



Celebrity Speakers Programme

From Wednesday, January 8, seven talented bridge players will be presenting daily Celebrity Speaker talks before the day's play.

Held each day from 8:45am to 9:30 in the playing room of the Rex Hotel, these talks are free and there is no need to register in advance.

Notes for each talk will be available on the day, but if you can't make it, they will also be available online at <http://bit.ly/SFOBEduc>

<i>Wednesday January 8</i>	<i>The Logic of the Defence</i> Joan Butts presents clues and tips for becoming a better defender (the clues are there at the table, if only we could SEE them!)
<i>Thursday January 9</i>	<i>Declarer Play for Mortals</i> In this talk, Ed Barnes will cover useful principles and rules for the partscore fog.
<i>Friday January 10</i>	<i>Competitive Doubles & Cue Bids</i> Learn how to improve your contested bidding at this talk presented by Will Jenner-O'Shea.
<i>Saturday January 11</i>	<i>Dealing with Match Pressure</i> Kim Frazer presents one of the themes from her newly published book, <i>Gaining the Mental Edge at Bridge</i> , with examples from real life situations and hands.
<i>Sunday January 12</i>	<i>How Experts Deal with Pesky Preempts</i> If you hate facing preempts as much as Andy Hung does, come along to his talk as he will have some handy tips for you!
<i>Monday January 13</i>	<i>Hesitations, Authorised Information and the Alert Procedure</i> Many up and coming players don't understand their responsibility to not hear what partner did or didn't do or say. In her talk, Kate McCallum will cover what to alert, what not to alert and what to do when your partner misses alerts.
<i>Tuesday January 14</i>	<i>The Competitive Auction - When to Bid, When to Pass</i> When everyone is bidding, points become less relevant and other factors, like shape and how many you have in the opponents' suit, start to matter more. Liam Milne will look at some general guidelines for choosing whether to enter the contested auction, as well as identifying some common mistakes.



Meet the Speakers



Joan Butts

Joan Butts is a well-known bridge personality who has played for Australia and has owned and operated a bridge club for nearly thirty years. In 2017, Joan launched the Online School of Bridge. She has also published three books and a number of workbooks and teaching resources.

As the Australian Bridge Federation's National Teaching Coordinator, Joan trains teachers, introducing them to the latest methods in bridge education. Joan has a BA, Dip Ed, Dip Ed Psych and many years of teaching experience.



Ed Barnes

Ed Barnes has been directing and teaching bridge for 25 years. He has won various national titles as a player and has introduced the game to thousands of students as a teacher in Sydney.

He has written two books; *Bridge for Newbies* and *Bidding for Bunnies* and has published teaching-focused articles in various publications nationally and internationally. Ed is a co-founder of Kings and Queens Bridge Club and co-creator of the first live-display scoring program in Australia.



Will Jenner-O'Shea

Will Jenner-O'Shea is from Ceduna in country South Australia and learned to play bridge in Adelaide. He has represented Australia in several bridge events, including the World Mind Sports Games in Beijing in 2008.

He has built a successful career teaching at clubs all around Sydney.



Kim Frazer

Kim Frazer has represented Australia on numerous occasions in target shooting, winning three Commonwealth Games gold medals. She played 'kitchen bridge' at university and returned to the table in 2005. She first represented Australia in bridge in 2018 as a member of the Australian Women's Team.

Her articles on mental tools for bridge have appeared in Australian Bridge Federation newsletter, and more recently Australian Bridge. In addition to her book, *Gaining the Mental Edge at Bridge*, Kim also publishes her tips on her website; havingthementaledge.com.



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Andy Hung

Andy Hung is a professional bridge player and teacher who has represented Australia internationally at both Youth and Open level competitions. He has won several Australian National titles, and recently won the right to play on the Australian Open team in 2020 where the World Championships will likely be held in China.

He thoroughly enjoys teaching and coaching bridge at all levels. Andy is the regular teacher at the WA Bridge Club, and also runs bridge holidays throughout the year.



Kate McCallum

Kate McCallum plays both Open and Women's bridge winning almost every possible world title in women's bridge. She has achieved impressive results in Open events.

Originally from the United States, Kate is currently on a long term visit to Australia. She has enormous experience in teaching and coaching, and brings to the Sumer Festival of Bridge some of her proven techniques for winning.



Liam Milne

Liam Milne is a professional bridge player and bridge teacher based in Sydney. A twelve-time Australian national champion, Liam's achievements include wins in all of the major Australian teams events. Liam has represented Australia numerous times as a player, non-playing captain and coach.

As a bridge author, Liam's articles won international prizes in each of the last three years, including 2019's Declarer Play of the Year (played by Michael Whibley).

Help With Play Teacher Training Workshop

Bridge teachers and players interested in running Help With Play sessions are invited to attend the launch of a new ABF Teacher Training Continuing Professional Development Day. This is a free event provided by the ABF.

Presented by ABF National Teaching Coordinator Joan Butts, this workshop aims to help clubs retain new members through structured Help With Play sessions.

CPD 6: Help With Play

Tuesday, January 7, 2020
10am - 2:30pm

York Room, Pacific Suites Canberra
100 Northbourne Ave, Canberra ACT

Please register online:
abf.com.au/education/workshops