



2018 SEMESTER 1 Program
WEDNESDAYS
2PM & 7.30PM

Bridge IMPROVER Program

BUILD ON THE BASICS with Anita Curtis



Venue: Club Willoughby

On **Wednesdays at 2pm & again at 7:30pm**, **Anita Curtis** conducts **Build on the Basics** lessons for improvers (\$15 per session). Each lesson covers a self-contained topic. Players are welcome to come to any single lesson but will gain most benefit from attendance on a regular basis. A 2nd play session during the week is highly recommended.

Date	Ref	Lesson Topic	Lesson description
Wed, 7 Feb	1	NT Delight	1NT & 2NT openings; ways to make your contract
Wed, 14 Feb	2	I prefer a suit	When to take opener out of 1NT into a suit
Wed, 21 Feb	3	NT rebids	I don't have the right number of points to open 1NT!
Wed, 28 Feb	4	Focus on Defence in NTs	Focus on Defence in No Trumps
Wed, 7 Mar	5	Supporting partner	Supporting partner's opening bid
Wed, 14 Mar	6	Now what do I do?	Responder's priorities & Opener's rebids; ruffing/trumping in the short hand/dummy
Wed, 21 Mar	7	Oh no – I'm in the wrong hand!	Plan ahead and untangle entries
Wed, 28 Mar	8	Sorry, partner—I can't support you!	Opener's rebids with 2 suited hands
Wed, 4 Apr	9	Responder's NT bids	Responder's NT bids
Wed, 11 Apr	10	Focus on Defence - leads in suits	What to lead and how to defend in suit contracts
Wed, 18 Apr	11	Let's get in the way!	Weak Twos & responses
Wed, 25 Apr		NO LESSON	
FRI, 27 Apr 2pm		Hand Analysis 1	Practise everything that you have learnt so far in the course
Wed, 2 May	12	They hate it when I interfere!	3 level pre-empt & responses
Wed 9-30 May		NO LESSONS	
Wed, 6 Jun	13	I can't count that high!	2C Opening & 2D response
Wed, 13 Jun	14	Dumping Losers	Counting losers & forming a plan: dumping
Wed, 20 Jun	15	Overcalls 1	Just because they opened – doesn't mean I have to pass!
Wed, 27 Jun	16	Overcalls 2	Just because they opened – doesn't mean I have to pass!
Wed, 4 Jul	17	Takeout Xs part 1	I want to bid but I don't have an overcall!
Wed, 11 Jul	18	Takeout Xs part 2	Responding with stronger hands
FRI, 13 Jul 2pm		Hand Analysis 3	Practise everything that you have learnt so far in the course
Wed, 18 Jul	19	Hello – is anyone there?	Stayman over 1NT/2NT and 1NT overcalls
Wed, 25 Jul	20	Transfers	Transfers over 1NT/2NT & 1NT overcalls
FRI, 27 Jul 2pm		Hand Analysis - end of course	Practise everything that you have learnt so far in the course