DEFENSIVE AND COMETITIVE BIDDING

OVERCALLS(Style; Responses; 1/2level; Reopening)

1-level light (but no more then 8 losers)

2-level 6crd m; good opening

3-level weak jumps; sound (6+) without jump.

Responses as if opened

Reopening can be light with shortage

1NT OVERCALL (2nd/4th Live; Responses; Reopening)

14-17 on 1-lvl in direct position; 14-18 on 2-lvl, direct and 4th positi

Responses as if opened

10-14 in 4th position except after 1sp-p-p-1NT shows 14-17

Responses as if opened

JUMP OVERCALLS(Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

Suit: NV weak V intermediate

NT: lowest

Reopening: Same

DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Forcing with no other bid available (usually 3crd support with opening

Jump cuebid is cue, denies skipped cues

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

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dbl penalty, 2 cl any one suiter, 2 di both majors

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS STYLE

	Lead			in Partner's Suit
Suit	1-3-5			1-3-5
NT	1-3-5			1-3-5
Subseq	1-3-5			1-3-5
Other:				

LEADS

Lead	Vs.Suit (exc)			Vs. NT (exc)		
Ace	1-3-5			1-3-5		
King	1-3-5	AK		1-3-5	AKJ10	
Queen	1-3-5	QJ9		1-3-5	KQ10(9)	
Jack	1-3-5			1-3-5	KJx	
10	1-3-5	QJ10		1-3-5	QTx	
9	1-3-5			1-3-5		
Hi-x	1-3-5			1-3-5		
Lo-x	1-3-5			1-3-5		

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
gSuit:1st	Count (udca)	Count (udca)	Count (udca)
2nd	Low encouraging	Lavinthal	Lavinthal
3rd	Lavinthal		
NT: 1st	Low encouraging/Count	Smith (H enc)	Count
2nd	Lavinthal	Count	Lavinthal
3rd		Lavinthal	

Signals (including Trumps):

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Category i.e. Green

Country: Netherlands

Event: All events

Players: Marco ter Laare – Rob Donkersloot

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

Basic valuation system used is Losing Trick Count

Opening bids at 1-level comply to "rule of 20"

Disciplined bidding

1NT Openings: 1st/2nd NV 9-11 (12-14 in 1 di; 15-17 in 1 cl)
other 14-17

2 OVER 1 Responses Forcing to game

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE

2 clubs: weak (6-10 HCP) with both majors (4+/5+) or any GF or 20-22 NT with 5crd

2 diamonds: multi; weak (6-10 HCP) with one 6+ crd M or 23-24 NT

2 hearts: Muiderberg hearts / minor

2 spades: Muiderberg spades / minor

2 M is natural, 5+; 2 NT shows both minors (5+4+)	Low encouraging; Count (L/H = even)	
If opponents overcall 1NT over partners minor then 2 clubs shows both M	Lavinthal	
	DOUBLES	
	TAKEOUT DOUBLES(Style;Responses;Reopening)	
VS.PREEMPTS(Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)	Normal; 4th position may be lighter in HCP	
Standard		
		SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS	SPECIAL,ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES/REDOUBLES	
All openings are treated as natural.	When opponents bid same suit and partner overcalled; dbl is either invitational for game or neg.	
	Overcaller chooses from two remaining suits; now pass with neg. dbl or return to partners suit	IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE
	Overcaller can also make cheapest bid (his own suit) with a minimum.	Pas after double shows 3 crd support.
	Cheapest bid in remaining suits now show neg. dbl and asks partner to choose.	Balancing: bidding 4crd M; dbl 3crd M
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE		
RDBL = 9+ (usually no fit); system on		Psychics: Rare

