



## *The 4\* Haven Hotel, Sandbanks, Poole, Dorset*



### *Midweek Bridge Break*

***Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2017***

Following the resounding success of our two previous visits to the Haven Hotel, Jack Stocken, Lorna Heaton and Peter Stocken are delighted to host another midweek break to Sandbanks, Poole, Dorset.

Idyllically located at the very tip of the exclusive Sandbanks peninsular and with uninterrupted views of Poole Harbour - the perfect base to play Bridge, visit the Purbecks and Dorset's famous Jurassic coast. The Haven Hotel offers award-winning luxury from its acclaimed Two AA Rosettes restaurant to its heavenly spa. We will organise an optional half day excursion on a pleasure cruise around Poole Harbour, the world's second largest natural harbour.



As it is a midweek break we are able to stay for an extra night, so more time to hone up your skills at the Bridge table! The Bridge standard is friendly Intermediate, as always, and no partner needed. Jack will teach Andrew's lessons and excellent set hands. The Bridge is not suitable for players that are used to a serious 24 board duplicate. Please book early as numbers are limited.

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**Facilities:** **Restaurant:** The hotel offers the critically acclaimed La Roche restaurant which has recently been awarded two AA red Rosettes for the sixteenth year in succession. With a seasonal menu that reflects the finest local produce accompanied by wines from a discerning and far-reaching cellar, served in the most breathtaking of locations, this water's edge restaurant offers a truly unique experience.

**Bar/Lounge:** The Pavilion Bar and Lounge offers a unique location enabling you to sit, relax and watch the comings and goings of marine life in Poole harbour. Whilst the Marconi Lounge, named after the Italian radio pioneer who carried out his early experiments on the site, is a cosy and informal room in which to chat, read or have a quiet drink.



**Spa:** With the hustle and bustle of daily life it is important to find time to relax and unwind. The Spa offers a range of treatments such as beauty, Guinot facials, complementary treatments and massages to help rejuvenate mind, body and soul. It is advisable to pre-book treatments to avoid disappointment.

**Leisure:** Facilities include a heated indoor swimming pool, outdoor pool, hot tub, sauna and steam rooms, gymnasium, aerobics studio and all-weather tennis court.



**Rooms:** All rooms are non-smoking and are furnished with special care and attention to detail. The majority have balconies and sea or harbour views across to the Purbeck Hills, Studland Beach or Brownsea Island.

Every room has SMART television, WIFI, direct dial telephones, hair dryer, courtesy tea/coffee tray and bottled water.

**Inland Room:** Well-appointed, comfortable en-suite rooms with either single, twin or double beds. These rooms do not have harbour or sea views.

**Harbour View:** These rooms afford all the comforts of the Inland rooms with the added bonus of a balcony overlooking Poole Harbour.

**Sea View Room:** These rooms afford all the comforts of our Inland rooms with Sea Views across to the Purbeck. Some rooms have balconies.

**Deluxe Room:** Sea View Double Deluxe rooms afford all the comforts of our Sea view rooms with the additional benefit of a private panoramic balcony looking out to sea. These rooms are light and airy featuring dual aspect floor to ceiling windows.



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**Bridge Room:**

ARBH has exclusive use of The Purbeck Suite for our Bridge sessions. The Purbeck is a light and airy room overlooking the water and chain ferry. It has an area for refreshments, private bar area and lounge for relaxing between Bridge sessions.

**Excursion:**

There will be a half day optional excursion aboard Maid of the Lakeland, one of Poole's famous yellow boats. Enjoy a relaxing cruise around Poole Harbour, the world's second largest natural harbour. The boat will be exclusive to the ARBH Bridge group and will meet outside the Haven Hotel and cruise to Poole Quay where we will disembark for a light lunch. On the return journey, take a unique look at all five islands, the Dorset Lakelands, the Isle of Purbeck, busy Poole Harbour and the commercial areas that give the town its heartbeat. The boat will also sail around Brownsea Island which has over 500 acres of woodland, managed by the National Trust, and is home to sea birds, silka deer and the rare red squirrel. Visit: [www.brownseaislandferries.com](http://www.brownseaislandferries.com) Please note that the excursion is not included in the package price, the itinerary is subject to change and minimum numbers apply.



