DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)

1 Nat 5 card suit (Generally NV 6pts. Vul 12pts)
2 Nat 5 card suit 10+ pts

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

15-17 over opening bid
After bid and response, Showing distribution in other suits (54 – any points possible)

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

Weak – 6 card suit. 5-10 points
Unusual NT – 55 in lower unbid suits either weak or strong
Reopen: Below opening 6 card suit

DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)

Michaels
Support Cuebids (10+pts and support for partners suit)

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

DONT – distribution in suit bid and unknown higher suit (54). Can be any points
X = long single suit (any points)

VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)

X = takeout (Against Multi, takeout of Spades)
Cue-bid = Forcing, big hand
Jump = 3 Level is natural and forcing, 4 Level is Leaping Michaels
2H over Multi 2 is takeout of a weak H bid

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣

DONT

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE

Natural.
Jump = weak
Bergen
Inverted Minors
1Club-1 Diamond-x = MM

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS STYLE

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	4th. MUD	Low from honour. MUD.
NT	4th. MUD	Low from honour. MUD
Subseq	Suit preference	

Other: On partners lead, closest card to 6 is encouraging, otherwise suit preference

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	Shows K	Shows K
King	Shows Q (or from AK doubleton)	Shows Q
Queen	Shows J (or doubleton)	Shows J
Jack	Sequence or doubleton	Show 10
10	Doubleton/Sequence	Sequence
9	MUD/Sequence/Doubleton	MUD/sequence
Hi-X	Doubleton/Singleton/MUD	MUD/sequence
Lo-X	Doubleton/Singleton/MUD	4th/MUD

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

		Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
	1	Closest to 6 enc	Count - Standard	Suit preference
Suit	2	Suit preference	Suit preference	Count
	3	Doubleton		
	1	Closest to 6 enc	Count - Standard	Suit preference
NT	2	Suit preference	Suit preference	Count
	3			

Signals (including Trumps):

Trump Peter – high/low in trumps shows ruffing potential

DOUBLES

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TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Neg up to 2 Spades (or any weak pre-empt)
Response shows other major/forcing to game in another suit
Response after 1Club-1 Diamond = other Majors
Negative after weak jump support

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS

DOPI/ROPI

HELVIC
X over Multi is takeout of a weak spade suit

CATEGORY: Green
NCBO: Ireland
PLAYERS: Ian Kilroy + Niall Kilroy
EVENT (Open/Women/Senior/Transnational)
Pre-Trials - Open

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

5M. Better Minor. 15-17NT Balanced

Aggressive when weak

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

Multi

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

Over 1NT – when x is for penalties, then a pass forces opener to xx. Responder can pass and play 1NTxx or bid a suit which shows the suit bid and the non-touching suit

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		3	Y	Better minor			
1♦		3	Y	Better minor			
1♥		5	Y				
1♠		5	Y				
INT			N				
2♣	Y		Y	23+pts/game in hand/8 tricks in M			
2♦	Y		Y	Weak major/8 tricks in m/20-22 bal			
2♥	Y		Y	5H and min 4 card m. 6-10pts			
2♠	Y		Y	5S and min 4 card m. 6-10pts			
2NT	Y			55 mm. 6-10pts			
3♣				Weak pre-empt			
3♦				Weak pre-empt			
3♥				Weak pre-empt			
3♠				Weak pre-empt			
3NT	Y			Weak 4 level pre-empt			
4♣	Y			8 tricks in H			
4♦	Y			8 tricks in S			
4♥	Y			7 tricks in H			
4♠	Y			7 tricks			
4NT	Y			Asking for specific Ace			
5♣						**HIGH LEVEL BIDDING**	
5♦							
5♥							
5♠							