# **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 2 NT) 2. is treated as natural, but could possibly be t/o in any two other suits.

### Jump Overcalls (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

Weak jump overcalls (3-10 hcp (up to 15 if passed p)), 2 NT =two lowest, 5<sup>+</sup>-5<sup>+</sup>, wide range.

Leaping Michaels, FG, also over 3M, also 4<sup>th</sup> 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)

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

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

VS strong NT: Dbl = A + another suit,

2 / = 4 / + 2

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**

Yeslek: any bid shows the suit above the suit bid, or the two others,  $dbl = \langle OR \lor + \rangle$ ,  $NT = \langle + \rangle$  OR  $\langle + \lor + \rangle$ . Wide range (3-20) hcp)

(if doubled, pass is suggestion to play, xx asks p to bid touching suit, (normally to play own suit) all other bids p/c)

#### Over Opponents' take out double

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

 $1 \checkmark / \spadesuit - (x)$  – all bids from 1NT and upwards are transfer. Could be for values.

Leads and Signals				
Opening Leads Style				
	Lead	In Partner's Suit		
Suit	3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> , top of sequence/inner sequence	3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>		
NT	4 <sup>th</sup> best (low x may sometimes be from longer suits), top or second best from bad suits	3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>		
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#### 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	$Hx\underline{x}x/xx\underline{x}(x)$	$(10)$ Hxx $\underline{\mathbf{x}}/\underline{\mathbf{x}}$ xx(x)/ $\underline{\mathbf{x}}$ xx(x)

## Signals in order of priority

	Partners lead	Declarer	Discarding
Suit:	Energ/discrg	Count, 3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>	Encrg/discrg
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Count, 3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>	S/P	Count, 3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	S/P		S/P
NT:	Energ/discrg	Smith-Peter	Encrg/discrg
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Count, 3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>	Count, 3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>	Count, 3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	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 = 7, 1 - 4 + 4, 1 - 5 = 3 - 1, 1 - 6, 1 - 6suggest to play (HHxx+ in suit).



Players:

# **Fuglestad System Summary**

Harding

## **General Approach and Style**

**Natural**, 5-card majors, (4)5-card ♦, 1♣=2+ Very light opening bids if distributional.

2-over-1 Responses: GF except rebid

**1NT: 8-12** 1st, 2nd hand all green and green vs red **1NT** =**15-17** red and all 3<sup>rd</sup> / 4<sup>th</sup> seat

## Special bids that may require defence

Transfer after 1♣ opening

1♣-1♠= 6-8 NT/ diff. weak minor hands/inv or GF with ◆

 $1 - 2 \cdot /2 = 6 + \text{ cards} \cdot 4 - 7 \text{ hcp or GF}$ 

1**♣**-2**♠**=**♣** supp 6-9 hcp

Weak NT according to pos/vul

 $1 \checkmark / - 2 \checkmark / = 3 + \text{supp } 4 - 7 \text{ hcp, OR nat GF, except rebid}$ 

