DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

OVERCALLS

1-level: 7-17, 2-level: 10-17

 $1\ \mathrm{and}\ 3\text{-level}$ response F1, 2-level response NF

Rubens advances [D3]

1NT OVERCALL

15-18, 4th seat 13-15

System on

JUMP OVERCALLS

NV (0)2-10, VUL 4-12, no suit requirements, new suit NF Unusual 2NT overcall shows the lowest two suits (5+/5+)

DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS

Direct: Michaels (5+/5+) less than 10 or 16+ points

Jump: asks for stopper

After (2X) 3X asks for stopper; 4m leaping Michaels

VS. 1NT

DBL= Stronger than min strength of opening, at least 14p

2C= both majors

2D= one major

2M = M + minor

2N = both minors

one-suiters usually show 6+ in the suit

two-suiters usually show 5-4

VS. PREEMPTS

Lebensohl applies

Leaping Michaels

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

DBL= majors; any level of NT= minors

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

RDBL = INV + strength

System on

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS STYLE

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	3/5	3/5
Notrump	2/4	3/5
Subsequent	ATT or 3/5	ATT or 3/5

Other: A asks for CT/UB vs NT; K asks for CT vs Suit

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	AK(+), Ax(+)	AKJT(+),	
		AK(Q)xx(+)	
King	AK(+), Kx, KQ(+)	KQ(x)+, AK(+), Kx	
Queen	Qx, QJ(+)	, QJ(x), Qx	
Jack	Jx, JT(+),	Jx,	
	(A/K)JT(+)	JT(+),(A/K)JT(+)	
10	Tx, T9(+), HT9(+)	T9(x), Tx, HT9x(+)	
9	Like spot cards	like spot cards	
Hi-X	Sx, HxSx, xxSx,	xSxx, HSx, xSx	
	(H/x)xSxxx		
Lo-X	xxS, HxS, xxxxS,	xS, HxxS	
	HxxxS		

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	Lo=ENC	Hi=even	S/P
2 Suit	Hi=even	S/P	Hi=even
3	S/P		
1	Lo=ENC	Hi=even	S/P
2 NT	Hi=even	S/P	Hi=even
3	S/P		

Signals (including Trumps):

Suit preference vs Suit: Odd=ENC, Even=Lavinthal;

Suit preference Vs NT: Lavinthal

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES

Standard, can be light (10+) with perfect shape no equal level conversion

MISCELLANEOUS DOUBLES/REDOUBLES

Mandatory support doubles up to 2H

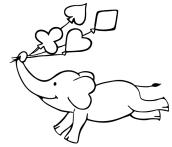
Maximal doubles

1D-(1H)-X = 4-5 spades

when opps bid our 5+ suit, X asks for a different lead

WBF CONVENTION CARD

WBF CATEGORY: Blue



NCBO: Estonia

EVENT: World U26 Teams

 $\mathbf{PLAYERS:}$ Rasmus $\underline{\mathrm{Maide}}$ — Jaan Kristjan $\underline{\mathrm{Kaasik}}$

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

Strong club, nebulous diamond, 5-card majors

Aggressive pre-empts Natural responses to 1C

2/1: INV+

1NT: 14-16 can be semibal

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

1C- 17+p any

1D- 11-16p no 5-card major

2D- both majors, weak

2NT- both minors, weak

Lebensohl in competitive situations

Lots of transfers in competition

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

when GF is established

IMPORTANT NOTES

PSYCHICS:

