

Pianola

This is a system which helps Bridge Club Managers maintain an accurate database of members and simplifies communications with them. It also provides efficient services to members.

In order to take part in Pianola, members should ensure that the email address of the club, bridge@stamfordbridgeclub.co.uk is included in their address book or list of contacts so that communications are not thrown out as spam.

No-one is allowed to open an account in Pianola without an invitation from the club, which contains a link which should be used to open your account by creating your username and your own password which will then be used each time you access your account.

Only your name is disclosed to other members of the club until you give permission for other information to be shared. This permission must be given if you wish to use the Find a Partner system.

Significant controls exist within the Find a Partner system which allows members to totally control who sees their Find a Partner information.

The system provides comprehensive individual analysis for each member with averages over the previous week, month, or 3 months, with each partner, and in each seat, Declarer, Dummy, Defender on lead, and Defender not on lead. In order to obtain accurate analysis of Pairs events, players starting in the North seat, when moving to East/West, should sit in the West seat, and return to the North seat when playing North/South. Players starting in the East seat, when moving to North/South, should sit in the North seat. This is consistent with rotating the boards clockwise during an Arrow Switch.

Three types of emails are produced by the system:-

1. General emails from the club
2. Results emails
3. Find a Partner emails.

Members can unsubscribe from each of these types.

Finally, I consider that the system can be of significant help in the running of the club, and welcome any feedback now that the club has adopted this as our main system for maintaining our Membership Database.

Peter Burgin. 19th July 2014