

# **2019 Australian Youth Bridge Championships**

The 51st youth week championships

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## **What's new (or old but awesome)**

New venue  
(accommodation onsite)

Under 35 year old events back by  
popular demand

Matty is back!!!!!!!

Awesome events for players who  
are ineligible for the Aus Butler

Bring a friend to learn bridge

**January  
5 - 11  
Canberra**



**Burton and Garran  
(ANU)  
(2km from the city & Rex)**





# The main details

## Dates

Jan 5 (11 am start time) - Jan 11 (pairs first, then teams, finishing with butler)

## Venue

Burton and Garran Hall, 49 Daley Rd, Acton ACT 2601

## Cost

\$570 full time students, \$670 everyone else. (whole program) Includes lunches and 2 dinners, accommodation and bridge. See FAQs on the last page if you're not playing the whole time.

Accommodation bookings are from Friday 4/1 leaving Friday 11/1

Additional days: Accommodation can be arranged for other nights at \$70 p/n

Rooms are student accommodation and have shared bathroom facilities.

There is a strictly limited amount of larger rooms, with or without bathrooms.

Large room w/o bathroom \$640/\$740; with bathroom \$750/\$850

**Payment is required by 18th December if booking accommodation otherwise before arrival.**

Payment can be made by bank transfer to:

Account Name: ABF

BSB: 082-968

Account Number: 641482644

Reference: your ABF number or, if you don't have a number, your name

NOTE: If you are staying for the whole program there is a \$20 discount if you pay by December 1. No Accommodation bookings will be accepted after 18/12

Want some \$\$\$\$? Bring a friend on the first weekend to learn the game and we will give you \$50. (Limit of 1 x \$50 per player and only available if you are playing in the full program). T&C apply



# Schedule

## AYC Programme

### **Saturday 5/1**

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| 10.30 am   | Meet and Greet                          |
| 11am & 3pm | Pairs Qualifying or Come And Try Bridge |

### **Sunday 6/1**

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| 11am & 3pm | Pairs Final or Come And Try Bridge |
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### **Monday 7/1**

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| 11am & 3pm | Youth Teams Championship |
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### **Tuesday 8/1**

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| 11am & 3pm | Youth Teams Championship    |
| 8pm        | Cliff Wake (Australia v NZ) |

### **Wednesday 9/1**

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| 11am & 3pm | Australian Youth Selection or Super Teams |
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### **Thursday 10/1**

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| 11am & 3pm | Australian Youth Selection or NZ & Over 25 Butler |
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### **Friday 11/1**

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| 11am & 3pm | Australian Youth Selection or NZ & Over 25 Butler |
| 6.30pm     | BBQ   |

### **Sat 12/1 & Sun 13/1** Australia v NZ v Indonesia Test Match

## YOUTH BRIDGE PLAYERS



### **Subsidised (or FREE!!) entry fees and accommodation**

The Gold Coast Congress is the biggest bridge competition in Australia – a smorgasbord of events over 9 days (Friday 15 February to Saturday 23 February 2019) to suit players of all ages and standards.

### **We want you!!**

#### **Entry Fees**

All players born in 1999 or later get free entry.

All players born between 1994 and 1998 get a 50% discount.

#### **Accommodation**

The Gold Coast Congress offers heavily subsidised accommodation in high rise holiday units to youth(ish) players. The cost is only

\$17 a night for those born in 1994 or later.

\$27 a night for older youths (up to 32 years or so).

The apartments have air-conditioning in the living area and a fully equipped kitchen. The complex is a short stroll to the venue, and even closer to the beach. The complex has a pool, BBQ, gym, spa and sauna, and the youth players who stayed there last year had an awesome time!

For details or to book accommodation, contact Jessica Brake on 0414 134 888 or [jessicabrake@hotmail.com](mailto:jessicabrake@hotmail.com). Accommodation places are limited. Preference is given to those born in 1994 or later, or “older” youth players not in full time employment.

