

ETHICS AND ETIQUETTE

Players should refrain from these acts:

1. A remark, question, gesture or mannerism, which may convey information to partner or mislead an opponent.
2. A pass or bid made with special emphasis, inflection, haste, or undue hesitation.
3. A play made with emphasis, undue haste or unreasonable delay, when the act might convey information to partner or might mislead an opponent.
4. Indicating by facial expressions or in any way showing approval or disapproval of partner's play or call.
5. Giving by word, manner or gesture an indication of the hand held.
6. Frequent review of the auction or play due to your own inattention.
7. Volunteering information that should be given only in response to a question.
8. Making gratuitous comment during the play period as to the auction or the adequacy of the auction.
9. Moving the board from the center of the table.
10. Detaching a card from your hand before it is that your turn to play or lead, or detaching a card then replacing it.
11. Touching or playing a card while Dummy, unless directed to do so by declarer.
12. Gathering the cards before the result of the deal has been agreed.
13. Loud discussion of the hand just played.

BY LAWS

General Procedure:

1. There will be no redeals, computer dealt hands will be provided for all normal club sessions and normally analysis will be available at the conclusion of play. Analysis shall be sealed and no member may play in a session that they have dealt.
2. Evening play to commence at 7.30 p.m. sharp. **Players to be seated and ready by 7.20 p.m.**
3. **Director MUST be called for any infraction of the Laws. however minor**
4. Any member wishing to question a Director's ruling must appeal before leaving Bridge Room and within 30 minutes of the end of play. Any such action must be reported to the director who will appoint an appeals committee.
5. Once score sheets are in the hands of the Scorers and entered into the computer no alteration in the score on the traveler can be made, unless directed by an appeals committee. This applies only to all normal club and non competition sessions. The Committee accepts no responsibility for incorrect scores.
6. On Competition nights, scores must be checked after being entered into the computer for errors.
7. All four players cut or toss for seating position, the pair winning to sit North/South, except where a player obtains dispensation from the director, and on a permanent basis a player must write to the committee.

BY LAWS

Competition Rules:

1. In all competitions all scores to count except in Championship events where the best 5 of 6 sessions will count.
2. Competition winners will be decided by highest overall percentage.
3. Players are free to play any system during the club nights.
4. Individual events require different partners each night.
5. One substitute only is allowed in a three or four session event. No player may substitute for a player who is present at the same session. When one member of each of two pairs requires a substitute, the remaining members of the pairs may play together with each forming a substitute in respect of the others pair.
6. In teams events an unlimited number of substitutes is allowed but with no fewer than two of the originally named team playing on anyone night.
7. Visitors are welcome to play on any night for up to three (3) nights in any year but neither their results nor those of their partners will be counted in club competitions. Table money

- shall still be paid.
8. The committee is in sole charge of the programme and a director or Convener of the particular session cannot alter it.
 9. The director is in sole charge of the session and has the final decision as to the number of boards to be played.

BY LAWS (Cont)

10. Scorers may wish to email session scores. Members who wish to receive scores in this manner should send the club an email with a request to be added to which ever session/s they play in. The clubs email address is Levin.Bridge.Club@xtra.co.nz. Please note that this is a voluntary service and some scorers may chose not to email the results.
11. Copies of the clubs minutes will be placed in the Club Rooms in a Clear File after they have been ratified by the committee.

ELIGIBILITY TO PLAY

Club Gradings; Based on the NZCBA October printout.

Junior	0 - 4000 C Points
Intermediate	4001 - 10000 C Points
Senior	10001 + C Points

Club members may play on any night, with the following exceptions:

Thursday Night

Junior players may play together on Thursday night without penalty.

Intermediate players playing on Thursday night with a Junior will be handicapped 10% of the match points scored.

Senior players playing on Thursday night with a Junior will be handicapped 20% of the match points scored.

Intermediate and **Senior** players are not permitted to play **together** on Thursday nights.

Thursday players should make every attempt to have a partner from the Thursday group; a Senior /Intermediate substitute should be used only as a last resort, and MUST be arranged through the matchmaker.

Wednesday Night

Senior players who substitute for Intermediate players in a pairs competition will be handicapped 5% of the match points scored. (This will be trialed for 2007)

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Players may only play in one set of championships: Junior, Intermediate or Senior.

Junior and Intermediate players may act as substitutes for Senior or Intermediate players.

Intermediate players may not play in or act as substitutes in the Junior Championships.

Senior players may not play in or act as substitutes in the Junior or Intermediate Championships.

There will be Trophies for both Intermediate and Seniors in Pairs Competitions on Wednesday nights.

In 2007 we will be trialing handicapping for the Individual Competitions on Wednesday nights. There will be a winner of the competition as at present plus a handicapped winner. Trophies will only be awarded to non handicapped winners this year.