

# Bridge Club News

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## BBO Tip: Join our online games

To participate in a North Shore bridge club game online, you'll need to follow two steps.

### (1) Create a BBO (Bridge Base Online) Account

Go to <https://www.bridgebase.com/v3/>

(If this link does not work, paste the link into your browser search box)

Click on "become a new member – free"

Fill in the required information. The BBO user name is what others will see when you log on. Your real name could be just your first name or even left blank.

Fill in your ACBL number to have masterpoints credited to your ACBL account.

Other information could be anything you like.

Skill level. Whatever seems appropriate. Some players choose private.

Once you've created your account, take a look around to become comfortable with the site. For example, you might want to look at the different tabs on the right hand side, and then the options for each tab at the top.

BBO has a series of very informative tutorials. Click on the Blue "Help" at the top.

**One important task:** buy some BBO\$. Click on the blue button at the top and follow the instructions. **Caution:** do not put \$ into your account with an iphone or ipad since there will be a "service charge" and \$20us will become much more on your card.

The ACBL restricts game entry to those who have played at a North Shore clubs in 2019.

If you are not an ACBL member, we need to know who you are so that we add you to the "friends" list manually which will allow you to register. Contact the club manager.

### (2) Register for a game

Look at "Featured Areas" -- "Virtual Clubs – "ACBL Virtual Clubs" – "Pending"

You will see a list of games starting in the next two hours. Click on the description of the game you want to join (under "title" not "host")

In the dialog box that opens, fill in the BBO name of your partner and click "invite). Your partner must be online for the registration to succeed.

**TIP:** register early, especially for the first game. Then we have time to help you if there is a problem. You can log out and come back just before game time.

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