

EBU Directors Course at Thirsk Bridge Club for EBU members only

Saturday October 22 nd	Essentials	Cost	£18
Saturday November 12 th	Book Rulings	Cost	£20

Costs include the EBU concessions – two for one!

Course begins at 10.30 am and finishes at 4.30 pm with a break for lunch.
Tea, coffee and biscuits provided – but not lunch.
Courses are usually limited to a maximum of 16 people per course.

Applications must be made through Janet, club secretary, so please sign the list or let her know if you are interested so that you can complete the EBU application form. Do not include any money at this time.

Summaries of the courses are listed below. Further info on the EBU website:
http://www.ebu.co.uk/laws_ethics/td-training/training_courses.htm

We do need commitment by the end of September for attendance on either or both courses.
If you do direct at Thirsk and have attended a course then your table money will be waived accordingly so that over time you will be partially reimbursed!

Essentials Course

For Whom

Those who intend to start, or have just recently started, directing duplicate bridge sessions at club level.

Objectives

On completion of the course, participants will:

- understand the role and responsibilities of a club tournament director;
- be able to devise, set up and run a straightforward movement for a club duplicate;
- be able to score the duplicate, including any passed-out hands and averages;
- have an appreciation of the structure of the Law Book, and the terminology used therein, so as to be able to refer to it in order to deal with the most common problems which occur at the bridge table.

Prerequisites

Participants must be members of the English Bridge Union. They should have played duplicate bridge at club level, but no previous experience of directing is required. If possible, those attending should bring with them a copy of the Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge 2007 and a copy of the Handbook of EBU Directives and Conventions (the '**Orange Book**'). You may be able to borrow these from your bridge club. The OB has a simplified version (**the Tangerine Book**) and the latest edition of both of these can be downloaded from the website.

Content

The course includes talks, discussions, exercises and question and answer sessions led by a tutor with experience both in teaching and tournament direction.

An 'EBU Club Directors Certificate of Attendance' will be issued to all who attend this course

Book Rulings

For Whom

Club Tournament Directors with a minimum of 6 months experience of directing club duplicates, who wish to become fully competent and qualified Club Directors.

Objectives

On completion of the course, participants will:

- have a clear understanding of the role and responsibilities of a club tournament director;
- be able to find their way around the Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge in order to be able to give accurate rulings in respect of 'mechanical' problems which may occur at the bridge table, such as lead or call out of turn, revokes, playing a wrong board, etc.;
- understand the function of the Handbook of EBU Directives and Conventions (the 'Orange Book') and its application to their clubs

Prerequisites

Participants must be members of the English Bridge Union. They should have played duplicate bridge at club level, but no previous experience of directing is required. If possible, those attending should bring with them a copy of the Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge 2007 and a copy of the Handbook of EBU Directives and Conventions (the '**Orange Book**'). You may be able to borrow these from your bridge club. The OB has a simplified version (**the Tangerine Book**) and the latest edition of both of these can be downloaded from the website.

Content

The course includes talks, discussions, group problem solving exercises and role-play to simulate problem situations. It will be led by tutors with experience both in teaching and tournament directing.

An 'EBU Club Directors Certificate of Attendance' will be issued to all who attend this course