

# Cross Grade Play

## 1. Change in Club Playing Rules

As of 1 June The Committee has agreed changing the playing night rules to allow all members to play with any other player at any Club playing session with the proviso that the partnership that they are part of is eligible to win prizes for the event according to the following table:

Hutt Bridge Club Eligibility to Win Rules Matrix			
Partnership	Eligibility to Win		
	All other Sessions	Tuesday Evening Session	Wednesday Evening Session
Mix			
3/3	Yes	Yes	Yes
2/3	Yes	Yes	No
2/2	Yes	Yes	No
1/3	Yes	Yes	No
1/2	Yes	No	No
1/1	Yes	No	No

### Notes:

1. Any member can play at any Club session.
2. Only partnerships made up of levels 1/3, 2/2, 2/3 and 3/3 are eligible to win Tuesday evening sessions.
3. Only partnerships made up of levels 3/3 are eligible to win Wednesday evening sessions.
4. Any partnership is eligible to win at all other Club sessions.
5. Prizes are silverware, certificates, cash, playing tickets and session prizes.
6. Levels are defined in the 2011 Club Programme on pages 14 and 15 and each member's level for 2011 is designated in the membership listing of the Club Programme. For ease of reference: 1 = Top, 2 = Middle, 3 = Bottom.
7. Club sessions are the regular club playing sessions offered by the Club to its membership and are defined as Monday Afternoon, Monday Evening, Tuesday Evening, Wednesday Morning, Wednesday Evening, Thursday Evening, Friday Afternoon and Saturday Evening.
8. Masterpoints will be awarded in line with NZ Bridge guidelines.
9. Teams are made up of partnerships and if a team fields a partnership that is ineligible to win then the team also becomes ineligible to win.
10. The above Eligibility to Win Rules replaces the scale for Club Playing Sessions on page 15 of the 2011 Club Programme.
11. The Committee would look favourably on requests by Tuesday and Wednesday evening playing committees to widen eligibility to win further and it is thought that handicap events could help facilitate this.

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## 2. The Benefits

- The Club offers a variety of playing sessions where members can compete against players of a similar level.
- All club members can get the most from their subscription.
- Provides greater opportunity for less able players to play with and learn from better players.
- Removes barriers to play.
- Improves social opportunities at the Club .

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