



SUMMER BRIDGE CLASSES

Suitable for Club players and those who would like a refresher!

For **10 weeks on Friday afternoons**, beginning **26th April** 2019, the Melville Bridge Academy's **Dave Walker and Julia Palmer** will offer a course of teaching and play aimed at club players. The theme is '**Defence & Other Stuff**', and the course comprises teaching weeks, interspersed with sessions of play designed to reinforce the topics being taught.

- **Week 1** - 26th April – '**Our System of Defence**'. Revising our existing system of signals (attitude & count) and rules/guidelines on opening leads.
- **Week 2** - 3rd May – **Play session**, covering Week 1 topics.
- **Week 3** - 10th May – '**More on Counting**'. Count signals on subsequent rounds (remaining count), Rule of 11, Active v. Passive defences.
- **Week 4** - 17th May – **Play session**, covering Week 3 topics.
- **Week 5** - 24th May – '**More topics on Defence**'. When to consider leading trumps, declarer's disguise & deception, playing a Queen under partner's Ace.
- **Week 6** - 31st May – **Play session**, covering Week 5 topics.
- **Week 7** - 7th June – '**Matchpoint Strategy & Tactics**'. How this common form of scoring a tournament affects the way we should approach bidding, play & defence.
- **Week 8** - 14th June – **Play session** covering Week 7 topics, and a brief talk on 'Bridge Etiquette 1' - Using the Bidding Box and Explanations to Opponents.
- **Week 9** - 21st June – '**Roman Key-Card Blackwood**'. A modern slam-bidding convention, improving on the traditional Blackwood 4NT.
- **Week 10** - 28th June – **Play session** covering Week 9 topics, and a brief talk on 'Bridge Etiquette 2' - When things go wrong at the table and bridge ethics.

All sessions are from 1-30 to 3-30pm on Fridays. Please note that the course is a full package, and costs £60 for the 10 weeks. That said, if you are only available for some of the weeks, a pro-rata deal can be negotiated! Places are limited to 36.

Please return the completed form below to David BRIGGS at the address below: (**cheques** payable to '**New Melville Bridge Club Limited**' please) Or payment via **bank transfer - Santander – Sort Code 090128, a/c 38493974 (Friday class in the reference space please)**

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Class fee (£60) for the Summer bridge course

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