



# IMPROVERS BRIDGE CLASS

## Stage 2 – Parts 5 to 7

Saturday 9 June 2018, presented by Alan Grant  
Wellington Bridge Club, 17 Tinakori Rd, Thorndon

This is a follow-up to the Stage 1 course (such as was held on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2018) covering parts 1 to 4 of the "Improving Players" booklet. Attendance at the last course is not a prerequisite; however it is desirable that participants are familiar with transfer responses to 1NT, use of takeout and penalty doubles, and to have at least 12 months of regular bridge play experience.

**Cost: \$50** including the "Competitive Bridge for Improving Players" booklet, or \$42 if already have booklet and don't wish to purchase an extra copy (retail value \$20).

*Hand-outs of practice hands and partnership review sheet, as mentioned below, are included.*

**Starts: 10.00am**                      **Finishes: 5:00pm approximately**

*Approximate timetable in italics:*

*10:00-11:40am:*

**Part 5A: Special conventional competitive bidding including:**

- Unusual 2NT jump overcall and Michaels overcalls or "cue bids"
- "Gambling" 3NT opening
- *Briefly*; on multi-2D openings and weak 2-suited openings, and how to cope with them

*11:45am to 12:10pm:*

**Part 5B: A few card-play techniques including:**

- Best percentage play on a few common card combinations, rule of restricted choice, making the best use of your entries, combining chances.

*12:10pm to 1:40pm: Practice hands on Parts 5A and 5B (hand-outs provided).*

*1:40-2:10pm: Light lunch provided - filled-roll (or similar) and a piece of fruit.*

*2:10-3:00pm: Part 6: General improved techniques on slam bidding, including:*

- Review of when to look for slam, using Blackwood and Gerber
- Splinters and using cue-bidding methods to find slams, Roman Key-Card Blackwood (RKCB - we will consider the 0314 version), coping with interference during slam bidding
- *Briefly*; on coping with artificial systems such as Precision (strong club).

*3:10-3:40pm: Part 7 (if time allows): The Law of Total No of Tricks (TNT)*

- Systems review workshop advice, and recommendations (including distribution of a partnership systems review sheet handout).

*3:40- 5:00 pm: Some practice hands on Parts 6 and 7 (hand-outs provided).*

