

Kent Contract Bridge Association

Chairman's Report – 24th June 2018

Congratulations

These go firstly to Dot Servante and Ted Nesom whom we were delighted to make honorary Vice-Presidents for their work in their club. If you think there are others who deserve this honour, please let us know.

Secondly we must congratulate the County's players for many successes throughout the year. Nationally, our Tollemache team won the trophy for the fifth time. Tunbridge Wells A team have just won the Garden Cities Trophy. Espen Erichsen was on the Camrose winning team. Jon Thoresen and Helen Erichsen won the Portland Pairs. And there were plenty of wins in other events which have been seen on the website.

You will be able to applaud the winners of Kent events when we give out the trophies.

Committee and Others

I have found myself in the fortunate position of having a wonderful, hard-working group of people around me. I thanked the Committee in the last meeting and do so again now. But, in particular, I must also thank Monica Aitken, Stephen Brown and his group of TDs and Liz Blande. Look on the website and see how much they all do to help make Kent one of the more successful counties. They should all be proud of their achievements.

Finances

We remain in a solid position with numbers holding up pretty well. Teachers and helpers at Junior events have considerable responsibility for this, so we thank them. Being friendly to newcomers certainly helps. It is good to see plenty of new names appearing at Kent events.

The Future

We must always plan for the future. The successful changes to the Larsky Cup and the new competitions for Juniors and novices are evidence of this.

When I took over as Chairman, I said I would do two years. That is still my intention. We, therefore, need to find at least one replacement in the next year. If you think you could give service to Kent bridge, please talk to Sharon or me.

Thank you very much.

Malcolm Lewis, Chairman

