## EBED



# Sim P airs 

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## Tuesday

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Welcome to the English Bridge Education \& Development (EBED) Simultaneous Pairs. The proceeds raised by this event will go to EBED, the national charity for the promotion and development of duplicate bridge. At EBED we focus on two priorities:

- A national bridge education and training framework and,
- Youth bridge initiatives to encourage those still in full time education to learn and play bridge.

EBED supports students and bridge teachers to use the "Bridge for All" syllabus, a coherent framework that takes learners from complete beginner through to competent club player. We provide focussed training for bridge teachers, and make a huge range of teaching materials, available to the hundreds of bridge teachers who are members of EBTA (English Bridge Teaching Association). We support club bridge by providing training of club tournament directors. In 2022 over 100 people qualified with us as club directors and are now helping their clubs to run sessions.

In support of Youth Bridge, we run several events for school level bridge players, including the Schools Cup, Inter-Schools League and Youth Grand Prix. We also run the Junior Summer Camp. We continue to support county organisations and individual volunteers at the local level to run youth events. We provide resources to help schools run bridge clubs.

You can read more about EBED's activities in the current issue of English Bridge and at www.ebedcio.org.uk. If you wish to arrange a donation in favour of the charity, please do so at www.ebedcio.org.uk/donate.

I hope that you enjoy playing these hands and competing against others, I'll be playing these at my club too. We sincerely thank you for your support.

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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Board 1 : Dealer North : Love all |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\checkmark 75$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | West | North | East | South |
| - AQ8754 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Pass | $1 ヵ$ | Pass |
| * 43 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 3^ | Pass |
| 99 | A AKO108754 |  |  |  |  |  |  | Pass | 4 NT | Pass |
| $\checkmark$ AJ104 | $\checkmark$ Q2 |  |  |  |  |  |  | Pass | $6 \uparrow$ | All Pass |
| -1096 |  |  | - 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *KJ1085 | *AQ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\rightarrow$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | If you play Acol twos or Benjamin, then you will have a suitable strong |  |  |  |
| -K9863 |  |  |  |  |  |  | openi | on the | st hand | If not, you |
| J3 |  |  |  |  |  |  | West, lacking a diamond stopper, has little choice but to raise $3 \boldsymbol{A}$ to $4 \boldsymbol{A}$. |  |  |  |
| -9762 |  |  |  |  |  |  | East can then check on key cards and, assuming there is a way round a possible blockage, can count 12 tricks if West has the $\% \mathrm{~K}$ as well as the $\vee \mathrm{A}$. |  |  |  |
| HCP | Makeable contracts |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{9}$6   <br>  17  <br>  8  |  | $\cdots$ | - | $\checkmark$ | $\stackrel{ }{*}$ | NT | Since West has the \&J as well as the $\AA K$, making 12 tricks in a spade contract is easy without needing the heart finesse. Indeed, on any lead apart from a diamond, you can make all 13 tricks, still without needing the -K onside. |  |  |  |
|  | N | - | 1 | - | - |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | S | - | 1 | 4 | - | 1 |  |  |  |  |
|  | W | 5 |  | 4 | 6 | 1 |  |  |  |  |











## About the Bridge for All books and how to order

All items are sold and despatched by English Bridge Education \& Development


Beginning Bridge Book 1 is ideal for those who want to learn using the 'traditional' method of a lesson once a week, for three terms. It progresses at a steady pace, allowing more time to digest each topic. The cost is $£ 30$ plus $P$ \& $P$

Fast Track Bridge is ideal for those who want to learn more quickly, perhaps on a condensed course over a long weekend, or through a number of more intensive classes. It is designed to get you to the table quicker. The cost is $£ 30$ plus P\&P.
Using either of these programmes will get you to the point at which you can play at a local club.
Continuing Bridge Book 2 covers more advanced topics, for those who have grasped the basics - whether having completed Book 1, or a Fast Track course - and wish to improve their game. The cost is $£ 30$ plus P\&P.


Beginning Bridge Book 1 and Continuing Bridge Book 2 are accompanied by the refreshed Practise Beginning Bridge Book 1 and Practise Continuing Bridge Book 2, to help consolidate knowledge gained from our Bridge For All books. They provide the bridge student with sets of hands to practice at home with friends. With each hand there is a commentary that highlights one or two topics of bidding and play which feature in teaching books. The cost is $£ 8$ each plus P\&P.

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Table top flippers designed to act as either a student aid or teaching aid. Each flipper covers one term of the first year of learning and are compatible with Beginning Bridge Book One. The Flippers are made of sturdy plastic coated card and are spiro bound.

You can also buy them individually for $£ 4.99$ each + P\&P

## How to order these products

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