

## The Guelph and Cambridge Bridge Clubs are collaborating to host Pairs games on BBO!

We miss you! So, your club, whether it is Cambridge or Guelph, would like to get everyone back together for the love of bridge and enjoyment of each other's company. Thanks to the help of our neighbours at Grand River we will begin hosting pairs games online this coming week.

Date	Time	Fee	Director	Assistants
Tues. April 21	12:45	3 BB\$	John Spencer	Adrian
Wed. April 22	12:45	3 BB\$	Diane Bourdeau	Pat, Bob
Fri. April 24	12:45	5BB\$	John Spencer	Thea, Diane

### Here's how you participate:

1. From the screen after you log in under titled **Play or Watch Bridge** click **COMPETITIVE**.

2. On the next menu click **ACBL VIRTUAL CLUBS**.

3. A number of tournaments will be listed sorted by time. You can look for the tournament scheduled at **12:45 pm**, or in the top right corner there is a search menu. Type in **GUELPH** and only our tournament will be listed.

#### PLAY OR WATCH BRIDGE

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#### TOURNAMENTS

ACBL Masterpoint Tournaments

BBO Points Tournaments

Robot Tournaments

Free Tournaments

ACBL Virtual Clubs

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Host	Title	Type	Start	Entries	Entry Fee	
vacb267120	Boca Raton/St.Cats/HLLYWD/ANDY/GUS/Pam 4:30 #1608	Pairs	6	7	6 BB\$	
vacb266882	District 23 499er 1:21pm (18bds/7min) #553	Pairs	6	28	4 BB\$	
vacb227306	NYC Kids Bridge #8481	Pairs	6	9	Free	
vacb103325	Gabi's Alliance of Clubs #85	Pairs	16	2	6 BB\$	

**4. Partners** – Please organize a partner to play with and enter their BBO name in the registration box. You can choose to pay for your partner. Instructions on how to get BB\$ are on the next page.

This tournament has a 5 BB\$ entry fee.  
This tournament will be starting in 93 minutes.  
You need a partner to play in this tournament.

Partner

Invite (5 BBS)

I will pay for both myself and my partner

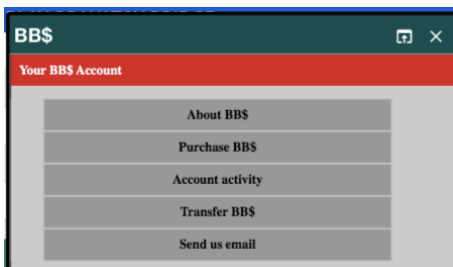
## Some important notes:

**REGISTRATION** - The tournament will be listed **2 hours before game time**, that's 10:45 am. It's helpful if you log on and register at that time, so the director will know how many tables to fill. Once you're registered, you can log off BBO and go about your day. When you get back on around 12:30 you will be listed as a player.

## **If there's a problem registering call John at 519-824-8912**

**FEES & BB\$**- The Mon. and Wed. games are **3 BB\$** and then the fee will change to 5BB\$. BB\$ are in US currency. And so 5BB\$ translates to approximately \$7 CAN which is what we are used to playing.

To purchase BB\$ please use the BBO website on your computer rather than your phone. This will avoid any additional transaction fees. When you log in you will see a BB\$ button at the top right of the window, next to Log Off, Help and your name.



When you click on BB\$ a red window opens and you want to pick **PURCHASE BB\$**. You then have a choice of buying the BB\$ credits with you credit card or PayPal. These credits will be attached to you BBO name. You cannot withdraw them so don't buy too many in advance.

**Pay with a credit card**

BBO username

Password

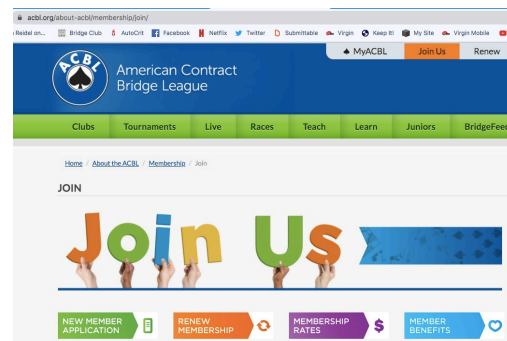
**Pay with PayPal**

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**DURATION & PACE** - This tournament should last around 3 hours, like a regular bridge game at the club. *Please do not sign up if you cannot commit for the whole game. Any pairs leaving the tournament will seriously harm the game for other players.* The director will set the timing at 7 min per hand and is able to monitor the group's pace. If there is a single slow table, they may miss playing a board so that the majority of the group can rotate. If the majority of the group are finding the pace too fast, then the director can adjust the timer.

**ACBL NUMBERS** – These first two games will be open to anyone. In the future, if you want to play in a game with point limitations, such as a 199er or 499er, you will need an ACBL number. If you've been putting off joining ACBL, now is the time to do it. It's an additional motivation to work toward winning points and ACBL is an organization well worth your support. Go to their website.



**LOST CONNECTION** - BBO has increased traffic on their server. That's why we're starting at 12:45, to get ahead of the heavy demand. Being logged out accidentally by the software or WiFi disruption does happen. If you get bumped out during the tournament just log in again as you did at the beginning. Usually you will be able to get right back to the same table. If that does not work call John at 519-824-8912.

**PATIENCE** - This is a new experience for you, your fellow players and the directors. Our directors are donating their time to create this opportunity. Please be patient. We are playing these trial games at a discounted rate so everyone can become familiar with the process. The goal is to stay connected and have fun.

### **NEED HELP?**

If you have general questions about BBO in advance of the game contact:

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