## DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

OVERCALLS (Style, Responses, $1 / 2$ Level, Reopening)
Style: natural, on 1 level can be 4 card
Responses: cue INV+w/ 3 card fit; 2NT same w/ 4+ card;
fit jumps; fit non-jumps; SPL in OPPT suits
Reopening: natural
1NT OVERCALL ( $2^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses, Reopening)
$2^{\text {nd }}$ position: 15-17(18) (Raptor with passed hand)
Responses: system on
$4^{\text {th }}$ position: 11-14, no stopper required
Responses: system on
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style, Responses, Unusual NT)
Style: WK according to vulnerability and seat
Responses: natural (3NT may suggest a sacrifice)
Unusual notrump: 2NT: lowest remaining suits (55+)
Reopening: same

## DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style, Resp., Reopening)

 Style: Michaels| Responses: 2NT asks |
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| Reopening: Michaels |

VS. NT (vs. Strong / Weak; Reopening; PH)
Strong: Woolsey (DBL $=4 \mathrm{M}, 5+\mathrm{m}$ OR strong)
Weak: Multi Landy
Reopening: same
Passed Hand: Woolsey
VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles, Cue-bids, Jumps, NT bids) X = T/O
$3 \mathrm{~m}-4 \div=5+o m, 5+\mathrm{M}$
$3 m-4=5+\uparrow, 5+\bullet$
$3 \mathrm{M}-4 \mathrm{~m}=5+\mathrm{m}, 5+\mathrm{oM}$
Other jumps $=$ strong. $\mathrm{NT}=$ nat
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS
vs strong: DBL $=$ Majors 44+, 1NT = Majors 55+,
2NT =minors, rest = natural
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE
Transfers if we open $1 \diamond$ or 1M. Jump raises are weak. After 1M
fit jumps and 2N INV+w/ fit. After $1 \diamond-(\mathrm{X})-2 \mathrm{~N}=$ minors WK

## LEADS AND SIGNALS

| OPENING LEADS AND SIGNALS |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lead |  |  |  | In Partners' suit |
| Suit | $3^{\text {rd }} 5^{\text {th }}$ (flexible) | $3^{\text {rd }} / 5^{\text {th }}($ flexible $)$ |  |  |
| NT | $3^{\text {rd }} / 5^{\text {th }}($ flexible $)$ | $3^{\text {rd } / 55^{\text {th }}(\text { flexible })}$ |  |  |
| Subseq | attitude | attitude |  |  |
| Other: | Combine leads, A asks ATT, K asks unblock/count |  |  |  |

## LEADS

| Lead |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ace | $\mathrm{AK}+$, Ax | vs. NT |
| King | $\mathrm{AK}+, \mathrm{KQ}+, \mathrm{AKJ}+$ | $\mathrm{AK}+, \mathrm{KQ}+$ +, AKJ+ |
| Queen | $\mathrm{QJ}+, \mathrm{Qx}, \mathrm{KQT}+, \mathrm{KQJ}+$ | $\mathrm{QJ}+, \mathrm{Qx}, \mathrm{KQT}+, \mathrm{KQJ}+$ |
| Jack | $\mathrm{JT}+, \mathrm{QJ} 9+, \mathrm{QJT}+$ | $\mathrm{JT}+, \mathrm{QJ} 9+, \mathrm{QJT}+$ |
| 10 | $\mathrm{AJT}+, \mathrm{KJT}+, \mathrm{T} 9+, \mathrm{Tx}$ | $\mathrm{AJT}+, \mathrm{KJT}+, \mathrm{T} 9+, \mathrm{Tx}$ |
| 9 | $\mathrm{AT}+, \mathrm{KT} 9+, \mathrm{QT} 9+, 98+, 9 \mathrm{x}$ | $\mathrm{AT9+,KT9+,QT+,98+,9x}$ |
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## SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

| Partner's Lead |  |  |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Declarer's Lead | Discarding |  |  |
| Suit:1 $1^{\mathrm{ST}}$ | UDCA | UDCA | O/E |
| $2^{\mathrm{ND}}$ | S/P | S/P | S/P |
| $3^{\mathrm{RD}}$ |  |  | UDCA |
| NT: $1^{\mathrm{ST}}$ | Same | Same | Same |
| $2^{\mathrm{ND}}$ |  |  |  |
| $3^{\mathrm{RD}}$ |  |  |  |

Suit preference signals in free signaling situations
Reversed Smith Echo vs NT, unless count needed.
When singleton in dummy S/P
DOUBLES

## TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style, Responses, Reopening)

## Style : standard

Responses: Standard, Jumps invitational (but preemptive over XX) X of m: cue-bid = GF / pick M; X of M: cue-bid = GF; X of 2 M : LEB Reopening: standard

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES
Support X through 2 of partner's suit. Support XX
X of suit previously bid (by either player) = don't lead.
$\mathrm{P} / \mathrm{X}$ inversion in high level forces (usually after $1 \%$ opening).
Game try X. X and XX as part of Ace-asking interference.

