

What a great weekend.....

Firstly I should like to thank all of the teachers and helpers

David Dickson (Gold+)

Myra Scott (Silver)

Colin Smith (Bronze)

Alison Nicolson (Bronze)

Gerry Stanford (MiniBridge)

Hazel Beveridge (Director)

Helen Kent (Director)

These people gave up a lot of their time to make the weekend such a success.

Friday started with a couple of lessons followed by an evening duplicate won by Josh Roberts & Roland Bourne (North/South) and Mark Hewitt & Holly Holder (East/West)



On Saturday afternoon we had the Rounders. The 7 No-trumpers narrowly lost to the Cobras and there were some excellent contributions from Sam Anoyrkatis and Richard Hewitt and a superb exhibition of Fielding by Isaac Barden.

The telling statistic was that every catch that went to an Adult was spilled whereas the kids caught pretty much everything including an absolute blinder by Charlie Warrener



The Moment of Match medal went to Phoebe Hewitt's for her home run, hitting the ball less than 1 metre she took advantage of panic in the fielding side and serenely glided home to huge cheers from all.

The Man of the Match medal went to Jamie Spiers for his all-round performance



Saturday evening saw the inaugural Tony Priday Trophy Tournament presented by Vivian Priday. Vivian has generously donated £5000 to Sussex Youth Bridge to ensure that this great game of ours loved by Tony can continue. Tony, one of England's best ever players would have loved seeing all these impeccably behaved children and the match was held on his birthday

Prizes of free subscriptions were donated by www.bridgeclublive.com

Winners of the Tony Friday Trophy and a 3 year free subscription to www.bridgeclublive.com were Sam & Theo Anoyrkatis



Runners up and receiving 1 years free subscription to www.bridgeclublive.com were Isaac Barden & Jamie Fegarty



Third Place went to Holly Holder & Mark Hewitt



There were also medals to be won for Best-in-Show for each of the groups
Best non-placed Gold went to Zac & Sorchia Tenquist



Best non-placed Silver went to Aidan Saunders and Zane Soonawalla



Best non-placed Bronze was Callum Hynes, but as he was partnering a gold player, Roland Bourne, also receiving medals were Harry Clarke & Charlie Warrener.



Best played Hand went to Antoinina Mauve who played a contract beautifully to make 12 tricks. It wasn't the best bid hand though as they were only in three hearts.... That went to her sister Amelia who bid preemptively and accurately to three diamonds, the only ones in the room to reach the correct contract giving my partner and me a bottom!!!



The MiniBridge had their own tournament and the winners were Sam Mauger and Carl Shelly

This left just one award and my favourite. Bridge isn't just about making and defeating contracts, its about having fun and Hazel Warrener exemplified that in Spades! from Friday Evening until Sunday afternoon she was never without a huge beaming smile. Even when she was run out at Rounders, she smiled, did a cartwheel and trotted off!



These and more photos can be found on our Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/YouthBridgeInSussex/>

Thank-you all for coming and for the feedback which will make next year's event even better.

Thanks too to all the other brilliantly behaved kids who made this a great experience for me: Perry Jones, Tate Spiers, Fergus Heggie, Katie Hoffelner, Liam Fegarty, Claudia Oosterveld, Saskia Anouk Oosterveld, Emily Dunsby, Hannah Dunsby

Next Year - Could someone **please** remind me to take a group photo !

Andy