

# Joining RealBridge

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RealBridge takes online bridge to the next level, with built-in video and sound, bringing the true face-to-face experience online.



## What devices does RealBridge run on?

RealBridge runs on any laptop, desktop computer or tablet that supports video calling from a web browser.

## What browser should I use?

On Windows or linux PC, Apple macOS or Android tablet you can use any modern browser, such as Chrome, Edge, Firefox or Safari. (Note: older versions of Edge and Internet Explorer do not work.)

On an Apple iPad you must use the Safari browser because Apple does not allow other browsers to support video calling on iOS.

In Safari there is a menu item "Safari > Settings for the website...". In that window for RealBridge, select "Allow all auto-play" media, and set the camera & microphone permission to "Allow".

## Do I need a webcam?

RealBridge does not require a webcam to run; you can play without being connected on video or audio calls. However, without video, the experience is compromised. RealBridge works perfectly with inexpensive webcams, which are widely available online.

## How do I check my camera is working?

Visit the RealBridge [RealBridge - Camera Test](#) page to troubleshoot video and audio issues.

## What to do if you have a weak Wi-Fi connection.

If you have a weak connection, you can turn off your camera and/or the incoming video to reduce bandwidth requirements.

To do this click on eye symbol to the right of your name.

## What to do if the sound of a player is too loud.

Click on the name of the player with the loud voice and adjust the slider, which appears, to correct the volume.

## Paying for the event

Games will be £3.00 per event. This will need to be paid in advance to:

Acct: Cheltenham Bridge Club

Sort Code 40-17-53

Acct No: 01572253

## Joining

Each session is joined by going to the **club's website** and clicking the 'Click here' link:

The screenshot shows the website for 'Online Bridge at Cheltenham Bridge Club'. It is divided into two main sections: 'CBC Online Schedule' and 'Leaderboards'.  
**CBC Online Schedule:** Lists regular sessions on Bridge Base Online (BBO) with days and times. A red circle highlights a link that says 'Click here to play RealBridge - our regular sessions are:'. Below this, it lists a Thursday 19:00 session as 'Open (note earlier start time)'. At the bottom, it shows 'Session Strengths' with a color-coded scale from low to high.  
**Leaderboards:** Lists various leaderboards including Open, Gentle Bridge, Pairs, Danish Pairs, and IMPs. It also features a 'December Winner' section with a list of names and trophies.

which will take you to the [RealBridge Log In page](#). You will need to log in. If you can't remember your password, or have never logged in before, just click the Set/Reset Password. Contact Steve on 07989 120688 if you have difficulty.

From there you will be able to join about 30 mins in advance of the starting time.

## Login

Please type in your full capitalised name, First Name then Surname as you are usually known e.g Andrew Robson.

Secondly your ID number should be your CBC club number – you can find this on the [RealBridge Log In page here](#).

Getting these things right is important so that your results can be correctly assigned on the club website, EBU and Pianola.

You will then enter the Lobby area of the RealBridge - and see a number of tables available for you to sit at. If you've pre-arranged to play with a partner, please see if your partner is already seated and sit opposite, or select a free seat and wait for your partner to join you.

### **At the table**

RealBridge has an excellent guide to playing on their site, which can be found through this link [RealBridge with Real People](#).

**We hope you have a great game**