

Autumn (formerly South-Eastern Counties) Junior Bridge Camp 2022 Information Sheet

The 2022 Autumn Junior Bridge Camp will be held on Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd October 2022 at the same venue as 2021's successful event, [Bowles Rocks](#). It is organised and supported by the Kent, Surrey, and Sussex County bridge associations. The programme will be a mixture of training, competitions and fun - with lots of bridge. Juniors also have the opportunity on the Saturday to take one of four outdoor activities – this year's choice is rock-climbing, archery and bush-craft, teamwork on high ropes, or dry skiing, all included in the price.

We welcome all standards of bridge players, and especially beginners and those a bit rusty because of the last few years' lockdowns. Parents and grandparents are as always welcome to accompany younger juniors and play bridge themselves.

Date - Saturday 22nd (registration from 10.00) and Sunday 23rd October 2022 (finish 16.30).

Place – Bowles Rocks Centre, Sandhill Lane, Eridge Green, Tunbridge Wells TN3 9LW.

Transport – nearest train stations are Eridge (5 minutes) or Tunbridge Wells (10 mins). We will meet selected trains by pre-arrangement.

Cost – all bridge classes and competitions, food, accommodation and one outdoor activity included for juniors at a price of £75 (residential) or £40 (non-residential). For accompanying adults, everything except the activity at a price of £90 (residential) or £40 (non-residential). If there is availability, adults may be able to join an outdoor activity, but no guarantee is made.

Registration - available on the Sussex CCBA website [here](#)– look for Junior Bridge Camp 2022 on the menu on the left-hand side. Juniors, don't forget to put down your chosen activity! The final date for accepting registrations will be 14th October 2022 for catering reasons.

Age range - 8-21 years old for Juniors

Teaching – mini-bridge and bridge using EBED Junior Awards Scheme. We are particularly keen to encourage younger and mini-bridge players. We will co-ordinate the teaching programme with other junior bridge events over the autumn.

Competitions and Prizes – there will be two main competitions over approximately 18-24 boards, with provision for novice or less experienced players to play at a slower pace over fewer boards. Plus a speedball game on Saturday evening for the keen!

Trophies or medals will be awarded for all competitions with a cash prize for the Priday Cup winners. Plus Grand Prix points towards the 2023 competition, and Arbiters' Awards for players who have caught the teachers or organisers' notice during the weekend in any way: this might be good play, sporting behaviour, or simply making good progress.

Accommodation – Bowles Rocks Centre in 2 to 4 bed en-suite rooms for adults and younger children, 6 room dormitories with DBS cleared adult supervision for unaccompanied children.

Food – lunch and dinner on the Saturday, breakfast and lunch on the Sunday, all home-cooked.

Activities – juniors will be able to choose one of the following activities under the supervision of Bowles Rocks staff for the Saturday afternoon sports break. Please see the [Bowles Rocks website](#)

for details. Places on each activity are limited and will need to be booked in advance on the registration form on a first come first served basis.

- Rock climbing - on real rocks!
- High ropes and teamwork - test your leadership and co-operation skills
- Archery and bushcraft - how to shoot straight and survive in the open.
- Dry skiing - on one of two dry ski slopes.

Health and Safety – Bowles Rocks is an educational establishment and has its own comprehensive COVID policy, which will be made available and which we will follow. All teachers and other adults in sole charge of U-18s will be given training and DBS cleared.

Directions - From Tunbridge Wells - proceed along the A26 in the direction of Uckfield. Bowles Rocks is signposted on the left-hand side about 3 miles after leaving Tunbridge Wells and about 0.5 mile beyond the sign to Eridge Station on the right-hand side. The centre is about 0.5 miles along this lane on the right-hand side. Please enter and park in the car park on the right.

- **From Uckfield** - proceed along the A22 and then A26 in the direction of Tunbridge Wells. Carry on through Crowborough and past a BP garage and the Boar's Head pub. Bowles Rocks is signed on the right-hand side about 1 mile further down a stretch of 3 lane carriageway. If you reach the sign to Eridge Station, you have gone too far and need to turn round. Continue as above.

Draft Programme (subject to confirmation)

Saturday 22nd October 2022

	Start	Finish
Registration	10.00	10.30
1 st training session	10.30	12.30
Lunch & check-in to rooms	12.30	13.30
Sports break	13.30	16.30
2 nd training session	16.45	18.15
Supper	18.15	19.00
Saturday Pairs *	19.00	21.30
Speedball	21.45	23.00

Sunday 23rd October 2022

	Start	Finish
Breakfast	08.30	09.15
Check-out of rooms	09.15	09.30
3 rd training session	09.30	12.30
Lunch	12.30	13.00
Friday Cup*	13.15	16.00
Prize giving finale	16.00	16.30

*Novices will be able to play fewer boards at a slower speed, and adults will be available to step in if children need or wish to go to bed earlier than the finish time.

Further information If you have questions please contact William Bourne on 07876 350650 or rwb225@gmail.com

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