

# **Declarer Play Techniques**

This is the first lesson of three on **declarer play.** These three lessons (Lesson 3, 4 and 5) should be taught in order.

## **Lesson Content**

This is the first of 3 lessons regarding the techniques used in playing a hand. The techniques presented apply equally to notrumps and suit contracts.

## Main Points to Emphasise

Tell the class that these techniques are a follow up to the play techniques from the Beginners' Lessons

Emphasise the 4 techniques :

- promoting honours
- leading towards honours
- finessing
- establishing a long suit

### **Lesson Progression**

Start with the 2 options of promoting honours and leading towards honours.

Play hands 1 to 4

Supper time

## After Supper

Teacher will go over any issues from the first 4 hands. Then talk about the next 2 techniques which are finessing and establishing a long suit.

#### Teacher should keep their talking to a minimum.

Play hands 5 to 8