

The following notes should help you to set up and play online Bridge with BridgeBase.

Assumption:

You are already registered with BridgeBase.

Areas covered:

- How to host a simple session of four people.
- Scoring records – a powerful BridgeBase feature, giving one table the benefits of a duplicate session
- Appearance, sound and other optional settings.

Not covered, but worth considering to enhance the session:

- WhatsApp
- Zoom
- Whereby

Bridge
Base
Tips

Collins Bridge Club

Being a Host – 1

Bridge Base Online

Social play. ACBL Games. Tournaments. Solitaire.

User name

 Eileen06

Password

 ●●●●●●●●

Log in

Remember me
 Invisible

[Forgot your password?](#)

Play Anonymously:

Duplicate
IMPs

Duplicate
MPs

Total
points

Become a member (free!)



Bridge Base Tips

The following
slides will help
you be a

Host

and to set up
a game with
three other
people.

Being a Host – 2

Bridge Base Online

Social play. ACBL Games. Tournaments. Solitaire.

User name

 Eileen06

Password

 ●●●●●●●●

Log in

Remember me

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Bridge Base Tips

Before you log in, be sure “Invisible” is NOT ticked.

This is not important for a casual game, but...

In a Collins Bridge Club tournament, it helps the Tournament Director know when competitors come online.

Being a Host – 3

Bridge Base Online Home

23317

5326

PLAY OR WATCH BRIDGE

Solitaire

Competitive

BBO Prime

Casual

Practice

FEATURED AREAS

ACBL World

Robot World

Challenges

Instant Tournaments

Vugraph (live broadcasts) (2)



Play



Messages



People



History



Account

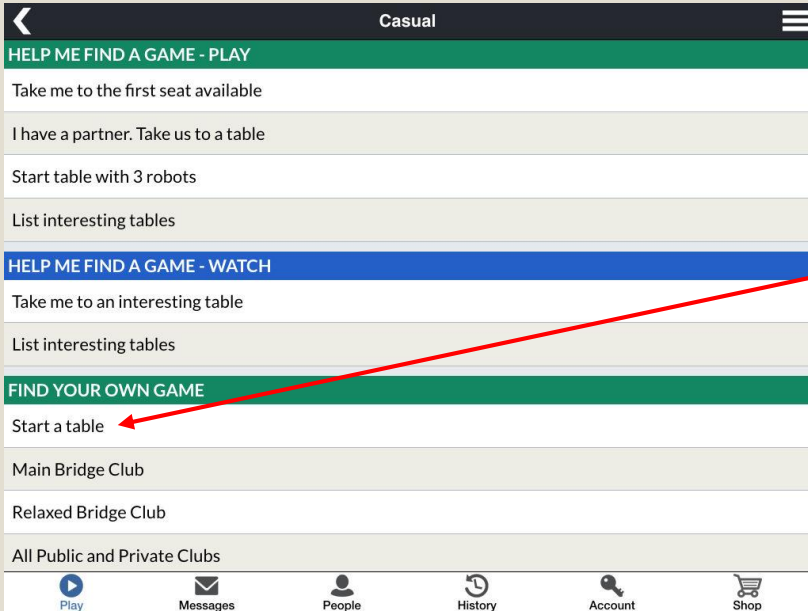


Shop

Bridge Base Tips

When you log in, you will see this screen. Select “Casual”

