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.

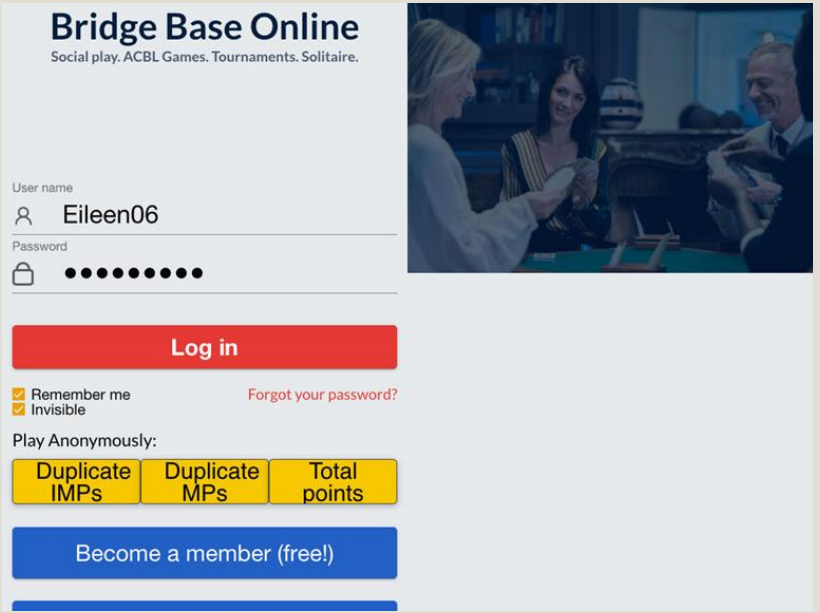
Not covered, but worth considering to enhance the session:

- WhatsApp
- Zoom
- Whereby

Bridge Base Tips

Collins Bridge Club

Being a Host – 1



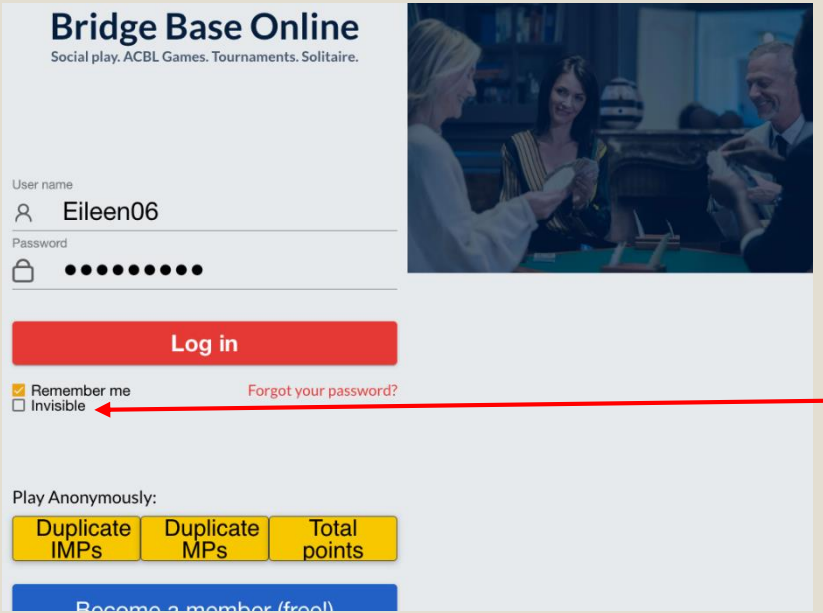
Bridge Base Tips

The following slides will help you be a

Host

and to set up a game with three other people.

