WBF Convention Card 2.18

Category:	Green
Country:	USA
Event:	World Youth Championships
Players:	Joshua Donn and Jason Feldman

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

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

May be light on 1 level, 2 level is either good hand or good suit

New suit NF but constructive, jump raise weak

cuebid = 3+ limit raise+, jump cuebid = mixed (6-8, 4 trumps, shape)

1x p 1y, 2x and 2y both natural

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

15-18, systems on

Double penalty, unless of raise of opener, then takeout

Balancing 10-14 over minors, 11-16 over majors

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

1-Suit:

2-Suit: Preemptive, not hopeless hands when vul

Direct cuebid of minor is both majors, of major is other major and a minor

Reopen: 2NT is two lower unbid suits

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

2NT natural, jump in suit intermediate

Michaels, as above

Jump cue over minor natural, over major ask for stopper

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

Double is 4M 5+m, or any strong hand over strong, penalty (14+) over weak

2♣ is both majors (2♢ ask better major, 2NT ask, min better ♡, etc)

2♢ is one major (then 2/3M p/c, 2NT ask, min ♡ min ♠ max ♡ max ♠)

2♡, 2♠ is 5+ ♡/♠ and 4+ minor, 2NT ask for minor

2NT both minors

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

3♣/♢ is natural but constructive, not preemptive

Leaping Michaels

4♣ asking bid over 3NT overcall

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

Cuebid ask for stopper

When not vul: suit is that suit or next two (3♣ is ♣ or ♢+♡), NT is ♣+♡ or ♢+♠

When vul: double is majors, NT is minors

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE

Transfers starting at 1NT after 1M X

All jumps fit showing over X

2NT limit raise or better

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS STYLE

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit		
NT	3rd from even, low from odd	
Subseq	4th, 2nd from weakness	

Other: ☐same, sometimes attitude

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace		
King	AK	
Queen	KQ	
Jack	QJ	
10	JT	
9	T9	
Hi-x	98	
Lo-x	Xx, xxXx, xxXxxx	

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partners Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit:1st	xxX, xxxxX		
2nd	ATT, low = enc	COUNT (often false!)	
3rd	COUNT, hi/low = odd	SP	
NT: 1st			
2nd	same		
3rd	same		

Signals (including Trumps): ☐same

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

Responsive doubles, maximal doubles through 3 level

Support doubles below 2 of responder's suit

Double of third suit is 4th suit and tolerance for partner

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES/REDOUBLES

Interference over blackwood: Below 5 of our trump suit, Dbl - 1/4, P -0/3, etc.

At or above 5 of our trump suit, Dbl - 0/2/4, P - 1/3

Redouble in cuebidding auctions = First round control

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

5 card majors, 15-17 1NT

2/1 100% FG by unpassed hand

Forcing 1NT response to 1♡, 1♠

Weak 2♢, 2♡, 2 ♠ opening bids (usually 6 cards)

Artificial rebids after some 2/1 bids

1NT Openings: 15-17

2 OVER 1 Response:100% FG by unpassed hand

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE

Gambling 3NT opening (7 card minor to AKQ, no A or K outside)

Fit showing jump shifts in competition, by passed hands

Rebids after 1♠ 2♣, 1♠ 2♢, 1♡ 2♣ artificial

VS two-suited bids: lower cuebid is lower offsuit, higher cuebid is higher offsuit

Lebensohl over 1NT (2♢♡♠), (2♢♡♠) X, reverses

2♡ response to 1m either strong with ♡s or balanced invite

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

All passes forcing after 2/1

All passes forcing after 2♣ opening bid

IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE

All passes forcing when we bid game via cuebid

Psychics:

OPENING BID DESCRIPTIONS

Opening	Artificial	Min.	Neg Dble thr	Description	Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bidding
1♣							
1♢		3	4♢	Nat, 3+	2♢ 11+ raise, 2♡ 11-12 bal or 16+ ♡, 2♠ 16+ ♠	1♣ 2♡ 2♠/N relay	
1♡		4 or 4432	4♣	Nat, 3+	2♢ 11+ raise, 2♡ 11-12 bal or 16+ ♡, 2♠ 16+ ♠	1♣ 2♡ 2♠/N relay	
1♠		5 (4 in 3/4)	4♢	Nat, 5+	2N 10+ raise, 3♣/♢ 10-11 nat, 3♠ 0-1 any, 3N 0-1 ♠		
1NT		5 (4 in 3/4)	4♢	Nat 5+	2N 10+ raise, 3♣/♢/♡ 10-11 nat, 3N 0-1 any		
2♣			3♠	Nat, 15-17	2♠ clubs, 2N diamonds, 3♣ minors, 3♢ majors, 3♡/♠ 0-1		
2♢	Y			Art., 22+ Bal or near game Unbal	2♢ 0-1 controls, 2♡ 2+ controls, 2N 5+ ♡		
2♡		6(5)		Nat, 6(5)+, 4-10	2♡/♠ NF, 2N suit/hand ask, 4♣ keycard (and after 2N)		
2♠		6(5)		Nat, 6(5)+, 4-10	2♠ NF, 2N suit/hand ask, 4♣ keycard (and after 2N)		
2NT		6(5)		Nat, 6(5)+, 4-10	2N suit/hand ask, 4♣ keycard (and after 2N)		
3♣				Nat, 20(19)-21			
3♢		6		Nat, weak			
3♡		6		Nat, weak			
3♠		6		Nat, weak			
3NT		6		Nat, weak			
4♣	Y			Art, AKQxxxx minor, no other A/K			
4♢							
4♡							
4♠							
4NT							
5♣	Y			Specific ace blackwood			
5♢							
5♡							
5♠							
5NT							

HIGH LEVEL BIDDING