

Olicana Online Bridge Club

How to Play in the Olicana Club Room in BBO

Before the event

You must be a member of BBO, which is free. Click [here](#) to join.

Olicana tournaments are private. You can only participate if your BBO username is on a list we load into BBO. The initial list is Olicana members playing in the Yorkshire league. Contact tdatilkleybridgeclub@gmail.com if you want your BBO username removing from this list. If you join BBO, or you change your BBO username, after October 1st 2020, please email tdatilkleybridgeclub@gmail.com so we can keep details up to date.

It's a good idea to have played some games with your partner in BBO (Casual or Competitive) to get familiar with the pace and method of playing online. Also to become familiar with the BBO style of alerting which is explained [here](#).

You don't need to pay for the club event in advance. Olicana Bridge club will invoice you at the end of every month for all the events you have played in the Olicana club rooms in BCL and BBO. Please pay the invoice promptly by online bank payment or cheque. A game in the Olicana club room in BBO or BCL costs £2.50.

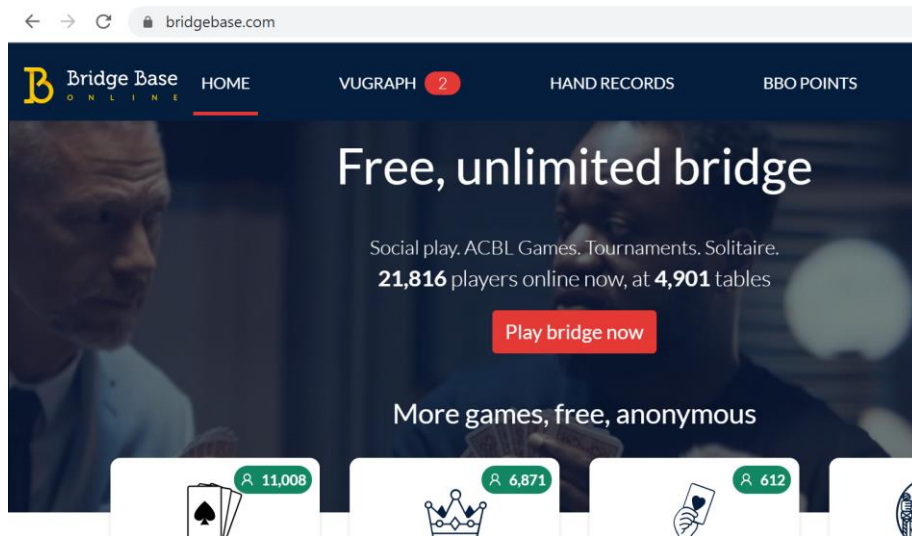
The event is an 18 board match pointed pairs with a minimum of 3 full tables. No half tables. Howell movement.

You should agree your convention card with your partner before the event. In BBO, go to the **Account** tab and click on **Convention cards**. You can set up a card for you and your partner.

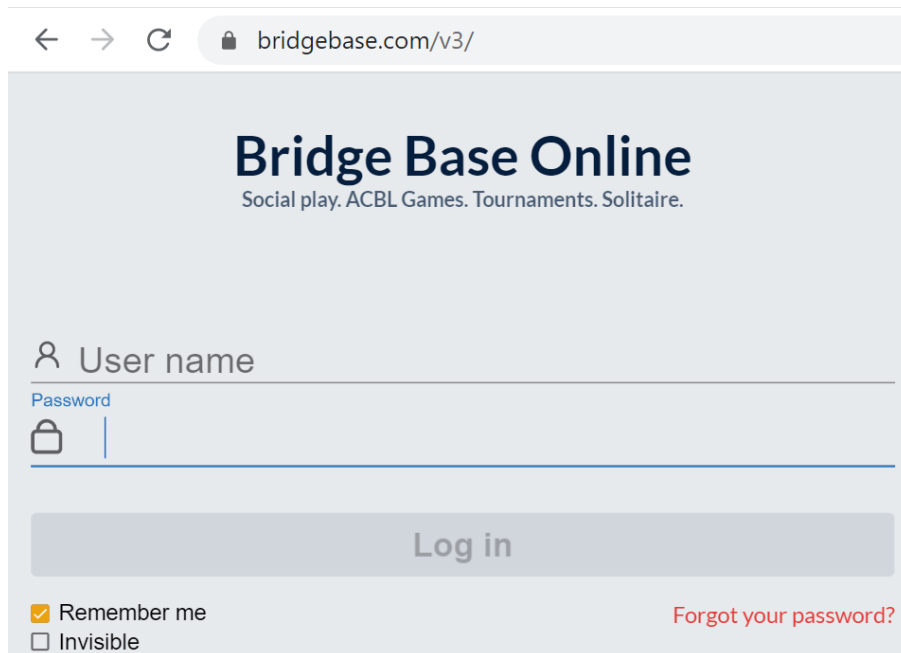
To get to a table, you need to register for the event up to 2 hours before it starts. When the session starts, as long as you are both logged in to BBO, the system will sit you and your partner at a table.