Being a Host – 2



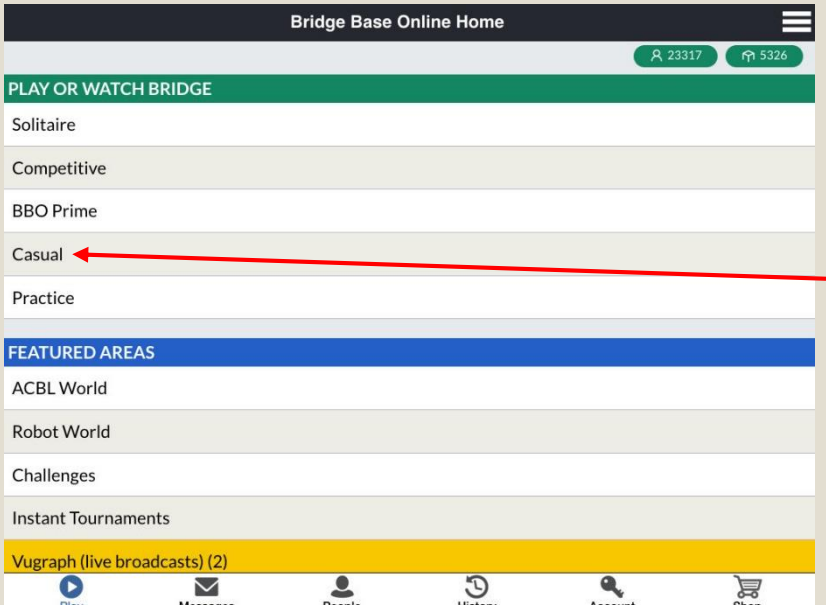
Bridge Base Tips

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.

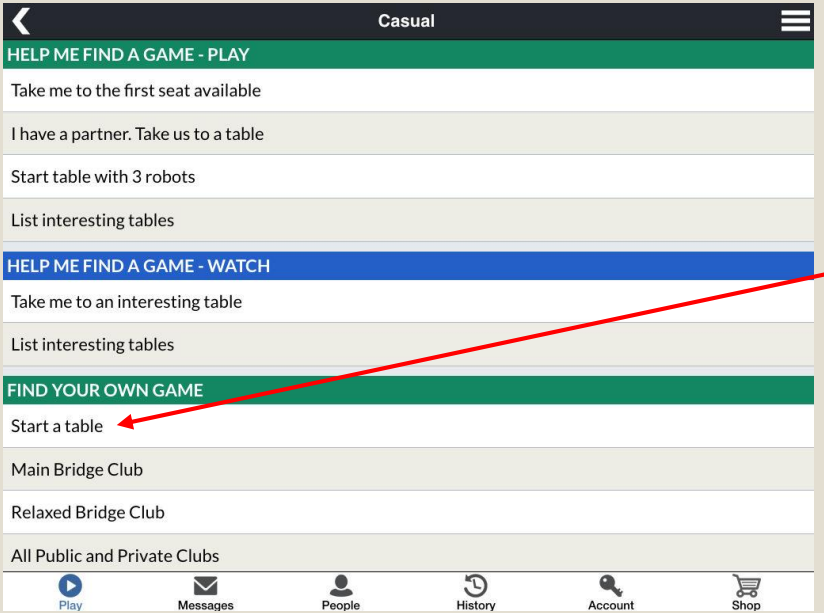
Being a Host – 3



Bridge Base Tips

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

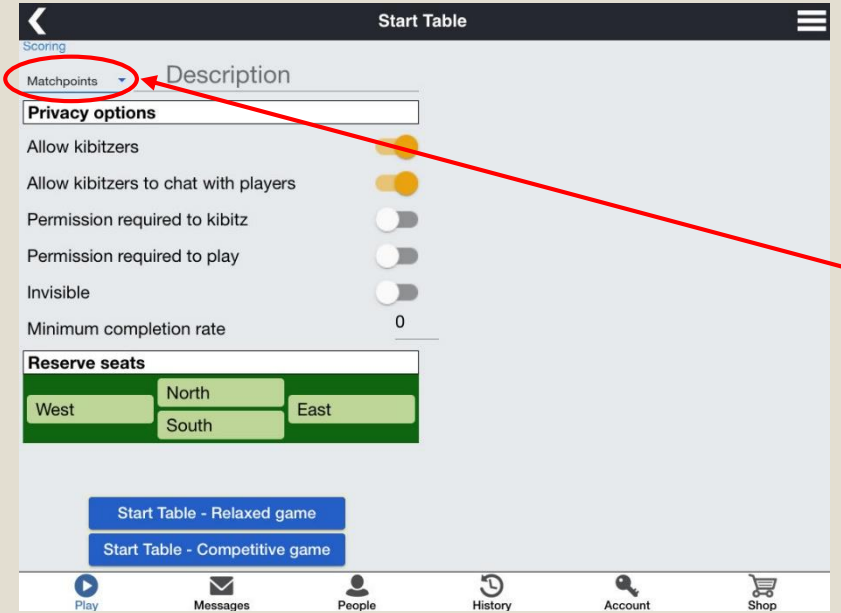
Being a Host – 4



Bridge Base Tips

Then "Start a Table"

