



## BENEFITS FOR EBU CLUBS

The EBU provides many services and benefits for its affiliated clubs. A number of them are listed here. Please click on a hyperlink for further details.

- **[Free Club Teacher Training](#)** – Each EBU club can take advantage of one free club teacher training course in any 24-month period to assist with the development of the club and to attract new members. The courses are subject to availability and conditions apply\*.
- **[Free Club Tournament Director Training](#)** – Buy one get one free on all Tournament Director training places. Subject to availability – conditions apply\*.
- **[Reduced Cost Public Liability Insurance](#)** – Extensive club cover for a very low price.
- **[Discounts of 12% on bridge equipment for affiliated Clubs](#)** – The EBU shop provides good quality low cost equipment and stationery. If you can find the same item advertised cheaper elsewhere, we will match the price where possible.
- **[National Club Committee](#)** – The NCC represents the interests of our clubs at national level. The Committee also ensures that clubs are consulted about EBU activities and plans that may affect them through its **[Regional Representatives](#)**.
- **[Club Competitions](#)** – The EBU runs a number of competitions especially for its clubs. These include the NICKO, the National Pairs and EBU Simultaneous Pairs. New events are being introduced in the coming months including local based simultaneous pairs, stratified and handicapped events, and much more.
- **[National Grading Scheme](#)** – Clubs will be able to use the National Grading Scheme to enhance their competitions and events. We are hoping to be able to introduce the NGS in 2011.
- **[Master Points Scheme](#)** – An incentive scheme which helps in promoting and retaining club membership.
- ***Club Focus*** – The EBU electronic newsletter especially for club administrators appears three times a year with helpful articles for Clubs. Is your Club Committee getting *Club Focus*? If not, please email [clubfocus@ebu.co.uk](mailto:clubfocus@ebu.co.uk)
- Services of the EBU Club Liaison Officer – Krys K can be contacted at any time for help and advice: [krys@ebu.co.uk](mailto:krys@ebu.co.uk)
- Services of the EBU Press & Communications Officer – Matt Betts can help with publicity for your club and events: [matt@ebu.co.uk](mailto:matt@ebu.co.uk)
- **[Extensive Support to Club Teachers](#)** – Through EBUTA, the EBU Teachers Association.

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- **Computer Deals and Hand Records** – Free of charge (New service for clubs without access to duplimate boards. For details email [krys@ebu.co.uk](mailto:krys@ebu.co.uk))
- **Minibridge** – The EBU is promoting Minibridge in schools to help ensure the future of bridge at our clubs in the long term. Your club can help.
- **EBU Website** – A treasure trove of information and advice. Downloads (free of charge) include:
  - **Model Club Constitution** – all clubs should have a Constitution
  - **Convention Cards** – blank ones you can fill in yourself, as well as ready prepared Convention Cards for Standard Benji, Acol, etc.
  - **Orange Book** (Handbook of EBU Directives)
  - **Tangerine Book** (simply presented Handbook of EBU Directives for clubs)
  - **White Book** (full EBU Tournament Directors' Guide)

**For new clubs only (further details from [krys@ebu.co.uk](mailto:krys@ebu.co.uk)):**

- **Scoring program from ScoreBridge** - one free licence per club
- **Web site hosting from BridgeWebs** – free for one year

**Other services and benefits in preparation:**

- **Club Management Handbook** – Free of charge
- **Online Club Committee Forum** – Free of charge
- **Club Directors' Handbook** – Free of charge

**Services and Benefits for Individual Members** - The EBU also provides your individual members with a regular magazine and diary as well as a number of [other membership benefits](#).

**If you are interested in any of the above services or require advice or assistance on any matters pertaining to your club, please contact Krys K, the EBU Club Liaison Officer, on 01296-317206 or via his email: [krys@ebu.co.uk](mailto:krys@ebu.co.uk). Krys is also happy to visit your club to discuss subjects such as ways to boost membership.**

\* All clubs who take advantage of our free teacher training and tournament director training will agree to remain affiliated to the EBU for a further three full years after the year that the training course has taken place. e.g. if the training takes place in 2010-2011 the club must remain affiliated until the affiliation year beginning April 2014.