Occasionally, 3rd hand or responding with support

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1♣ Y			$_{ m DBL}$		RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING	
	YES -		DDL	17+ any hand, frequent upgrades possible	1D=0-7 any, 1H-2D=8+ 5-card suit, 2M= 4-7 6+M, 2NT=12-13 bal, 3x-4441 SPL	1C-1D-1H=20+, 1C-1D-1NT=17-19 bal, 1C-(1/2)NT-(2/3)C=asks for closest 4-card suit	1-level below opps 1NT: X=5-7p any, higher: X= GF, takeout; Opener's jump bid is F1	
1\$ Y	YES 1	1	3S	11-13 bal/10-16 unbal, exactly 4414 or 4+D	1M=4+, 1D-1H-(1S unbal/1NT bal can have 4S), 1NT=6-10, 2NT=11-12, 2m=nat F1, 2M/3m=9-12, 6-7 card suit	2-way checkback	Transfers in competition [D1]	
1♡	5	5	3S	(10)11-16 5+M, 3rd hand can be slightly weaker or 4-card suit	1S=4+S, 2m=4+, 11+p, 1NT= NF, 2H= 3+H, NV 3-10, VUL 5-10, Jump shift=9- 12, 6-7 card suit; 2NT= INV+ raise	2-way checkback, 1M-2NT: 3X=shortness, 3M=min, 4X=5+suit max, 3NT=max 5332, 4M=max 6322	Transfers in competition [D1]	
1 🖍	5	5	3H	Same as 1H opening	Same as 1H	Same as 1H	Transfers in competition [D1]	
1NT	-	-	3S	14-16 bal, can have 6m322, 5422, includes 5-card majors	Stayman, transfers, 2S= clubs or invite, 2NT=both minors or diamonds, 3C=puppet, 3D/M = 5431 SPL, 4D/H = H/S	Smolen, 1NT-2C-2D-2H= both majors weak, bid empty suit when superaccepting	Transfer lebensohl [D4]	
24	5	5	3S	10-16 5+C4M/6+C	2D=inv+ relay, 2M=NF, 2NT=inv BAL, 3C= NF raise, 3X=6+ GF	2C-2D: 2M=4M; 2NT=max, 6+C; 3C=min; 6+C; 3X=6-4 max; 3NT=solid clubs; max	Transfers in competition [D2]	
2\$ Y	YES -	-	-	Both majors, at least 5-4, 4-10p, can be weaker and 4-4 from 3rd hand	any M=to play, 2NT=relay, 3m=NF	2D-2NT: 3C=5H4S min, 3D=5S4H min, 3H=5H4S max, 3S=5S4H max		
2♡	но	5	-	NV 0-10 5+ H, VUL 4-10 (5)6+ H	2H-2S/3m 6+ suit INV NF; 2H-2NT relay	2NT answers NV: 3C/D =5H min/max, 3H/S=6H min/max; VUL: 3C: 5H, 3D 6H min; 3H/S 6H max and bad/good suit	4th hand nat 10-12	
2♠	5	5	-	Analogous to 2H	2NT=relay, new suit=INV	Same as 2H opening	4th hand nat 10-12	
2NT Y	YES			Both minors, 3-9p, typically at least 5-5	3m=to play, 3M=INV			
3♣	6	6		3X: NV 0-9, VUL 5-9p, aggressive style	new suit=INV			
3♦		6						
3♡	6							
3♠	_	6						
	YES	_		AKQxxxx minor, no outside A or K	4C=P/C, 4D=relay			
4♣	7			4X=less than 10p, pre-empt				
4\$		7						
4♡	7							
4 \(\hat{A}\)	YES 7	1		both minors				
	IGH LEVEL BIDDING ADDITIONAL NOTES							

Ist and 2nd round cues together, Italian style RKCB 1430, DOPI, ROPI, DOPE, ROPE Serious 3NT when major fit found 4m ace asking if minor fit found

Defensive and competitive bidding

Definition: W/S is used to denote a weak/strong transfer. With a weak hand, responder passes openers accept of transfer. With a strong hand, responder makes another bid after opener has accepted the transfer, which is FG. A transfer to a suit always has 5+ cards. A weak transfer can be made with 0+ points.

