

## **Before the game**

Remember to be able to participate you need to have a Bridge Base Online (BBO) account, registration is free, go to [www.bridgebase.com](http://www.bridgebase.com) Online club members and their guests will be admitted to the game so if you have not already done so please let Allan Luckin have your BBO username. The table money is 3BBO\$, You can purchase BBO\$ via their website, click on the blue button at the top righthand corner, 1BBO\$ = 1US\$, don't use the App as it is more expensive.

## **Registering to Play in a Bognor tourney**

Registration opens one hour before the start. From the menu on the Home screen, under "Play or Watch Bridge" select "Competitive", then on the next page select "All Tournaments". All the tournaments due to start will be loaded, Enter TBC in the search button at the top of the list to find the Bognor Club tourney, and click to enter.

Once on the Bognor page you should register, enter you partner's username, select whether you wish to pay for your partner and log in. Once your partner has accepted your invitation to play you will see all the other partnerships playing. If you don't have a partner you can register on the Partnership Desk, see menu bar at the top. Another Bognor member without a partner can take up you invitation.

## **Playing on BBO**

Once you and your partner have registered you don't need to do anything more, just wait for the game to start, which it will automatically. If you lose connection don't worry, just reload and log in to BBO, you will go straight to the game. The only time this might be a problem if it occurs immediately before the start when you could be locked of the game. During the game there is usually no problem.

At the start of a new table, greet your opponents and give a short outline of your convention.. During play if you wish to ask the meaning of a bid click on it, and you opponents should respond. You need to self alert any alert-able bid. On the bidding menu there is an "Explain" section, put the explanation here before you complete the bid. This will be visible to the opposition, not your partner.

There is a time limit set for each table after which you will moved to the next table, even if you have not finished the board. The TD will make a judgement regarding the outcome of the unfinished board. You will find the clock in the top right corner.

Two can play from the same address, it is best if you play in separate rooms. See the latest edition of English Bridge regarding detecting suspicious play.

You can contact the director at anytime during the game.

## **Finally**

If you have not already tried it, play online is fun. If you are unsure of anything then the following youtube videos from Andrew Robson Bridge Club explain most things:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLtnBIDMP0032C8uxQpFLN3JT9iRsTm4dX>