## 2-OVER-1 GAME FORCE - WINTER 2014 SCHEDULE OF CLASSES AND TOPICS

TOPICS
Week 1: 2-Over-1 Bidding Conversations
• What is 2-Over-1 Game Force?
• 2-Over-1 Response Sequences
• Opener's Rebid After 2-Over-1
<ul> <li>Responder's Reply to Opener's Rebid</li> </ul>
• Completing the Auction
• Table Bidding and Discussion of Preset Hands
Week 2: Forcing 1NT Bidding Conversations
• Why is <b>1</b> NT Forcing When Using 2-Over-1?
<ul> <li>Forcing 1<sub>NT</sub> Responses Sequences</li> </ul>
• Opener's rebid After a Forcing <b>1</b> NT
<ul> <li>Responder's Reply to Opener's Rebid</li> </ul>
• Fast or Slow Arrival?
• Completing the Auction
• Table Bidding and Discussion of Preset Hands
Week 3: Confirming a Slam
• Game or Slam?
Blackwood Convention
Control-Showing Bids
Control-Showing Guidelines
Blackwood vs Control Bids
• Table Bidding and Discussion of Preset Hands
Week 4: Questions, Review and Table Play
• 2-Over-1 or not 2-Over-1? That is the Question
<ul> <li>Table Play and Discussion of Preset Hands</li> </ul>

Hand-outs, homework exercises, homework answers, and other paperwork will be available on the tables at the door. Please pick them up as you come to class.

There will be a homework assignment for most of the classes. These exercises are designed to reinforce your understanding of the topics that were covered in a class.

If you are going to miss a class please arrange with someone to get the material for you or download the material from the bridge website (see box at the bottom of this page).

The class **must end promptly at 11:30** so the room can be readied for the afternoon duplicate game. The instructors will be able to answer questions before class in the classroom and after class in the lobby.

## BRIDGE BOOK SUGGESTIONS

If you would like to learn more about *2-Over-1 Game Force*, Dave March suggests that you consider the following:

• <u>2-Over-1 Game Force</u> by Audrey Grant and Eric Rodwell.

This book is an excellent introduction to *2-Over-1* and is suitable for anyone who has learned the standard methods in the Standard American Bidding System. Each chapter has a detailed discussion with many examples followed by exercises with answers. Some of the examples and exercises illustrate the differences between *2-Over-1* and standard methods. Each chapter also includes several complete practice deals with a discussion on the bidding, offensive play and defensive play. There are 32 additional complete practice deals at the end of the book.

• <u>25 Steps to Learning 2/1</u> by Paul Thurston.

This book presents a complete bidding system that incorporates *2-Over-1* into the Standard American Bidding System. The system also introduces *Bergen Raises* and *Splinter Bids* as potential responses to one level major suit opening bids. Each chapter contains examples and exercises with answers. The book is suitable for intermediate and advanced players.

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