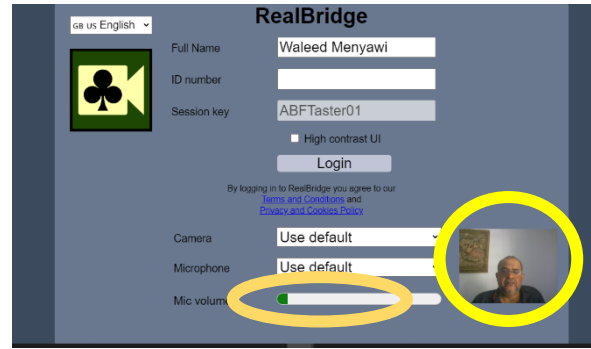


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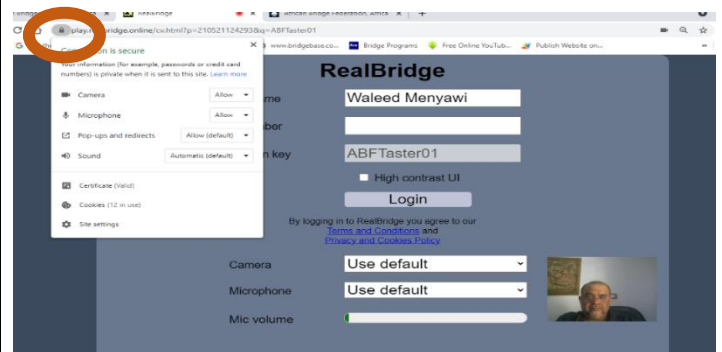
First : Log in , Lobby, at the table and Settings

1. To join any RealBridge game you will need a **LINK**
2. All the play links will be available on ABF website **AND** you might also receive it by mail.
3. Click the link and you will be redirected to the log on page of our game which looks like the figure ...



Notice that your video should appear in the right bottom corner of the page and mic volume showing that it works.

1. If you can't see your video then you need to allow your browser to use your cam and mic, do as follows to allow it
2. From Goggle Chrome and just before the address bar, press the lock icon
3. Allow cam and allow mic.



4. Write your name in the required field and press login – nothing else is to be done- **NO ID number will be used, (leave it blank)**

5. When you logged in you will see the lobby which almost looks like the following figure (**but this figure includes extra buttons for TDs**)

Notice the lobby chat window to the right.

Keep an eye to the Lobby chat For important announcements



At the table

When you arrive at the table, you will be able to see and talk to the other players. After the Director starts the first round, you will see your hand. When it is your turn to bid, a bidding box will be shown in the middle of the table. These are the main elements of the screen:



Displaying an information panel

If a director has loaded an information panel a player will be able to see a ⓘ button above scores. At any time during the session, a player can click the ⓘ button, just above the scores button:



During the auction

Making a bid

When it is your turn to bid or play, your name is highlighted in yellow

To bid, simply click the bidding card. If you are using one click mode, the bid will be made and will appear in front of you, just as when you bid in face-to-face bridge.

If you are using two taps mode the bidding card is selected, and all the other bidding cards disappear. If the bid you wanted is shown, click it again to confirm the bid; if you had clicked the wrong bid, click somewhere else on the table to bring the bidding box back.

Alerts and explanations

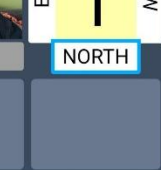
The standard way of alerting in RealBridge is as in face-to-face bridge. When your partner makes a conventional bid, you click your alert card. The Alert card will briefly be displayed against partner's bid. Partner's bidding card will change colour to indicate that it has been alerted.

RealBridge also allows "self alerts" and written explanations. This option is explained in the *Self alerts* section later in this document.

If a player makes a jump bid, the system displays the "Stop" card for a few seconds. While the "Stop" card is shown, the next player will be unable to bid.

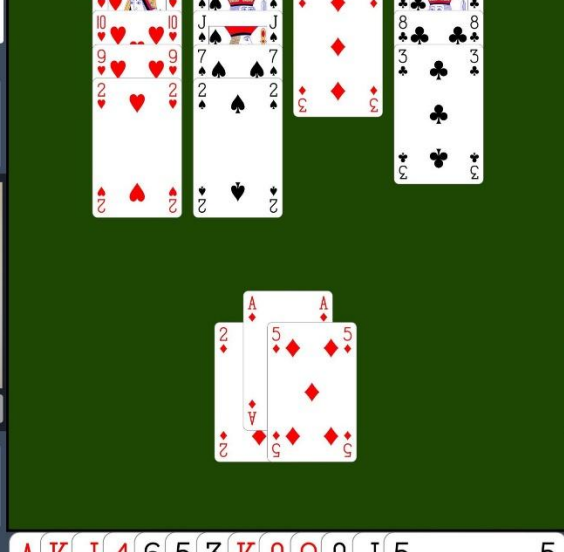
If you make a misclick, and if the rules of the event allow undos, click the **Undo** button. Each opponent will be prompted to accept or reject the undo. If they accept it, the bidding goes back to before your last call. If they don't accept it, you will see a message saying this.