**Poole:**

Poole is positioned on a very popular stretch of coastline, with the resort of Bournemouth to the east, Studland to the south and the Jurassic coast southwest. The town has grown rapidly, and Sandbanks, a small sand spit across part of the harbour mouth, is so popular that it has the fourth highest land value, by area, in the world.

**Poole Harbour:**

Poole Harbour is the second largest natural harbour in the world, after Sydney, and has been a working port for many hundreds of years. The port can no longer take the largest ships due to the shallow water but is home to Sunseeker, manufacturers of luxury yachts and the departure point for ferries to France. The harbour is noted for its ecology, supporting varied habitats as well as the Brownsea Island nature reserve. The quayside and harbour was the place from which some ships departed for the D-Day landings of World War Two.



**Provisional midweek programme:**

<b>Tuesday</b>	Afternoon	Arrive at The Haven Hotel, Sandbanks Check-in from 3pm
	6.45pm	Welcome Drink
	7.15pm	Dinner
	8.45pm - 10.45pm	Bridge with supervision (Chicago scoring)
<b>Weds &amp; Thurs</b>	10.00am - 10.15am	Last Night's hands
	10.15am - 1.00pm	Tuition Session (including short coffee break at 11.15am)
	1.00pm - 4.45pm	No organised Bridge but you are welcome to play amongst yourselves in the bridge room or explore the local area. On the Wednesday afternoon we will organise an optional excursion.
	4.45pm ish - 6.45pm	Bridge with supervision (Chicago scoring)
	7.15pm	Dinner
	8.45pm - 10.45pm	Gentle Duplicate or Supervised Play with Lorna (minimum number apply)
<b>Friday</b>	10.00am - 10.15am	Prizegiving and last night's hands
	10.15am - 1.00pm	Tuition Session (including short coffee break at 11.30am)

<b><u>Package Price:</u></b>	Inland Room:	2 sharing	£595 per person
		1 person	£675
	Sea View Room	2 sharing	£645 per person
		1 person	£755
	Harbour View Room with balcony	2 sharing	£675 per person
		1 person	£775
	Sea View Room with balcony	2 sharing	£695 per person
		1 person	£795
	Sea View Deluxe Double Room with balcony	2 sharing	£745 per person
		1 person	£845

**Package Includes:**

- ♠ Dinner on Tuesday night, breakfast and dinner on Wednesday and Thursday nights, breakfast on Friday.
- ♥ Bridge playing and tuition.
- ♦ Rooms and facilities as described on pages two and three.
- ♣ Welcome drink on Tuesday night. Wine with dinner (1/3 bottle pp), and coffee during morning Bridge sessions.

**Bookings:** £75 per person non-refundable deposit is required on booking, and the full balance for the holiday is payable twelve weeks beforehand. All bookings will be treated on a "first come first served" basis.

