| OPENING BID DESCRIPTIONS |  |  |  |  |  | Emma Övelius and Ida Grönkvist |
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| Open ing | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Tick } \\ \text { if } \\ \text { Art } \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { Min } \\ \text { No } \\ \text { Crds } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{Neg} \\ \text { Dbl } \\ \text { Thru } \end{gathered}$ | Description | Responses | Subsequent Auction |
| 1** |  | 2 | $4 \vee$ | a) (11)12-14/18-19 bal w/o 5M <br> b) Natural unbal with (4)5+» | $1 \star=4+\vee, 1 \vee=4+\boldsymbol{\wedge}, 1 \wedge=$ a) $6+$ hcp w/o 4-card M, either balanced or with both minors, b) FG w/ $5+\star$, $1 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{FG}$, "bal" or (4) $5+\boldsymbol{\star}, 2 \boldsymbol{*}=$ Weak, $5+\boldsymbol{\star}, 2 \star=4-8 \mathrm{hcp} \mathrm{w} / 6$-card M, $2 \vee / \wedge=4-8 \mathrm{hcp} \mathrm{w} / 5 \mathrm{M}$ and $5 \mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{Nat}$. INV, $3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=\mathrm{INV}$ vs $12-14$ bal, <br> $3 \bullet / \vee / \wedge=$ preemptive | 1- -1 red $-1 \mathrm{M}=12-14$ bal. $\mathrm{w} / 2-3 \mathrm{c}$ supp or 11-15 unbal. w/ 3c supp, -1NT=18-19 bal, -2NT=16+ w $6+\boldsymbol{\infty},-3 \boldsymbol{\infty}=6+\boldsymbol{\infty}$ with 3 -card $\mathrm{M},-3 \mathrm{uM}=11-15$ unbal w/ 4-c supp, $-3 \mathrm{M}=18-19$ bal. w/ 4-c supp. |
| 1 |  | 4 | $4 \vee$ | Natural, semi- or unbalanced hand |  | $1 \star-1 \mathrm{M}-1 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{F} 1$ with $4+\boldsymbol{*}, 2 \boldsymbol{*}=6+\star, 2 \mathrm{NT}=18+$ w/ 6+ w/o 4-c supp, $-3 \star=16+$ w/ 4-c supp, $-3 \mathrm{M}=11-15 \mathrm{w} / 4 \mathrm{c}$ supp. |
| $1 \vee$ |  | 5 | 4 * | 11-23 | $1 \mathrm{NT}=$ semi forcing, $2 \boldsymbol{\bullet}=\mathrm{FG}, 2+\boldsymbol{\star}, 2 \star=\mathrm{FG}$ w/ $5+\star, 2 \downarrow=8-11,3-\mathrm{c}$ supp, $2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ About $3-8$ and $6+\star, 2 N T=I N V+$ with $4+$ supp, $3 \boldsymbol{*}=$ Nat INV, $3 \star=$ ART $0-5 \mathrm{w} / 4+$ supp, $3 \boldsymbol{v}=6-9 \mathrm{w} / 4+$ supp, $3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=4+$ supp, intermediate hand with any void, $3 \mathrm{NT} / 4 \mathrm{~m}=$ void $(3 \mathrm{NT}=\boldsymbol{A})$, better or worse than $3 \boldsymbol{A}$. | $1 \boldsymbol{*}-1 \boldsymbol{n} / \mathrm{NT} ;-2 \boldsymbol{\omega}=11-15 \mathrm{w} / 5+\boldsymbol{*}$ and $4+\boldsymbol{\omega}$ or $16+$ "any" (then $-2 *$ ART, FG vs $16+$, -other bids $=$ negative), $-2 \mathrm{NT}=16+\mathrm{w} / 4 \mathrm{c}$ supp, $-3 \mathrm{~m}=13-15$, 55(+). |