Playing

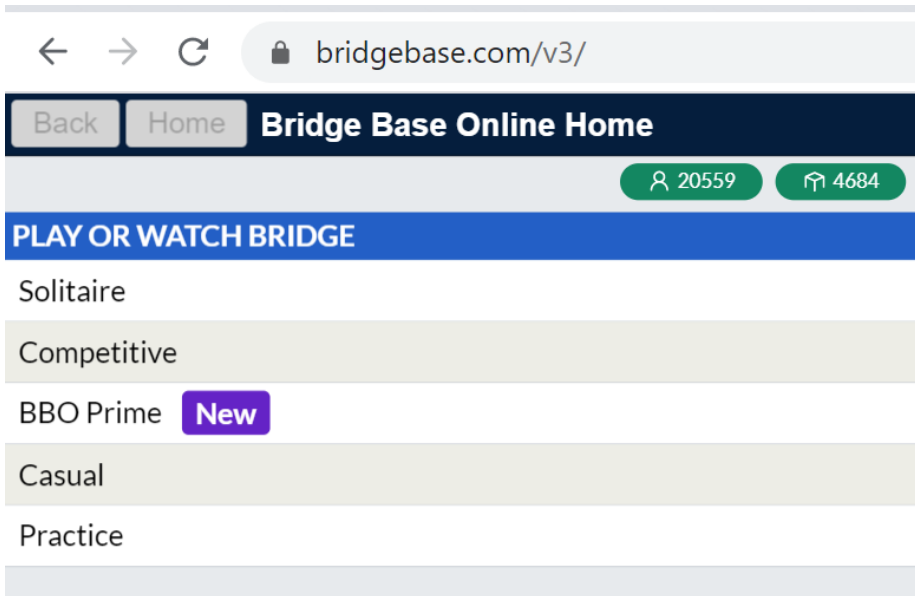
Enter BBO from your internet browser with this address <https://www.bridgebase.com/>



Click **Play bridge now**



Provide your log in details (BBO username and password).