**Cancellation:** Once the balance has been paid, it is non-refundable.

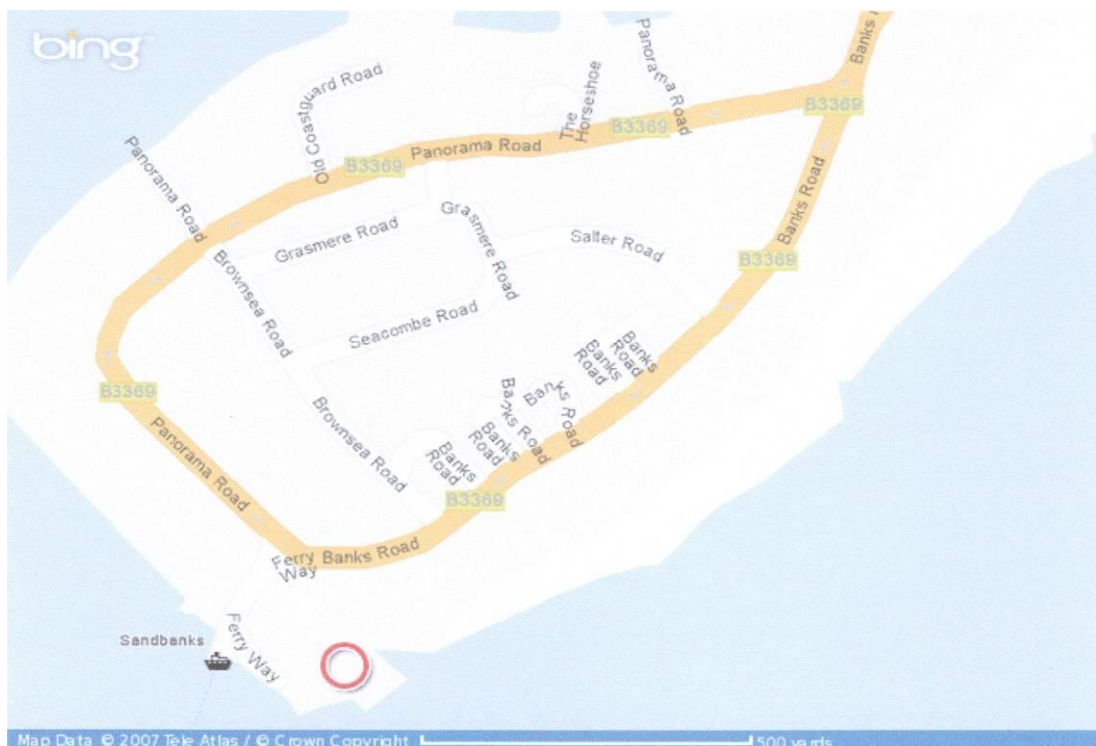
**Travel:** By car: The Haven Hotel is about a two hour drive from London and is the perfect way to travel if you want to stay on for a few extra days to explore the delights of Dorset. Please see the directions and local map below.

By train: From London, take the train from Waterloo to Parkstone (Dorset). This takes under two hours and is a direct service. A good train to get is the 13.35 from Waterloo to Parkstone (Dorset), arriving 15.32 and you can take a 10 minute taxi ride to the hotel. Travel costs are not included in the package price and travel is not organised by ARBH.

Please call South West Trains on 0845 6000 650 (option 1) and website [www.southwesttrains.co.uk](http://www.southwesttrains.co.uk) or [www.thetrainline.com](http://www.thetrainline.com) often offer good prices.

### Directions to the Haven Hotel, Sandbanks, Poole BH13 7QL

From London: Either take the M4 and M25 or take the A3 and M25, onto the M3. Continue onto the M27, then the A31 and finally the A338. At the roundabout, take the 2<sup>nd</sup> exit onto **Wessex Way** and continue on this road until you come to another roundabout and take the 2<sup>nd</sup> exit onto **The Avenue** (B3065). Continue until another roundabout where you take the first exit onto **Haven Road** (B3065) and then turn left onto **Shore Road** (B3369). After 0.1 mile, bear right onto **Banks Road** (B3369) and then after 0.7 miles, at the roundabout, take the first exit, continuing on **Banks Road** (B3369). After half a mile, turn left onto **Ferry Way** and you will see the **Sandbanks Hotel** after 0.1 mile. Journey time approximately two hours by car.



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## BOOKING FORM

Please fill in this form (or book online on our website) and preferably pay the £75 deposit via online banking (email Jack for details) or post a cheque made payable to "ARB Holidays" to Jack Stocken at 53 East Witton, North Yorkshire, DL8 4SL. One booking form per person please (except couples)

1. I would like to book \_\_\_\_\_ person(s) on the mid-week break, detailed as below (please circle relevant preference: double or twin bed below):

Name(s)

Room type

Inland (single, twin or double)

Sea view (double or twin)

Harbour view with balcony (double or twin)

Sea view with balcony (double or twin)

Sea view double Deluxe and balcony (double/twin)

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2. Insurance: Please sign below, on behalf of your party, to state that you guarantee to have taken out adequate insurance for your holiday and have agreed to the Terms and Conditions as on the home page of our website [www.andrewrobsonbridgeholidays.co.uk](http://www.andrewrobsonbridgeholidays.co.uk)

Name ..... Signature .....

3. Please note any supplementary requirements below, e.g. vegetarian meals, allergies etc.

4. Address .....

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Landline: ..... Mobile:.....

Email .....

5. Next of Kin: Please provide the following details (IN BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE)

Name: ..... Main Contact Number:.....