

Swansea Bridge Club Covid Protocol

As you are aware, most Covid-19 restrictions were withdrawn by the Welsh Government as from Saturday, 7th August 2021. However, your safety is paramount and we must provide safe playing conditions. We expect all members to follow the precautions we have put in place, to be sensible and take responsibility for their wellbeing and the wellbeing of others. It is a personal decision as to whether you play at the club or not. As with any venue, we cannot guarantee that the Club is Covid free. This document provides a brief outline of operational guidelines when the club reopens.

Please be reassured that Online sessions are here to stay for the foreseeable future and Realbridge sessions will continue, although some sessions may change as face to face bridge opens up.

Operational necessities

- Please don't come to the club if you feel unwell
- You must be fully vaccinated unless medically exempt. You must confirm this when you book in to play.
- You must book in advance the day before (details below). Do NOT just turn up.
- There will be a maximum of 6 tables and we will be playing Mitchell movements to minimise moving about.
- If you develop Covid 19 symptoms after attending the Club, please notify the Secretary immediately on *****. All players from that session will be notified and recommended to arrange a Covid-19 test.
- Masks are still a requirement indoors, so you must wear a mask when arriving at the club and whenever you are not seated. Masks are not compulsory when seated. However, if you would prefer to wear your mask during play, please feel free to do so.
- Please don't arrive more than 30 minutes before the start of each session and take your seat as soon as possible.
- We are Cashless, so you will need to establish an account with the Treasurer for both Table money and for any teas/coffees/drinks at the bar. (account details below).

- Boards will be put out as usual. Each set will be quarantined for a minimum of 72 hours after use.
- Only the TD should collect boards and Tablets after play, wearing gloves.
- Only North should handle boards and the Tablets at each table.
- North should show the inputted scores to East for verbal acceptance.
- If the TD needs to use a Tablet or touch the cards at a table, he/she will wear disposable gloves.
- Side tables will have a sanitizer which is to be used before you touch the cards and every time on your return from leaving the table.
- Please carry your bidding box with you every time you move. If you have your own bidding box you are very welcome to bring it along. You may also take your box home for use next time you play and the Treasurer will have some available to purchase at £*.**
- To avoid congestion in the corridor, avoid bringing a coat if you can and North and South should store their coats and belongings under their chairs.
- Please wash your hands after using the toilet and then sanitise them when you return to your table.
- ***** will take drink orders from you at the table if a queue begins to form that the Director deems too large.
- Windows will be left open with the Vent Axias's on during a session to ensure the room is adequately ventilated. So, please do not sit in a seat that you consider to be too draughty/noisy as the windows cannot be closed or Vent Axia's turned off.

Finally, thank you for your help and understanding. We are all in this together.

To book a session, you can ring the Secretary on ***** or, preferably, the Tournament Director for that session details of which will be on the Club website https://www.bridgewebs.com/*****

To start playing please, where at all possible, pay via Bank Transfer to the following account. (*****). If you are unable to do this, you may leave a cheque made out to Swansea Bridge Club with ***** or otherwise send a cheque to ***** at *****.