

WBU BBO TOURNAMENT INSTRUCTIONS

The WBU are now holding two AFTERNOON BBO Bridge Sessions, on Tuesdays and Fridays, commencing Tuesday 26th January.

Tuesday events will be Match-Pointed pairs, and Friday events will be IMP scored (pairs played as teams) 21 or 22 boards.

Both tournaments will start at 2.00 pm.

These events are for WBU members and their guests.

The Entry Fee will be BBO\$2.50, payable before the tournament commences.

Master Points will be issued by the WBU

Registration and Joining Instructions

It is essential that you pre-register with the 'WBU Club', ensuring that you are a 'Club Member'. This needs to be done only once, and you will then be added to the WBU Club Member List.

Many of you who have previously played in BBO tournaments will already be registered, but in order to check please see the up-to-date list of BBO user-names at

<https://welshbridgeunion.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/BBO-UserNames.pdf>

If your user-name is not listed, please send details (*User-name, First name, Surname, NBO number*), to WBUNBO@gmail.com

The appropriate tournament will only be visible on BBO two hours prior to the start time (i.e. from mid-day on the Tuesday or Friday).

To view the tournament, log-in to BBO, and then click '*Competitive*'->'All Tournaments'. On the top line choose '*Pending*', and then '*Search*' for '*wbu_1*' (this is the Tournament Director's 'name'). Click on the tournament and the tournament details will be displayed. You then need to register for the tournament, and invite partner. Players can choose to pay individually (BBO\$2.50), or the player inviting can pay for partner (total BBO\$5.00), so ensure you have sufficient funds in your BBO kitty.

Following tournament registration, if you wish you can log-off BBO.

However, you must ensure that you (re)-log-on at least 10 minutes before the tournament is due to start (procedure as above).

If both players are not logged-on to the tournament before the scheduled start-time, you may be refused entry (in this case any payments will be refunded).

Playing

When playing in the tournaments please note:

- 2-board rounds will be scheduled for a maximum of 15 minutes. After this time, if still in play the hand will be curtailed, and the BBO computer will assess the most probable outcome (unless the hand is in the early stages, at which point the Director can take the appropriate action).
- Initially we will permit 'undos' during the auction but not during the play. This will be reviewed later.
- Players should have a fully completed BBO convention card, but during play any artificial bids, or bids likely to need clarification, must be alerted (even above 3NT).