| $1 \sim$ |  | 5 | $4 \checkmark$ | 11-23 | $1 \mathrm{NT}=$ semi forcing, $2 \boldsymbol{\star}=\mathrm{FG}, 2+\boldsymbol{\star}, 2 \star=\mathrm{FG}$ w/ $5+\star, 2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=\mathrm{FG}$ w/ $5+\boldsymbol{*}, 2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=8-11,3-\mathrm{c}$ supp, $2 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{INV}+$ with $4+$ supp, $3 \boldsymbol{*}=\mathrm{INV}$ with $6+\boldsymbol{\bullet}, 3 *$ Nat INV, $3 \vee=$ ART $0-5 \mathrm{w} /$ $4+$ supp, $3 \wedge=6-9 \mathrm{w} / 4+$ supp, $3 \mathrm{NT}=4+$ supp, intermediate hand with any void, $4 \mathrm{~m} / \downarrow=$ void, better or worse than 3NT. | $1 \boldsymbol{\wedge}-1 \mathrm{NT} ;-2 \boldsymbol{*}=11-15 \mathrm{w} / 5+\boldsymbol{\wedge}$ and $4+\boldsymbol{*}$ or $16+$ "any" (cont. see above), $-2 \mathrm{NT}=15+\mathrm{w} / 6 \mathrm{M}$ and 4 -card $\mathrm{m},-3 \mathrm{~m} / \vee=13-15,55(+)$. |
| 1NT |  | - | - | $14^{+}-17 \mathrm{hcp}$, (semi)bal, $5 \mathrm{M}, 6 \mathrm{~m}$, all 5422:s possible, <br> "NT-looking" 4441:s happens | $2 \boldsymbol{\star}=$ Stayman, $2 \star / \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ Transfer to $\boldsymbol{\vee} / \boldsymbol{\wedge}, 2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ NT-invite or $6+\boldsymbol{\bullet}, 2 \mathrm{NT}=$ Transfer to $\downarrow, 3 \boldsymbol{\star}=$ FG w/ $5-4 \mathrm{~ms}, 3 \star$ FG w/ $5-5 \mathrm{~ms}, 3 \vee /=41(53 / 35 / 44) / 14(53 / 35 / 44), 4 \star / \star=$ Transfer to $\checkmark / \wedge, 4 \mathrm{M}=$ To play. | 1NT-2 $/ \downarrow-2 \mathrm{NT} / 3 \boldsymbol{\star}=4+$ supp, $\min /$ max; $1 \mathrm{NT}-2 \star / \boldsymbol{\wedge} ; 2 \mathrm{M}-2 \mathrm{NT}=4 \star,-3 \star=4 \star,-3 \star=6+\mathrm{M}$, INV or slam try. |
| 2* | X | 0 |  | a) FG <br> b) 20-21 (semi)bal | $2 \star$ Waiting, $2 \mathrm{M}=5+\mathrm{M}$, to play vs $20-21 \mathrm{bal}, 2 \mathrm{NT} / 3 \boldsymbol{*} / *=$ At least $\mathrm{HHxxxx} / \mathrm{Hxxxxxx}$ in $\omega / \diamond / \downarrow$. | $2 \star-2 *$; $2 \downarrow=$ a) $5+\bullet$ b) FG ( $25+$ bal. |
| 2 |  | (5)6 | - | 5-10 hcp | $2 \mathrm{M}=\mathrm{F} 1 \mathrm{w} / 5+\mathrm{M}, 2 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{INV}+$ asking, $3 \boldsymbol{*}=\mathrm{F} 1 \mathrm{w} / 5+\boldsymbol{*}, 3 \mathrm{M}=\mathrm{FG}$, sets M as trump | $2 \star-2 \mathrm{NT}$; $-3 \boldsymbol{*}=$ extras, semi natural, $-3 \star=$ Min, $-3 \mathrm{M}=$ extras, semi natural, $-3 \mathrm{NT}=$ natural |
| 2v |  | (5)6 | - | 5-10 hcp | $2 \wedge=\mathrm{F} 1 \mathrm{w} / 5+\uparrow$, $2 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{INV}+$ asking, $3 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{F} 1$, nat, $3 \uparrow=$ SPL | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \vee-2 N T ;-3 \star=\text { Any min, }-3 *=\text { Max w/o ShS } \\ & \text { (then }-3 \mathrm{M} \text { is } \mathrm{NF} \text { ), }-3 \downarrow / \wedge / \mathrm{NT}=\text { Max w/ logic ShS } \end{aligned}$ |
| 2^ |  | (5)6 | - | 5-10 hcp | $2 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{INV}+$ asking, $3 \boldsymbol{*}=\mathrm{INV}+\mathrm{w} / 5+\downarrow, 3 \bullet / \downarrow=\mathrm{F} 1 \mathrm{w} / 5+\bullet / \star$. | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \wedge-3 \star ;-3 \star=2^{*} \downarrow,-3 \downarrow=3 * \boldsymbol{*},-3 \wedge=\text { SHO } \downarrow, \min \\ & -3 \mathrm{NT}=\text { SHO } \downarrow, \max \end{aligned}$ |
