

How can I replay the hands?

You can replay all the previous Gentle Bridge hands (and hands from other Allendale sessions) in Bridge Base Online (BBO). It's a great way to practice on your own, with robots or with other players. For example, some members practice in pairs or groups of four by bidding and replaying the hands and then checking their learning against the coaching notes. There are 5 steps:

Step 1

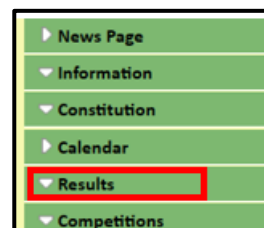
Register with BBO at <https://www.bridgebase.com/>

Step 2

Download the **LIN** file from the Allendale website to your computer

2a) Go to the Allendale Home page

- On the lefthand side of Home Page
- Select **Results**



2b) The results are listed in reverse date order

- Select **Gentle Duplicate** for the date you want



2c) Select **Travellers**



2d) Make a note of the cards in the North Hand

- so you can check, later, that you have uploaded the correct file



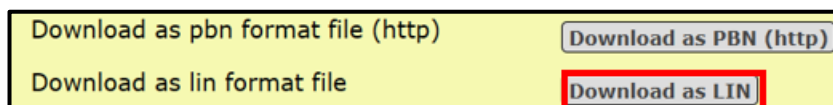
2e) On the Results Calendar screen

- Select **Hands**



2f) On the next screen

- Select **Download as Lin**



What happens next will depend on which browser you use.

- Some browsers will automatically save in your Downloads folder.
- Other browsers may give you the option to Open or Save; so select **Save**
- You may want to create a separate folder eg **Gentle Lin Files** and keep all your Lin files in this

Step 3

Upload the Lin file into BBO

3a) Log onto BBO

3b) Select **Account**

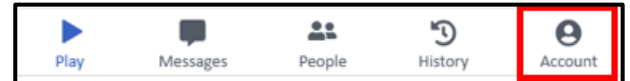
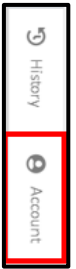
If you are viewing just one app on your screen **Account** will be vertical on the righthand side
-select **Account**

or

If you are using a tablet eg Ipad or Split Screen i.e you can see 2+ apps at the same time

- **Account** will be horizontal - on the bottom righthand side

- select **Account**



3c) Select **Deal Archive**

If you are viewing just one app on your screen under Account on the righthand side, you will see two arrow heads

- click on the right arrowhead, until you see **Deal Archive**

- select **Deal Archive**

or

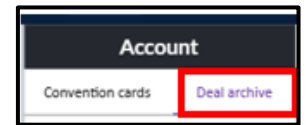
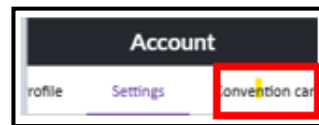
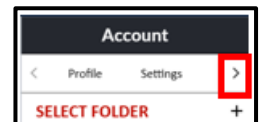
If you are using Split Screen or a tablet

Under Account on the righthand side

- Keep clicking to the right of Settings

- until you see **Deal Archive**

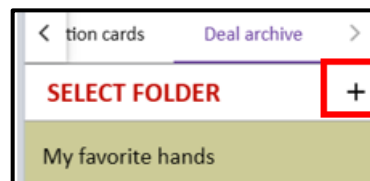
- select **Deal Archive**



3d) Go to the right of Select Folder

- Select **+**

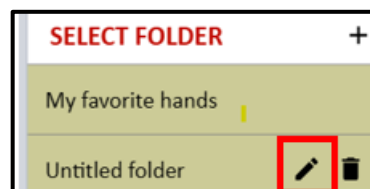
- this creates a folder called 'Untitled Folder'



3e) Rename this folder

- Select the pencil icon to right of Untitled Folder

- Type name for folder eg Gentle and date



3f) Select the folder you have just created

- eg Gentle 12 Sept 200x



3g) To confirm your selection

- Select



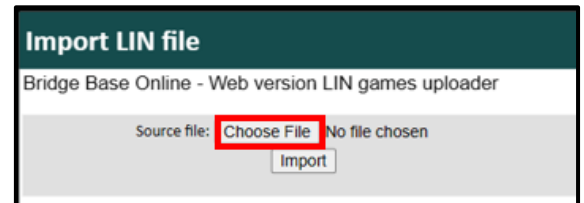
3h) At the bottom of the screen

- select **Import LIN file**



3i) On the lefthand side of the screen

- select **Choose File**
- find the folder and the file you saved earlier
- this will be in Downloads or the folder you created earlier
- click on the file and select **Open**



3j) You will return to BBO

- select **Import**



3k) You should see a yellow highlighted message saying your import was successful

- select the X to close this box



3l) Select the folder that you created earlier

- you should see it contains a number of hands, labelled Board 1, Board 2 etc.

Although you can have multiple folders of hands indefinitely on BBO, large numbers become difficult to manage, so you will probably want to only keep the last 1 or 2.

