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| DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING |
| OVERCALLS (style ; Responses ; ½ Level ; Reopening) |
| Style : natural, can be light 7+H |
| Responses : New suit F1, weak jump raises. |
| Reopening : no jump usually shows 7-13(14) HCP NT : 1NT 9-13, 2NT 17-19 |
| T/O Doubles General Style |
| Can be light if shaped |
| Reopening 8+ according to shape |
| NT Overcalls |
| 2 nd position : 15-18 HCP, 4 th position: 9-13 HCP over 1m, rather 10-15(16) over 1M especially 1♠ |
| Responses : Stayman and Transfers |
| JUMP Overcalls |
| Style : natural and weak according to vul. 1♣ 2♦ majors |
| Unusual NT : two lower suits |
| Direct cue-bid : two-suiter except 1♣ 2♣ natural |
| Jump cue bid : asks for stopper |
| Responses : natural F1, cue-bid asks |
| VS 1NT OPENING |
| VS Strong NT X= 5+m, 4M or strong, 2♣ both majors, 2♦ 1 major, 2♥/♠ 5♥/♠, 4+m, 2NT both minors |
| VS Weak NT X 14+ HCP, 2♣ both majors, 2x Transfer. After X, 2 nd X is T/O most of the time. |
| VS PREEMPTS |
| Style : T/O double, natural overcalls. Over a weak 2M, cue bid shows both minors, 4m = 5M' 5m |
| Responses : New suit F1, 2NT asks |
| VS ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENING |
| VS Strong 1♣ X shows opening values and majors, 1-level natural, 1NT to 2NT 2-suiters, and 3-level preempts 1♣ 1M Pass 1NT : cue bid 2x : natural NF |
| OVER OPPONENTS T/O DOUBLE |
| XX=10+ HCP, next X are penalty. 1 level bid = natural forcing 2 level bid = natural not forcing 2NT invitational + with fit, fit showing jumps. |

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| LEADS AND SIGNALS | | | |
| OPENING LEADS STYLE | | | |
| | Lead | In Partner's suit | |
| Suit | 3rd and low | 3/5 | |
| NT | 4th best | 3/5 | |
| Subsequent | Count/Attitude | count | |
| Other : lead second from xxxx | | | |
| VS suits contracts, can lead K from AKx(x) and a sing aside | | | |
| LEADS | | | |
| Lead | Suit | NT | |
| Ace | AKx(x) | Ask for attitude | |
| King | AK, KQ(x) | Ask for count/unblock | |
| Queen | QJ(x), Qx | Ask for attitude | |
| Jack | (H)J10(x), Jx | (H)J10x | |
| 10 | 10x, (H)109(x) | (H)109x(x), H10x | |
| 9 | 9x, HH9x | 9x, 9xx, H9x | |
| Hi-x | Sx, xSxx, HxSx | HSx, Sxx, xSxx(x) | |
| Low-x | xxS, HxS, HxxxS | HxxS, HxxSx, | |
| SIGNALS IN ORDER PRIORITY | | | |
| | Partner's lead | Declarer's lead | Discarding |
| 1 | Std count | Std count | Std count |
| 2 | High enc | High enc | High enc |
| 3 | S/P | S/P | S/P |
| 1 | Std count | Std count | Std count |
| 2 | High enc | High enc | High enc |
| 3 | S/P | S/P | S/P |
| Signals including Trumps: Upside down count, and echo often shows an ability to ruff. | | | |
| TAKE OUT DOUBLES | | | |
| Style : can be light if shaped | | | |
| Responses : natural, cue-bid shows strength | | | |
| Reopening : 8+, according to shape | | | |
| Responder's doubles : 1m 1♥ X : 4+♠, 1♠ : 0-3♠ 1♣ 1♦ X : 4+♥, 1♥ : 4+♠, 1♠ : no 4 card major | | | |
| SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES | | | |
| Take Out Doubles, Responsive Doubles, Game-try Doubles | | | |
| LIGHTNER | | | |