Click **“Competitive”**



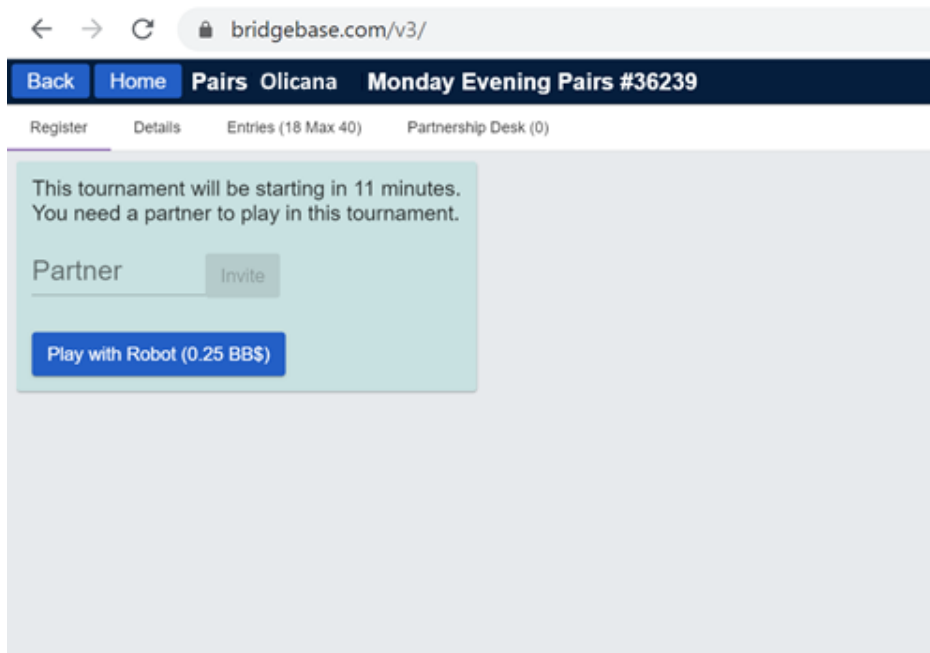
Click **“All Tournaments”**

Host	Title	Type	Start	Entries	Entry Fee
bbo	Free Super Sunday Daylong (Oct 4)	Individual	131+ hours	3823	Free
ACBLSYC	ACBL SYC Black Point Daylong (MP) - 2020-09	Individual	Running	136	6 BBS
ACBL	ACBL Daylong 18 Boards (MP) 1 - 2020-09-28	Individual	Running	184	1.95 BBS
ACBL	ACBL Daylong (MP) 3 - 2020-09-28	Individual	Running	248	1.35 BBS
ACBL	ACBL Daylong (MP) 1 - 2020-09-28	Individual	Running	695	1.35 BBS
ACBL	ACBL Daylong (MP) 2 - 2020-09-28	Individual	Running	300	1.35 BBS
ACBL	ACBL Daylong (MP) 4 - 2020-09-28	Individual	Running	232	1.35 BBS
ACBL	ACBL Daylong (IMP) 1 - 2020-09-28	Individual	Running	198	1.35 BBS
ABA	ABA Daylong (MP) - 2020-09-28	Individual	Running	30	1 BBS

Now a list of all pending events will appear. On the top right hand side of the screen there is a search box – type “Olicana” in the box and it should bring up the Olicana pairs event for that day.

Host	Title	Type	Start	Entries	Entry Fee
EBU	Pairs Relaxed 9-High tournament #3042	Pairs	13	16	1.30 BBS
vebu207282	Pairs Basingstoke Monday Pairs #25790	Pairs	14	4	3 BBS
vebu204099	Pairs CBC & YHBC Duplicate #75841	Pairs	14	23	3 BBS
vEBU202996	Pairs Eastbourne Clubs Improvers Duplicate #5	Pairs	14	7	3 BBS
vebu_glo	Pairs League GCBA Div 2 #48789	Pairs	14	0	4 BBS
vebu_glo	Pairs League GCBA Div 3 #48797	Pairs	14	0	4 BBS
vebu_glo	Pairs League GCBA Div 4 #48799	Pairs	14	2	4 BBS
vEBU205667	Pairs Olicana Monday Evening Pairs #36239	Pairs	14	18	Free
VEBU205467	Pairs Goring and Streatley Bridge Club #92102	Pairs	15	8	3 BBS
vebu210969	Pairs SMBC Stoke Mandeville Bridge Club #921	Pairs	15	16	Free

Click this event and it will take you to the registration screen. Don't worry if the screen shows different numbers, as long as it says Olicana, it's the right tournament.



Type the BBO username of your partner in the box and click on “invite”

If the BBO username for you or your partner is not listed for Olicana tournaments, you will see this message

“username Blocked – this tournament is private. Only selected usernames are allowed to participate”

Make sure your registration is confirmed and you are now ready to play. Stay in the competitive setting and you will be taken to your table when the event starts.

You can register any time from 2 hours before and it is strongly advised that you register early the first time to allow time to fix any issues that may arise when you register. Once registered, you can log off but just be back on line 5 minutes before the start time.

The tournament director for the Olicana club room in BBO is Oliver Cowan. He is a member of Leeds bridge club and runs online events for many bridge clubs in Yorkshire and elsewhere in England and for the YCBA. If you have any problems registering, please call Oliver on 07946 393033.

If a host pair is needed, Oliver will arrange for them to be seated in time for the event to start.

When the event starts, hands are dealt and you play as normal, but with your Olicana friends.

At the end of a round, the system moves you on to the next table. A round allows 8 minutes for each hand to be played. (This may be reduced in the future). If you play the hands quickly, you’ll have time to chat at the table.

If a player drops out because of broadband problems, the system holds their seat for a short while; any problems, ring Oliver.

Results will be on the Olicana website within three hours of the event finishing and will be sent to EBU for NGS processing overnight.

Visitors are welcome, but please email tdatilkleybridgeclub@gmail.com with name, email address, BBO username and if available, EBU number, at least one day before the event.