OVERCALLS (Style, Responses, ½ Level, Reopening)

Style: Wide ranging. Sound at 2 level

Responses: Raises natural. Unassuming cue. New suit by

unpassed hand is F1. Jump fits.

Reopening: Nat, but limited as intermediate jump available

Responses as 2nd

1NT OVERCALL (2^{nd/}4th Responses, re-opening)

2nd position = 15-18 Responses: As over opening 1NT 4th position: 11-14 Responses as over opening 1NT.

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style, Responses, Unusual NT)

Style: WEAK, with sound 6 card suit.

Bids at 3 level promise a sound suit, possibly 7 cards

Responses: Natural. Cue = F

Unusual notrump: 2nd pos. = lower 2 unbid suits . Cue= F1

Reopening: Intermediate jump in suit.

2NT = 19 - 22 Respond as for 2NT opener.

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

Style: 2-suited 5/5. 2m = both M. 2M = other M + m.

Jump cue= big 1-suiter. Now 3NT= stop, relay= weak, bid= vals

Responses: Natural.

Reopening: As 2nd.

VS. NT (vs. Strong / Weak; Reopening; PH)

Strong & Weak: X = penalty. 2C = Majors. 2D= 6-card Major

2M = 5M/4m+, 2NT = m/m or any strong 2-suiter.

Reopening: As 2nd

Passed Hand: As above, except X = 6-card minor...

VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles, Cue-bids, Jumps, NT bids)

X = takeout, 2NT/3NT natural, 2/3 level suits natural.

3 level cue (e.g. 2H-3H) = "Michaels" style 2-suiter, M/m.

2M or 3M- 4m = 6 card minor + 4 of other major

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

vs strong 1C/1D - Weak jumps; Simple bid = suit.

x = Majors; 1NT= minors..

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE

XX= support over m, shortage over M. 2NT= nat. over minor and limit raise+ over Major.

OPENING LEADS AND SIGNALS

| | Lead | In Partners' suit | | | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Suit | 4th highest, 2 nd from xxx | Same, but may lead small from xxx | | | | |
| NT As for suit | | As for suit | | | | |
| Subseq Attitude overtones | | Attitude overtones | | | | |
| | L E A D S | | | | | |
| Lead | vs Suit | vs. NT | | | | |
| Ace | Asks rev. attitude signal | as suits | | | | |
| King | Asks for rev. count | Asks for unblock or count | | | | |
| Queen | For attitude (KQ+ poss) | as suits | | | | |
| Jack | J10x(+) or Jx | as suits | | | | |
| 10 | K/Q109x, KJ10x, 10x | K/Q109x, KJ10x, 10x, | | | | |
| 9 | 109x(+) or 9x | as suits | | | | |
| 8 4th or 2nd | | as suits | | | | |

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

as suits

| | Partner's Lead | Declarer's Lead | Discarding | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Suit:1ST | Distributional* | Distributional* | 1st disc = attitude | | | |
| 2^{ND} | Att. if A/Q/J led | Suit Pref | Distributional* | | | |
| 3 RD s. pref if switch | | - | 2nd card suit pref | | | |
| NT: 1 ST | Distributional* | Distributional* | 1st disc = attitude | | | |
| 2^{ND} | Count on king | Suit Pref | Distributional* | | | |
| 3 RD | Attitude A/Q/J | 1 | 2nd card suit pref | | | |
| NOTE- | NOTE- * Distributional signals REVERSED (hi-lo= ODD no.), | | | | | |

^{*} Attitude signals REVERSED (lo = encouraging):

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style, Responses, Reopening)

Style: Can be light with good distribution. Emphasis on other M

Can be 2 suited with lowest suit missing.

Responses: Cue F to suit agreement. 2NT sometimes scramble

Reopening: As 2nd. Possibly shaded.

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES

Negative double through 3S

small x usually 4th, or Hxx

Responsive X after takeout double and raise (or NT)

Most low level doubles in competition are takeout

Support doubles and redoubles

WBF CONVENTION CARD



Category: GREEN

NBO (Country): SCOTLAND

Event: All International events

Players: Samantha Punch and Anne Symons

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE:

NATURAL - 5-card Majors, 3+ card minors.

With 3C/3D open 1C. 1D = 3 only if 4432

With 4C/4D may open either. Suit strength or rebid are issues..