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| CONVENTION CARD |
| Category : Green |
| NCBO : France |
| Event : Any |
| Players : Thomas Bessis & Frederic Volcker |
| SYSTEM SUMMARY |
| GENERAL APPROCH AND STYLE |
| 5-Card Major, Better Minor |
| 2♣ GF any hand |
| 2♦ Semi Forcing |
| 2♥/♠ Weak 2 |
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| 1NT Opening : 15-17 |
| 2 over 1 Responses : GF |
| SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE |
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| Openings |
| 3NT solid minor no Ace or King aside |
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| Competitive bids |
| See responder's doubles. |
| VS 1NT opening |
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| IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE |
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| Many fit showing jump bids. |
| 3 rd and 4 th suit F1. |
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| Psychics : rare |

OPENING BIDS AND DEVELOPPEMENTS

| Opening | Tick if artificial | Minimum number of cards | Negative X thru | DESCRIPTION | RESPONSES | SUBSEQUENT AUCTION | PASSED HAND BIDDING |
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| 1♣ | | 3 | 7♥ | 11-23 HCP, better minor | 2♣ GF raise, 2♦ inv ♣ raise, 2♥ 5+♠ 4+♥ 3-9 H, 3♣ pre | See take out doubles. 2 way check-back after 1m 1M 1NT | Fit showing jumps. |
| 1♦ | | 3 | 7♥ | 11-23 HCP, better minor | 2♦ GF raise, 3♣ inv ♦ raise 2♥ 5+♠ 4+♥ 3-9H, 3♦ pre | Same as above. | Same as above |
| 1♥ | | 5 | 7♦ | 10-21 HCP | 2♠ : 6+ cards, 0-7 HCP 2NT : 3-card supp 10-15 HCP 3♣ 3♦ : nat inv, 3♥ : nat inv 3♠ unspecified singleton 3NT/4♣/♦ void splinters | After overcall : 2NT inv+ raise Fit showing jumps, splinter | Drury Fit showing jumps |
| 1♠ | | 5 | 7♥ | 10-21 HCP | Same as above. 3♥ : natural inv | Same as above | Same as above |
| 1NT | | | 7♥ | 15-17 HCP bal or semi-bal 5M or 6m possible | 2♣ Stayman, 4-way Transfers 3♦/♥ Strong 1-suiter in ♥/♠ 3♠ : both minors bal 13+ 3♣ : Puppet Stayman | After overcall : Rubensohl | |
| 2♣ | x | 0 | 4♥ | GF any hand | 2♦ waiting, or 2x = 6+x with HH OR 5+x, 5+ other with at least 1 Top Honor in each suit | 2♣ 2♦ 3♥/♠=6+♣ and 4♥/♠ 2♣ 2♦ 3NT 6+♦ and 4♥ 2♣ 2♦ 4♣ 6+♦ and 4♠ | |
| 2♦ | x | 0 | 4♥ | 8-9 playing tricks or 22-23 bal | 2♥ | 2♦ 2♥ 3NT long minor and stoppers 2♦ 2♥ 4♣ shows both majors over which 4♦ sets ♥ and 4♥ sets ♠ | |
| 2♥ | x | 6 | | Weak 2 | New suit F1, 2NT ask | 2♥ 2NT 3x values in x, 4x splinter | |
| 2♠ | | 6 | | Weak 2 | New suit F1, 2NT ask | 2♠ 2NT 3x values in x, 4x splinter | |
| 2NT | | | 7♥ | 20-21 bal or semi bal | Stayman, Transfers | | |
| 3♣/♦ | | 6 | | PRE, aggressive NV/V | Natural | | |
| 3♥/♠ | | 6 | | PRE, aggressive NV/V | Natural | | |
| 3NT | x | | | Solid minor no Ace or King aside | 4♣ P/C, 4♦ ask, 4♥/♠ to play | | Can be stronger in 3 rd seat |
| 4♣/♦ | | 7 | | PRE | | | |
| 4♥/♠ | | 7 | | PRE | | | |
| 4NT | x | | | Both minors according to vul | | | |
| 5♣/♦ | | 7 | | | | | |

ENCHERES A HAUT PALIER ET CONVENTIONS DE CHELEM

RKCB 5 key cards 3041, 5♠ 2 + Q of Trump, 5NT 2 key cards and a void, 6x : 1 or 3 key card and a void

Controls and cue-bid, Josephine, 5NT grand slam force

