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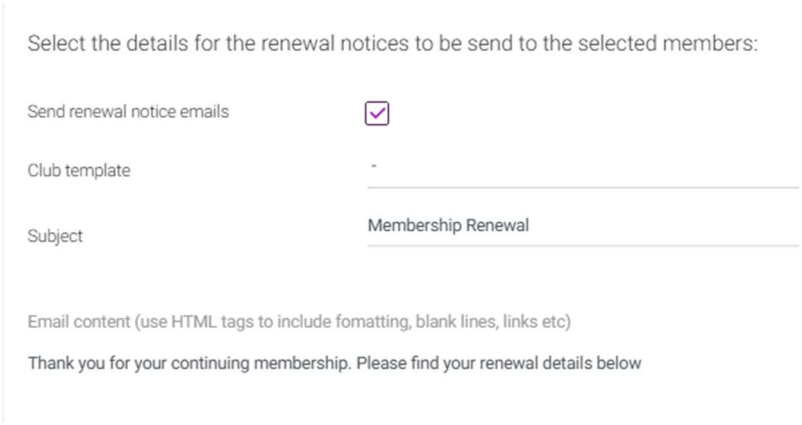
1. Ability to format the custom test in a bulk renewal email

When a club uses My ABF for membership renewals, the email that is sent to members is made up of two parts:

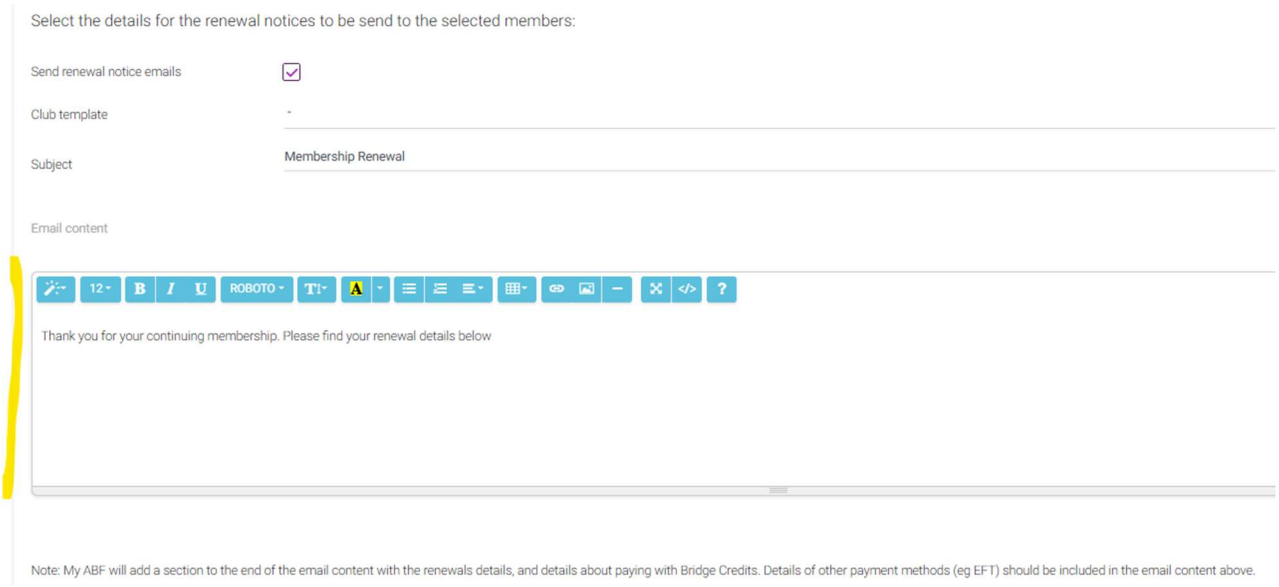
- Custom text added by the club
- Standard wording generated by My ABF (about the $ rates, relevant dates, payment methods, etc).

Previously, although an email template could be selected, it was not possible for the custom text added by the club to be formatted in any way. This section has now been changed so that all the formatting functions available elsewhere are now available:

CURRENT:



NEW:



2. Amended wording for IOU notifications

If a player in a session has "IOU" entered for their payment method (perhaps they didn't have enough bridge credits on the day and had no means of topping their account up), an email notification is sent to them.

