Defensive and Competitive Bidding

Overcalls (Style; Responses; Reopening)

1 level: (very) light (with good suit, i.e. KQJx(x), no outside values needed). (1x)-1y-(p)-2x=good raise

2 level: sound

Responses 1-level: F1, 2-level: constructive, 10+hcp, 3 level =

Double jumps are fit jumps - for slam OR save

1 NT overcall (2ND/4TH; Responses; Reopening)

15-18 hcp any seat. System on.

If doubled: All bids to play (except 2NT) 2. is treated as natural, but could possibly be t/o in any two other suits.

Jump Overcalls (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

(up to 15 if passed p)), 2NT = two lowest, 5^+-5^+ , wide range. Leaping Michaels, FG, also over 3M, also 4th seat (vs Multi, suit+♥), also over 1M-2/3M (pre), 2M-3M

Direct and Jump Cue Bids (Style; Responses)

Over m = both M. Wide range (3-22 hcp)

(NB! If $1 \le 2^+$, then $2/3 \le = nat$)

Over $M = \text{other } M + \clubsuit$. Wide range (3-22 hcp)

VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopen: PH)

VS strong NT 2nd -3rd seat: Multi Landy

4th seat or passed: Dbl = \spadesuit +another suit. $2 \clubsuit / \spadesuit = \clubsuit / \spadesuit + \psi$.

 $2 \checkmark /2 \blacktriangle =$ natural, 2NT =both minors or majors

Vs weak NT (11-13 or less) = Multi Landy

VS. Preempts (Doubles; Cue bids; Jumps; NT bids)

T/O dbl. Leaping Michaels (5+-5+, FG) over 2M/3M, all seats Cuebid: ASK for stopper

VS. Artificial Strong Openings

X = Ms, NT = ms

Over Opponents' take out double

Rdbl: (9)10+ HCP, 1-over-1= F1

1 ♥/♠– (x) – all bids from 1NT to bid touching 2M are transfers. Could be for values. Sys on from 2♠/NT

Leads and Signals Opening Leads Style

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	3 rd -5 th , top of sequence/inner sequence	3 rd -5 th
NT	4 th best (low x may sometimes be from longer suits), top or second best from bad suits	3 rd -5 th

Subsea Attitude when opening a new suit

Leads

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	AK/AKx/AKxx(x)	AK/AKx/AKxx(x)	
King	KQ/KQJ(x)/KQT(x)	KQ/KQJ(x)/KQT(x)/AKJT	
Queen	AQJ(x)/QJ(x)/QJT(x)	AQJ(x)/QJ(x)/QJT(x)/ KQT9	
Jack	HJT(x)/JT(x)	HJT(x)/JT(x)	
10	HT9x/T9x	HT9x/T9x	
9	A98/Q98/J98/9x	A98/Q98/J98/98xx	
х	$Hx\underline{\mathbf{x}}x/xx\underline{\mathbf{x}}(x)$	(10) Hxx $\underline{\mathbf{x}}/\underline{\mathbf{x}}$ xx(x)/ $\underline{\mathbf{x}}$ xx(x)	

Signals in order of priority

Partners lead		Declarer	Discarding	
Suit:	Low=Encrg	Count, 3 rd /5 th	Low=Encrg	
2 nd	Count, 3 rd /5 th	S/P	Count, 3 rd /5 th	
3 rd	S/P		S/P	
NT:	Low=Encrg	Smith-Peter	Low=Encrg	
2 nd	Count, 3 rd /5 th	Count, 3 rd /5 th	Count, 3 rd /5 th	
3 rd	S/P	S/P	S/P	

Signals (including Trump's):

S/P in trump, Smith-Peter: low likes from leader, high likes from partner Low=odd number or encouraging, High= Even number or discouraging 5/6 level: A for attitude, K for count

A-lead vs suit: for attitude, give count only if Qxx or Jxxx in dummy

Doubles

Takeout Doubles (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Light style, also reopenings

Special, Art and Comp Dbl/Rdbl's

Support dbl and rdbl, responsive dbl, negative dbl, competitive dbl $1 - (1 - 1) - dbl = \lor$, $1 \lor = 4 + \land$, $1 \land = 4 \land + 4 \lor 1 - (pass) - 1x - (x) - xx = 1 + 1 - (x - 1) - ($ suggest to play (HHxx+ in suit).





