

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
OVERCALLS (style; responses; 1 / 2 level; reopening)
1/1: 8-16 HCP, sometimes with a 4-card suit
1/2: 10-16 HCP,
Sandwich in 4th seat, X: 4/4 1NT: 5 min/4M
Lowest cue: 5M/4m; highest cue: X 5/5;
2NT: preemptive
1NT OVERCALL (2nd / 4th seat; responses; reopening)
In 2nd, sometimes 3rd: Raptor: 5min/4M, values after 2
In pass-out seat: 10-13 HCP: system on
The NT overcall: 15-17 is replaced by pass or X
JUMP OVERCALLS (style; responses; Unusual NT)
Jump overcall: 14+, 6-card suit+
In competitive bidding and after pass: jump fits
Reopening: X: 8-12 or 13+; bid: 8-12; 1NT: 10-13
DIRECT AND JUMP CUE BIDS (style; response; reopening)
Cue: 10+, usually fit
Jump cue: asks for stopper
VS NT (vs strong/weak; reopening; passed hand)
VS PREEMPTS (doubles; cue bids; jumps; NT bids)
Michaels cue bid, Unusual NT
World convention:
T/O double
VS STRONG ARTIFICIAL OPENING such as 1♣ or 2♣
Strong ♣: CRASH
AFTER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE
1m X Cachalot transfers

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
LEAD STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit Contract	3rd–5th	3rd–5th	
NT Contract	4th best	3rd–5th	
Next			
Other:			
Kantar			
LEADS			
Lead	Vs Suit Contract	Vs NT Contract	
Ace	Att	Att	
King	Count	Count	
Queen	Top of sequence	Top of seq.	
Jack	Top of seq.	Top of seq.	
10	Top of seq.	Top of seq. or Kantar	
9	Top of seq.	Top of seq. or Kantar	
High	Passive	Passive	
Low	Promises something	Promises something	
SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY			
	Partner leads	Declarer leads	Discarding
1	High = encouraging	count	High = encouraging
Suit 2	count		
3	Lav		
1	High = encouraging	count	High = encouraging
NT 2	Count		
TAKEOUT DOUBLES (style; responses; reopening)			
17+ strong X, all distributions,			
Weaker with perfect distribution,			
SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS			
Support X by opener			
Rosenkranz			

TEAM NAME: Sandeman 3
COMPETITION SECTION: National 3
PLAYERS WITH MEMBER NUMBER:
Johan Vervust : 19687 Jan Dobbelaere : 28545
BIDDING SYSTEM SUMMARY
GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE
5-card Major, 5-card diamond, short club
Weak 1NT openings: 12-14HP
T-Walsh after 1♣
1NT after 1 Major: 6-12 HL semi-forcing
1M/2♣: GF 3-way; 5♣+ 12+HL: fit: 15+ HLD; 13+ balanced
1M/2♦, 2♥: 12HL+ GF
XYZ: after 1-1-1: 2♣ puppet to 2♦ (to play or invitational hand); 2♦ artificial MF
SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE A DEFENSE
2♥: Ekren, 6-12 HL, 4♥+/4♠+ or strong tricolor
2Maj: 6-12, 5/6/7 cards; if 5 then 10-12 HL
Rubensohl
2NT as intervention: unusual or scramble or good-bad
World convention after weak 2 or preempt
Overcall advancer often in transfer
After Multi: responses in transfer
Smith signal direct
After 1♦ resp of♥ &♠ are switched
SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
IMPORTANT NOTES
We may open from 9 HCP; length and distribution are counted
PSYCHICS: possible

OPENING	“X” IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEGATIVE DOUBLE THROUGH				
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	CONTINUATIONS	BIDDING WITH A PASSED HAND
1♣		2+		9+HCP	1♦: 4+♥; 1♥: 4+♠; 1NT: 8-10, 1♠: no 4cM 2♦/♥: TRF weak or GF	Accept TRF with 3 cards; Inv. Minors XYZ(see above)	
1♦		4+		5+c except when 4441 hand	2♦: 12+/4+; 3♣: 9-11, 3♦: 6-9	XYZ(1)	
1♥		5+		9+HCP	2/1 GF, 1NT: 6-12	Jump fits in competitive bidding or after pass	
					2♥: 6-9; 3♥: <6 H / 4+; 2NT 10-14 fit	Short-suit trial	
1♠		5+		idem	same	2NT general trial	
1NT				12-14, no 5-card M	Stayman (Garbage), Jacoby, 4-suit transfers	Rubensohl over overcall	
				We count length points			
2♣	X			Strongest bid: GF or GF-1	2♦: 1+ ital ctrl; 2♥: 0 ital ctrl; 2♠: 5+, 2TopH 2NT: 5♥+ with 2 TopH		
2♦	X			5-7♥ no op ; NT:23-24; str tric	2NT: relay; forcing		
2♥	X	Both M		6-12 HL; 2NT: Modified Ogust	3♣: 5 cards, 9-12; 3♦: 7 cards 3♥: 6-card min; 3♠: 6-card max		
2♠		5+		same			
2NT				19-21 HL, singleton A or K possible	3♣: Niemeyer; 3NT: 5♠/4♥, 3♠ transfer to 3NT, usually with minor length		
3♣		6+		preemptive			
3♦		6+		preemptive			
3♥		6+		preemptive			
3♠		6+		preemptive			
3NT				gambling	Can have extra Q		
4♣							
4♦							
4♥							
4♠							
4NT							
5♣						HIGH-LEVEL BIDDING	
5♦						KBC : 4130	
5♥						Gazilli: 1M/1♠ or 1NT: 2♦ = 8+	
5♠							