Unfortunately some clubs have reported that they have players who are consistently receiving an IOU but not paying the resulting debt without several prompts.

The wording of this notification has been changed slightly to make the message a bit stronger! It now reads:

"[Applicable club officer] has recorded you as entering [name of session] but not paying. The amount owing is $[Amount]. If you believe this to be incorrect please contact [Name of bridge club] directly in the first instance. Otherwise the club asks that you pay the outstanding amount promptly. You can do so by logging into your My ABF account and paying this with your bridge credits."

3. Improved image handling for email templates

Some clubs have had problems formatting their logo, or other images, to fit them into a header in a template email.

The handling has been improved so it is now more flexible (more broad changes are coming to image handling in other areas too).

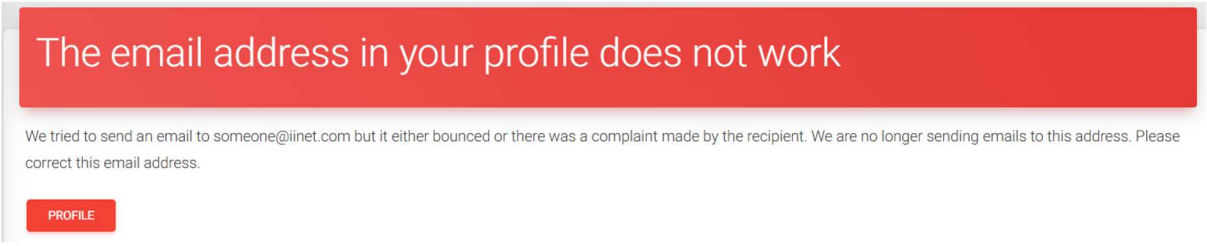
4. Reporting details of email problems – to players and clubs

Remember that registered My ABF users have a personal email address in their own profile and can also have a separate email address in their club membership record – although they can elect to share their personal profile data to their club records (often a good idea).

Either or both of these email addresses can have problems – they may have previously bounced or the user may have previously marked a My ABF email sent there as Spam. In both cases that address becomes blocked and My ABF will no longer send emails to it.

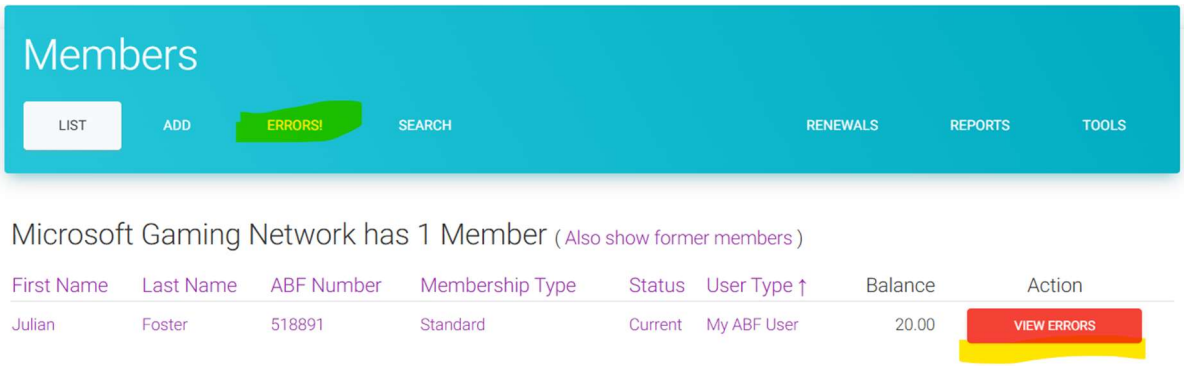
4.1. Display to players

Where a player's profile email is blocked this is now shown at the top of their dashboard with a link to their profile page to enable them to fix it.



4.2. Display to clubs in the Members / Contacts lists

The lists of members and contacts for a club have also been modified so that, if a player has a problem with one or more of their emails in My ABF, a “View Errors” button is now visible for them in the list.