| 2NT |  | - | - | 22-24 (semi)bal | $3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ Muppet stayman, $3 \star / \vee=$ Transfers, $3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ Puppet to 3 NT (both minors), $3 \mathrm{NT}=$ To play, $4 \mathrm{~m}=$ Slam try with $6+\mathrm{M}, 4 \mathrm{M}=$ Slam try with $6+\mathrm{m}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline 2 \mathrm{NT}-3 \bullet ;-3 \star=\text { one or both } 4 * \mathrm{Ms},-3 \downarrow=\text { no } \mathrm{M}, \\ -3 \uparrow / 3 \mathrm{NT}=5+\boldsymbol{\uparrow} / \uparrow \end{array}$ |
| 3\% |  | 6 | - | PRE, about 4-10 hcp | $3 \star=$ Puppet to $3 \vee, 3 \mathrm{M}=$ Natural, NF and constructive, $4 \star=$ Ask for $\mathrm{KCw} / \boldsymbol{\bullet}$. |  |
| 3 * |  | 6 | - | PRE, about 4-10 hcp | $3 \boldsymbol{v}=$ Puppet to $3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}, 3 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ Natural, NF and constructive, $4 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ Ask for $\mathrm{KC} \mathrm{w} / \uparrow$. |  |
| 3v |  | 6 | - | PRE, about 3-9 hcp | $4 \boldsymbol{\star}=$ Ask for kc $\mathrm{w} \downarrow$ (step responses: $0,1,1+\mathrm{Q}, 2,2+\mathrm{Q}$ ), New suit = Nat. FG |  |
| 3 n |  | 6 | - | PRE, about 3-9 hcp | $4 \AA=$ Ask for kc w $\uparrow$ (step responses: $0,1,1+\mathrm{Q}, 2,2+\mathrm{Q}$ ), New suit = Nat. FG |  |
| 3NT |  | - | - | Solid 7- or 8-card major | $4 \boldsymbol{\wedge}=$ Ask for shortness, $4 \star=$ Ask for side Q or $\mathrm{K}, 4 \mathrm{M}=\mathrm{P} / \mathrm{C}$ |  |
| 4* |  | 7 | - | PRE | $4 *=$ Ask for kc $\mathrm{w} \boldsymbol{*}$ (step responses: $0,1,1+\mathrm{Q}, 2,2+\mathrm{Q}$ ), $4 \mathrm{M}=$ To play |  |
| 4 * |  | 7 | - | PRE | $4 \mathrm{M}=$ To play, $4 \mathrm{NT}=$ RKC 1430, $5 \boldsymbol{*}=$ Slam try in |  |
| 4v |  | 6 | - | To play | $4 \boldsymbol{n}=$ To play, $4 \mathrm{NT}=$ RKC 1430, 5m= Cuebid |  |
| 4, |  | 6 |  | To play | New suit= Cue bid, 4NT= RKC 1430 |  |
| 4NT |  | - |  | Asking for specific aces |  |  |
| HIGH LEVEL BIDDING |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RKC 1430, ask for specific kings and third round control after RKC. Splinters, Italian style cue-bids. <br> If OPPs dbl a bid asking for stoppers: $\mathrm{NT}=1,5+$ stoppers, $\mathrm{RDBL}=\mathrm{xx}+$, pass $=1$ or 0,5 stopper, bid $=$ nat with singleton in the doubled suit |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| DEFENSIVE AND | LEADS AND SIGNALS |  |  |  |  | WBF and FSB |  |  | $08$ |
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| OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; 1/2 Level; Reopening) | OPENING LEADS STYLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-level: (6)8-16, normally $5+$ suit (occasionally 4) |  | Lead |  |  | Partner's Suit |  |  |  |  |
