	EFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
	LLS (Style: Responses: 1/2 Level; Reopening)
	(8H) at 1 level w/good suit, ptr response of 1NT=8-11
Generally so	ound (10H+) overcalls at the 2 level
Reonening i	ump to - 2 ♦= Michaels (♥+♠)
	ump to $2M = \text{exactly 6 cards & 12 - 13H}$
	RCALL (2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Live; Responses; Reopening)
	in direct seat, SYSON
	INT→4 higher ranking & longer lower ranking
· / · • /	) 2NT $\rightarrow$ any 2 suiter 55 or better
	NT = 10-13, (does not promise a stopper) SYSON
	NT = 17-19 / (2M) P (P) 2NT = 14-16
	ERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)
	Nat 6/7 card (6H+)
	chaels (♥+♠) in 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 4 <sup>th</sup> seat
	est unbid in direct, 17-19 in balancing seat
	, <u> </u>
DIRECT &	JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)
	and $1X - (1Y) - 3Y = $ Stopper ask <b>except</b> if $X = $
Michaels in	2 <sup>nd</sup> or 4 <sup>th</sup>
	= Natural; (1m) - 2 ♦= Michaels (♥+♠)
	OM+m →3♣=P/C and 3♦=invitational OM
	Strong/Weak (to 14H); Reopening; PH)
	♦=6cM, 2M=M+m, X=4M+ longer m, 2NT=55m(+)
	y open 1m – P - 1NT)
	as for strong NT but X=points
	1m, opp o/c 1NT, same as for weak NT)
(ir we open	This, opp ove Tivi, sume as for weak Ivi)
Vs strong 21	NT, as for strong 1NT but X=55(+) minors
	bling 3NT, as for weak NT
	ITS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
	chaels 4m=5m+5OM /over Multi 4m = 5m+5♥
	over Multi but 3 ♥/♠ = Natural strong (16-18)
	stopper ask; $(2M)$ $\{M+m\}$ $3M = $ stopper ask
	TCIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 14/4 or 24/4
	nps = PREMPT (2/3  level = Nat  6/7  card  (6H+))
•	ajors; NT = both minors (direct or after response))
A – 00th illa	gots, N1 – bour minors (unrect of after response))
OVER OPI	PONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE
	k (< 10H); RDBL = 10+
Jumps=weal	k (<10H); RDBL = 10+ -10H+, 2NT/m=5m and less than 11H

			LEA	DS AND S	IGNALS		
OPEN	IN	G LEA	DS STYLE				
			Lead		In Pa	rtner's Suit	
Suit			3/5		3 <sup>rd</sup> bu	3 <sup>rd</sup> but attitude if count	
NT		2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup>			known		
Subsequent Low=Enc.,			Low=Enc.,	2 <sup>nd</sup> or 4 <sup>th</sup> thr	ough decla	rer.	
Other:	10	is not c	onsidered an	honour for	NT opening	g lead purposes	
LEAD	S[	ace for	attitude and l	king for cou	nt or unblo	ck (NT)]	
Lead			Vs. Suit		Vs. N	Vs. NT	
Ace			AKx		AKx		
King			AKJT K asks count			AKJT K asks unblock/coun	
Queen			QJT(x), QJ9		-	QJT(x), QJ9	
Jack			(H)JTxx; JT9x			(H)JTxx; JT9x	
10		(H)T9x		(H)T9	(H)T9x		
9			9x		9x		
High-low			Doubleton			Doubleton	
-			Promises a t			ises a third	
SIGN	ΑL	S IN O	RDER OF P				
		Partner	r's Lead	Declarer's	Lead	Discarding	
		ATT High=Enc Count, Low hi=odd		Count Low-hi=odd SP (Low=Enc)		SP (High=Enc)	
Suit						Count Low hi=odd	
		SP (High=Enc)					
NT	1	ATT Low=Enc		Count Lov	v hi=odd	SP (Lavinthal)	
	2	Count Low hi=odd		SP (Low=Enc)		Count Low hi=odd	
	3	SP (La	vinthal)				
Signal		`	g Trumps)			- I	
			f trumps				
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### **DOUBLES**

# TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

If shapely, may be light

Support X and XX to 2M-1; Maximal

 $1m - (1 \lor) - X$ ,  $X = max 3 \land and 1 \land = 4(+)$  spades

If they bid our suit X by responder= big H; by opener=lead unless ....

## SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

Negative doubles through 4M-1: Lightner double

X=TO if they O/C natural over our 1NT at the 2 or 3 level

X of splinter: VUL= lead the suit under, NVUL=possible save

X of transfer shows suit, cue of the underlying is TO

Relay (TRF) X after OPP's 3 level pre-empt over our 1M opening or O/C Lebensohl after OPP's 2 level pre-empt over our opening

## EBL CONVENTION CARD

CATEGORY: Natural Green NCBO: SWITZERLAND

PLAYERS: Jean-Pierre Derivaz – George Hashimoto

EVENT

March 4, 2025

# SYSTEM SUMMARY

15-17 NT; 5 card majors, better minor GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

2/1 FG

card Majors in 1st and 2nd

FNT over 1 ♥/♠ (off in competition or by PH)

Preempt quality variable dependent on vul & position

Balanced minimum opening  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd} = (11)$  12 H

INT opening = 15-17 H (5M or 6m possible)

2NT opening = 20-21 H (5M or 6m possible)  $\rightarrow$  Puppet Stayman

## SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

NTsolid minor w/o outside control

♣ (artificial+strong); Multi 2♦ (weak 2M or 22-23 balanced)

2M=5M+4(+)m / 5(+)m if VUL (5-10H)

WJS, fit jumps by PH, mixed raise in COMP. 3<sup>rd</sup> / 4<sup>th</sup> suit=F1/FG

Rubensohl/NT (≥8H), otherwise Lebensohl (<8H)

Smolen(45 weak or GF or 64 GF/SI)

M response may bypass longer diamonds (Walsh)

3rd hand opening may be lead directing or weak

Vs 2 known 2 suited O/C, cheapest cue= raise ( $\geq 10H$ );

nigher cue= 4th suit GF; 4th suit is NF or raise ptr's suit=NF

In COMP, after we open or O/C a M, cue/2NT shows 3/4 card

support and invite or better ≥10H

1NT after the OPP's have bid+ responded=TO, 4 higher ranking & 5+ lower suit (55 by PH), Cue/2NT=55 < opening/> opening

XYZ/NT (on by PH)  $2 = \text{Trf to } 2 \neq \text{TP or invitational } 10-11$ ;

 $2 \leftarrow =$ any FG; 2NT= Trf to  $3 \leftarrow 3X=SI$ ; 3NT=TP

## SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

In FG situations, pass is forcing

In SI, pass of OPP's bid at 5 level = first round control, X denies control, bid = cue &  $2^{nd}$  round control