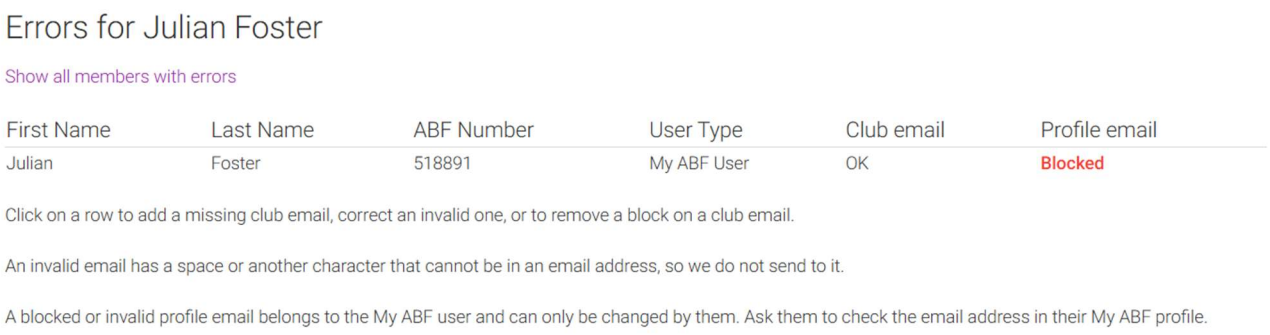


The list of all players with errors can also be opened by clicking on “Errrors” in the main Member listing.

Errors shown include:

- Bounce or Complaint for the Profile email
- Bounce or Complaint for the Club Member email
- Missing Club Member email (in this case any email sent to that member will divert to their profile email)

For example:



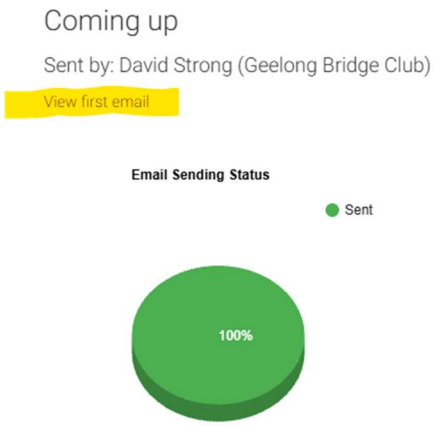
Problems with the Club email can be fixed by the club. Problems with the profile email need to be fixed by the player (it belongs to them, not to the club).

4.3. Ability for clubs to view bounced and opened/unopened emails

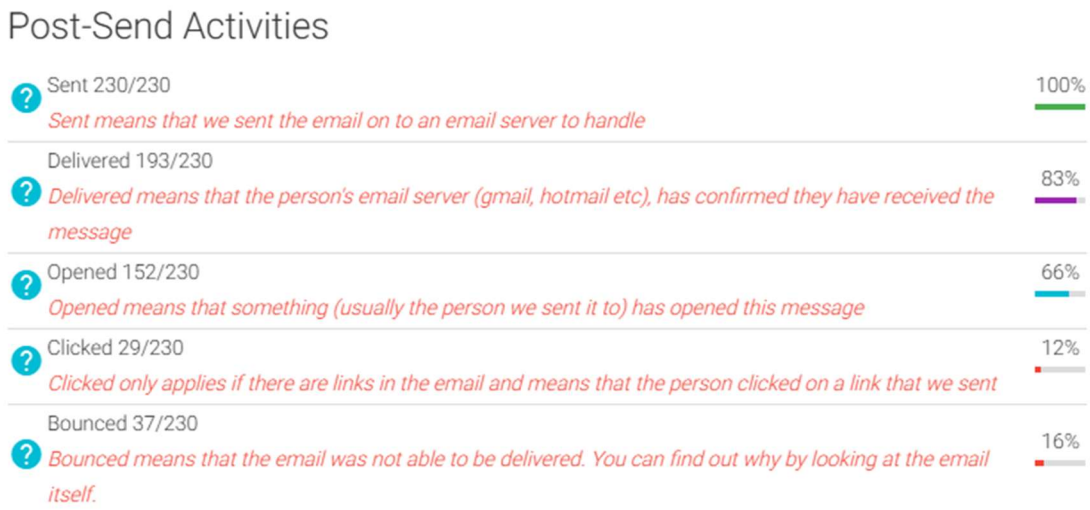
When a club has sent a communication out to members or contacts, it is now possible to see details of which emails bounced, and which ones have been opened.