OPEN	TICK IF ART.	MIN NO. OF CARDS	NEG. DBL. THRU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	
1 cl	√	2	4 ha	a) 11-21 2+ crd cl	Walsh (can bypass 1 di)	Checkback after 1NT rebid	
				b) 15-17 balanced NV 1st 2nd	2 cl nat, 5+ crd, 6-9	1 cl-1x-2cl-2NT any GF	
					2 di 5+ crd hearts, weak	2NT any GF	
					2 ha 5+crd spades, weak	2NT any GF	
					3 m/M nat, 6+ crd, 8-11 HCP	1m-(1NT)-2cl=both majors	
1 di		2	4 ha	a) 11-21 2+ crd di	2 di 5+ crd hearts, weak 2 ha 5+crd spades, weak	2NT any GF	
				b) 12-14 balanced NV 1st 2nd	3 m/M nat, 6+ crd, 8-11 HCP	1 di-1x-2di-2NT any GF	
1 M		5	4 ha	10+ 5+ crd (has to comply to rule of twenty)	Bergen, 3OM=6+crd invitational, 3NT to play	1ha-1sp-2ha-2NT any GF	
					2/1 GF; 2M 3 crd, 8 losers	Help suit after 1M-2M	
					2NT GF 4+ fit	3 x over 2NT = short, 3M and higher = cue	
1 NT				9-11 NV 1e/2e Other positions 14-17	2 cl asking; 0+ HCP	Rubensohl	
					2 di/ha transfer; 2sp transfer for cl; 2NT transfer for di.	2NT 4M (fit) -3-3-3; other refuse is cue	
					3 cl GF puppet; 3 di 5-5 M invitational; 3 M splinter with 4crd OM		
					4 cl 5-5 m sleminvite; 4 di 5-5 M to play 4 M; 4 M 6+5+ Mm		
2 cl	√	0		6-10 5+4+ M or 20-22 (with any 5crd)/25-26 NT	2 di no preference OR any invite; 2M preference; 2NT GF relay		
2 di	√	0		6-10 6+ M or 23-24/27-28 NT or strong minor	2 ha/sp=relay; 2 NT GF; 3m=natural, forcing; 3M=P/C	3M over 2M = max (usually 7crd)	
					3NT to play; 4 cl ask for transfer; 4 di ask to bid M		
2 hearts		5		Muiderberg (5 ha/4+ minor)	2NT GF, 3 cl=P/C		

2 SP		5		Muiderberg (5 sp/4+ minor)	2NT GF, 3 cl=P/C	
2 NT				20-22 no 5crd	3 cl asks 4crd; 3 di/ha transfer; 3NT to play	
					5+/5+ m; 4 di 5-5 M to play 4 M; 4 M 6+ crd + 5+ crd m.	
3 m		6		6-10 preëmpt	3 M GF; 4 m (raise openers suit) GF	
3 M		7		Preempt	common sense	
3 NT		8		Gambling	4 cl sign of; 4 di sleminvite; 4 M to play (natural)	
4 m		7		weak	common sense	
4 M		6		8-12 6+ M/5+m	4 NT RKC; 5 cl p/c; 5 di p/c (for partners minor); 6 cl p/c	
4 NT		6		8-12 6+ m/5+ m	common sense	High Level Bidding
				Other agreements:	One-level overcalls can be very weak but never more then 8 losers	Forcing pas if our side bid game voluntarely or if one
				2 NT is almost never invitational:	Response of 1M to neg dbl shows 3crd; 2M shows normal opening with 4crd	4 NT RKC (1430); relay asks trump Q; trumpsuit denies
				Lebensohl if oponents open weak 2 followed by dbl		When cuebidding: if opponent dbls: RDBL=1st C Pass=waiting, continuation = 2nd C
				Rubensohl if partner opened 1 NT and opponents bid	Pas after dbl of partners opening or overcall shows 3crd support with 9+ losers.	Exclusion RKC with jump on 4/5 level (steps)
				Good/bad in most competitieve situations	Pas after dbl of partners 1 cl opening shows 4+ cl, less then 9 HCP	After interference: dbl = penalty; pas = 1st step, chea
				Invitational + with 4crd support after partners overcall and RHO passes	Pas after dbl of partners 1 di opening shows 4+ di, less then 9 HCP	Dbl on opponents splinter asks for lead in highest Remaining suit
				Weak raise or half stopper after partners overcall of 2m and RHO passes	After penalty double on our 1NT opening RDBL shows any 5+ crd; pass obliges rdbl to show 2 not connecting suits; bidding shows 2 connecting suits.	
				Part of Michaels in direct and 4th position (two lowest suits)	Jump to 3 level after partners overcall and neg dbl shows 4+ fit, 7 losers.	Continued cuebids after RKC; if minor is agreed Trumpsuit 5 sp=transfer to 5NT
				Scrambling after take out dbl in balancing situations	Rdbl always shows a good hand (9+) except on: 1 NT - (dbl conventional) - rdbl =7+	5NT after RKC shows possession of all key cards.
				Showing 5-3 minors if partner opened a minor, RHO 1M, 1 NT, 2M, p, p, 2	Passing a rdbl is a proposal to defend rdbld (at any level).	Lightner doubles on 6 level; dbl of NT asks 1st suit dummy