MRBC On-Line Events

Standard Competitions will run on all week days as follow :-

Monday Morning @ 10.00 a.m. :- 2 Events : A's & Masters and B's & Novices (TD – Eamon Galligan)

Monday Evening @ 7.30 p.m. :- 1 Event : All Grades (TD – Catherine Carabine)

Tuesday Evening @ 7.30 p.m. :- 3 Events : A1's & Masters, A2's and B's & Novices (TD – Eamon Galligan)

Wednesday Evening @ 7.30 p.m. :- 2 Events : A1's & Masters and A2's, B's & Novices (TD – Frank Hayes)

Thursday Evening @ 7.30 p.m. :- 2 Events : A's & Masters and B's & Novices (TD – Les Geraghty)

Friday Evening @ 7.30 p.m. :- 1 Event : All Grades (TD – Catherine Byrne)

Major Competitions will be advertised on the website, and will supersede any standard competition previously scheduled for that day.

They will be run on the **BBO platform**, so if you are not already familiar with **BridgeBase.com**, you will need to log on and register. It is free and simple to use. You will need to create a <u>Username</u> and <u>Password</u>. Here are some links to help.

New to BBO: https://blog.bridgebase.com/2020/03/09/new-to-bridge-base-online/

How to become a member on BBO: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MIdFbBdea90&t=26s</u>

How to Chat at the table: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H-vx7yOu7D8</u>

Manners on BBO: https://www.bridgebase.com/help/v2help/manners_matter.html

Some BBO Features: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fd9KLhFWIGU</u>

The following MRBC members have offered to help anyone experiencing issues with getting set up on BBO, so please call any of them for advice.

Declan Murray - 086 815 4589 & Mary Deane - 087 668 3052

To join a competition, you log-in, then, under **PLAY OR WATCH BRIDGE**, select **Competitive**, then, under **TOURNAMENTS**, select **All Tournaments**, then, scroll through the list of tournaments which will appear, until you find one called Malahide Regional, or MRBC.... You can also search for a competition by using the box in the top right of the screen.

For **Pay per Play** Competitions you will need to have credit in your BBO\$ account. You can make a credit to your BBO\$ account, by clicking on the BBO\$ box, which is located on the home screen just to the left of the Login/Register button. The process is straightforward, using a Credit/Debit Card, or Paypal, with a minimum purchase of BBO\$20. You will receive an immediate receipt to your e-mail address and your card will be debited by Bridgebase.com in Euros, at the prevailing exchange rate. We recommend you keep away from purchasing BBO\$ on the BBO App for Tablets or Phones, as the exchange rate can be significantly worse there. So, if at all possible, do this on your laptop. (NB: BBO is a USA registered company.)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CoSOBJm7wgo

Once you have located the competition, click on it and you will be asked to enter/invite the Username of your partner. Once your partner accepts, (you both need to be on-line together and in the Competitive area of BBO), sit back and wait for the competition to commence. **If, for whatever reason, you go off-line, and the competition begins, you will be locked out, irrespective of whether or not you registered earlier. So best to stay online, and in the Competitive area.**

Once playing, there is a commentary/chat function below, or on the right-hand side of the screen, where you can interact with the table.

To keep these competitions the sole preserve of MRBC members, we have created a database of MRBC members <u>BBO Usernames</u>.

So, if you wish to participate in these competitions, please send Peter Wilson your **Name** and **BBO Username**, in advance. Text or Whatsapp 087 937 7493 or, E-mail <u>technology@mrbc.ie</u>