For a bulk email sent out there are two panels of details available:

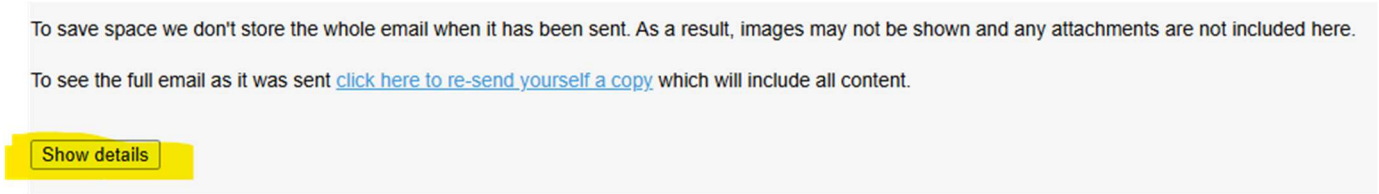
1. Confirmation of the status of the email batch, and an ability to view the first email.



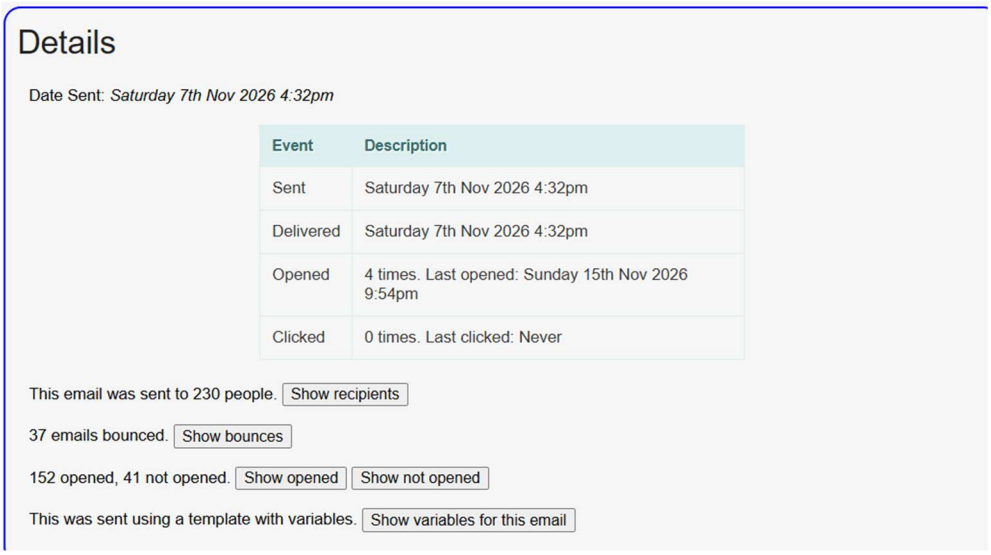
2. A summary of the post-send activities (the red text here is displayed by clicking on the blue question mark at the left against each item).



To see more details click on the "View first email" (highlighted above). At the bottom of the email is a panel enabling you to re-send a copy of the email to yourself – and to Show details.



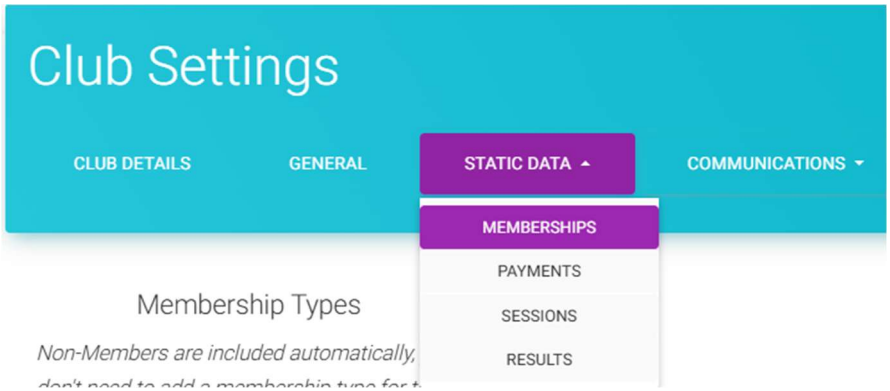
Clicking on the Show details opens up:



The sections at the bottom have now been expanded so you can now view the recipients, the bounces, those opened and not opened.

