Additional Club policies (March 2025)

Topic	Detail	Date agreed
Boards unplayable due to potential sight of scores	 Both pairs awarded adjustment of 40%/40% All players responsible for ensuring corrects boards, incorrect order 	July 2023 CM
Camera when playing online	If possible, members should keep their camera switched on when declaring or defending.	March 2023 CM
Cashless accounts protocol	Please click <u>here</u> for this document	September 2023 CM
Club member or former club member passes away	 Death of current member: Welfare Officer, Treasurer and Membership Team are informed Brief notice placed on homepage by Secretary if family agree Message may be posted in WhatApp groups Welfare Officer liaises with family and arranges card and charity donation Treasurer arranges refund of any outstanding cashless balance, unless relatives request any credit to be transferred to a named charity One minute silence at relevant session(s) at discretion of TD Death of ex member of the club – to be dealt with on an individual basis; a card will be sent to the family. 	May 2022 CM January 2023 CM March 2025 CM
Destroying a pair on RealBridge	 If one player from a pair is having difficulty with connection initially just end the board they're currently playing, if necessary, skip the remainder of the boards in that round Then investigate what the issue is and see if it's best to wait for some minutes to see if they can get back in – if necessary, skipping some more boards, only destroy the pair when it's clear the person having the problem cannot get back in Remember, the rule is you can't destroy a pair who have played half the boards unless they agree 	September 2023 CM May 2024 CM
End of month teams	 Click <u>here</u> to see the A Flight Teams' policy Click <u>here</u> to see the Level 2 Teams' policy 	March 2024 CM
Etiquette	Click <u>here</u> for this document	September 2023 CM
Half tables	Online – because of BriAn, it has to be N/S sit out F2F – default is E/W sit out, but the TD can alter this to N/S and so this needs to be shared out.	January 2023 CM
Illegal bids	Any illegal strong 2 opening bids will see a score adjustment.	July 2023 CM
Late arrivals (f2f and online)	TD given discretion to issue a warning.	March 2022 CM
Late start with f2f bridge	If there is a late start due to weather conditions, traffic etc and the session will overrun, the last round will be removed.	November 2022 CM
Less than 3 tables	No table money charged for regular duplicate sessions (not GD).	July 2023 CM
Less than 5 tables	No NGS awarded (EBU code 12), apart from Wednesday morning when NGS will be awarded when 3+ tables	September 2022 CM November 2024 CM

Light One level overcall	Click <u>here</u> to see the document	January 2025 CM
Non-student buddies at GD	A member acting as a buddy can play for free, at the director's discretion. The host need to inform the Treasurer.	July 2024
Pairs leaving session early	Pairs leaving session early F2F or RB, for any reason i.e. sickness, emergency, misunderstanding of movement (thought were sit out), 40%/60% will be awarded to the non-offending pair.	September 2023 CM May 2024 CM
Playing in Tempo	Click <u>here</u> to see this document	January 2025 CM
'Revenge' rounds	In the event a revenge round has been created (either in error or by RealBridge recalibrating the movement), relevant players will play one another again and the score will stand (there will be no adjustment).	March 2024 CM
Score cards	If neither pairs have an accurate scorecards, each pair will be awarded adjustment of 40%/40% if there is a problem.	July 2023 CM
Scoring errors	Email the club within 48 hours of the published start time of the session with full details.	June 2022 CM
Score adjustment online when a player loses connectivity	 For the first two boards in a session where a pair cannot play them due to technical issue with one or other of the pair, an adjusted score of 50%/60% will be awarded If it continues all boards become 40%/60%, including first two boards For teams 0-0 imps 	July 2022 CM May 2024
Slow Play (Adjusted scoring for removed boards) (Click here to see full paper)	 This will depend in the situation: TD unable to es establish blame AVE/AVE ie 50%/50% OR 0 IMPS/0 IMPS in teams Both pairs at fault but with extenuating circumstances (unlikely – but maybe both pairs have had connection issues on Realbridge for the first time that session) AVE/AVE ie 50%/50% (0 IMPS for Teams) At fault pair vs non-offending pair AVE-/AVE+ - i.e. 40%/60% OR -3 IMPS/+3 IMPS in teams 2 non-offending pairs (this could be the case when a board has to be removed at a subsequent table) AVE+/AVE+ i.e. 60%/60% (+3/+3) Both pairs at fault AVE-/AVE- 40%/40% (-3/-3) 1 pair non- offending the other pair "at fault but with extenuating circumstances" AVE+/AVE ie 60%/50% (This could happen ONLINE when 1 pair has suffered connection issues for the first time that session – OR could apply at the playing directors table – where the director is unable to play the board due to their director's duties) 	March 2024 CM
SIMS competition on RealBridge	The club will always play 20/22 boards to allow for dropouts.	May 2024 CM
WhatsApp group policy	Club WhatsApp groups' purpose is for club to communicate information to participants regarding club, HBA and EBU events, and for important updates	March 2024 CM July 2024 CM January 2025 CM

- e.g. cancellation of a session etc and for participants to source ad hoc partners etc
- In urgent circumstances any WhatsApp Admin can remove a participant immediately e.g. where they have been abusive, threatening etc. The person concerned can always be reinstated following investigation by the Conduct Chair. A screenshot needs to be taken of the relevant post(s).
- Where a participant has posted an inappropriate message, a club admin can remove the message (after having taken a screenshot). The post needs to be deleted within 48 hours under WhatsApp restrictions. If necessary, the post can be recreated following investigation by the Conduct Chair.
- When a member leaves WGCBC, they will be taken off the WhatApp groups