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Lenovo Ideapad 110 Laptop

Laptop Specification

- Intel Celeron N3060, 4GB RAM + 500GB HDD
- 15.6" LED Display
- Webcam + Bluetooth
- DVD RW
- Windows 10 Home 64-bit
- 1-year manufacturer warranty
- On mains power, screen-saver after 1 hour, sleep mode never

Signing On, etc

- Use Clubname sign-on; this is set up as a 'local' user. The password is Bridgemate.
- The Bridgemate UK sign-on is set up as a Windows online user, and should not normally be used.
- There are desktop shortcuts and start-screen 'launch tiles' for EBUScorePairs, EBUScoreTeams, BCS, and TeamViewer.
- There are start-screen 'tiles' for several, bridge-related websites

Club Details

Dorking Bridge Club

Bridgemate Options Initially Selected

- Players enter either EBUScore PIDs or EBU numbers at the table. BCS will refer to the BMPlayersDB.mdb file [the national database] in C:\Bridgemate for numbers not found in the Club players database. Visitors entering their EBU numbers will be added to the Club database, marked as Visitors.
- BCS picks up options set in EBUScore BCS Options.
- Other Bridgemate options may be set directly via BCS/Tools/Options
- Result entry is set to include lead card
- End-of-round ranking at the Bridgemate is enabled
- Suits are displayed on the Bridgemate as C/D/H/S rather than ♣/♦/♥/♠
- Bridgemate log files are located in C:\Bridgemate

Using Windows/10

- Read the enclosed Shortcuts Available Via the Windows Logo Key
- Windows Logo + X is particularly useful
- Windows Defender enabled

Help Files

In addition to the EBUScore help file, there are several useful documents in User Documents on Jeff Smith's website.

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Unpacking And Setting Up

Each Bridgemate

There are two Duracell AA batteries in each Bridgemate box [note that these batteries are labelled with an expiry date in bold and sometimes a manufacturing date].

Insert the batteries and then go through the following procedure:

- press the SETUP key
- press the key twice [SECTION should be set to SCAN]
- press the hey twice
- press the + key
- press the BACK key

This assumes you would like your Bridgemates set up so that players at the table dynamically set the section and table number, and that you would like the SETUP function to be pin-code protected [by the code 749]. You will find all of your Bridgemates have already had batteries inserted and have been set up in this way.

If your handsets are kept in a case, store them back-to-back with the OK keys uppermost.

The Bridgemate Server

The Bridgemate II server is powered via the usb cable, although you may also insert batteries if you wish [not provided]. If you do run with batteries installed, check the battery level occasionally [via the BCS screen] to make sure they haven't become exhausted, as this could prevent the server from initialising properly.

Laptop Setup]

The laptop has a folder C:\Bridgemate, with a sub-folder Installation. Bridgemate Control Software {BCS] v3-3-2 is already installed, as is the Windows driver for the Bridgemate server. A version of TeamViewer is also installed in the C:\Bridgemate folder. Windows Defender is activated.

Revisions and Scoring Software

Your Bridgemates and Bridgemate server are at the latest firmware revision.

There are installation files in C:\EBUScore for each EBUScorer: PairsScorer and TeamsScorer are already installed, and both are set to share the same Members.dat file in the EBUScore folder.

Remote Support

We are able to provide remote support via TeamViewer to Internet-connected computers.



Wireless scoring solutions for bridge

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Bridgemate System Settings

General

Looking at Bridgemate Control Software [BCS], clicking on the *Options* entry from the *Tools* menu provides two options, *General* and *Bridgemate*.

The main use of the *General* option is to modify the *File Locations* for the Bridgemate log file [BMProLog.log] and the local copy of the national members database [BMPlayersDB.mdb]. We suggest that you create a Bridgemate folder on the C drive to serve as an alternative location for these two files. The main reason for following this route is because later versions of Windows do not allow programs to update files in the Program Files (x86) folder for security reasons.

It's important that BCS is able to update the log file because reference to it may enable us to advise on operational difficulties encountered. The main use of BMPlayersDB.mdb is, in the situation where club members identify themselves at the Bridgemate using their EBU or other Union numbers, to allow BCS to reference this copy of the national players database where player numbers are not found in the club database. This is particularly useful when your club entertains visitors. Your scoring program will probably provide the option to refresh BMPlayersDB.mdb automatically as required if the computer has on-line access.

Bridgemate Settings

Clicking on this option displays a dialogue box with two tabs, labelled *Bridgemate* and *Bridgemate II* respectively. The *Bridgemate* tab includes settings that apply to both the earlier and current systems, whereas the *Bridgemate II* tab addresses only those additional facilities introduced by the current model.

The first option to note on the *Bridgemate* tab specifies whether the scoring program in use will transfer some or all BCS settings automatically, and it's normal to select this option. Where this is specified, those options that the scoring program has set will be disabled [greyed out] whenever BCS has been launched by the scoring program. Options not disabled may be set directly in BCS to complement those controlled by the scoring program.

It is advised that you review particularly those options in the boxes headed *Player names*, *Ranking and game summary*, *Options for tournament director*, *Display additional information*, and the options not enclosed in a box.

Shortcuts Available Via the Windows Logo Key

Windows 8 introduced the following:

- Win+C opens the charms.
 - o Win + F opens Search charm in file mode to search for computer files. If the Search charm is already open, switches to file search mode.
 - o B Win + W opens Search charm in settings mode to search for Control Panel applets. If the Search charm is already open, switches to settings search mode.
 - Win +Q opens Search charm in app mode to search for app shortcuts and executable files. If the search charm is already open, it has no effects.
 - ⊞ Win + H opens the Share charm.
 - Win+K opens the Devices charm for printing, connecting to a second screen/projector, or pushing multimedia content via Play To.
 - Win+I opens Settings charm, where app-specific settings, network options and shutdown button is located.
- Win+X opens Quick Links menu and grants access to several frequently used features of Windows, such as accessing desktop or <u>File Explorer</u>. With Windows 8.1 update, it includes a shortcut to shutdown or restart the computer.
- \boxplus Win +Z or <u>right click</u> opens the command bar for <u>Metro-style</u> apps. This bar appears at the bottom of the screen and replaces both <u>context menu</u> and <u>toolbar</u> in Metro-style apps.
- Win + Tab \$ invokes the app switcher and changes between Metro-style apps. Unlike Alt + Tab \$, the app switcher does not include windows that appear on desktop.
- Win + Spacebar changes input method. Unlike Alt + © Shift, this combination also causes a pop-up notification to appear.
- # Win + PrtScr or # Win + Volume up instantly saves a <u>screenshot</u> to the "Screenshots" folder in "Pictures" library. All screenshots are saved as <u>PNG</u> files

Windows 8.1 introduced the following:

- Win+S activates the Search Everywhere <u>charm</u>, opening a sidebar at the side of the screen.
- Win+U activates the Ease of Access Center control panel applet

Windows 8.1 overrides the earlier setting of WIN + s button. Win + s combination was used for making screenshot under Windows 7 + OneNote, after upgrading to Windows 8.1, this feature works with WIN + SHIFT + s button combination.

Under Windows/10:

- The Print Screen key saves the screen image in OneDrive/Pictures/Screenshots
- Beware of Microsoft initiating an update during a bridge session: if this happens BCS will lose
 its connection with the Bridgemate server and it will be necessary to close BCS, re-launch it,
 and re-open the bws file for the event. Bridgemates will continue to operate normally during
 any such period of disconnection.