## WBF Convention Card

Category: Red
NBO (Country): Belgium
Event: All
Players: Gert Vandyck (25628) - Frederick Staelens (24418)

## SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE:
Precision. $1 \%=16+.1 \diamond=10-15$, usually $2+$
1NT 14-16 (15-17 in $3^{\text {rd }} \mathrm{V}$ \& $4^{\text {th }}$ )
All limited openings can be light in $3^{\text {rd }}$ seat
Aggressive preempts when NV
High card requirements are subject to discretion.
2 over 1 Response: 2/1 FG after 1M; 2/1 F2NT after 1 *

## SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE

Openings:
$1 \%=16+$, artificial, any distribution
$1 \diamond=10-15,2+$ (or stiff honor)
$2 \star=10-15,3$-suited short

## $1 \diamond-(\mathrm{P})-2 \downarrow / \boldsymbol{\wedge}=5 \boldsymbol{\wedge} 4+\boldsymbol{\bullet}$ less than INV / INV

$1 \diamond-(\mathrm{P})-3 \%=$ minors, less than INV
3NT = good 4M PRE
NV vs V 1 ${ }^{\text {st }}$ seat: $3 \mathrm{X}=0-7,5+\mathrm{X}$
Transfers in competition, switch after $1 \diamond-(1 \uparrow)$, and $1 \diamond / \mathrm{M}-(2 / 3 / 4 \star)$

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEOUENCES
Whenever the auction is forcing to a certain level
At 5-level after an INV+ response when red

## IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DOESN’T FIT ELSEWHERE

All point ranges can be adjusted in any situation.
Judgement comes before system, we may deviate whenever we want With passed partner anything goes.

