

Information for directors Use of Tablets and Bridgetab

- Disconnect the tablets from their power source.
- Either power up the tablets yourself before handing out or get the players at the table to do this. (if the later hand out earlier than you may have for the bridge scorers) Power button on right hand side towards the middle and slightly underneath. Hold for a second or two and release. It takes about 30 secs for the tablets to boot up and load a battery saving app plus the bridge tab app. The tablet will then connect to the network. The top left corner wi/fi strength indicator will at some stage turn orange (indicates the connection to the network) or green (and now connected to the Bridge Tab server as well).
- *If you get a message Unfortunately Bridge Tab has stopped then touch OK and select Bridge Tab as Home ALWAYS.*
- You have been doing this but always make certain in BOS that Bridge Tab admin is active and minimised. On the taskbar at the bottom of the laptop there will be an icon with a diamond in it. Note The top left corner wi/fi strength indicator will now be green and you will have the start button showing on the tablets. If not then go to the trouble shooting section below.
- After you start BSC screen then the tablets can be used.
- After the table number is entered the next screen gives the pair numbers (Howell or Mitchell)
- The next screen is for the players to enter their number. Touch the box with the ?
- Rest is straight forward.
- Directors Screen: To get to this screen you touch and hold the green question mark on the tablet.
- **At the end of play: Don't stop the BSC but minimise this screen. You will need to close this when you exit BOS.**
- Players can check their ranking and then **exit bridge tab by arrowing to the original start screen.**(The arrow is usually green).
Now power off the tablet. Press and hold the power button. Touch Power Off and then OK. Then return the tablet to the top table.
Return the tablets to the office and plug in the power cables. The cables and cases are colour coded to make this easier. *(The tablets have also been scheduled to auto power of at 11.00pm. If this is a problem then let me know)*
- On the Belkin Conserve Switch (energy saving device) use the three hour setting. For a tournament you may like to give them a half hour boost between sessions. Probably not needed at this time.
- Press the button on the right side of the conserve switch to start the charging. The indicator light on the multi board will come on.
- **Note** The tablets and chargers have built in safety features and so hopefully you can't overcharge them.
- **Maintainance.** I'm trying some screen savers on some of the tablets. To clean the screens use a microfibre cloth by the tablets. It needs to be **slightly** damp. (wring out thoroughly before use). If you have trouble wringing it out then use the eye droplet to put a couple of drops of water on the screen. Keep the tablets level so that the water does not run into the edges. Now use the micro fibre cloth.
- **Note: Tablets do not like water or chemicals of any sort so be very careful with this cleaning.**

What to do if you have no communication (trouble shooting)

Note The tablets communicate on Wi/Fi via the white router by the clock which then allows access to the modem in the office. If you ever have trouble with the tablets communicating, like Wi/Fi indicator does not go orange (no network) or maybe it does not go green and no start button appears even though the bridge tab server is running (icon with diamond is showing on the task bar), then follow the steps below

- That the laptop is on Wi/Fi see note on the laptop. Also see the network indicator on the taskbar Hover over this and it should show TAUPO BRIDGE.
- If that is not the problem then power of that router by switching it off and pulling out the adapter for 30 seconds. Plug back in and switch on. May take a couple of minutes to reconfigure.
- If there is still a problem then check that the modem in the office is on.
- As a final resort turn off both, the modem in the office first (pull out power cable at the back) and then the router in the in the playing room. Then power up the modem in the office and after a couple of minutes the router in the playing room
- Always let me know if you have to do this or if the Wi/Fi ever gets slow.

Note If the Router becomes unusable (dies) then you will need to activate Wi/Fi on the modem in the office. Take out the blue cable that goes into the modem. Then press the Wi/Fi button on the modem. It will flash for a while and then stay on. The tablets should be able to connect to this from the playing room.

Note If the modem in the office becomes unusable then you need to get a new one from Spark