5^{\text {th }}$ | same |
| NT | $2^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ | $3^{\text {rld }} / 5^{\text {th }}$ |
| Subseq | $2^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ | same |
| Other: During play $^{11^{\text {s/ } / 3^{\text {rd }}}}$ attitude |  |  |

Other: During play $1^{\text {st }} / 3^{\text {rd }}$, attitude.

| LEADS |  |  |
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| Lead | Vs. Suit | Vs. NT |
| Ace | Ax | Ax AKx |
| King | QJx | KQxx. |
| Queen | AJ10x KJ10x J10x, Jx | QJxx |
| Jack | A109x, K109x KJ10x J10x Jx |  |
| 10 | HH9x, 9xx, 9x | H109x, 10x |
| 9 | A109x K109x |  |
| Hi-X |  | Sx, |
| Lo-X | XxX xxXx xxxxX xxxxXx | HxS, xxS, xxxxS |

## SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

|  | Partners Lead | Declarer's Lead | Discarding |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Suit:1st | $\begin{aligned} & \text { count (low/hi } \\ & \text { =even) } \end{aligned}$ | count | Lavinthal and Italian(odd card enc. that suit) |
| 2nd | attitude (small=enc) | Lavinthal |  |
| 3rd | Lavinthal |  |  |
| NT: 1st | Attitude | Smith | Lavinthal and Italian (odd card enc. that suit |
| 2nd | count | Count |  |
| 3rd | Lavinthal | Lavinthal |  |
| Signals (including Trumps): hi-low in trumps shows ruffing potential |  |  |  |
| UDCA - hi-low odd, small - encourage; |  |  |  |
| Smith signal against NT; discarding - odd=values, even=Lavinthal |  |  |  |
| DOUBLES |  |  |  |
| TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening) |  |  |  |
| $12+$ to unbid suits or $16+$ with own suit or 19+any |  |  |  |
| Responses: 1NT 6-9 bal, minimal bid 0-8 NF |  |  |  |
| Reopening: might be very weak |  |  |  |
| SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL \& COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS |  |  |  |
| Negative Doubles |  |  |  |
| Direct redoubles after partners opening=strong |  |  |  |
| Lightner dbl, lead directing double, slam double |  |  |  |
| DOPI, ROPI |  |  |  |
| 1*/*-[1ヶ]-x: $4+\boldsymbol{\wedge}$ |  |  |  |

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## SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
18 = 12-14 bal or $16+$ with suit or $18+$ bal
$1 \star=4+\star$, unbalanced; $1 \mathrm{M}=(8) 11-15 \mathrm{HCP}, 5+$
$2 \boldsymbol{*}=11-15 \mathrm{HCP} 6+\boldsymbol{2}$ or $5+\boldsymbol{*}$ \& 4 M

$2 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{a}=8-12$, (5) 6 M
$2 \mathrm{NT}=$ both minors 5-10
1NT Openings: 15-17, bal
2 OVER 1 Responses:F1
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE


## 3NT = Gambling

Ghestem and unusual 2NT. Leaping Michaels after opps open
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| SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES |
| in GF and ST sequence |
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| IMPORTANT NOTES |
| $1 \star$ opening may include $4 \star 5 *$ distribution |
| (1m)-DBL-(1M)-2M=NAT |
| PSYCHICS: Rare |


|  | 為 |  |  | DESCRIPTION | RESPONSES |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  | SUBSEQUENT ACTION | COMPETITIVE \＆PASSED HAND BIDDING |
| 1\％ | X | 0 |  | a）12－14 balanced，b）16＋unbal | 14：0－7；1－／ A ： $8+, 4+\mathrm{M}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | c）18＋any | 2＊／t：nat，GF，2v：8－11，minors 2 4 ：bal inv＋w／o 4M | 1＊－2－ 2 ： ：relay， |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 2nt，5－7 HCP from 5－5m 3m＝nat inv 6＋suit | 1c－1H－1S／1nt－2d gf |  |
| $1 *$ |  | 4 |  | 11－15，4＋unbalanced， |  | 1－1M－1NT－2＊ | Suit＋fit after passed hand |
|  |  |  |  | $\because$ might be longer | $2 \boldsymbol{*} / \boldsymbol{\wedge}:(5) 6+, 0-6 ; 2 N T$ s／o in $\boldsymbol{*} / \boldsymbol{*}$ ，or GF with both M；3s：both M inv |  |  |
| $1 \vee$ |  | 5 |  | 11－15，5＋ | 1NT：NF，2－ 2 ：2＋，F1；2＊／v5＋，F1，3c 6－7／3d 8－9 4H | 1v－1＾／NT－2か：Relayc | Drury |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1 － $2 \mathrm{NT}=$ sign off in any suit；13－15 4333；5－6 controls，4＋supp and singleton $4+\boldsymbol{\bullet}, 2 \wedge=6+\mathrm{GF}$ | $1 \mathrm{H}-1 \mathrm{~S} / 1 \mathrm{nt}-2 \mathrm{H} 5 \mathrm{H}+4 \mathrm{C}$ min $1 \mathrm{~S}-1 \mathrm{nt}-2 \mathrm{~S} 5 \mathrm{~S} 4+\mathrm{C}$ min |  |
| 14 |  | 5 |  | 11－15，5＋＾ | $1 \vee-3 \boldsymbol{v}=$ inv or pre－empt |  |  |
| 1NT |  |  |  | 15（14）－17 can be any 4－4－4－1 | Stayman，transfers，2 $\downarrow$ inv or $\downarrow$ ，2NT both min or |  |  |
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| 2＊＊ |  | 5 |  | 11－15，a） $5 \times 4 \mathrm{M}$ b） $6+\ldots$ | 2 relay， 2 ／＾NF，2NT relay |  |  |
| － |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2＊ | X | 0 |  | NV：0－7 5＋／／a | 2NT：relay，3m f1 nat |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | V 5－7，5＋／／${ }_{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  |
| 2 |  | 5 |  | 8－12，5 | 2＾NF，2NT relay，3m fg nat | 2H－2NT：3x shortness， $3 \mathrm{M}=\min 3 \mathrm{NT}=\max$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2＾ |  | 5 |  | 8－12．5＾ | 2NT relay 3m fg nat |  |  |
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| 2NT |  |  |  | 5－5 minors 5－10 | 3M forcing |  |  |
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| 3\％ |  | 6 |  | pre， $2 / 3$ top honors | 34：asking for 3－card M |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 3 \\ 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | 6 |  | pre， $2 / 3$ top honors |  |  |  |
|  |  | 6 |  | 5－10 |  |  |  |
| $3 \boldsymbol{}$ |  | 6 |  | 5－10 |  |  |  |
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| 3NT | X |  |  | Solid 7 minor with maximum | 4＊P／C 4＊slam try |  |  |
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| 4＊ |  | 7 |  | pre |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 4 \star \\ & 4 \\ & 4 \wedge \\ & 4 \mathrm{NT} \end{aligned}$ |  | 7 |  | pre |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  | Minors 10 tricks |  |  |  |
| 5＊ |  |  |  |  |  | HIGH LEVEL BIDDING |  |
| $\begin{array}{\|l} 5 \\ 5 \\ 5 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  | RKCB，Exclusion Blackwood，Slam Double，DOPI ROPI |  |
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