

New Plymouth Contract Bridge Club	
MEMBER GRADINGS & SESSION PLAYING RESTRICTIONS	
Policy	<p>GRADING POLICY</p> <p>The club member grading system uses NZ Bridge rating points of members to identify all as A, B or C grade.</p> <p>Member's grades for 2021 are determined as follows,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members with 0 to 15 rating points are C grade. • Members with 16 to 39 rating points are B grade. • Members with 40 or more rating points are A grade. <p>Members grades are determined on 1st January when NZ Bridge calculates and registers all players rating points for that calendar year.</p> <p>The Match & Grading Committee shall review the specified grading rating points from time to time and may adjust those for any grade.</p> <p>GRADED SESSIONs AND THEIR PLAYING RESTRICTIONS</p> <p>Currently the club runs graded sessions on some Wednesday and some Thursday evenings. The resulting playing restrictions on those sessions are,</p> <p>a) Wednesday Session Playing Restrictions</p> <p>The Wednesday Centennial Cup and Kaitake Plate competitions are restricted to C grade players. (those with less than 15 rating points).</p> <p>Whilst wednesday sessions are aimed at novice players; more experienced members are encouraged to play with novice players on non restricted sessions.</p> <p>Note that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday session partnerships should always include one player with less than 15 NZ Bridge rating points • Wednesday session partnerships that include an experienced player shall use bidding consistent with the NZ Bridge approved Junior tournament bidding system. <p>b) Thursday Session Playing Restrictions</p> <p>Thursday Thurston Cup and Stars Travel Plate are restricted to B & C grade players (those with less than 40 rating points).</p> <p>Thursday IMP teams may include one player with 40 or more rating points. Match results in these cases shall be handicapped.</p> <p>Thursday Swiss Pairs may include an A grade player as a substitute only. Match results in these cases shall be handicapped.</p> <p>NZ Bridge ranked Open partnerships shall not play on thursday sessions.</p>
Responsibility	Match & Grading Committee
Date:	13/01/2021