During the play



Janet Marsh

Andy Bowles





Derek Marsh

Table 1
Rd 1 / 2

4♥ N

Scores

Sam Knox

ALERT

Last trick

Auction

Claim

Undo

Director

Leave

Show the auction.
When you click this,
the button changes
to say "Play". Click
there again to return
to the play.

Request an Undo.
For misclicks, only if
allowed by the rules.

Settings

If you click the **Settings** icon, you will see various options for controlling the appearance and functionality of the screen:

Notes

- If you change your settings, RealBridge will remember them for the next time that you play, as long as you are using the same computer and web-browser.
- With simplified cards, dummy is always oriented to face you.

Recommendations

- If you are using a tablet, you may find it easier to use simplified cards and/or two taps mode.
- Try the different options and choose a configuration that you like.

The screenshot shows the 'Settings' window with the following options and callouts:

- Display style**
 - ☒ Detailed cards: Callout: "Detailed cards" shows pictures of cards; "Simplified cards" are schematic and have larger symbols.
 - ☐ Simplified cards
- As defender, see dummy**
 - ☐ Facing declarer
 - ☒ Facing me: Callout: The orientation of dummy's cards when you are defending.
- As declarer, see dummy as**
 - ☒ Vertical suits (facing declarer): Callout: The orientation of dummy's cards when you are declaring.
 - ☐ Horizontal hand
- Input style**
 - ☒ One click or tap
 - ☐ Two taps (tablet): Callout: Choose the way you make bids and plays. With "Two taps", the first tap selects the card, then the second tap confirms. "Double click" means that you make two fast clicks.
 - ☐ Double click (mouse)
- Deal animation**
 - Waterfall ▾: Callout: This controls how a new hand arrives at the beginning of each deal. Choose an effect, or set to "None" to have the hand simply appear.
- Animation duration**
 - [Slider bar]: Callout: If you have an animation enabled, use the slider to control how long the animation lasts.
- ☒ Yellow border around alerted calls: Callout: Show/Hide bright yellow border around alerted bids

Buttons at the bottom: OK, Cancel

Audio and video controls

The screen also contains some buttons for controlling audio and video:



Self Alerting

When the director has set the event to use Self-Alerts, the bidding box will appear as shown below. You are able to explain a bid to both your opponents by following these steps:

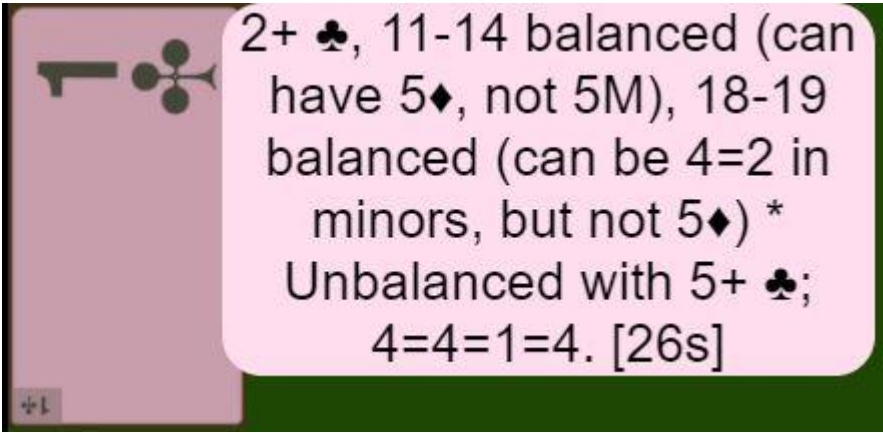
1. **Alerting** the call if applicable. If you alert the bid, a transparent red overlay appears over the bidding box to notify you that your call will be alerted.
2. **Type** an explanation of your bid (you may use the suit symbols below to help you) or select an explanation from previously used explanations using the button. You are able to use the arrow keys to scroll through your text before submitting.
3. **Click** on the bid you wish to make.

You are also able to type before alerting if you wish.

If you make a **mistake** or need to **explain your bid further** after you have bid, you can click on the bid and add more text



The added text will appear after an asterisk *. The time in seconds between when the bid was **made** and the added explanation was **submitted** is presented after the added text in the square brackets, for this example, 26 seconds. The character limit on explanations is 200 characters.



Bids are displayed as follows depending on if they are explained or alerted. To see the explanation, click on the bid and the text will appear.

	Not Explained	Explained
Not Alerted		
Alerted		

The yellow border does not appear by default. To show/hide the yellow border, see User Settings.

Best of luck