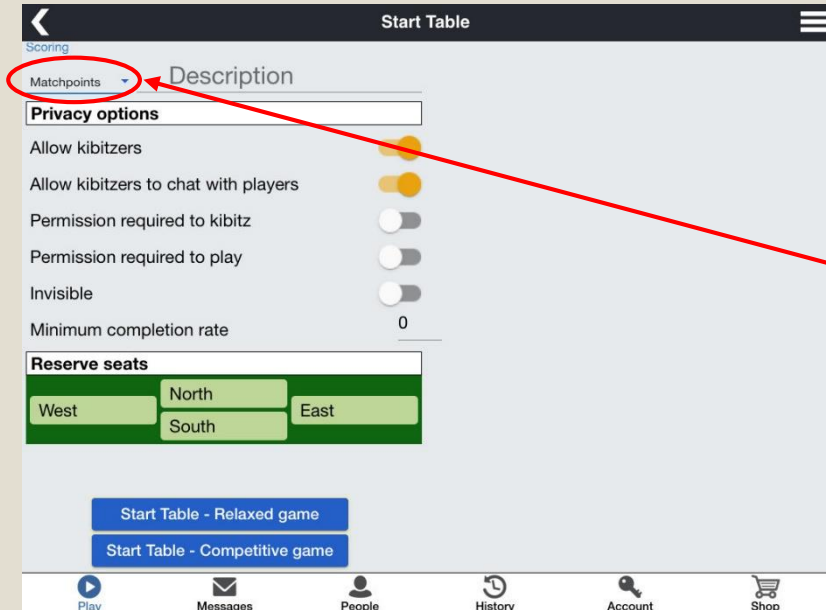
Being a Host – 4



Bridge Base Tips

Then
"Start a
Table"

Being a Host – 5



Under “Scoring”, the default is “IMPs”. You may wish to change it on the drop down menu to “Matchpoints”.

This gives a more intuitive cumulative percentage score.

Being a Host – 6

Start Table

Scoring

Matchpoints ▾ Description

Privacy options

- Allow kibitzers
- Allow kibitzers to chat with players
- Permission required to kibitz
- Permission required to play
- Invisible

Minimum completion rate 0

Reserve seats

West	North	East
	South	

Start Table - Relaxed game

Start Table - Competitive game

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Set these five buttons as shown. This ensures you will not be interrupted. Notice the padlocks appearing in order to reserve your seats.

Being a Host – 7

The screenshot shows the 'Start Table' app interface. At the top, there is a yellow header with the text 'Being a Host – 7'. Below that is a dark navigation bar with a back arrow, the title 'Start Table', and a menu icon. The main content area is light gray and contains several sections:

- Scoring**: A dropdown menu set to 'Matchpoints' and a 'Description' field.
- Privacy options**: A section with four toggle switches:
 - Allow kibitzers: Off
 - Allow kibitzers to chat with players: Off
 - Permission required to kibitz: On
 - East: On
- Minimum completion rate**: A slider set to 0.
- Reserve seats**: A table with a green background and a lock icon. It contains three rows of seats:

John123	Mary456	East
	Cormac206	

At the bottom, there are two blue buttons: 'Start Table - Relaxed game' and 'Start Table - Competitive game'. A bottom navigation bar contains icons for Play, Messages, People, History, Account, and Shop.

Fill in the four players' user names, with yourself as South.

Your name will have a blue background. Everyone else will have a red background.

Being a Host – 8

The screenshot shows the 'Start Table' screen with the following elements:

- Scoring:** Matchpoints (dropdown), Description (text input)
- Privacy options:**
 - Allow kibitzers:
 - Allow kibitzers to chat with players:
 - Permission required to kibitz:
 - Permission required to play:
 - Invisible:
 - Minimum completion rate: 0
- Reserve seats:**
 - John123 (red)
 - Mary456 (red)
 - Cormac206 (blue)
 - Jane789 (red)
- Buttons:**
 - Start Table - Relaxed game
 - Start Table - Competitive game
- Bottom Navigation Bar:** Play, Messages, People, History, Account, Shop

Now ready to issue the invitation, by clicking “Relaxed” or “Competitive”
“Relaxed” is less strict on slow play.

Be warned. At either table very slow play may result in removal of a player, to be replaced by a Robot!

Being a Host – 9 Suggested Timings

The screenshot shows the 'Start Table' app interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with a back arrow, the title 'Start Table', and a menu icon. Below the navigation bar, there is a 'Scoring' section with a 'Matchpoints' dropdown and a 'Description' field. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'Privacy options' and 'Reserve seats'. The 'Privacy options' section includes five toggle switches: 'Allow kibitzers' (off), 'Allow kibitzers to chat with players' (off), 'Permission required to kibitz' (on), 'Permission required to play' (on), and 'Invisible' (on). Below these is a 'Minimum completion rate' field set to '0'. The 'Reserve seats' section shows a green table with five seats. The seats are occupied by players: John123, Mary456, Jane789, and Cormac206. At the bottom of the screen, there are two blue buttons: 'Start Table - Relaxed game' and 'Start Table - Competitive game'. The bottom navigation bar contains six icons: Play, Messages, People, History, Account, and Shop.