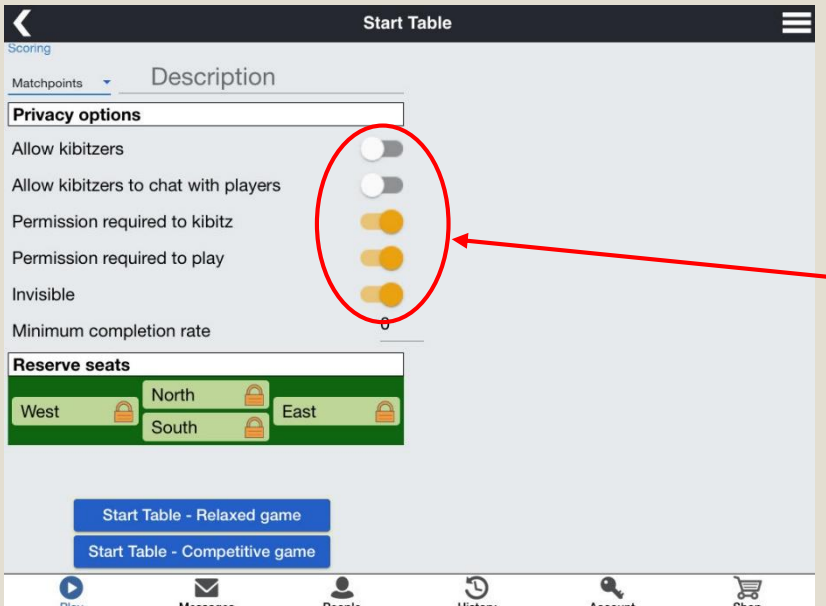
Being a Host – 5



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



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

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

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

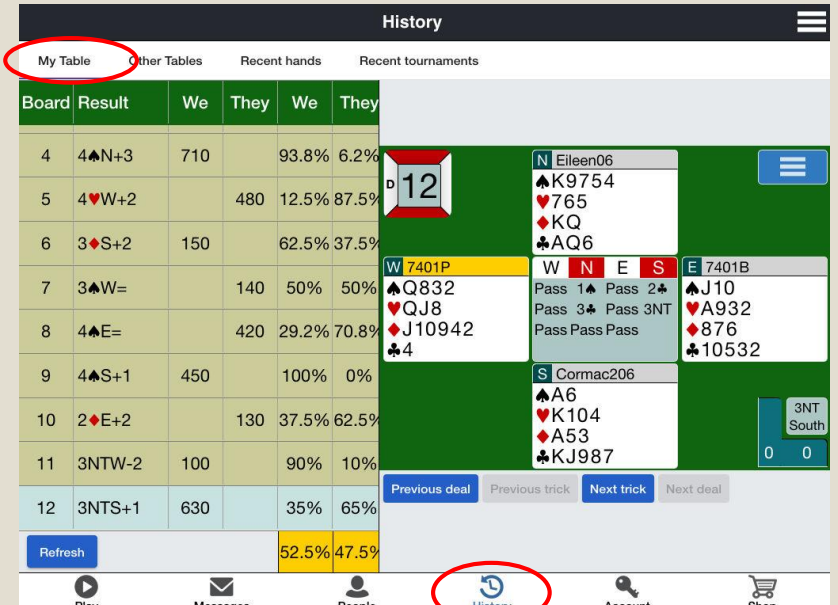
Send invitation 3-5 minutes before the agreed time.

