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Welcome to Members,
Learners, Visitors and Guests!

I hope you find something that interests you.

Nicky

January 2026

Wednesdays: resuming 14th January

Gentle Bridge Swinford Afternoons

Thursdays: resuming 15th January

Improvers Kenilworth BC Afternoons

Beginners Kenilworth BC Evenings

Beginners Lessons Starting Soon:

Swinford Village Hall
Wednesday Afternoon 13.45 from 14th Jan

Central Rugby
Tuesday Mornings from 20th Jan

DID YOU KNOW?

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My News

In addition to being an EBU Shareholder on behalf of Northants County Bridge Association...

I have also become a trustee of English Bridge Education and Development.

Do you have any questions about EBU or EBED?



Tuesday Eve Online Friendly Practice

19.30 for one hour

Check the website for joining details.

We usually play random hands, but on Tuesday 13th Jan we will have a quick chat about Roman Key Card Blackwood and play some set hands.



You can play on RealBridge using any laptop or tablet. A bigger screen and a decent Internet connection will make it better.

However, you can play without camera or microphone. Test your set up by clicking here:

<https://play.realbridge.online/camera.html>

Find out more about RealBridge by clicking here:

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The links for all sessions will be on the web site, in the calendar entry for the session.

To join sessions, click on the session link a few minutes before the start time.

You will see a login screen. Type your name (or some of it). If you know it, put your EBU number in. Click login.

You should be able to see "tables".

Click on any vacant seat, or with your partner. Call me 07710 467 023 if you need help.

Gentle Bridge at Swinford Village Hall

For anyone with a basic knowledge of bridge

Wednesday Afternoons 13.30-15.30

Contact us if you would like to learn the game.



Nicky and Jim Bainbridge

£5 per session

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DID YOU KNOW?

Looking after the Board during play

Law 7A: When a board is to be played it is placed in the centre of table where it shall remain, correctly oriented, until play is completed. (The red text was added in the 2017 revision of the laws.)

All players should check that boards are the correctly orientated. Listen carefully and check the tablet or table card carefully for "arrow switches". Many players want to move the board away from the centre of the table, or even off the table entirely. This is not lawful. The board must remain in the centre of the table during the auction. Players need to see who dealer is and what the vulnerability is.

If the board is moved, there is always a risk that the cards go back into wrong pockets and the board is "fouled" for the remainder of the session.

Although there is no law, North should be the only player to touch or move the boards. It is rude for anyone else to touch them. North can remove other boards in the same round from the table, and this will avoid the masking effect of a "tower" of boards.

If the board is moved slightly towards declarer once card play starts, it will leave room for dummy to be laid down. In our club the board can be moved to the edge or corner of the table.

However, the board **must not be turned**. This often leads to fouled boards.

If the players have taken the cards out of the board to compare the hands after play, they must be extremely careful to put them back correctly.

Again, this behaviour is not lawful. (Law 7C). In some clubs it is not permitted, others may tolerate it if there is time for discussion, conversation is very quiet, and cards are returned correctly.

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