

**COURSE CONTENT AND DATES AT FARNHAM BRIDGE CLUB
2009/2010**

Learn Bridge?

Enjoy learning to play Bridge, as a complete novice, or improve your existing knowledge at intermediate or advanced levels and meet new friends and bridge players. It is a stimulating game, which exercises the brain at all ages. For further details of all learning opportunities or to register your interest please contact the club teacher, Douglas Wright on 01428 605021 or 07801 989630 or email douglaswright@3countiesbridge.com and visit www.3countiesbridge.com

Specialist private lessons

If for any reason you are unable to attend our range of courses we are happy to arrange private lessons for you and your friends, in your home. The maximum benefit is obtained with a minimum of 4 players and ideally 8 players. Please contact us so that we can discuss your personal needs.

Novice Course

Starting from absolute scratch and assuming no knowledge, Novice provides the ideal introduction to Bridge. After this course you will want to learn more.

NOVICE		Friday 18.15 –20.30 Farnham		
1. Getting started in No Trumps 2. Playing with trumps 3. Declarer play 4. Basic Defence 5. Practice playing 6. Simultaneous Pairs		25 th September – 30 th October		
Learn Bridge in a Weekend 17 th -18 th October 10.00-17.00				

Beginners

Beginners is very practical, extending and consolidating the basic principles covered in Novices. It is also suitable for those who have played some Bridge.

BEGINNERS		Friday 18.15-20.30 Farnham		
1. How the auction works 2. Game responses to 1NT 3. One level suit openings 4. New suit responses 5. Opener's rebid 6. Getting into NT		25 th September – 30 th October		
Beginners in a Weekend 12 th -13 th December 10.00-17.00				

Intermediates

Intermediate covers the important aspects of playing the game.

INTERMEDIATES		Friday 18.15 –20.30 Farnham		
1. Bidding to date 2. Declarer play techniques 3. Declarer play in No Trumps 4. Declarer play with Trumps 5. Defence Opening leads 6. Defenders play of cards		25 th September – 30 th October		
	Intermediates in a Weekend 5 th -6 th February 2010 10.00-17.00			

Competitors

Competitors covers the exciting competitive aspects of the game when all players are involved in the bidding

COMPETITORS		Friday 18.15 –20.30 Farnham		
1. Suit overcalls and responses 2. Simple Takeout Doubles 3. 1NT overcall and responses 4. Stayman 5. Opening 4441 hands 6. Play session		6 th November - 11 th December		
	Competitors in a Weekend 20 th -21 st March 2010 10.00-17.00			

Improvers

What do you do when you have very strong hands? The excitement of winning all the tricks

IMPROVERS		Friday 18.15 –20.30 Farnham		
1. Opening 2NT 2. Opening 2 Clubs 3. Opening 2 of a suit 4. Slam bidding 5. Preemptive openings 6. Defending against preempts		8 th January – 12 th February 2010		
	Improvers in a Weekend 22 nd -23 rd May 2010 10.00-17.00			

Advanced

The advanced courses are suitable for when you have absorbed all the previous learning through practice, practice and practice. They are taken when you want to improve your competitiveness in your duplicate play. These courses will also be held initially, on dates and times convenient to the players.

ADVANCED 1		Friday 18.15 –20.30 Farnham		
1. Game forcing & protective 2. Signalling 3. Thoughtful defence No Trumps 4. Defence to Trumps 5. Competitive auction 6. More Preempts				

ADVANCED 2		Friday 18.15 –20.30 Farnham		
1. Danger Hands 2. Showing Shape 3. Awkward Hands 4. Losing Trick Count 5. Splinter raises 6. Weak Twos				

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