

Auckland Northland Inter-Provincial Trials. Update as at May2 2022

Thank you for entering this weekend's trials and being prepared to represent our Region in November. Numbers are well down on last year and this has made it difficult to confirm formats and costs.

We can advise the following:

Intermediates will be a Butler event playing all other pairs. On current entries we expect approx. 8 or 9 board matches.

Seniors will be a Butler playing approx. 12 board matches on current entry numbers.

The **Open and Women's** formats will be advised as entries close. If you know pairs who are delaying their entry, please encourage them to record it asap.

Session times:

Saturday start 9.30am Two sessions. Finish times tbc

Sunday start 9.00am One session. Finish projected at approx. 12.30.

The one session limit on Sunday is to allow for Mother's Day. NZB will avoid this clash in the future.

Links:

Players will find the link on the Auckland Bridge Club website (Real Bridge tab).

System:

A clear summary of basic system and pre-alerts should be saved to post on chat at the start of each match. A full system card is not required. If any pair have HUM's they must advise Auckland BC two days in advance.

Cost:

Based on current entry numbers the per player cost is \$ tbc (reliant on entry numbers) from the Auckland BC Hello Account. We will advise by Wednesday 4.

Team Selection:

This is based on a poll of 30 past triallists and representatives. It is a "best fit" compromise between widely spread opinions and suggestions.

*"The first two pairs win selection. All teams will contain three pairs with the third pair being selected by the first two pairs from any of the **pairs** in any of the four trials groups.*

Should a pair subsequently withdraw – or if the first two pairs cannot agree on a selection- then the third pair will join the final team."