

25th CAPE TEMPORAL BONE COURSE : 8th-11th April 2026

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Group A (junior)	Group B (senior)
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Wednesday : 8th April 2026	Cortical mastoidectomy: Bone 1
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08.00 - 08.30 Registration & introduction

08.30 - 09.00 Course overview and drilling technique: JL and GP

09.00 - 09.15 Setting up the microscope: MM

09.15 - 10.00 Demo: Whole Group: Cortical Mastoid: MM

Tympanotomy
Cortical Mastoidectomy exposing full limits
Posterior Tympanotomy
Exposure of CN VII
Exposure SC Canals
(Leave canal wall up!)

10.00 - 12.30 Temporal Bone Work: Bone 2

as demonstrated above & as per manual

10.00 - 10.45 Discussion: JW

Middle ear anatomy & ventilation pathways

10.45 - 11:30 Discussion: MM

Audiology for the clinician

11.30 - 12.15 Discussion: JL

TPL - technical considerations

12.15 - 12.30 Preparation for pm TB work: JL

12.30-13.30 Lunch

13:30 - 14:15 Discussion - JW

Anatomy of the ear

14:15 - 15:30 Discussion: MM

Audiology for the clinician

15.30 - 16.15 Discussion: JL

TPL - technical considerations

13:30 - 16.00 Temporal Bone Work: Bone 2

as demonstrated above & as per manual

16.15 - 16.30 - Southern ENT presentation

19:00 Course dinner

Thursday : 9th April 2026	EES: Bone 2
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08.15 - 09.15 Demonstration: Whole group: EES: MM

Tympanomeatal flap elevation
Identification of middle ear anatomy
Scutum removal (curette)
Malleus head and incus exposure - not removal!
Harvesting tragal cartilage
Reconstruction of scutum & TM (cartilage)
Myringoplasty with perichondrium

09.15 - 11.00 Temporal Bone work: Bone 1

EES as demonstrated above

09.15 - 10.00 Discussion: JW

Ossiculoplasty

10:00 - 11:00 Discussion: GP

Tricky anatomy and complications

11:00 - 11.30 Demo: Meatoplasty & retro-auricular cartilage harvesting: JL

11.30 - 12.30 Temporal Bone work:

Meatoplasty / cartilage as demonstrated above

11.30 - 12.15 Discussion: MM

Techniques in EES

12.15 - 12.30 Preparation for pm TB work: MM

12.30-13.30 Lunch	
13.30 - 14.15 Discussion: JW	13.30 - 16.15 Temporal Bone Work:
Ossiculoplasty	EES as demonstrated above
14.15 - 14.45 Discussion: GP	
Tricky anatomy and complications	Meatoplasty / cartilage as demonstrated above
14.45 - 15.30 Discussion: GP	
Acute ear trauma	
15.30 - 16.15 Discussion: MM	
Techniques in EES	
16.30 - 17.30 Panel: Otology & Audiology case discussion: JL + Panel - OB/EB/AM/GP	
Evening free	

Friday : 10th April 2026		Front-to-back Approach: Bone 2	
08.15 - 09.15 Demonstration: Ossiculoplasty: ossicles, prostheses, cement: JL			
09.15 - 10.15 Demo: Attico-antrostomy / FTB: JL			
Tympano-Ossiculoplasty			
Atticotomy			
Transcanal exposure chorda to locate VII			
Transcanal retrotympanotomy			
10.15 - 12.30 Temporal Bone Work: Bone 1		10.15 - 11:00 Discussion:GP	
as demonstrated above & as per manual		Management of retraction pockets	
		15.30 - 16:15 Discussion: GP	
		Acute ear trauma	
		11.45 - 12.30 Discussion: JL	
		Logical cholesteatoma surgery	
12.30 - 13.30: Course Photograph & Lunch			
13:30 - 14:30 - Stapes surgery demonstration whole group - JL			
14:30 - 15:15 Discussion: GP		13.30 - 16:00 Temporal Bone Work: Bone 1	
Management of retraction pockets		as demonstrated above & as per manual	
15.30 - 16.15 Discussion: JL			
Logical cholesteatoma surgery			
16.15 - 16.30 Demonstration: Mastoid obliteration w. bone paté / Bonalive & cartilage: WK			

19.00 Dinner at a restaurant to be confirmed

Saturday : 11th April 2026		Reconstruction: Bone 1 & 2
Breakfast		
08.15 - 09.15 Demo: Cartilage: processing & use to repair EAC/Scutum/TM: Bone 2: JL		
09.15 - 11.15 Temporal Bone Work:	09.30 - 10.30 Discussion: GP	
Taking down the EAC (Bone 2)	Cholesteatoma surgery - Make it simple	
Cartilage reconstruxn EAC/Scutum/TM (Bone 1)	10.30 - 11.30 Discussion: JL	
	Temporal Bone Radiology	
11.30 - 12.30 Discussion: GP	11.30 - 13.30 Temporal Bone Work:	
Cholesteatoma surgery - Make it simple	Taking down the EAC (Bone 2)	
12.30 - 13.30 Discussion: JL	Cartilage reconstruxn EAC/Scutum/TM (Bone 1)	
Temporal Bone Radiology		
13.30-14.00 Light Lunch. Feedback and Farewells		