| 2-level: Sound, (10)11-16(18), 5+ good suit (normally 6+suit) and normally not balanced. | Suit | $3{ }^{\text {rd }}$ from even, low | from odd | Same |  |  |  |  |  |
| Responses: Transfers from the opening suit up to 2 or 3 under our suit (NT-bids excluded). A jump to 3 in overcaller's suit $=(5) 7-9$, $4+$ supp $)$, double cue bid $=(0) 3-6 \mathrm{hcp} \mathrm{w} / 4-\mathrm{c}$ supp. When third hand doubles, we play transfers from 1NT. | NT | $4^{\text {th }}$ best |  | $3^{\text {rd }}$ and low, coded 9s and Ts |  | Category: NCBO: | Green <br> Sweden |  |  |
|  | Subsequent | $2^{\text {nd }}$ and $4^{\text {th }}$ thru declarer in <br> new suits$\quad 3^{\text {rd }}$ |  |  |  | Events: | Venice Cup 2023 |  |  |
| Reopening: Natural along lines stated above, but lighter. | Other: | K asks for count against 5-level+ and when declarer has "shown" a preemptive hand with $7+$ trumps |  |  |  | Players: | Emma ÖVELIUS and Ida GRÖNKVIST |  |  |
| 1NT OVERCALL (2 ${ }^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening) | LEADS |  |  |  |  | SYSTEM SUMMARY |  |  |  |
| Live ( $2^{\text {nd }}$ and $4^{\text {th }}$ ): $15-18$, system on (see 1NT-opening). | Lead | Vs. Suit |  | Vs. NT |  | GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE |  |  |  |
| 11-14 when balancing, system on (some modifications) | Ace ${ }^{\text {A }}$ | AKQ+, AKJ+, AKx+ |  | +, AKJ | , AKx+ | $1 \boldsymbol{*}=\mathrm{Bal}$ (can be 3352) or natural, with transfer responses |  |  |  |
| Bph: Two lowest suits | King | KQ+, AK |  | AKJT |  | $1 \star=4+$ (never balanced, only 4 when some 4441) |  |  |  |
| JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT) | Queen | QJ+ |  | KQT9+ | AQJ+ | $1 \mathrm{M}=5+\mathrm{M}, 1 \mathrm{NT}=14^{+}-17$ |  |  |  |
| (1*) $-2 \star=\mathrm{NF}, 55 \uparrow+\star,-2 \mathrm{NT}=55 \bullet+\star$, $3 *=\mathrm{F} 1,55 \uparrow+\star$ | Jack $\quad$ HJT | HJT+, JT+, Jx |  | x, AJT | +, KJT+, Jx, | $2 *=$ Weak, $5-10$ with (5)6 |  |  |  |
|  | 10 HT | HT9+, T9+,Tx |  | , T9x, |  | $2 \mathrm{M}=$ Weak, 5-10 with (5)6M |  |  |  |
| (1M) $-2 \mathrm{NT}=55 \mathrm{oM}+\star, 3 \stackrel{ }{*}=\mathrm{NF}, 55 \stackrel{+}{ }$ | 9 | xx9xxx, 9x |  | , J98+, | 9x, (9xx) | 2/1: FG |  |  |  |
| Other jump overcalls are natural and preemptive. | Hi-x | Even (xxXx, Xx, xxXxxx) $\quad$ x |  | xXxx, xXx, (Xxx) |  | Weak Jump Shifts on the 2-level ( $1 *-2 *=4-8$ with $6^{*}$ M, $2 \mathrm{M}=4-8$ with 5 M and 5 m ) |  |  |  |
| Reopening 2NT $=19-21$ balanced | $\begin{array}{l\|l} \hline \text { Lo }-x & \mathrm{Oc} \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  | HxxX | xxXx |  |  |  |  |
| DIRECT AND JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopening) | SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY |  |  |  |  | SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE |  |  |  |
| (1x) $-2 \mathrm{x}=55+$ in Ms (after 1 m ) or oM+* (after 1M). |  | Partner's Lead | Declare | Lead | Discarding | The responses $1 \diamond, 1 \vee$ and $1 \wedge$ to $1 \&$ : Transfer responses |  |  |  |
