



## EDUCATION PROGRAM – CELEBRITY SPEAKERS



40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY - 16-29 JANUARY 2012

When	Presenter/Topic
Thursday 19 January	Joan Butts “DECLARER PLAY TECHNIQUES”
Friday 20 January	Ron Klinger “EXPERT DEFENCE”
Monday 23 January	Sartaj Hans “POINTS SCHMOINTS – SHAPE RULES”
Tuesday 24 January	Joe Grue/Justin Lall “TWO OVER ONE GAME FORCE”
Wednesday 25 January	Hugh Grosvenor “HOW TO GET THE BEST FROM PARTNER”
Thursday 26 January	Ishmael del Monte “COMPETITIVE BIDDING”

**Cost: \$15 per head (includes lunch and session)**

### FOOD FOR THOUGHT SERIES – *What a feast!*

At this, the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Summer Festival of Bridge, the ABF is delighted to provide an educational program of **6** Celebrity Speaker sessions. Topics will cover bidding, play and defence.

This is an opportunity to see top teachers and players from Australia and overseas and to pick up valuable bridge tips. Notes will be provided at each session and will be available on the ABF web site following the festival.

A light lunch will be provided at each session and a charge will apply.



**Joan Butts**  
**ABF National Teaching Coordinator**

Joan has represented Queensland and Australia. She has a Bachelor of Arts degree and Diplomas in Education and Educational Psychology and is an expert bridge teacher. Joan has a passion for bridge education, both for students and for teachers, and has developed a new approach for beginners. Joan has been the official teacher for the Queensland Bridge Association for 8 years and in January 2011 was appointed the ABF National Teaching Coordinator.



**Ron Klinger**  
**Author/Teacher**

Ron has played five times in the Far East Championships, winning the Teams in 1970 and the Pairs twice, in 1985 and 1987. He has represented Australia in the World Championships in 1976, 1978, 1980, 1984, 1988, 1989, 1993, 2000 and 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011!

Ron won the Bols Brilliancy Prize at the 1976 World Championships. He is perhaps the world's most prolific author having written over 50 bridge books and is currently The Sydney Morning Herald's bridge columnist and has a regular column in Australian Bridge magazine and Bridge Plus magazine (England).



**Sartaj Hans**  
**Representative Player**

Sartaj has been a regular member of the Australian team, playing for either Australia 1 or Australia 2, each year since 2003. He plays an active, aggressive weak no-trump based system.

He is also the architect of Little Meck, a precision system that has slowly been gaining popularity down under.



**Joe Grue**  
**US Professional bridge player**

Joe Grue, aka JoBoo, grew up in Richfield, Minnesota where he learnt bridge from his parents. In 2001 he moved to New York City at the age of 20 to become a professional bridge player. Now living in Las Vegas, Joe is an instinctual player who loves to pull off a great swindle!



**Justin Lall**  
**US Professional Bridge Player and teacher**

A prodigy, by age 12 Justin had won three Flight A regionals and become a life master. He plays professionally and at age 20 moved from Dallas to New York.



**Hugh Grosvenor**  
**Professional Bridge Player and teacher**

Hugh learnt to play bridge in Hobart in 1980 and has represented Tasmania and the ACT many times. He has been a member of the Australian Open team on five occasions.

Hugh has played and taught bridge professionally while living in Canberra, Washington DC, Slovenia, Brussels and now back in Hobart. When not playing bridge, Hugh enjoys bushwalking, cycling, kayaking, gardening and cooking.



**Ishmael Del' Monte**  
**Bridge Teacher and Bridge Club owner**

Ish has represented New Zealand and Australia and competed in the 1995 World Youth Championships coming 2<sup>nd</sup>. He has numerous Australian National Titles with a skill for quick and brilliant analysis. Ish also plays in the US nationals on a regular basis.

He conducts beginner, intermediate, advanced lessons, master-classes and workshops throughout the year.

**Note:** Ish and Justin Lall won the World Pairs event in Seattle this year (November 11).