Red Category:

NCBO/team: **Norway**

Event: **EC2019 Mixed Teams**





Players:

Bakke

Harding

System Summary

General Approach and Style

Natural, 5-card majors, $4 \blacklozenge$, $1 \clubsuit = 2 +$ Very light opening bids if distributional.

2-over-1 Responses: GF except rebid (note 1M-2*could be inv with support – only forcing to 2M)

1NT: 8-12 1st, 2nd hand all green and green vs red **1NT =15-17 red** and all $3^{rd} / 4^{th}$ seat.

Special bids that may require defence

Mini NT 1st, 2nd hand all green and green vs red

Transfers after 1♣ opening

1M-2♣=3M,10-12 OR Nat GF unless rebid

2♦: (0) 3-10 hcp, 4+-4+M. Playing strength depend on vul

Special forcing pass sequences

Important notes that don't fit

Psychics

May occur

Opening	Art	Min.#	Neg. D. thru	Description	Christian Bakke – Marianne Harding Norway Mix Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bidding and interfered auctions
1*		2	4 🛦	Freedom of choice of which minor to open with equal length or 4/3 Could open v light if distributional (8 hcp),	1 → = ▼, 1 ▼ = ♠, 1 ♠ = 6-8 NT/ weak with ♣/ weak with both m, inv with ◆ or GF with ◆ (could have GF 5+ ◆, 4+M) 1 NT=9-10 (11) hcp balanced, 2NT = nat, inv 2 ♣ = inverted minor, at least invitational, 2 ◆ /2 ▼ = 6+ cards ▼ ♠, 4-7 hcp or GF 2 ♠ = ♣ supp, 6-9 hcp, 3 ♣ = preemptive, 0-5 hcp, 3 ◆ /▼/♠ = void	1 ◆ - 2 ▼ = 4 ▼ 11-12 (13) hcp 1 ◆ - 1 ▼ = 3 ▼ any distribution (could be doubleton nv, 1 st /2 nd seat), or 4 ▼ and stronger (semi) balanced hand (strength depending on vuln. because of weak NT non vul), xy and xyz NT 1 ♣ - 2 ♣ - 3 ♣ = weak 4 + ♣, 1 ♣ - 2 ♣ - 2NT = 12-13 (14) balanced ,1 ♣ - 2 ♣ - 2 ◆ = nat, strong, OR (17)18-19NT	Passed: Transfers and Inverted minor on. xy-NT and xyz on. Fit jumps 1m – (2M) -2NT=Lebensohl (always) 1♣ -(1♥) - 2♥=6+♠, 2♠=inv minor (off if passed – fit jump) Switch (only if 2 suits available on 2-level)
1 •		4	4♠	•	Inv minor, $3 = 4 + 4 + 6 - 9$, $2M = 6 + 4 - 7$, double jumpshifts = void	Natural, xy-NT, xyz, $1 \leftarrow -1$ M-2oM = nat OR 16+, $6 \leftarrow +3$ M, $1 \leftarrow -1$ A, $4 \leftarrow -4$ 252, $18+$, $4 \leftarrow =4$ 441, $18-19$	As above
1♥		5	4♠	5+♥ Could open v light if distributional. 11+ if balanced	2♣=3♥, 10-12 OR Nat GF unless rebid 2♦ 2/1=GF unless rebid 2♠= Mini-splinter in one m, exactly invitational, 3♣=4+♥, bal inv, 3♦= single ♠, inv, 3♥=pre, 2NT=4+♥,GF. 4♠=To play	2♣-2♦=Art., game possible, 2♥=min. 2NT-3NT=(17)-18-19 bal. 2NT-3x=nat, not min. 2NT-3x-3♥=asks for singleton, 3/4x = singleton, 3NT = start cuebid	1 v-2 m = values in bid m, 3+v, inv 1 v-2 NT = both minors Transfer responses if double
1 🛦		5	4 🛦	As above	1NT=NF, 6-11 hcp, $2 = 3 \land$, 10-12 OR Nat GF unless rebid, $2 \checkmark = 5 + \checkmark$ FG $3 \triangleq$ Mini-splinter in one m $3 \checkmark = 4 + \spadesuit$, bal inv, $3 \checkmark = \text{single}$, inv, $3 \spadesuit = \text{pre}$, $2 \times \text{T} = 4 + \spadesuit$, GF, $4 \triangleq \checkmark \checkmark = \text{void}$	As above	As above
