



## Bridge Lessons

Come and learn the *world's best* card game

Lessons begin:

### February Lessons

**Tuesday February 25th 2025**

**- 7.30pm**

**Thursday February 27th 2025**

**- 9.30am**

**Check our website for details**

**10 lessons - with full notes to take home**

**Cost \$100**

**1st lesson FREE**

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## Who Are We?

### About Us

The club has a wide range of members of all ages. We have four evening sessions per week; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 7.25pm and two morning sessions Tuesday and Friday from 10.25am. Each Session is open to all players.

One morning session Thursday 9.30am (Beginners only)

The club also holds several tournaments during the year - usually on a Saturday although there is also a Sunday Salver afternoon session in the bridge calendar. See the website for details.

## Contact Us

### Howick Bridge

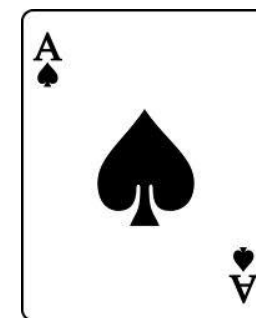
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## Learn to Play Bridge

Lessons beginning soon



Many games provide fun, but bridge grips you. It exercises your mind. Your mind can rust, you know, but bridge prevents the rust from forming.

*- Omar Sharif*

Bridge is the most entertaining and intelligent card game the wit of man has so far devised.

*- W. Somerset Maugham*

## Why Play Bridge?

If you're wondering if bridge is for you; or if you've always wanted to learn but have been afraid it's too difficult -- here are some of the reasons why millions of people around the world are hooked on this fascinating game.

### Bridge is an Absorbing Pastime

- A hand of Bridge takes 5-7 minutes to play and you can play as many hands as you have time in a session. At Howick this is approximately 24-27 per 3 hour session.
- Every hand is different.
- It is comparatively easy to learn (especially if you play other card games), but harder to play well.

### Bridge is a Partnership Game

- Bridge requires you to develop a relationship (a system) with your partner.
- Not only do you have a partner but you may also have team mates.
- Bridge also involves communication with your opponents.
- There's a special camaraderie among bridge players that is developed from the games emphasis on teamwork, ethics and sportsmanship.

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### Bridge is Fun

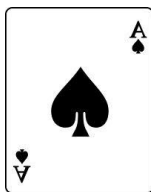
- Probably the most important reason to play. It offers the suspense of Poker, the cerebral qualities of Chess and the excitement of Sport all in a social setting that allows you to challenge yourself and gives you the feeling of accomplishment when you make that daring bid (and pull it off!), or a successful play.



### Bridge Encourages Creativity

- The game of Bridge is learnt by using a specified system, however once the system is learnt and understood, players can develop their own add-ons to 'their' system.

### Bridge is Social



- Bridge is primarily played at the Bridge Club, but can also be played at home socially.

- As with other Sport, Tournament play occurs

locally, regionally or nationally.



### Bridge Stimulates the Brain

- Bridge is one of the best ways to practice the 'use it or lose it' advice for maintaining mental sharpness.
- Research has shown that regular bridge playing improves reasoning skills, concentration, and long & short term memory.
- According to a study from the University of California at Berkeley, Bridge also measurably strengthens the immune system.
- Often called the 'game for a lifetime' - no matter how many years you play - you will always find new challenges and the learning process never ends.

### Bridge is Inexpensive

- All you need is a pack of cards, pencils, some paper and three other people.
- If you have a computer and the internet you can join thousands of other bridge players from around the world online - or you can simply play on your own software.
- You can play bridge at the **Howick Bridge Club** where you can play for three hours for slightly more than a cup of coffee. (We even give you a coffee....or tea)

**So come and see what all the fuss is about....**