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| DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING | | LEADS AND SIGNALS | | | |
| OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; 1/2 Level; Reopening) | | OPENING LEADS STYLE | | | |
| natural constructive | | Lead | | In Partner's Suit | |
| after 1c strong opening then jump = weak in suit or suit above (also after 2c) | Suit | 4th / 2nd from bad suits | same | | Category: OPEN |
| | NT | same | same | | Country: IRELAND |
| | Subseq | same | same | | Event: ALL |
| | Other: | | | | Players: Adam Mesbur Nick FitzGibbon |
| 1NT OVERCALL (2ND/4TH Live; Responses; Reopening) | | LEADS | | | SYSTEM SUMMARY |
| 15-18 4th seat 10-16 with Crowhurst | | Lead | Vs. Suit | Vs. NT | GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE |
| responses as after 1nt opening | Ace | for attitude | | for attitude | Strong 1C 17+ any shape |
| | King | for count | | for count | ID any balanced 11-13 or 10-16 natural |
| | Queen | QJ(10) or for unblock J | | same | 1M 5-cards open most 5/5 9 hcp or 5/4 with 10 hcp |
| | Jack | J10(9) | | same | tend to upgrade/ downgrade bal hands based on 54321 pt count |
| JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT) | | 10 | H 109 | same | |
| 1-Suit: always weak likely playing values if vul or rondon opposite passed p | 9 | 109xx or 9x | | same | 1NT Openings: 14-16 includes some hands with 5M or 6m or singleton |
| 2-Suit: Michaels / not in 4th seat | Hi-x | 2 cards or poor suit | | same | 2 OVER 1 Responses: over 1d 2c/d natural GF |
| | Lo-x | normally 3 or 4 to an honour | | odd | over 1M 2c is any GF without support |
| Reopen: always weak and natural | SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY | | | SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE | |
| DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopen) | | Partners Lead | Declarer's Lead | Discarding | |
| Normally cuebid is 2-suiter | Suit: 1st | count | count | count | 2S opening 5S/5m 4-8(9) |
| Jump cuebid looks for stop | 2nd | attitude | suit pref | suit pref | 1M - 2c any GF without support |
| Jump cue above 3nt 2-suiter | 3rd | suit pref | | | 1M - 3c/d/3M support various strength |
| | NT: 1st | all as above | SMITH / count | count | 2d 4414 4405 short diamond 10-16 |
| VS. NT (vs. Strong / Weak; Reopening; PH) | 2nd | | suit pref | suit pref | |
| 2c for Majors | 3rd | | | | |
| 2d = single major | Signals (including Trumps): high low even / enc / suit pref if clear switch required | | | | |
| 2M = 5M plus minor | low high odd / disc / suit pref as above | | | | |
| 2nt - big 2-suiter | in trumps reverse length / may be suit pref | | | | |
| 3 any - pre | DOUBLES | | | | |
| dbl usually penalty v strong nt in 4th seat dbl = minor plus M and also from passed | TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening) | | | | |
| VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids) | Standard t/o dbl 4th seat may be light (9+) | | | | |
| dbl t/o | natural responses / jumps are inv values | | | | |
| cue bid - 2-suiter | most dbls at low level are t/o or neg | | | | |
| nt natural | | | | | SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES |
| VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS | SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES/REDOUBLES | | | | |
| Jump = weak in suit or weak in next suit | after 1M-4M- opponents bid/ dbl by opener is "I want to bid on" | | | | at 2-level after we dbl 1nt responder's pass |
| after 1c 1d = hearts dbl = spades 1h/s/nt 2-suits same colour/rank/other | Lightner | | | | at or above game level if hand belongs to us |
| after 1c could be very weak 2-suiters occasionally 4-3 | competitive | | | | |
| OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE | | dbl of strong 1nt in 4th seat or from passed hand is 5+minor plus major | | | IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE |
| rd = 10+ | after our 2M opening and overcall - dbl = at least 10+ with 3-card support | | | | Exclusion KCB |
| bids natural not forcing | | | | | control asks if 3-suiter facing 1nt opening |
| | | | | | Psychics: very rare occasional after 1d or 1h opening response is psychic |