### IMPORTANT NOTES

PSYCHICS: Rare

75	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU	ATT=attitude, CI=Italian controls, DNP=does not promise; F1=round force, FG=game force, GT=game try, KC=key card, NF=non forcing, OB=opening bid; O/C=overcall, OPP=opponent, P/C=pass or correct; PH=passed hand, PRE=Preempt, SI=slam interest, SP=suit preference, SPL=splinter, SYSON=system on, TP=to play, TRF=transfer; UPH=unpassed hand, WJS=Weak jump shifts				
OPENING				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING	
1.		3	4M-1	Balanced 12-14 (may be weaker in 3 <sup>rd</sup> ) or 18-19, rule of 15 in 4 <sup>th</sup> If unbalanced, rule of (19) 20	2m=F1 (11+ and fit, no 4 card M), 3m=PRE (0-7H) 1 ◆ -2 ♣ =FG 1 ♣ -2 ◆ & 1 ◆ -3 ♣ = FIT & 8-10H (FJ if PH) 1m-2/3M or 1 ♣ -3 ◆ = 4-7 & 6/7 card suit NF;	2NT/3m = min with 3/4m, 2X=stoppers up the line. NB 2NT does not promise stoppers	Inverted OFF if X; ON by PH Reverse Truscott after X 2♣/1♦ by PH is Nat 10-11H	
<b>1</b> ♥		5	4M-1	10-21 in 1st or 2 <sup>nd</sup> may be weaker in 3 <sup>rd</sup> , rule of 15 in 4 <sup>th</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> seat can be 4 card suit Rule of (19) 20	2NT=11-12 bal; 4m=PRE, 4M=TP  1NT=F1 (5-15); 2M=8-10; 2NT= Fit GF(Jacoby); 3M=0-6; 3&=FIT w/10-11; 3 \( \infty = FIT \) w/6-9; 3NT=3 w/13-15; 1 \( \infty - 3 \) = 4-7 w/7 card suit NF SPL 10-14 w/3-5CI; 4M = PRE; 1 \( \neq - 4 \) is TP	See also XYZ/NT  After 2/1: 2M=Catchall; Reverse=13+; rebid at 3 level =14+; 2NT is max 14 or 18-19; 3NT=15-17 2NT = GT → 3M=min; 4M=max; 3X=values	Fit jumps (10+H) 5+fit 4 <sup>th</sup> by PH FNT OFF in COMP; Drury 2♣ fit; PH 2NT=4c+shortage invite; Bergen/X; 1 ▼-2♠=FJ by PH (10- 11) but PRE (4-7) in COMP	
INT			4•	15-17 HCP, 5M or 6m possible	2♣=Stayman DNP 4M, may be weak 54M, Smolen 4 suit trf; w/super accept (EX 2♠→ bal invite/or ♣) 3♣/♦ mm weak/strong SI 3M=natural SI→cue=fit 3NT denies (xx) 4♣/♦=55M SI/FM or +; 4M=55m short M GF	Super accept: $/m=3+ max + \& 1H$ , $/M$ : $2NT=4 max$ , $3M=4 min$ , $\frac{3X=4 + max + xxx(x) in X}{After M TRF + 2^{nd} suit, 3M=fit, 3OM fit m, and 4 = 3cM and 4cmAfter 1NT-2 = 3cM and 3 = max$	Rubensohl (8+) 3X=TRF Lebensohl 2NT→ 3♣→ P/C(<8) SYSON after non penalty X DONT if X=points We O/C 1NT – m/M syson/Trsfer	
2*	<b>√</b>	0		Artificial strong GF or SF	2 ◆=negative; 2 ▼/ ▲=1 ace r/b; 3m=1 ace r/b + K; 2NT=2 as, 3M/NT= KQTxxx in M/minor	3♣by responder over 2M is second negative 2♣-2♦; 3M is NF (8.5 tricks)	OPP interfere: $\rightarrow$ DEPO or REPO P=1/3 ace and X/XX = 0/2 aces	
2♦	<b>V</b>	0		Multi 6cM 5-10H or 22-23 Balanced	2NT=asks→3*/•/▼/♣=min ▼/♠, max ♠/▼ 2/3M=P/C; 3*/• = Natural & invitational 4*/•=bid suit under/suit, 4M=TP		SYSON on, X of 2M O/C=P/C $4^{th}$ seat opening 22-33H $\rightarrow$ $2 \checkmark = \text{no aces } /2 \land = \geq 1 \text{ ace}$	
2M		NVUL 5M&4m VUL 5M&5m		5-10H, 5 card MAJOR and at least 4m NVUL At least 5m if VUL	2NT=asks→3m=nat & min and 3 V/A=A/♦ max; 3 A=P/C 3 ◆= Natural NF 3 V over 2 A = natural RF to 3 A	2NT→3m = minimum with m →3♥/♠ = max with clubs/diamonds	3M is PRE 4M is PRE or to make  4th seat opening or balancing jump to 2♥/♠ = 6 cards 12-13H.	
2NT		Sivicesiii		20-21 HCP, 5M or 6m possible	3/4M or OM=TP unless SPL(2♠-4♥ or 2♥-3♠)  3♣=Puppet; 3♠/♥=TRF→accept=no fit;  3♠=TRF to 3NT; 3NT=5♠+4♥  4♣/♦=55M SI/FM or +; 4M=55m short M	TRF $\rightarrow$ 3NT=3fit; 4M=4cfit + ctrl all suits 3 $\spadesuit$ -3NT $\rightarrow$ 4m=om SI, 4 $\blacktriangledown$ / $\spadesuit$ =5 $\clubsuit$ +4 $\spadesuit$ / 5 $\spadesuit$ +4 $\spadesuit$ (4NT/5m TP); 4NT=55m SI	SYSON if we O/C 2NT natural BUT (2M) P (P) 2NT {14-16}  3♣=Puppet & 3♦/♥ = Trf	
3♣ 3♦ 3♥ 3♠		(6)7 (6)7		34 may be 6 cards; constructive in second seat, variable in third seat depending on vulnerability	4 ◆ = RKCB (1430) 4 ♣ = RKCB (1430) 4 ◆ =Fit, cue bid or extending PRE over 3 ◆ New major = F1; 4M over 3X=TP		Raise is TP (PRE or to make) After X, new suit=lead directing After O/C, new suit is NF	
3NT	<b>√</b>	7		Solid minor, no outside control  4m = preempt	4♣=P/C; 4♦=Asks for shortage; 4M = To play 4NT = RKCB (1430); 4OM/5m = control ask	4 ♦ asking = →4M=M, 4NT=none, 5m=om	After X, 4.4=P/C Raise is PRE or to make	
4X 4NT 5. 5. 5. 5.	√ 	7(+)		AM = To play  Both minors (6/5 or better)  Natural, may have a second suit  To play	$\rightarrow$ 5M=0, 1 <sup>st</sup> step =2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> =1 <sup>st</sup> round 4NT = less than 3 losers $\rightarrow$ 5m=To play	HIGH LEVEL BIDDING  RKCB and EKCB (1430), Minorwood, Redwood  5NTresponse to 4NT=useful void + 2KC; 6X=void + 1 or 3 KC's  3NT is serious when FG in Major; First cue=1st or 2nd rd ctrl to 4.  Opp interfere BW we play DEPO/REPO		
5NT	V			Both minors	6m=To play	Quant 4NT→5m=4cm; 5M=5m/4om; 6m=5+m, Pass or 6NT=TP		