Send invitation
3-5 minutes
before the
agreed time.

Players log on
at the agreed
time.

Having logged
in, they should
see the
invitation.

They click YES,
and are sent
straight to the
table.

Bridge Scoring Records – 1

History

My Table Other Tables Recent hands Recent tournaments

Board	Result	We	They	We	They
4	4♠N+3	710		93.8%	6.2%
5	4♥W+2		480	12.5%	87.5%
6	3♦S+2	150		62.5%	37.5%
7	3♠W=		140	50%	50%
8	4♠E=		420	29.2%	70.8%
9	4♠S+1	450		100%	0%
10	2♦E+2		130	37.5%	62.5%
11	3NTW-2	100		90%	10%
12	3NTS+1	630		35%	65%
Refresh				52.5%	47.5%

12

N Eileen06
♠K9754
♥765
♦KQ
♣AQ6

W 7401P
♠Q832
♥QJ8
♦J10942
♣4

W N E S E 7401B
Pass 1♠ Pass 2♣ ♠J10
Pass 3♣ Pass 3NT ♥A932
Pass Pass Pass ♦876
♣10532

S Cormac206
♠A6
♥K104
♦A53
♣KJ987

3NT South
0 0

Previous deal Previous trick Next trick Next deal

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During play, follow progress by clicking "History", then "My Table".

You then see each Board's, and the overall, percentages.

With laptop or desktop, this may be shown in "split screen" on a panel to the right.

Bridge Scoring Records – 2

History

My Table **Other Tables** Recent hands Recent tournaments

Board	Result	We	They	We	They
12	3NTN+4	720		100%	0%
12	3NTN+2	660		70%	30%
12	5NTN=	660		70%	30%
12	3NTS+2	660		70%	30%
12	3NTN+2	660		70%	30%
12	3NTN+2	660		70%	30%
12	3NTS+1	630		35%	65%
12	3NTN+1	630		35%	65%
12	4♠N=	620		15%	85%

Board 12

N Eileen06
 ♠K9754
 ♥765
 ♦KQ
 ♣AQ6

W 7401P
 ♠Q832
 ♥QJ8
 ♦J10942
 ♣4

W N E S E 7401B
 Pass 1♠ Pass 2♣ ♠J10
 Pass 3♣ Pass 3NT ♥A932
 Pass Pass Pass ♦876
 ♣10532

S Cormac206
 ♠A6
 ♥K104
 ♦A53
 ♣KJ987

3NT South
0 0

Previous deal Previous trick Next trick Next deal

Refresh

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Having picked a board, e.g. Board 12, select "Other Tables" and you get a virtual "Travelling Scoresheet". 3NTS+1 wasn't so great in this example!

Appearance – 1

The screenshot shows a mobile application interface for a bridge game. At the top, the title is "Relaxed Bridge Club (Host: GOH122)". The main area displays a bidding sequence on a green background. The bidding is as follows:

N	E	S	W
Pass	1NT	Pass	Pass
2♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Below the bidding, the text "Cumulative, or running, score after five boards." is displayed with a red arrow pointing to the "6" score shown in the left sidebar. The left sidebar also shows "MPs" (NS: 44.6%, EW: 55.4%), a score of "6", and "2♠ South". The bottom of the screen shows a hand of cards for the West player (Eileen06):

6	K	Q	10	5	A	7	6	4	J	10	9	5
♠	♥	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦

The bottom navigation bar includes icons for Play, Messages, People, History, Account, Tables, and Shop.

This is the default look of the table. The bidding is over and it is West (highlighted) to lead.

Host, South, is indicated by a crown.

Appearance – 2

Relaxed Bridge Club (Host: GOH122)

E BILLOBR

N Cormac206

S GOH122

MPs
NS: 44.6%
EW: 55.4%

D
6

2♠
South

1 1

Claim

♠ A932
♥ 74
♦ Q74
♣ 52

♠ Q
♠ 10 ♠ 4
♠ 6

W Eileen06

♠
♥ KQ105
♦ 1095
♣ A764

Play Messages People History **Account** Tables Shop

Same board with different appearance.

Pick "Account", then "Settings" and you may personalise appearance, sound and other settings.

With desktop or laptop you can also have "split screen".