Players log on <u>at</u> 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

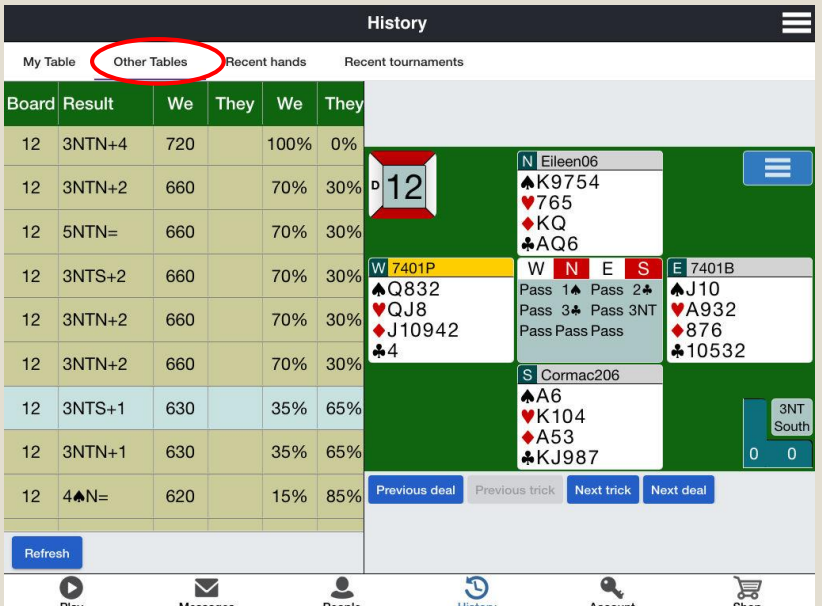


During play, follow progress by clicking "History", then "My Table".

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



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!

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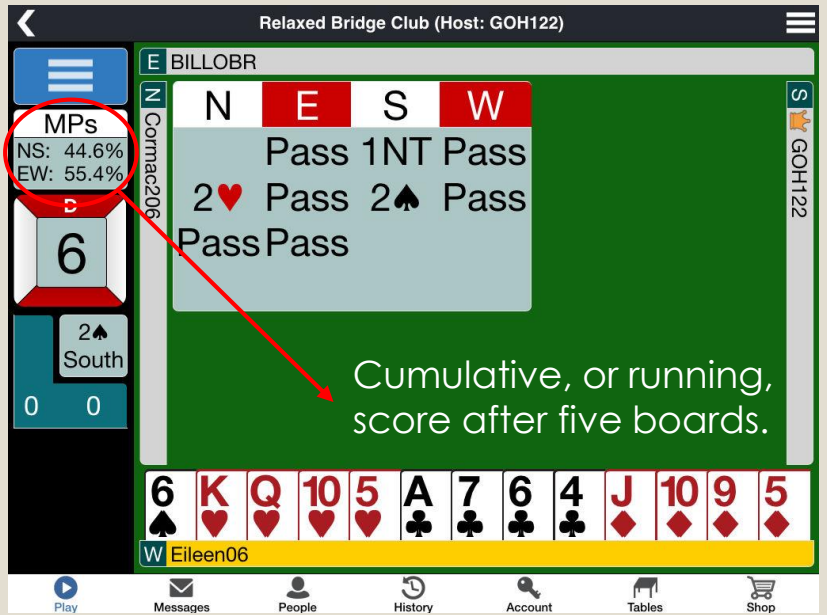
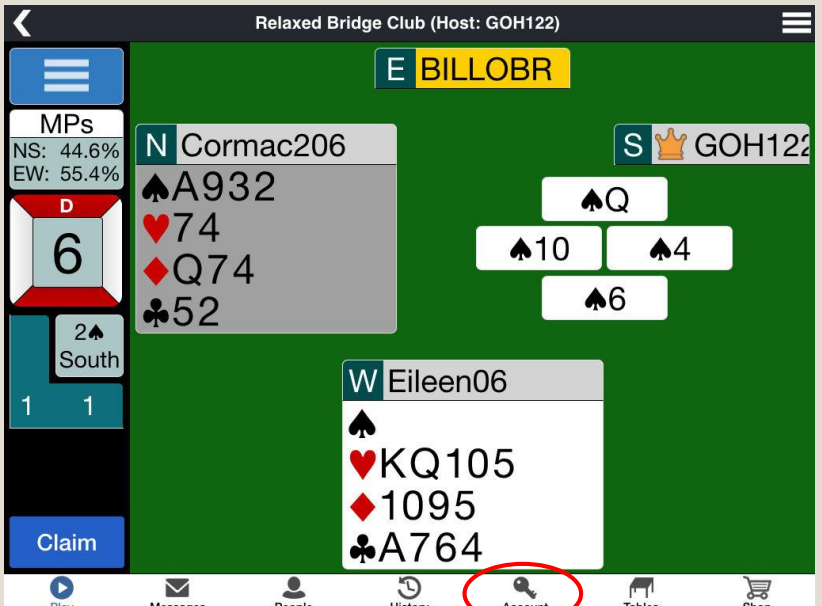


This is the default look of the table. The bidding is over and it is West (highlighted) to lead.

Host, South, is indicated by a crown.

Appearance – 2



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".