[D1] Transfers in competition after 1X opening

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1NT = 5-8p, to play
             = W/S \text{ to } \diamondsuit
              = Stopper ask
             = W/S \text{ to } \spadesuit
            = W/S to ♣
        2NT = NAT INV
            = NAT INV, 9-12 with 6-card suit
1♦-(1♠)-?
        Χ
              = 4+♥
        1NT = 5-8p \text{ nat}
             = W/S \text{ to } \diamondsuit
             = W/S to ♡
             = stopper ask, INV+
             = W/S to 🌲
        2NT = NAT INV
        3X = NAT INV, 9-12 with 6-card suit
1\diamondsuit-(2X)-?
Transfer Lebensohl [D4]
1♡-(1♠)-?
              = Responsive, usually both minors
        1NT = 5-8, to play
             = W/S to ♦
              = 9+ 3♡
              = 3-8 3-4♡
             = W/S \text{ to } \clubsuit
        2NT = 10 + 4 + \heartsuit
             = NAT INV, 9-12 with 6-card suit
        3\heartsuit = 0.74.5\heartsuit, Preemptive
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1♡-(2X)-?

 $1\diamondsuit$ - $(1\heartsuit)$ -?

Χ

= 4-5**♠**

= transfer to NT

New suit on 2 level is NF, 2NT shows support over $2\clubsuit$, is transfer to clubs over $2\diamondsuit$ and is Lebensohl over $2\spadesuit$. Transfers with inv+ hands on 3-level.

1♠-(2X)-?

New suit on 2 level is NF, 2NT shows support over $2\clubsuit$, is transfer to clubs over $2\diamondsuit$ and is Lebensohl over $2\heartsuit$. Transfers with inv+ hands on 3-level. $3\heartsuit$ is an invitational hand with a splinter in X.

[D2] Transfers in competition after 2C opening

2♣-(2X)-?

2X = 5+X, NF

 $2NT = forces 3 \clubsuit (lebensohl)$

 $3 \clubsuit = \text{support, INV}$ $3 \diamondsuit = (5)6 + \heartsuit, \text{INV+}$

 $S = (5)6 + \spadesuit$, INV+

 $3 \spadesuit = (5)6 + \diamondsuit INV +$

3NT = to play

Transfer to opponent's bid suit is a GF stopper ask or A raise.

[D3] Rubens advances

After our overcall at 1 or 2-level, if opponents' suit isn't immediately below our suit, the meanings of bids are switched so that cuebid is one bid lower than a simple raise and bids below that are transfers. NT bids are not affected. For example:

 $(1\clubsuit)-1\spadesuit-(P \text{ or } X)-?$

1NT = natural

 $2 \clubsuit = \text{transfer to } \diamondsuit$ $2 \diamondsuit = \text{transfer to } \heartsuit$

2♥ = 9+p raise in ♠/balanced invite/any FG

 $2 \spadesuit$ = Weak 3-8 raise in \spadesuit

[D4] Transfer Lebensohl

After our $1\diamondsuit$ or 1NT opening, and opponents' overcall on the 2-level: Our 2-level bids are natural and NF. 2NT has the meaning of standard Lebensohl - forcing $3\clubsuit$ with the following options: 1) showing a weak hand with any suit(most common) 2) showing a strong C suit 3) Asking for a stopper in the enemy suit. Our 3-level bids show the suit above the bid suit with an INV+ hand, except if the bid suit is below the opponents' suit. In this case, our bid asks for a 4-card major and shows a stopper in the enemy suit. Opener only accepts the transfer with a minimum hand. If opener accepts the invite, he will make a bid higher than simply accepting the transfer. For example: $1\diamondsuit$ or 1NT- $(2\heartsuit)$ -?

 $2 \spadesuit = NAT NF$

2NT = forces 3

 $3\clubsuit$ = INV+ transfer to \diamondsuit

 $3\diamondsuit$ = Asks for 4-card \spadesuit , shows \heartsuit stopper

 $3\heartsuit$ = INV+ transfer to \spadesuit

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