

2026 GENERAL INFORMATION

COURTESY – A player should maintain, at all times, a courteous attitude toward his or her partner, opponents and the director, carefully avoiding all remarks and actions which might cause annoyance or embarrassment.

SLOW PLAY – Bridge is a timed event. Players who do not keep to time detract from the enjoyment of others and gain an unearned advantage. A board not started with 3 minutes left on the time clock may not be able to be played. Director's discretion applies.

SEATING – Players should be seated 15 minutes prior to commencement of the session. Unless seating rights have been granted, toss for seating and the winners will sit North/South.

VISITORS – Visitors are most welcome to play in any Pairs event. Those who are NZ Bridge members will qualify for "C" points but not club prizes. Members who play with visitors do not qualify for club prizes. A limit on the number of visits per year may apply.

PSYCH BIDS – Psych bids are permitted in the rules of Bridge, however they are discouraged at the level of bridge played in our club.

SUBSTITUTES – Substitutes must be club members.

CLUB GRADES – Club Grades will be assigned at the beginning of the year and apply for the whole year.

1. **Open** - NZB Open
2. **Intermediate** - NZB Intermediate
3. **Junior** - NZB Junior who has attained a Certificate of Proficiency as at 1st Jan
4. **Novice** - A NZB Junior who has not attained a Certificate of Proficiency as at 1st Jan

New members from overseas will be graded according to their previous Bridge experience.

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS – Seeding will be used for the final round (marked with a "#") of all Championship Events. The purpose of seeding is to balance the field so that approximately the same number of stronger players are in each field (N/S and E/W). Detailed information is on the notice board.

HANDICAPS – Handicaps are automatically calculated for all handicap events.

PAIRS EVENTS – Two session Pair events – no substitution. Three or more sessions – 1 substitute allowed.

TEAMS EVENTS – Entry must be made 1 week prior to the start of the event. Last team entered may be balloted out.

SINGLES EVENTS – To qualify members must play with a different member each session. (Marked with an "**"). Three or more sessions - worst score is dropped.

MONDAY EVENTS

Championship Singles – Gross and Handicap. Best 5 out of 6 scores to count.

Championship Pairs (Zita Reid/Abel Tasman) – Gross and Handicap. All scores to count. One substitute allowed with score to count.

Ruth Corbett Memorial Pairs – Gross and Handicap.

MONDAY NIGHT - INTERMEDIATE/JUNIOR/NOVICE EVENTS

Monday Night regular sessions will be played in two sections - Junior and Senior. The Junior section will be aimed at Novice and less experienced Junior players and the Senior section will be aimed at Intermediate and more experienced Juniors. Scoring will be on handicap across both sections. It is envisaged (where practical) the Junior section will play 20 boards and the Senior section will play 24 boards each evening.

Seeka Championship Singles – Intermediate, Junior and Novice - Gross. Best 3 out of 4 scores to count.

To be eligible for the Novice Championship Singles Novice members must play with a different Novice member for each session. To be eligible for the Junior Championship Singles Junior members must play with a different Junior or Novice member for each session. Intermediate members may play with any member except Open grade.

Stuart Pedersen Memorial Championship Pairs - Intermediate, Junior and Novice - Gross. All scores to count. One substitute allowed with score to count.

To be eligible for the Novice Championship Pairs Novice members must play with a Novice member for each session. To be eligible for the Junior Championship Pairs Junior members must play with a Junior or Novice member for each session. Intermediate players may play with any member except Open grade.

Florence Shrimpton Memorial Pairs – Handicap. All scores to count. One substitute allowed with score to count.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT EVENTS

Paul Nielson Singles - Prize and trophy to top Junior or Novice member who plays with a different member each session. Also prize for top Intermediate or Open member who plays with a different Junior or Novice member each session.

Harcourts Teams - Played on Handicap.

Championship Singles – Gross and Handicap. Best 5 out of 6 scores to count.

Forsyth Barr Championship Pairs - Gross and Handicap - all scores to count. One substitute allowed with score to count. Prize for best Junior/Novice pair.

Other Singles Events – worst score to be dropped.

THURSDAY EVENTS

All sessions played on handicap.

Ryan Double Glazing Championship Pairs – all scores to count. One substitute allowed with score to count.

Ultimate Motors Championship Singles - best 5 out of 6 scores to count.

Aggregate Ladder – Points awarded for attendance and results.

FRIDAY EVENTS

All sessions played on gross.

Championship Singles – best 5 out of 6 scores to count.

Seeka Championship Pairs – all scores to count. One substitute allowed with score to count.

CHRISTMAS PARTY & PRIZEGIVING – Sat 28th Nov, 2026 -11.30 am