Click the dustbin icon when you want to delete a folder and all of its hands



Step 4

Create a Practice Table to play the hands

4a) Log onto BBO at <https://www.bridgebase.com/>

- on the first page select **Play bridge now**
- this will take you to the Login screen

4b) On BBO Home Page

- select **Practice**

4c) On the righthand side of the Practice screen

- select **Start a Teaching table**

4d) On the Start Table screen

- select **Permission required to Kibitz**
 - select **Permission required to play**
- This will prevent anyone else joining the table

- If it is only you, playing, then select **Invisible**
- this prevents anyone else from seeing the table

4e) Select **Start Table** towards the bottom of the screen

Step 5

Load the hands you want to play

5a) Select the menu bar towards the top righthand side

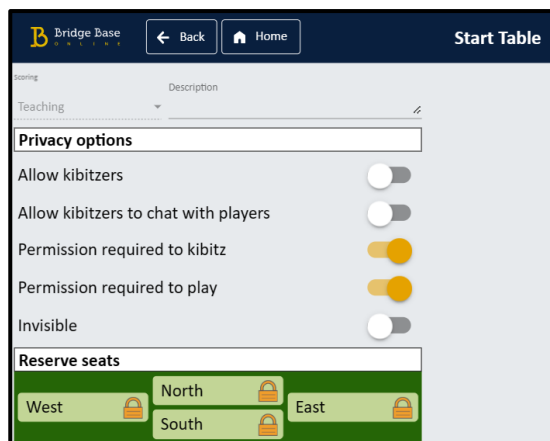
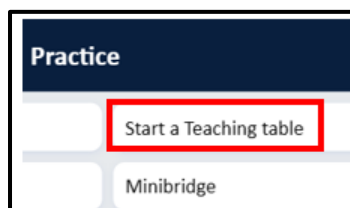
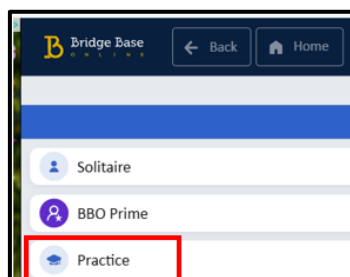
5b) From the Dropdown menu

- select **Deal Source**

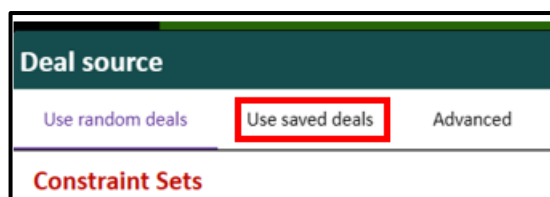
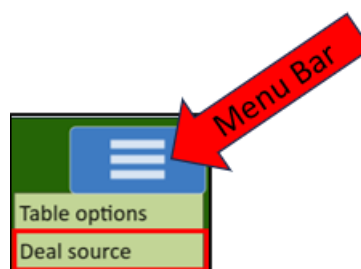
5c) From the Deal Source menu on lefthand side

- select **Use saved deals**

Play bridge now



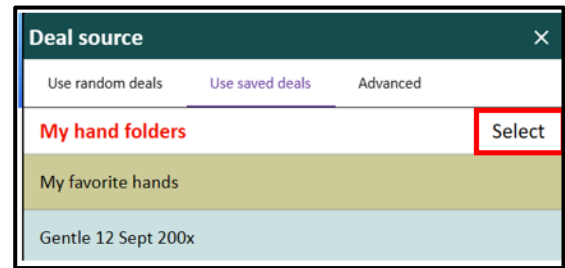
Start Table



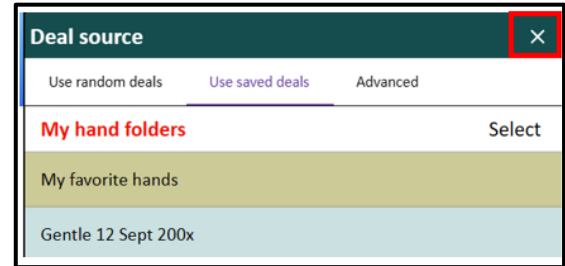
5d) Click on the folder you want eg Gentle 12 Sept 200x
 - then press **Select**

Warning

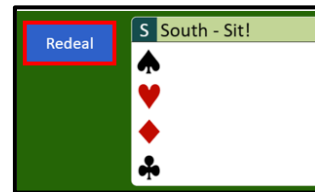
- nothing changes; it is not obvious you have done anything



5e) Close the Deal source dialogue box
 - select **X** in the top right corner



5f) To deal the hands you have just loaded
 - select **Redeal**, to the left of the South hand



5g) Check Hand 1 for North has the same cards you noted earlier



5h) All the player positions will say Sit
 - Select **North, South, West or East**
 - From the drop down menu select **Sit**
 - you can sit in all 4 seats or any number of seats

Reserve

- type in other players' BBO name to invite them

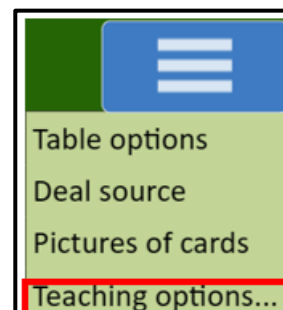
Robot

- to play with a robot(s)

- you will need to purchase robots, see **Robot World** on home page of BBO



5i) To select which hands players can see, go to the menu (3 lines)
 - Select **Teaching Options** and adjust accordingly



If you need any help, please speak with one of the Gentle Duplicate Coaches on a Tuesday afternoon