

# EAST WALES BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

## TOURNAMENT REPORT 2019/2020

The strangest year ever in the history of the East Wales Bridge Association as far as one can tell. For the first part of the year everything was normal, and then the growing threat to players' health due to the Covid 19 pandemic, led to a sudden halt to face-to-face bridge, cancellation/postponement of bridge events and a surge of the online bridge scene.

### **Victor Ludorum**

This is awarded to the individual with the highest total score when the results of the four competitions – Arthur James Bowl, Mixed Pairs, Stan Berger and Patrick Jourdain – are combined.

Winner: **Geoff Evans**

#### **The events held by EWBA:-**

##### Arthur James Bowl, 2019

A two session pairs competition held at Gwent Bridge Academy on the same day as the EWBA AGM. The Beatus Cup is awarded to the highest scoring pair below rank of Regional Master.

Winners: **Susan Ingham and Gwynn Davis**  
Joint Runners up: **Steve Webb and Tim Barsby**  
**Simon Gottschalk and Chris Rochelle**

Beatus Cup winners: **Margaret Harrop and Anna-Marie O'Brien**

##### Stan Berger pairs Sept 2019

Winners: **Steve Webb and Tim Barsby**  
Runners up: **Geoff Evans and Sarah Amos**

##### Patrick Jourdain Teams Sept 2019

Winners: **Geoff Evans, Mike Best, Kevin Maddox and Tony Haworth**  
Runners up: **Simon Richards, Debbie Richards, Aida Aris and Ceri Pierce**

##### EWBA Mixed Pairs, Nov 2019

Winners: **Sue Ingham and Gwynn Davis**  
Runners up: **Glenda Roberts and Liam Sheridan**

### Restricted Teams Jan 2020

Winners: **Richard Stevenson, Greg Howell, Jean Chuter and John Mayo**  
Runners up: **Mike Clarke, Guy Thomas, Richard Bird and Keith Edwards**

### Restricted Pairs Feb 2020

Held in Cardiff Bridge Club on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2019. Nineteen pairs participated.

Winners: **Graham Thomas and Pearl Thomas**  
Runners up: **Pam Killick and Sidney Nam**

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### **EWBA Congresses**

#### August 2019- jointly with WWBA

A two day congress, one day Swiss pairs and one day Swiss Teams  
Fifty six pairs entered

Winners Pairs: **Aoife Machale and Peter Goodman**

Thirty four teams entered

Winners Teams: **Tony Ratcliff, Julian Pottage, Tim Rees and John Salisbury**

#### February 2020

A two day Multiple teams congress.

Winners: **Patrick Murphy, Mark Roderick, Liz Commings and David Stevenson**

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### **WBU events**

#### Graded Masters.

The East Wales local section and the Top Flight section were held in Gwent Bridge Academy again this year

#### Teams of 8 heats.

6 teams entered for the EWBA heats and 3 teams qualified for the final which was due to be held in June 2020.

#### WBU Mixed pairs

This was open entry and held in February 2020 at Cardiff Bridge Club.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WINNERS**

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