| (1m)-3m $=5+\uparrow$ and $5+$ om, stronger than a jump in other minor | Suit: $1^{\text {st }}$ | ATT, low=enc | Count, low=even |  | ATT, low=enc |  |  |  |  |
| (1M)-3M $=55+$ minors, stronger than $3 *$ | $2^{\text {nd }}$ | Count, low=even | Suit preference |  | Count, low=even | Two suit showing bids; see Jump overcalls and direct cue bids |  |  |  |
| VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; Passed Hand) | $3^{\text {rd }}$ | Suit preference |  |  | Suit preference |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{Dbl}=$ Strength/Tricks, 2* = Both Ms, $2 *=5+\mathrm{M}$, | NT: $1^{\text {st }}$ | ATT, low=enc | Smith, low=enc |  | ATT, low=enc |  |  |  |  |
| $2 \mathrm{M}=5+\mathrm{M}$ and 4+m, 2NT = both minors | $2^{\text {nd }}$ | Count, low=even | Count, low=even |  | Count, low=even |  |  |  |  |
| Reopening: Same | $3^{\text {rd }}$ | Suit preference | Suit preference |  | Suit preference |  |  |  |  |
| Passed Hand: $\mathrm{Dbl}=$ both Ms or one minor, $2 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{m}+\mathrm{M}, 2 \mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Nat}$ | Signals:UDCA, Lavinthal against NT, UD original count. In a <br> promised 5+ suit, middle card=enc, high/low card=S/P |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT-bids) | DOUBLES |  |  |  |  | SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{Dbl}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ | TAKE-OUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening) |  |  |  |  | After strength-showing Dbls/Rdbls and when in game force, |  |  |  |
| (2M)-4m $=55+$ in $\mathrm{m}+\mathrm{oM}, 2 \mathrm{NT}=16-18,3 \mathrm{NT}=$ to play | $10+$ hcp in direct seat with nice distribution. Cue bid is forcing as long |  |  |  |  | otherwise rarely used. |  |  |  |
| Cue bid: ms/Highest +one, 4NT = unspecified 2-suiter | as new suits are bid. Reopening: similar but can be lighter. |  |  |  |  | IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE |  |  |  |
| VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS | SPECIAL AND ARTIFICIAL DOUBLES/REDOUBLES |  |  |  |  | Psychics: Pure psychics are not common, but lighter or |  |  |  |
| 1\&: $\mathrm{Dbl}=$ Both Ms, $1 \mathrm{NT}=$ both minors | 3-card support doubles (frequent, but not mandatory, on through 2M) |  |  |  |  | stronger openings/PRE:s in $3^{\text {rd }}$ hand may occur. |  |  |  |
| OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE-OUT DOUBLE | $1 \stackrel{*}{*}(1 \bullet)-\mathrm{dbl}=4+\boldsymbol{\bullet}, 1 \mathrm{~m}-(1 \bullet)-\mathrm{dbl}=4+\boldsymbol{\sim}$ |  |  |  |  | Frequent use of transfers and art NT-bids in competition. |  |  |  |
| Transfers after 1*-(dbl) (starting with 1*) and 1M-(dbl) (starting |  |  |  |  |  | We are not very strict about our hcp-ranges. |  |  |  |
| with 1NT), natural after $1 *-(\mathrm{dbl}) . \mathrm{Rdbl}=10+$ hcp, penalty interest |  |  |  |  |  | Singleton A/K usually not shown as a singleton |  |  |  |

