## LEADS AND SIGNALS

### DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

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

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|---|---|---|---|
| Agressive style | | | |
| New Suit= F1R at the 1-level | | | |
| Cuebid = Fit | | | |
| Jump = Preemptive in competition | | | |
| 2 NT = Good Bad/Unusual/Scrambling/Natural | | | |

**Category:** NATURAL - GREEN
**Country:** NETHERLANDS
**Event:** Bermuda Bowl 2005
**Players:** HUUB BERTENS(00602080) - TON BAKKEREN (00320094)

### OPENING LEADS STYLE

| | Lead | In Partner's Suit |
|---|---|---|
| Suit | 1st,3rd,5th; ATT | 1/3/5 |
| NT | AS ABOVE | As above |
| Subseq | 2/4 | 2/4 |
| Other: | 4th if 3rd is expensive. Vs trumps: K asks count | |
| | Vs. NT:K,Q,J asks Attitude/Unblocking | |

### LEADS

| Lead | Vs. Suit | Vs. NT |
|---|---|---|
| Ace | AK Ax(+) | AKx(+) |
| King | AKx(+) KQx(+) | KQx(+) AKJT |
| Queen | QJx(+) | A(K)QJx,QJTx,KQT9 |
| Jack | J10x | JTx QJ98x |
| 10 | 109x(+) HJ10x(+) | T9x HJTx(+) |
| 9 | 9x H109x(+) 98x | 98x H109x(+) |
| Hi-x | Sx SSxx Sxx | Sx SSxx Sxx |
| Lo-x | HxxxS HxS(S) HxS xxS(x) | HxS HxS(S) HxxxS xxS(x) |

### SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

| | Partners Lead | Declarer's Lead | Discarding |
|---|---|---|---|
| Suit:1st | Hi/Low=Odd | Hi/Lo=Odd | Odd=Enc; |
| 2nd | Hi/Low=Disc | Suit preference | Hi/Lo=Odd |
| 3rd | Suit preference | | |
| NT: 1st | Hi/Lo=Odd | Hi/Lo=Odd | Odd=Enc; |
| 2nd | Suit preference | Hi/Lo=Odd | Hi/Lo = Odd |
| 3rd | | | |

Signals (including Trumps): Hi-Low in trumps= Odd

Remainder count: Original count Lavinthal Smith signal

### 1NT OVERCALL (2ND/4TH Live; Responses; Reopening)

- Responses as over 1NT opening
- Reopen 1NT = 14-16
- Escape 1NT-(X): Transfers, Rdbl=♣ or Two-/Threesuiter
- 2NT = FG Twosuiter

### JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

| | |
|---|---|
| 1-Suit: | Weak; |
| 2-Suit: | [1♣/◊]-2◊=5♡&4+♠; [1X]-2NT= Lowest suits |
| | Twosuiters are weak or strong |
| Reopen: | 2NT=20-21, Suit = Good Intermediate |

### DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopen)

- [1♣]-2♣ = Natural
- [1M]-2M = 5oM & 5m, Weak or Strong
- Jump Cue asks stop

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

- Dbl= 5m & 4M 9-13HCP or a strong hand
- 2♣ = 4+♡ & 4+♠
- 2◊ = ♡ or ♠
- 2M = Natural, good hand
- Against weak NT: Dbl = P
- Passed Hand : As above

### VS. PREEMPTS ( Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)

- Dbl = Take Out; 4x= 2-suiter;
- 2 NT = 15+-19-
- 2X - 3Y = Preemptive ; 2Y-3Y= 2-suiter

### VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

- PRECISION 1♣: DBL= ♡ & ♠ 1NT= ♣ & ◊ 2♣/◊=Nat
- [1♣]-p-[1◊]-X = ◊
- [1◊]: 2◊=Natural, 2NT = Minors or Majors,Weak or Strong

### OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE

- 1m-[X]:2X=NF;2NT=Weak Raise;3m=Inv
- 1M-[X]:1NT/2X=NF;4m=Fitbid

### DOUBLES

**TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)**

- may be light
- Cuebid = forcing to suit agreement, except 1m-X

**SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES/REDOUBLES**

- 1♣-(1◊)-DBL: 4/5 ♡
- NEG DBLs beyond 4◊: 10+HCP,any shape
- 1m-(1♡)-DBL: 4/5 ♠
- Support(R)dle thru 1♠ and 1♣-1-(◊)-1M-(2◊)
- Double of spl = Lead directing in Lower ranking suit
- Dbl of cuebid = Asks for another lead, except after 1m=values
- Rdbl of partners suit = A/K
- Rdbl of 4-suit/cuebid = no half stop(pass=half stop+)

## SYSTEM SUMMARY

### GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

- Dutch Doubleton
- 5-card Major, 1♣=2+, almost forcing

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|---|---|
| Leads: | 1/3/5 |
| Subsequent leads: | 2/4 |
| Signals: | High/low=Odd/Discouraging |
| 1NT Openings: | 14+ - 17- HCP |
| 2 OVER 1 Responses | FG |

### SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE

- 2♣ = WEAK ◊ / FG Onesuiter / Strong NT
- 2◊ = WEAK ♡ / FG Twosuiter / Strong NT
- 2♡ = WEAK ♠ / FG Threesuiter / Strong NT
- 2♠ = 5♠ & 4+m, WEAK
- 2NT = ♣ & ◊, WEAK OR FG
- 3NT = Gambling ♣/◊
- 4♣/◊ = Namyats ♡/♠
- 1♣-(p)-2◊ = Multi
- 1♣-/1◊-(p)-2♡ = 5♠+4♡ 3-8 HCP
- 1♣-1◊= 0-6/Natural/Relay
- WEAK JUMP SHIFTS at Twolevel
- NEGATIVE FREEBIDS or INVERSION AT 2-level
- GOOD-BAD 2NT

### SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

### IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE

Psychics: Seldom

| Opening | Artificial | Min. | Neg Dble | Description | Responses | Subsequent Auction | Passed Hand Bidding |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1♣ | | 2 | | a) Nat, 4+♣, 11+ b) 12-14 NT c) 18-19 NT | 1♦= 0-6/Nat/R; 1M=7+(4+♦ poss)1NT=8-10; ; | 1♣-1♦-1♥=Nat/12-14NT; 1NT = 18-19 NT | |
| 1♣ | | | | | 2♦ = weak ♥ or ♠;2♥=5♠+4♥,4/8; | 1♣-1♦-1♥-1♠ = R | |
| 1♣ | | | | | 2♠=Weak, weaker as 2♦;3X = Inv | 1♣-1♦-1♥-1♠:1NT = 12-14 NT; 2♣ = 5♣+4♥ | |
| 1♦ | | 4 | | MAYBE 4♦,4+♣ | 1♦-2♣=FG; 2♥=5♠+4♥,WK; 2♠ = weak | | 2♣= 5+-card, NF |
| 1♥ | | 5 | | Maybe 4-Card in 3rd | 1NT=Almost F; 2♥=8-10,3♥ 2NT=4+♥,INV+ 3♥=3-8, 4♥ | 1♥-1NT-2m = 3+m | 1NT=NF;2♥=6-8,3♥ 2N=Na2♣=3♥,9-11 2♦=4♥; |
| 1♥ | | | | | 4m=Spl,11-14; 3X= Inv. | | 1♥-2♣;2♦=R 2/3x;See 1♥-2♥ |
| 1♠ | | 5 | | See 1♥ | See 1♥. 1♠-4♥=To Play | 1♠-1NT-3♣=?#♥; 1♠-1NT-3♥=4+♣ FG | 3♥=5♥,3♠, Inv |
| 1NT | | | | 14+ - 17- HCP 5M/6m/5422 poss. | 2♣=R(no 4M pos.) 2♦/♥/♠/NT=Tr.3♣=55m,Inv; | | |
| 1NT | | | | | 3♦=55m,FG 3M= x/-M,54m 4♣=R.Gerb 4♦/♥=♥/♠Bal,ST; | | |
| 2♣ | Y | 0 | 2♦ | a) 3-10HCP 5+♦ b) FG Onesuiter | 2♦=R, 2♥/♠= NF; 2NT=R, RF 3♣/♦=NF, 3M= Inv; | | |
| 2♣ | | | | c) 20-21NT/ 26-27NT | | | |
| 2♦ | Y | 0 | | a) 5(6)♥,3-10 b) FG Twosuiter | 2♥=R,NF; 2NT=R; 2♠/3♣/3♦=NF 3♥=Pre; | | |
| 2♦ | | | | c) 22-23/ 28-29NT | 3♠=FG ; 4m = SPL | | |
| 2♥ | Y | 0 | | a) 5(6)♠,3-10 b) FG Threesuiter | 2♠=R,NF; 2NT=R; 3♣/3♦=NF 3♥=F; 3♠=Pre; | | |
| 2♥ | | | | c) 24-25/ 30-31NT | | | |
| 2♠ | N | 5 | | 5♠ & 5+m, 3-10 5♠ & 4+m 1st/3rd Gr/Red | 2NT=R; 3♣=P/C; 3♦=NF; 3♥=F; 3♠=Pre; | | |
| 2NT | Y | | | 5♣ & 5♦, Weak/FG 5m4m+ 3rd gr-red | 3♣/♦=Pref; 3♥=♣,Inv+; 3♠=♦,Inv+; 4m=Pre; 4M=to play | | |
| 3♣ | | 6 | | 6+♣, 3-10 | 3X=F; 4♣=Pre; 4♦=ST♣: | | |
| 3♦ | | 6 | | 6+♦, 3-10 | 4♣=ST♦ | | |
| 3♥ | | 6 | | 6+♥, 3-10 | 4m=Cue; 3♠=Nat; | | |
| 3♠ | | 6 | | 6+♠, 3-10 | 4♥=Nat; 4m=Cue; | | |
| 3NT | Y | | | Gambling♣/♦ NoA/K | 4♣=P/C; 4♦=ST | | |
| 4♣ | y | 0 | | Namyats ♥ (8S/7S+A/8+A) S=Solid St | 4♦=ST Responses: 4♥=8S; 4NT=RKC; 4/5X=8S,-/X; | | |
| 4♦ | Y | 0 | | Namyats ♠ See 4♣ | 4♥=ST (See 4♣) | | |
| 4♥ | | 6 | | | 4♠=Cue | | |
| 4♠ | | 6 | | | | | |
| 4NT | Y | | | Specific Aces | 5♣= No Ace; 5X=Ace; 5NT=♣ Ace | | |

## HIGH LEVEL BIDDING

Splinters

Mixed Cuebids

Roman Keycard Blackwood (1304)

Dopi Pi

Dope