

Bristol Bridge Club Online Pairs

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This is a pairs league competition organised by Chris Dixon and David Jones on behalf of Bristol Bridge Club. For the League event starting on August 3rd 2020, play will take the form of 20 board matches against 7 or 8 other pairs using the facilities of Bridge Base On Line to play competitive pairs games. Players will be seeded into 4 or 5 leagues (seeding done by David Jones) and you will be drawn to play against the other pairs in your league. The matches can be played in up to 3 segments.

Please note that this is a social event and play is informal with no requirement for system cards and self alerting of conventional bids. We assume that any 'disputes' can be resolved by the players themselves. In serious cases which cannot be resolved, David Jones will be the arbitrator with no appeals available.

Full instructions on how to register with BBO can be seen in the document 'BBO Instructions'.

The first two events are now complete and registrations for the follow on event are now open. The current event (August X-Imp League).

All operations apart from playing the games are done using the website masterbridge.co.uk for which your login name is the same as your BBO name.

or

www.masterbridge.co.uk

Select the option 'Bristol Bridge Club Online Pairs'

Now enter your BBO Name and select 'LOGIN'. No password is required and if you are logging in for the first time, a new user record will be automatically created. So take care when entering your BBO name because if you mistype, you'll just create a new and unnecessary record. You only need to login to use the option to 'Show Draw/Enter Results'

The functions available are as follows:

1. **Instructions** - view this page of instructions
2. **BBO Instructions** – instructions about registering on BBO and how to set up, arrange and score your matches. Please make sure you read this and follow the instructions precisely.
3. **Register** – use this option to register to play in the event.

Registrations are now open for the August Leagues

4. **Show Draw/Enter Results**- use this option to see details of the pairs against which you are drawn. You will see the names and BBO names of each of your opponents, their Email and/or Telephone contact details and the number of boards played so far in that match.

You may need to select 'AUGUST Event' if the first event details are shown

To enter results, select the opponents (click on the button in the final column on the row showing their names) and click on RESULTS whereupon you will be transferred to a second page which shows your names and the names of your opponents and a score table. The results can be entered in up to 3 separate segments which caters for a situation in which your match is not completed in one session. For each segment you have played, enter the number of boards played and your own X-IMP score for that set of boards. Do not enter the TOTAL (this will be calculated). Then click on UPDATE. Be careful that the score you enter has a maximum of 2 decimal places and that the total number of boards in the three segments does not exceed 20. To edit or erase results entered, just enter the boards and score for the three segments as they should be and click on UPDATE

5. **Show Current Leaderboard** – Use this option to see the names of all pairs entered together with the league they are playing in in ranking list order. The score shown is the average X-IMP they have in completed matches. You can toggle between the APRIL-MAY League, the MAY-JUNE League and the AUGUST League.
6. **Show League Tables** – Use this option to show the current scores of matches in each of the leagues. On loading this program, the table for League 1 will be displayed. Just click on the 'League' number (boxes on the bottom left) to show the tables for other leagues.

The teams are ranked in average score order - please note that only completed matches will be shown here.

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This website has been developed to be as simple to use as possible. You do not require passwords to login and it is assumed that players will be trustworthy about entering scores.

Please move from page to page using the FINISH option available on each page. Using your browser BACK function will not always work properly.

If you encounter a problem using the website then feel free to call Chris Dixon (01761 432255 or 07973 530297) for help.

Please note the following potential problems:

- a) You login on the first page but your name is not carried forward correctly to subsequent pages. The most likely reason is that you forgot to click LOGIN after entering your name. Please click FINISH and re-login.
- b) If you cannot complete your match in 3 segments, please play as many as are necessary and phone or Email Chris with the results.

IMPORTANT NOTE

Playing these matches, the alerting and announcing procedure is different from that in club bridge.

1. You should alert your own bids which are artificial or conventional.
2. You do not need to alert your 1NT openings (if natural), your opening 2 bids (if natural) or any doubles (if take-out, competitive or penalty).
3. Failure to alert will generally not lead to an adjusted score unless the meaning of the bid is wholly unexpected.
4. You may ask the meaning of any bid if you need to know.
5. No rulings will be made based on hesitations as the integrity of players is assumed in this event and delays happen sometimes because of network issues.
6. No score will be adjusted unless it is clear that damage has been caused.
7. Rulings by David Jones are final.
8. You are encouraged to play these matches in a spirit of friendship and tolerance.