#### **Free Side event**

The Gold Coast Bridge Club puts on a FREE fun night for youth during the Congress. Some (half) serious bridge with special fun rules to mix things up. Prize money and free food!

#### **Other financial help**

Your state based bridge association or local bridge club may also offer a subsidy – it doesn't hurt to ask!



# The Venue

## Burton and Garran

This new venue also features dorm room accommodation onsite. Good news, it's really close to the city and the Rex. Everyone can stay there!



### Facilities Include:

- Some meals
- All linen provided
- Reverse cycle air conditioning in playing rooms
- BBQ Terrace
- Outdoor recreation space
- Walking trails
- Table Tennis





## Bring a friend to learn bridge 5/1 - 6/1

On the first Saturday and Sunday we are having bridge Crash Course for new players aged under 30.

If you bring a friend who doesn't play we will even give you \$50 if you are competing in the full program (limit 1 x \$50 per full program player).

The mates charge is \$100 including lunch and accommodation on Saturday night. They could even play the Crazy Pairs on Sunday night.

If they wanted to stay an extra night on the Sunday the Cost is \$70 (no meals on Monday).

## ABF Chaperone policy

Under 18 year old's must be accompanied by a parent or guardian

## Events returning in 2019

### NZ + 26 - 35 year old Butler (Thu 10/1 - Fri 11/1)

After last year's great turnout, It's on again! The Butler for Kiwis and some of the past shippers who are just a bit over the hill but would like a chance to prove that they still have what it takes. This event is only open to players 26 - 35 from Australia or any under 35 year old international player.

### Super Teams (Wednesday 9/1)

Don't you get sick of playing with the same three teammates? The super teams will have teams of 8-16 people. Don't worry, everyone plays at once but there are way more scores to compare. The field will be broken into 2 or 4 teams based on entries.



TBIB is proud to be a sponsor of the 51st Australian Youth Bridge Championships and Youth Week. We're glad to be able to be a small part of the transition of the great game of Bridge to the next cohort of young players.

We are able to support events like this because of the tremendous recognition by the ABF community of the TBIB ABF Travel Insurance policy. Many ABF members and their families have benefitted from this facility when things have gone awry on holiday.

***This is just a fraction of the benefits available***

If you're an ABF member you and your family can take advantage of this ***Members' Only*** offer. It will even cover you if you're travelling more than 100kms to get to the Youth Bridge Championships.

**You can apply online at [www.tbib.com.au](http://www.tbib.com.au), or contact Steve Weil or Josh Dejun at the office on 07 3252 5254.**

Did you know the policy offers;

- Unlimited emergency overseas medical expenses and assistance
- Up to \$20,000 for Baggage and Personal effects
- Up to \$5,000 for Rental Vehicle Insurance excess
- Up to \$7,000 Alternative Transport expenses
- Up to \$20,000 cancellation fees, and loss of deposits



## FAQs

### Eligibility

The 2019 Australian Youth Championships (AYC) are open to all players born in 1984 or later. International participants are very welcome. Australians must be ABF Members. To qualify for the Australian Junior Team Selection Butler event, players must satisfy eligibility requirements including being born on or after 01/01/1994. The 1st—3rd place pairs from the Butler must be available to play in the Stern Cornell Trophy (Australia v NZ v Indonesia ) on Saturday 12/1 and Sunday 13/1(venue tba).

### Dietary requirements

Please email [youth@abf.com.au](mailto:youth@abf.com.au)

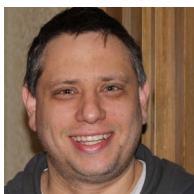
### Pricing for staying offsite or participating in days not listed

Please email [youth@abf.com.au](mailto:youth@abf.com.au)

### Can I drink in communal areas?

Alcohol may not be brought into the Venue. Over 18's are welcome to head to the Rex or the city for a drink after play.

### Your 2019 Event Team



**Leigh Gold**  
(Tournament  
Organiser)



**Bianca Gold**  
(Tournament  
Organiser)



**Matty  
McManus**  
(Director)