Openings, particularly 1M may be light in points with shape.

1NT opening: (14) 15-17 (6m or singleton possible).

2 over 1 Response: Game Forcing

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE

Openings:

1 Major openings can be light on hcp (9+) if shapely.

2D opening = EKREN. 5-10. 5/4+ Majors (either way).

2H/2S = WEAK (5-10, usually 6 cards)

2C= art. GF, except 22-23 flat.

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEOUENCES

Where we have not reached the level to which we have forced. Opponents compete over our game bid on high card values.

IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE

We can respond to openings with very light values.

Psychics: Very unusual

| Opening | Artificial | Min. | Neg. Double | Description | Response | Subsequent Auction Passed Hand Bidding | |
|---------|------------|------|----------------|---|--|--|--|
| 1C | - | 3 | 3S | 11+ hcp, NATURAL | New= nat. Inv. raises. 1NT= 6-10. 2M= weak j- | -shift Conv. after 1C -2C. Natural | |
| 1D | - | 3 | 3S | 11+ hcp, NATURAL | As for 1C. 3 only if 4432 | Conv. after 1D- 2D. Natural | |
| 1H | - | 5 | 3S | 9+ hcp, NATURAL | 1NT+ "semi-F"; Bergen raises; 2/1 = GF. | Gazilli variant. 2C rebid = nat or 15+ Drury, mini-spl, Jump fits. | |
| 1S | - | 5 | 3S | 9+ hcp, NATURAL | As 1H | As 1H As 1H | |
| 1NT | - | - | - | 15-17, singleton, 6m poss. 5-Major unlikely | 2C= asks for M; 4 transfers.; 3M= inv.; 3m slam | TRF to m then M = shortage. After 2D response to 2C, 3M= 5 other Major. As unpassed | |
| 2C | Yes | - | - | GF except 2NT rebid | 2D waiting, Others sound positive | 2C- 2D- 2H = H or 24+ bal 2NT rebid = 22-23. | |
| 2D | Yes | - | 3S | 5-10, (5/4+), H+S | Raises or 3m to play. 2NT asks, usually strong. | | |
| 2H | - | 6(5) | 3S | 5-10, 6H usually. | Raises to play. 2NT asks, usually strong. New = | = F1. | |
| 2S | - | 6(5) | 3S | 5-10, 6S usually | As for 2H | | |
| 2NT | - | - | - | 20-21 singleton, 5M, 6m all possible | 3C= asks for 4-card M; 3D/3H= TRFs; 3S TRF s 3NT, to play or various minor suited hands. | to After 2NT-3C-3D, 3M= 5 other M. | |
| 3C | - | 7(6) | - | All 3x bids - | Raises pre-emptive, new suit F1. 3D slam try | | |
| 3D | - | 7(6) | - | 6+ cards, wide-ranging | Raises pre-emptive, new suit F1. 4C slam try | | |
| 3H | - | 7(6) | - | 4-11 hcp approx. | Raises pre-emptive, new suit F1. 4C slam try | | |
| 3S | - | 7(6) | - | Sound 2nd, 3rd= flex | Raises pre-emptive, new suit F1. 4C slam try | | |
| 3NT | Yes | 7+ | - | Solid minor, little else | 4C/4D/5C = pass or convert. | | |
| 4C | - | 8(7) | - | Pre-emptive in C | 4M to play; 4NT= RKC | | |
| 4D | - | 8(7) | - | Pre-emptive in D | 4M to play; 4NT = RKC | | |
| 4H | - | 6+ | - | To play | 4S= to play. 4NT= RKC | | |
| 4S | - | 6+ | - | To play | 4NT= RKC. | | |
| 4NT | yes | - | - | Asking specific aces | 5C=none; 5other = ace. higher=2. | HIGH LEVEL BIDDING | |
| 5C | - | 7 | - | To play | | Roman Key Card Blackwood. 4NT 5C= 1/4 aces, 5D= 0/3 aces (trump K= 5th ace). | |
| 5D | - | 7 | - | To play | | | |
| 5H/S | - | 6+ | - | Bid 6/7 with HT/TAK | | 5H = 2/5 aces. $5S = 2/5$ aces + trump Queen | |
| | | | | | | 5NT=0-2 aces plus void. 6any= 1-3 aces + void as | |
| | | | | | bid. Follow-ups ask for Trump Q and K | | |
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