Hopefully you can now manage to enter the tournament. It will be available from 8.30am-



**Novice Kiwis by AKBC.** At 10.30 you will be whisked away to a table to start playing.

You will see this appear in front of you when it is your turn to bid. You will always be at the bottom of the screen, no matter which direction you are sitting. To make a bid Click on the pass or double or a number. After selecting a number, you will be able to select a suit.

## https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MldFbBdea90

If you are making an artificial or unusual bid, you have to explain it yourself. Don't worry, your partner will not see this. This is self alerting. So BEFORE selecting a number- type your explanation where it says explain-then alert-then make the bid.

When opening 1NT=type the point range -e.g 12-14 in the explain area. When opening 1C- type in 2+ or 3+ or 4+-whatever the minimum club length you may have -NOT the number you are looking at!

If playing a 5+ spade opener you will have 3+ clubs. If playing 4 card suits you will have 4+ clubs. Some players may play 5 card heart and spade and they might have 2+ clibs. Don't worry if you see this, no matter what system people play, if they open 1C they nearly always have 5+. (NB There is a system where 1C only shows 15+HCP or similar-you will only see this if you are playing other tournaments on BBO)



If you need help- click on the "hamburger" at the top left of the screen-This is the blue box with 3 white lines.

You will then see:



Click on Call Director and the Director and the Helpers will get a message to come to your table.

They will type in "How can I help?" or similar. You will see their BBO name before the question. Click on their name and a box will appear with details about them. It will have a line -MESSAGE- type in this and they will get your message and will be able to reply the same way-Clicking on your name and typing a response.

Below are some links that maybe helpful.

1) Written by Victoria Bridge Club- this is a document about how to bid etc as well as how to start your own table so you can play with friends.

http://www.nzbridge.co.nz/user/inline/3359/VBC%20BBO%20Online%20bridge%20instructions%20%2029%20March%20%281%29.pdf

The below are all videos on how to do .....How to alert: <u>https://youtu.be/xyFULWYsVXc?t=86</u> Asking the opponents to explain a bid: <u>https://youtu.be/xyFULWYsVXc?t=310</u> How to send messages: <u>https://youtu.be/xyFULWYsVXc?t=149</u>

How to claim: <a href="https://youtu.be/xyFULWYsVXc?t=454">https://youtu.be/xyFULWYsVXc?t=454</a>

How to call the director: <u>https://youtu.be/xyFULWYsVXc?t=386</u>

How to review auction: <u>https://youtu.be/xyFULWYsVXc?t=261</u>

How to review the last trick: <u>https://youtu.be/xyFULWYsVXc?t=289</u> How to undo: <u>https://youtu.be/xyFULWYsVXc?t=360</u>