2 \( \cdot : (0) 3-10 \text{ 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	Ann Karin Fuglestad – Marianne Harding Norway Women Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bidding and interfered auctions
1*		2	4 🛦	Include all 4333/4432- hands  Could open v light if distributional (8 hcp), 11+ hcp with balanced hands	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, 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) SWITCH (off if passed) ex. (1♣ -(1♠) – 2♦=♥, 2♥=♦ 1♣ -(1♥) – 2♥=6+♠, 2♠=inv minor (off if passed – fit jump)
1 ♦		4/5	4♠	4 only if 4-4-4-1	Inv minor, $3 = 4 + 4 + 6 + 9$ , $2M = 6 + 4 + 7$ , double jumpshifts = void	Natural, xy-NT, xyz, $1 - 1M - 20M = $ nat OR $16 + $ , $6 +  3M$ , $1 - 1A$ , $4 = 4252, 18 + 4 = 4441, 18 - 19$	As above
1♥		5	4 🛦	5+♥ Could open v light if distributional. 11+ if balanced	2 ◆ 2/1=GF unless rebid suit OR 4-7 3+ ♥ support, 2 ♥=8-11 2 ♠= Mini-splinter in one m, exactly invitational, 3 ♣=4+ ♥, bal inv, 3 ♦= single ♠, inv, 3 ♥=pre, 2NT=4+ ♥,GF. 4 ♠=To play	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 SWITCH: 1 v -(1 △/2 ♣) - transfers
1♠		5	4 🛦	As above	1NT=NF, 6-11 hcp, $2 \lor = $ Nat GF OR 4-7 $\spadesuit$ supp, $2 \spadesuit = 8-11$ , $3^+ \spadesuit$ $3 \clubsuit = $ Mini-splinter in one m $3 \spadesuit = 4+ \spadesuit$ , bal inv, $3 \lor = $ single, inv, $3 \spadesuit = $ pre, $2NT=4+ \spadesuit$ , GF, $4 \clubsuit \spadesuit \lor = $ void		As above Weak raise (3-7) reversed if double
1NT			4 🛧	15-17 vul and 3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> seat (5M/6m/single/5-4)	After strong NT: $2 = \text{Stayman}, 2 \checkmark \checkmark \land = \text{transfers}, 3 \checkmark \land = (5) 6 + \checkmark \land + 4 \checkmark, \text{inv}$ $2 \text{NT ask 5-card M}, 3 \checkmark \land = \text{singleton},$ $4 = \text{trf to } \checkmark, 4 \checkmark = \text{trf to } \land, 4 \checkmark \land = \text{to play}$	1NT-2NT-, 3♣= 6 card one m, 3♦ = no 5-card M Break transfer: 2NT=4+max, 3x=Nat HHxx(x), 3+ card support. 1NT-3x-4x=super fit	Contested auctions If natural interference: Bid=NF, t/o dbl If art. int., dbl = inv+  If natural interference:
			No neg. dbl	8-12 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> non vul Normally no 5-card or singleton major	After weak NT: $2 = \text{Weak} \ (\leq \text{inv}) \text{ Stayman}, \ 2 = \text{GF Stayman}, \ 2 \neq \text{Stayman}, \ 2 \neq $	1NT -2♣-2x, 2/3M=5 card suit, inv 1NT -2♦-2x-2NT=asks for distribution	dbl = penalty, if dbl: xx = to play If artificial interference: dbl = inv+
2*	X			Strong. Normally 20+ hcp, could be weaker with 9 <sup>+/-</sup> 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 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 3 = 2 <sup>nd</sup> neg (rele if response 3 - 4) 2 - 2NT-3 - ASK 4 card suits, 2 - 2 - 3M=5+ - 4M, 2 - 2M-3M-3/4x=single, 3NT=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  liphi -3  liphi -3  liphi =  all minimum hands 2  liphi -3  liphi -3  liphi /  liphi = 5 +  cards in bid suit and max. 2  liphi -3  liphi -4  liphi /  liphi =  void and min. 5-5.	4 <sup>th</sup> seat: 11-15, 6 <sup>(+)</sup> -card suit
2♥		6		Weak, 3-10, dep vul	2NT = ASK for singleton, New suit F1	$2 \vee -2NT-3 \vee = min, \text{ no } 1/0, 3NT = max, \text{ no } 1/0$	4 <sup>th</sup> seat: 11-15, 6 <sup>(+)</sup> -card suit
2♠		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. After dbl competitive. 3M-4m = cuebid, 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				1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> seat: solid m	4♣ = p/c, 4♦=ASK short suit,4M=To play,4NT=ASK length	Splinters	
4♣,♦		6		Natural, preemptive	4M = To play	Cuebids, last train cuebids	
4♥,♠		6		Natural. To play	Any bid: Cuebid.	Lightner dbl	
4NT	X			Asks for specific aces	5♣ = none, 5♦ ♥ ♠6♣ that specific ace		