

# Better Behaviour at Bridge

## Unacceptable

- ♠ **BULLYING:** includes all forms of intimidation, such as loud and aggressive behaviour, summoning the TD in an unpleasant manner, hectoring less experienced players, imposing rulings without consulting the TD or the Laws
- ♠ **RUDENESS:** ignoring opponents; arguing with them, the TD or partner; using insulting or offensive language
- ♠ **IMPATIENCE:** indicating annoyance when an opponent (or partner) takes time for thought; demanding attention from the TD when he is otherwise engaged
- ♠ **DILLY-DALLYING:** arriving late at the table; time-wasting between and during deals
- ♠ **GRATUITOUS REMARKS:** commentary on partner's shortcomings, opponents' ignorance, TD decisions, unfair point distribution.....
- ♠ **EMOTIONAL OUTBURSTS:** nobody enjoys these!  
Bite your tongue and count to ten

## Encouraged

- ♥ **BE KIND:** to opponents, partner, the TD.... everybody
- ♥ **REPORT** unacceptable behaviour **at the time**, not later – we must take a firm stand to stamp it out
- ♥ **INTRODUCE** yourself to others, and new players to your club and our events
- ♥ **DO YOUR BIT** to assist in the smooth running of events
- ♥ **GIVE** something back to the game we all love
- ♥ **ENJOY** your bridge – and others will enjoy playing with and against you