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Min \$5 contribution to ABF Youth Bridge (Free for Youth Players)

100 participants maximum – GCCEC Health and Safety Regulations

<p>Saturday 1st 1.30-2.15pm Liam Milne <i>How to Win a World Championship Silver Medal</i></p>		<p>At the World Bridge Games last October in Buenos Aires, the NZ-Australian team 'PERO BUENO' defied expectations to win the silver medal in the World Transational Open Teams. Come along and find out the secrets of performing at the highest level from team member Liam Milne. Liam Milne is a current member of the Australian Open team. As well as playing professionally, Liam also teaches and directs in Sydney. His recent national titles include the 2023 South-West Pacific Teams, the 2024 Open Playoff, and the 2024 Open ANC Teams.</p>
<p>Sunday 2nd 1.30pm-2.15pm William Jenner-O'Shea <i>Introduction to 2NT Scramble</i></p>		<p>Scrambling 2NT, the most useful convention you probably have never heard of... Will Jenner-O'Shea has represented Australia in several bridge events, including the World Mind Sports Games in Beijing in 2008. Will has also built a very successful career teaching Bridge over many years.</p>
<p>Monday 3rd 9.00am-9.45am Andy Hung <i>Stoppers: Showing, Asking, or Neither?</i></p>		<p>Having a suit stopped or not can make or break a No-Trump contract. Is it better to show a stopper, or ask for a stopper, or not worry about them entirely? Andy will give you some easy rules to remember when dealing with stoppers (or lack thereof). Andy Hung is a professional bridge player and teacher who has represented Australia in Open competitions. He has won several Australian National Titles, an international tournament in India, and was also the runner up of the recent US National Reisinger tournament. When he's not competing in tournaments, you will find him teaching Bridge at various Bridge clubs, or running bridge holidays in Australia, or overseas - contact him for more info!</p>
<p>Tuesday 4th 1.30pm -2.15pm Joan Butts <i>Shining a Light on the Defence</i></p>		<p>There are new ways to look at defence which are sure to improve your results. Use your own logic: look at dummy, take a lot of notice of partner's lead, and observe the way declarer is playing the hand. There are many clues...Joan Butts is a world class Bridge teacher who has represented Australia and taught thousands of students worldwide. As the National Teaching Coordinator with the ABF for 12 years, Joan created a comprehensive Teacher Accreditation Programme training hundreds of Bridge teachers across Australia using her background in education and psychology. In 2017, Joan launched the Online School of Bridge, which was updated in 2023 offering advanced features.</p>
<p>Wednesday 5th 9.00am – 9.45am Paul Marston <i>How to Bid a 5-3 fit</i></p>		<p>How to bid a 5-3 fit when responder has five – the right way and the wrong way. Paul Marston has long been one of Australia's top Bridge teachers. His classes are very popular, both face-to-face and online. He has a special interest in teaching beginners where his retention rate is greater than 80% face-to-face and 95% online.</p>
<p>Thursday 6th 1.30pm -2.15pm Barry Rigal <i>When to Pre-empt and the Theory of Flaws</i></p>		<p>We don't want to teach players only to pre-empt with the perfect hand. We don't want to teach them to open any six- or seven-card suit. What is the happy medium? Barry Rigal was born and bred in London and has lived in NYC for the last 30 years. He has won most UK major championships, representing England at The Camrose five times, without ever losing. Barry has also won two US major national titles; a journalist for 40 years he became President of IBPA a decade ago. Barry is a syndicated columnist (Bridge with the Aces) and travels to most major world and European events doing bulletins and Viewgraph. Barry has attended the GCC for over 10 years as co-editor of our Bulletin, he is on record stating the GCC has been his long-time favourite tournament to visit.</p>