



The Henley Bridge School

The Future

It is with some regret and much sadness that I tell you that I start a full-time job in Henley from early September (back in the 'real' world). This was not an easy decision and reached only in the last week or so. Much as I enjoy running The Bridge School, I am also clear that family life has to take priority. I am extremely grateful for all your support and will miss the range of sessions, seminars, events, and private groups.

The Henley Bridge School will continue! **I shall be at the Red Lion on Tuesday evenings and offer six Bridge in a Day courses on Saturdays during the year.** Please see below for our programme from September. Though it is not possible for the moment to offer courses of lessons other than Bridge in a Day, **we have added an optional 'mini-lesson' to Supervised Play on Tuesday evenings.** I also hope to organise or help with occasional Bridge events, including for charity.

Bridge in August

We are running Supervised Play as usual on Monday 12 August at 4pm and Tuesday 13 August at 7:30pm. **However, please note that there is no Bridge in the second half of August (19 August to 30 August).**

Programme from 02 September 2013 (until probably end November)

2pm to 4pm Monday [Price: £5]	Rubber Bridge	Relaxed, friendly game informally hosted by group members	All levels welcome
7pm to 9:30pm Tuesday [Price: £10]	Rubber Bridge, Chicago, and Duplicate	Optional half an hour 'mini- lesson' followed by Supervised Play with Jon Green	All levels welcome

Monday afternoon

Monday afternoon will be a trial to judge whether there is enough interest in this session. Please come and support us if you would like to see it continue. We shall be playing Rubber Bridge with a host from the group overseeing the session. Please let me know if you would like to help with this.

Tuesday evening

We have added an optional 'mini-lesson' at 7pm. The plan is to cover a key idea or principle each evening as we progress through the fundamentals. Supervised Play from 7:30pm is the same learning environment with the usual emphasis on relaxed and enjoyable Bridge. The only change is the option to play Rubber Bridge, Chicago, or Duplicate according to experience and preference.



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The above sessions are all held at the Red Lion Hotel in Henley. No need to book, just turn up. Parking is available. However, this is limited and sometimes quite busy so please use an alternative where convenient.

Bridge in a Day

We are offering the following Saturday courses for 2013-14. All are held from 10am to 5pm at Hennerton Golf Club near Wargrave. The price is £75 including lunch and tea/coffee during the day.

28 September	Beginning Bridge	Our first course for those new to Bridge . By the end, you'll have a basic understanding of Bridge and enjoy playing with family or friends. No prior knowledge or experience required.
19 October	Refresh & Build 1	If you're returning to the game or a social player , this is designed specifically for you. We revise key themes and provide a solid set of foundations to play Bridge anywhere.
16 November	Continuing Bridge	Follows on from Beginning Bridge . We extend your knowledge, introducing further key ideas. On completion you'll be a more confident and rounded Bridge player.
25 January	Beginning Bridge	As on 28 September.
22 February	Developing Bridge	The next step after Continuing Bridge . We tell you about some popular 'conventions' and look at the play of the cards. With the first three courses you'll have covered all the essential ideas and be set to play anywhere!
29 March	Improving Bridge	For intermediate level players looking to progress further. We develop bidding judgement and card playing skills to help you reach the next level.

All courses subject to minimum numbers (maximum of 16). Registration and payment required at least one week in advance.



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Website

The calendar on our website is always up to date with all the details of sessions and events. Please click on the link below:

<http://thehenleybridgeschool.co.uk/lessons/schedule/>

Announcements (including cancellations or changes to sessions) and updates are posted under "Latest News" (link below). Please keep an eye on this.

<http://thehenleybridgeschool.co.uk/latest-news/>

Hosts

We are looking for a few people to help with our sessions on Monday afternoon and Tuesday evening. Monday afternoon (2pm) would involve setting up and running the session, welcoming people and organising the tables and play. We hope to offer a small payment for this (around £30). Tuesday evening (7pm) is Supervised Play and would be helping with numbers when required. There would be no charge to play but also no guarantee that you would be needed that evening. Please let me know if you are interested in lending a hand with either of these.

Stay in touch!

Please let us know if you have changed your address or telephone number or would prefer us to use a different email address. Equally, if you would rather not receive any further newsletters, then tell us and we shall take your name off the list.

Andrew Robson Bridge Club, Fulham

Having discussed the situation with Andrew Robson, you are all more than welcome to any of the lessons or sessions at his Bridge club in Fulham (Parsons Green), London. We follow the same approach (so no confusion) and there really is nowhere better for Bridge in the country! Further information on his website (please click on the link below) or telephone 020 7471 4626.

<http://www.arobson.co.uk/index.php>

Appeal by Huntercombe Hall Care Home

Huntercombe Hall Care Home in Nuffield is looking for help to run a weekly Bridge session for some of the residents. Please get in touch with Debbie on 01491 641 792 if you are able to spare some time to support this.



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I hope to see as many of you as possible on Tuesday evenings, at Bridge in a Day, or elsewhere. Please stay in touch.

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All the best with your Bridge!

Jon Green