Etiquette to be observed by all new & existing members of Rodborough Bridge Club

We are a very friendly Club and will make you most welcome and we are sure that you will enjoy playing with us for a long time but it helps to integrate to a new club if you know what is expected.

- 1. Arrive before 18:40 to assist in the preparation of the tables and the boards.
- 2. Decide who within the pair is North/South or East/West and stick to those positions throughout the evening, except as directed by the movement card.
- 3. If you are North ensure that both pairs' names & <u>their numbers</u> are written on the back of the 1st traveller, and that the board numbers are entered on the front of all travellers.
- 4. Check the Movement card to see which table you move to next and who you are following.
- 5. At the start of the evening, do not remove cards from board until told to by the Director.
- 6. Count your cards face down BEFORE you start arranging your hand.
- 7. We have a 'local rule' that it is permissible to reshuffle the board if the first round, ONLY, is passed out.
- 8. Person on lead should play lead card BEFORE completing personal scorecard, this saves time.
- 9. Decide on your bid BEFORE reaching for a bid from the Bidding Box.
- 10. After bidding is complete, DO NOT REMOVE YOUR BIDS UNTIL dummy is faced.
- 11. Boards must remain on table throughout play
- 12. Players must keep their cards visible above the table at all times.
- 13. Only dummy should play own cards and dummy MUST NOT <u>indicate or touch any card</u> until requested to by partner.
- 14. When play is complete, lightly shuffle your hand and return it to the board.
- 15. East is responsible for *carefully* checking North's entry on the traveller.
- 16. At the end of your play whilst waiting to "Change" you may chat *quietly*, but especially so if discussing the play.
- 17. Whilst it is permissible to briefly review previous scores on the traveller, when the table is running behind and others are waiting, it is discourteous to do so.
- 18. When "Change" has been called please cease any conversation and move to your next table.
- 19. North is responsible for passing on & obtaining new boards.
- 20. Watch for "arrow switch" on last few boards, when you may become North/South or v.v.
- 21. At the end of play please assist by clearing your table into the relevant storage box.