5. Ability to archive and rename more user defined lists

There are assorted areas throughout My ABF where users can create lists. But it was not always possible to rename or archive those no longer in active use. In the last release the ability to archive congress series was added. This release extends that capability to several other areas. Unless mentioned otherwise below these are managed from the Club Settings – Static Data area:



5.1. Membership Types

A membership type can now be archived (provided no current members are listed with that type). It is then not possible to change or add a member to that type (unless it's later unarchived).

5.2. Session Types

A Session type can now be renamed. It's also possible to archive one that is no longer in use (or later unarchive it). An archived session type does not show up in the dropdown list available for selection when a new session is created.

5.3. Payment Methods

It has always been possible for a club to add their own payment methods and to enable/disable the ones they will accept.

If they are no longer being actively used they can now be archived. There are two exceptions which cannot be disabled or archived:

- Bridge Credits (which is a special category that is always available).
- The payment method the club has specified as its secondary payment method (the one which someone originally listed as bridge credits gets changed to if they have insufficient bridge credits).

5.4. Miscellaneous Income Types

Miscellaneous income types (i.e. other things besides table money that a club can accept payment for during a session) can now be renamed.

5.5. Venues

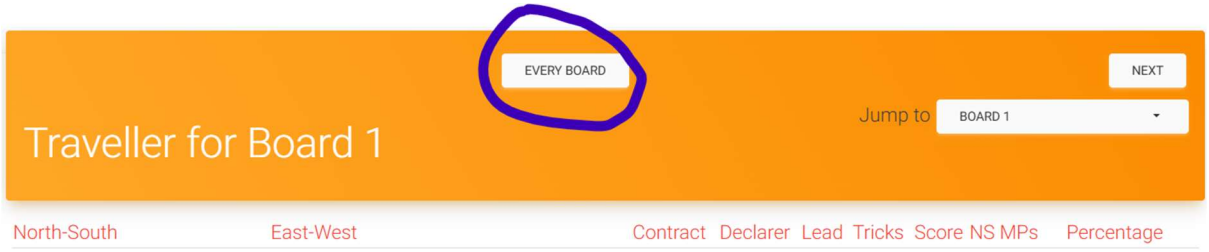
Venues (these are managed from Club Settings – General) can now be renamed and archived.

5.6. "Slugs" (short names used for easier congress links for players)

These can be created within a congress set up but are managed overall from Club Settings – Communications – Slugs. They can now be renamed (previously the URL could be edited but the short name could not).

6. Further refinements to club session results presentation

A new "Every Board" view are now included in both results displayed within My ABF and those that can be embedded in a club's own website.



The Every Board display provides a single page view of all boards played in the session. It includes the Deep Finesse analysis for making contracts as well.

The "Play this hand" double dummy solver is only available in the single board My ABF view, however. It is not available in the results embedded in a club's own website.

It is still intended that results display be expanded beyond club session results to display tournament results – but this is likely to happen after the Masterpoint Centre integration to My ABF.

7. Inadvertent changing of payment amounts

On screens where payment amounts can be input, the arrow up and arrow down keys have now been disabled. Previously these caused the amount to change by 1 cent. Several users had inadvertently pressed these keys expecting to move up or down the screen. Then, not realising what had happened, they ended up making payments to players like $19.99 instead of $20.

NOTE: You may need to click CTRL F5 to make this effective. That refreshes your local web browser cache which influences how some of the keys behave.

8. Display of attachments for club emails

When composing a club email, the screen from which attachments are added has been improved so it's no longer necessary to scroll right to see the actions to add or delete attachments (both on a computer screen and a phone).

9. Removing administrators on an iPhone

A bug has been fixed where it wasn't possible to remove someone from a club administration group on an iPhone.