

MASTERING THE FINE POINTS

Spring 2017: May 4 - June 22
Instructor: Frank Smoot
Fee: \$150

Thursdays 7:15pm - 9:30pm
Palo Alto Bridge Center



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The opponents love to intrude after we open the bidding. This course discusses ways to overcome hurdles the opponents put in our way, and to penalize them when they bid too much. The auction often suggests which points will be working fully and which will be of little value. See how partner's and the opponents' bids identify the fine points and the shabby points. Explore when to upgrade the right points to bid aggressive games and slams - and when to settle for a partscore. When we play the hand, we will plan at trick one to succeed in the end position. Learn special matchpoint play techniques.

This all-new Intermediate-Advanced course is designed for players with three years of bridge experience (or a healthy sense of adventure). We do exercises in class (homework outside of class) and finish the evening by playing deals related to the topic. Snacks are provided. You will be amazed at what you'll learn, even if you've played for years and years! The in-class deals are available in downloadable format so you can play the hands at home and receive commentary on the bidding and play (requires Bridge Baron Software).

Topics of the six week course include:

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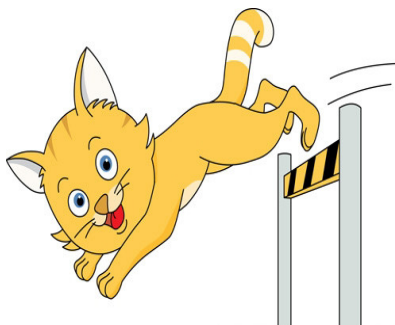
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Pounce on Overbidders

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Plan for the Ending
Matchpoint Tactics



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