

South East Counties Junior Bridge Camp 2021 Information Sheet

The 2021 Junior Bridge Camp will be held on Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th October 2021 at the same venue as 2019's successful event, [Bowles Rocks activity centre](#). The programme will be the usual mixture of training, competition and fun, with the aim to play lots of bridge hands. Once again there will also be the opportunity on the Saturday for juniors to try one of a range of outdoor activities such as rockclimbing, archery 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 lockdowns. Parents and grandparents are as always welcome to accompany younger juniors and play bridge themselves.

Date - Saturday 23rd (registration 10.00, start 10.30) and Sunday 24th October 2021 (finish 16.30).

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

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

Cost - training, food, accommodation and one 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 are spare spaces adults may be able to join some of the activities, but this is not guaranteed.

Registration - available on the Sussex CBA website [here](#) – look for Junior Bridge Camp 2020 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 15th October 2021 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. If there are sufficient 13-21 year olds who wish to learn bridge in a weekend, we will run an accelerated course for them.

Competitions – two competitions, with stratified winners: as well as the open competition, there will be two other categories. We will make provision for novice or less experienced players to play at a slower pace over fewer boards. For the keen, speedball on Saturday evening. Trophies will be awarded for all competitions and cash prizes for the Sunday afternoon Priday Cup. Six 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 Centre in 2 and 3 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 (A) - on real rocks! *(we have arranged a second class as demand has been high)*

~~Pool kayak (B) - in the Bowles pool (This is no longer available)~~

Archery and bushcraft (C) - how to shoot straight and survive in the open.

Dry skiing (D) - on one of Bowles Rocks' 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 be following. We will provide hand sanitiser in all rooms and encourage its use at all times. All teachers and other adults in sole charge of U-18s will be 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 on the right hand side. Bowles Rocks is signposted on the right hand side about 1 mile further during the course of a long stretch of 3 lane downhill 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 23rd October 2021

	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	18.45
Saturday Pairs *	18.45	21.30
Speedball	21.45	23.00

Sunday 24th October 2021

	Start	Finish
Breakfast	08.30	09.15
Check-out of rooms	09.15	09.30
3rd training session (break in middle)	09.30	12.15
Lunch	12.15	12.45
Friday Cup*	13.00	15.45
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.*

If you are attending as an adult and able to help at the event, please let William Bourne know at reg@sccbba.co.uk or on 07876 350650.

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