

Highlights of the year

Nora Penn Award

The Nora Penn Award became the responsibility of the Academy in 2022. The award is judged on results from the hands played at each session of the Academy. Points are awarded for good declarer play, defence and behaviour. The award for 2025 was won by Levente (pictured below). Bertie was a very worthy runner up.



EBED Awards

This year the following students received EBED Junior Awards:

Levente	Gold
Bertie	Gold
Bethany	Gold
Josie	Gold
Rudie	Silver
Josh	Bronze
Oscar	Minibridge
Ocean	Minibridge

The awards were presented at the club's AGM.

National Schools Championships 1st March 2025

5 students from the Academy attended the National Schools Championships on 1st March 2025. Levente, Bertie and Bethany were joined by George from Cheltenham and came 3rd in the Hugh Scully cup (also known as Flight B competition) behind a European champion and the England Squad. Levente and Bertie are now training with the England team. Josie and Rudie entered the Flight C competition and reached the final of their competition. A wonderful result!



Pictured here are Bertie, Bethany, Josie and Rudie before the competition

Integration into Club sessions

Levente, Bertie, Bethany, Josie and Rudie have attended club sessions this year and even earned Masterpoints! Bertie is now an 8 NGS.



We look forward to welcoming more of our students to future sessions.

Yorkshire Schools Cup/Osborn Cup

The club will host the Yorkshire Schools Cup/Osborn Cup on Sunday 25th January 2026. This is a new competition and aims to provide a level of play suitable for all entrants from new beginners to more advanced players. Students will compete in teams of 4. The competition will start at 12.30 and break for high tea at approximately 4.00. Entry and high tea is free.

We hope that all our Youth Academy students will come along and maybe bring their friends to try out the game.