We are all in a unique situation due to COVID-19. Currently, playing at the club isn't possible for many. Through the ACBL's partnership with <u>Bridge Base Online</u> (BBO) and The Common Game, we have a temporary solution for you! **You can play on your computer**, **tablet or smart phone**.

BBO has daily games at 7am, 2 pm and 4:30pm PST

You can play in a specially created game on BBO called "SUPPORT YOUR CLUBS..." and earn ACBL black masterpoints. When you play in this specific game, you will supporting your favorite club and insuring that they can weather the storm and reopen when this is all over. You do not need to let anyone know when you played. The system knows where you play most often and will automatically support that club when you play. We thank you in advance for helping clubs across the nation survive at this time.

Before you can play, you need to choose how you will play and follow these instructions:

To play from a **COMPUTER (Recommended),** go to <u>www.Bridgebase.com</u> and become a member

To play from your **TABLET**, go to <u>www.Bridgebase.com</u> and on the web or go to your APP STORE and download "Bridge Base Online" and play on their app

To play from your **SMARTPHONE**, go to your APP STORE and download "Bridge Base Online"

Playing online is just a few clicks away:

- Simply log into your BBO account (you will need to create one if you don't already have one)
- Click on "ACBL World"
- Click on "Support Your Club ACBL Black Point Game" (Note: all games will pop up 2-hours before game time; if you don't see it, it's already full)
- Register to play by either adding your partner's username (they will need to be a member and logged in at the same time to accept the registration) or click on "Partnership Desk" and either add yourself to the list of single players with one of the 2 options (pay for yourself or have other pay for you) or click any "Invite button" to invite someone to be your partner. To view a players profile, click on their user names on the left. either
- Due to high demand, we recommend that you are logged in and registered 2-hours before the game.
- Once you are registered, you can log off or do something else. Just make sure to log back in at least 10-15 minutes before game time.
- At game time, you will automatically be taken to your table. There is nothing else you need to

If you need more help:

You can read BBO's instructions online here

Note: San Diego Regulars, If you are NEW to BBO, when signing up for the first time we suggest you choose a USERNAME that will help your San Diego friends find you easily and to type your full name in the area called "real name". Consider using "SAN" as the first 3 letters and your first name and last initial for the remainder (e.g. SANDianaH, SANBillyJ).

Coming Soon: The ACBL/BBO/The Common Game are working to develop a way that will allow you to play in games limited to just the San Diego Bridge Club players, so you can play at your preferred game times and always find your favorite partner and friends to play with. Please keep an eye out on our homepage for future updates.

Be well. Stay inside. Wash your hands. Don't touch your face. Play bridge online. We miss you, too!

Note: Our thanks to the Sagamore Bridge Club who gave us permission to adapt their flyer.