Psychics: light $3^{\text {rd }}$ seat openings

| Opening | Art. | Min. | Neg. <br> DBL | Description |  | Response | Subsequent Auction | Passed Hand Bidding |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1\% | X | 0 |  | 16+ ART, F1. All points can be adjusted in any situation. | $1 * 0-7$ any / FG any 4441; 1M FG 5+M; 1NT 8-10/13-15 BAL; 2m FG 5+m UNBAL; 2M INV 6+M; 2NT 11-12/16+ BAL; 3m INV 6+m |  | After 1*-1 $\uparrow$ : 1M NAT F1; 1NT BAL; 2m NAT NF; 2レ Kokish; 2^ FG 55+m; 2NT 21-22 BAL; 3X sets; 3NT to play | 1NT 8-10 BAL |
| 1. | X | (1)2 | X | 10-15, 2+ (stiff H possible). <br> Can have longer $\%$. <br> Can be light in $3^{\text {rd }}$. | 1M (3)4+M F1; 1 NT NAT NF; $2 \mathrm{~m} 10+4+\mathrm{m}$; $2 \vee / \AA 5+\wedge 4+\bullet$ WK/INV; 2NT NAT INV; $3 \%$ minor P/C; 3X NAT; 3NT to play; 4 m PRE, 4 M to play |  | 2-way checkback; 1 \&-1M-2NT 6+ ${ }^{2}$ 3M After $1 \diamond-2 \mathrm{~m}: 2$ 11-13 BAL; 2 \& fit w/ S/S | Invites are lighter |
| $1 \vee$ |  | 5 | X | $10-15,5+\vee$ <br> Can be light in $3^{\text {rd }}$ | 1NT semi-F; 2 $\%$ FG (R); 2 NAT FG; 2 $\downarrow$ CONST; <br> 2^ WK; 2NT INV+ w/ fit (usually 4+レ); 3m INV NAT; $3 \vee$ mixed, $3 \wedge$ SPL, 3 NT COG ( 3334 m ); 4m void SPL; 4M to play |  |  <br> After $1 \vee-2 \mathrm{~m}$ : ART <br> After $1 \vee-2 N T: 3 *$ FG; $3 * G T ; 3 \vee$ to play; $3 \uparrow / \mathrm{NT} / 4 \div$ void $\mathrm{S} / \mathrm{T}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 * \text { Reversed Drury; } \\ & 2 *=5 \wedge-2 \downarrow ; \\ & 2 \vee 0-8 ; \text { Fit jumps; } \\ & \text { Invites are lighter } \end{aligned}$ |
| 1^ |  | 5 | X | $10-15,5+4$ <br> Can be light in $3^{\text {rd }}$ | 1NT semi-F; $2 \%$ FG (R); $2 \ominus / \bullet$ NAT FG; <br> 2^ CONST; 2NT INV+ w/ fit (usually 4+ $\boldsymbol{\wedge}$ ); $3 \mathrm{~m} / \bullet$ INV NAT; $3 \wedge$ mixed, 3 NT COG (3334m); 4 m void SPL, 4 M to play |  | After $1 \boldsymbol{A}-2 \mathrm{~m}$ : ART <br> 1 - $-2 \boldsymbol{-}-2 \boldsymbol{A}$ doesn't promise 6 <br> After 1 - $-2 \mathrm{NT}: 3 * \mathrm{FG} ; 3 * \mathrm{GT} ; 3 \boldsymbol{A}$ to <br> play; $3 \vee / N T / 4 \div$ void $S / T$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 * \text { Reversed Drury; } \\ & 2=5 \vee-2 \wedge ; \\ & 2 \wedge 0-8 ; \text { Fit jumps; } \\ & \text { Invites are lighter } \end{aligned}$ |
| 1NT |  |  | X | 14-16; 15-17 in $3^{\text {rd }} \mathrm{V}$ or $4^{\text {th }}$ | ```2* Stayman; 2*/४ TRF; 2^ size ask (INV/WK %/S/T *); 2NT puppet Stayman; 3* PUP 3*(WK */S/T &); 3* FG &, SPL M; 3M 5-5/6-4mm SPL M; 3NT to play; 4* Roman Gerber; 4*/४ TRF``` |  | After 1NT-2*-...: <br> 3* PUP 3 to show $\mathrm{S} / \mathrm{S}$; <br> $3 *$ PUP $3 \vee$ to show 4M6m |  |
| 2\% |  | (5)6 | X | $10-15,6+\infty$ <br> Can be light and/or $5 \%$ in $3^{\text {rd }}$ | ```2* (R); 2M 5+M NF; 2NT PUP 3% (WK/FG 5-5); 3* INV+6+v;3* INV+6+^;3v FG 6+*; 3^ FG 6^4v; 3NT to play; 4% PRE; 4* RKC %; 4M to play``` |  | After $2 \approx-2 \uparrow: 2 \vee 4 \mathrm{M} ; 2 \boldsymbol{\wedge} / \mathrm{NT}$ MED+ no 4M; 3* MIN; $3 * / \mathrm{M} 5$ card | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2NT/3* good/bad raise } \\ & 2 *-2 *-2 \mathrm{M} \text { NAT } \\ & 2 *-2 *-2 \text { NT MAX no } 4 \mathrm{M} \\ & 2 *-2 *-3 * \text { MIN no } 4 \mathrm{M} \end{aligned}$ |
| 2. | X | 0 | 1 | 10-15, 3-suited, short * 4405, 4414, 3415, 4315 | 2M to play; 2NT (R); 3* to play; $3 *$ INV 6+*; 3M INV 5+M; 3NT to play; $4 \%$ INV; 4* pick a Major; 4M to play; 5\% to play |  | $2 \diamond-2 \vee-2 \wedge 4=3=1=5 ;$ <br> After $2 *-2 N T: 3 *$ MIN; 3 3 MAX 4414; 3M MAX 3M4OM; 3NT MAX 4405 | Invites are lighter |
| $2 \vee$ |  | (5)6 | 1 | 4-10, 6 card usually. can be aggressive NV | 2NT (R); 3 PRE; new suit NF |  | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \& 5 ; 3 \& \text { MIN; } 3 \backsim \text { MED } 3 \uparrow \text { MAX } \\ & <3 \wedge ; 3 \text { NT MAX } 3 \wedge \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 2^ |  | (5)6 | 1 | 4-10, 6 card usually. can be aggressive NV | 2NT (R); 3^ PRE; new suit NF |  | $\begin{aligned} & 3 * 5 ; 3 * \text { MIN; } 3 \vee \text { MED/MAX }<3 \vee ; \\ & 3 \uparrow / \text { NT MED/MAX } 3 \uparrow \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 2NT |  |  | X | 19-20; 20-21 $3^{\text {rd }} \mathrm{V}$ or $4^{\text {th }}$ | 3* Muppet Stayman; $3 \star / \downarrow$ TRF; $3 \star \mathrm{~m}$ suit Stayman; 3NT to play; $4 \approx / 4 \diamond / 4 \vee / 4$ ^ 2 -under TRF S/T; 4NT QUANT; 5m to play |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { After } 3 *: 3 \wedge=4 \mathrm{M} ; 3 \boldsymbol{\mathrm { n }}=\text { no } 4 \mathrm{M} ; \\ & 3 \wedge=5 \wedge ; 3 \mathrm{NT}=5 \boldsymbol{n} \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 3X |  | (5)6 | 1 | PRE according to vul \& seat. 5 card possible in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{FAV}$ | New suit is NF after $1^{\text {st }}$ seat FAV opening, otherwise F1 |  |  |  |
| 3NT | X |  |  | Good PRE $\downarrow$ or $\wedge$ | 4* TRF your M; 4* bid your M; 4M/5NT/5m ASK |  |  |  |
| 4X |  | 7 | 1 | PRE | 4 - - $\uparrow$ R RKC | HIGH LEVEL BIDDING |  |  |
| 4NT | X |  | 1 | Both minors, usually 6-6 |  | $1^{\text {st }}$ and $2^{\text {nd }}$ round controls; frivolous 3 NT ; frivolous $3 \wedge$ with $\downarrow$ fit RKC 1430; Kickback RKC 1430 with $\downarrow$ fit; Kickback turbo with m fit; minorwood if jump to 4 m various meanings for 5NT according to the situation: general try/pick a slam/GSF/... |  |  |