1NT			4 🛦	15-17 vul and 3 rd /4 th seat (5M/6m/single/5-4)	Strong NT: 2 = Stayman, 2 / / = transfers, 2 NT = nat, no Ms, 3 = Puppet Stayman, 3 / = singleton, 4 = trf to , 4 / = trf to , 4 / = to play	1NT-2NT 3♣ ◆=Nat, NF, ♥/♠= 5-card, GF 1NT-3♣, 3◆ = no 5-card M - 3M= 4oM. Break transfer: 2NT=4+max, 3x=Nat HHxx(x), 3+ card support1NT-3x-4x=super fit	Contested auctions If natural interference: Bid=NF, t/o dbl, transfer Lebensohl. If art. int., dbl = inv+
			No neg. dbl	8-12 1 st , 2 nd non vul Normally no 5-card or singleton major	Weak NT: 2♣ = Weak (≤ inv) Stayman, 2♠=GF Stayman, 2♥/♠= to play, 2NT = inv, no M 3♣/♦ = to play, 3M: 6+ cards, very mild distributional game try, 4NT= quantitative	1NT -2♣-2x, 2/3M=5 card suit, inv 1NT -2♦-2M = opposite M 2NT=asks further distribution	If natural interference: dbl = penalty, if dbl: xx = to play If artificial interference: dbl = inv+
2*	X			Strong. Normally 20+ hcp, could be weaker with 9+/- playing tricks	2 ← = weak. 2 V/♠ = Nat, 5+ hcp, 2NT=balanced, 7+ hcp, 3m= Nat, at least Hxxxx, 6+hcp, 3M=4M+5+ ♦, 3NT=solid suit, no outside strength	$2 \div - 2 \bullet - 2 \checkmark / - 3 \div = 2^{\text{nd}}$ neg (rele if response $3 \div / \bullet $) $2 \div - 2NT - 3 \div = ASK 4$ card suits, $2 \div - 2 \bullet - 3M = 5 + \bullet - 4M$, $2 \div - 2M - 3M - 3/4x = \text{single}$, $3NT = \text{bal slamtry}$	
2♦	X			Min. 4-4(5 vul) MM. (0)3-10 hcp, playing strength dep on vul.	2/3/4 ♥/♠ or NT bid = to play, $3 \clubsuit = ASK 3 \spadesuit = 3M3M$, inv+ $4 \clubsuit/4 \spadesuit = slamtry $	2 -3 -3 = all minimum hands 2 -3 -3 -3 -3 -4 = 5 + cards in bid suit and max. 2 -3 -3 -4 -4 -4 = void and min. 5-5.	4 th seat: 11-15, 6 ⁽⁺⁾ -card suit
2♥		(5)6		Weak, 3-10, dep vul	2NT = ASK for singleton, New suit F1	2 v − 2NT−3 v = min, no 1/0, 3NT = max, no 1/0	4 th seat: 11-15, 6 ⁽⁺⁾ -card suit
2♠		(5)6		As above	2NT = ASK for singleton, New suit F1	As above	As above
2NT			4♠	20-21 hcp	$3 \clubsuit$ = Puppet Stayman ($3 \blacktriangledown$ = denies M, $3NT=5 \blacktriangledown$) $3 \spadesuit / \blacktriangledown$ = transfers, $3 \spadesuit$ = slamtry m (4^+-4^+), $4 \clubsuit$ = slamtry with $6+ \blacktriangledown$, $4 \spadesuit$ = slamtry with $6+ \spadesuit$ etc. If interference: dbl=t/o, if art: dbl=strength	High Level Bidding	
3x		6		Preemptive, according to vul, (0)3-10(13) hcp	3♣-3♦=trf, to play in ♥or ♠(light inv) or pick a game. New suit FG (competitive if dbl), 3x-4♣(♦)= ASK controls, 4M=To play	RKCB (0314), Exclusion RKCB (all jumps to the 5-level when trump suit is agreed), DOPI/ROPI/DEPO (with interference above trump suit). 5NT in most situations: pick a slam. If trump Q denied, we can switch trump to a previous bid suit.	
3NT		\square		1 st /2 nd seat: solid m	$4 \clubsuit = p/c$, $4 \spadesuit = ASK$ short suit, $4M = To$ play, $4NT = ASK$ length	Splinters	
4♣,♦		6		Natural, preemptive	4M = To play	Cuebids, last train cuebids	
4♥,♠	3.7	6		Natural. To play	Any bid: Cuebid.	Lightner dbl	
4NT	X			Asks for specific aces	5♣ = none, 5♦♥♠6♣ that specific ace		