



Essex Contract Bridge Association

A constituent member of the English Bridge Union

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING REPORTS & ACCOUNTS and COUNTY NEWS LETTER

For the year 1st May 2011 to 30th April 2012

**Minutes of the 65th Annual General Meeting of the ECBA,
held on Saturday 5th May 2012 at Little Baddow Memorial Hall.**

Present: Mrs M Curtis (*Hon President*), R Green (*Hon Vice-President*), J Williams (*Hon Chairman*), Mrs A Hartley (*Hon General Secretary*), E Cockle (*Hon Tournament Secretary*), B Hunt (*Hon League Secretary*), Officers and 23 members of the committee and other members.

Apologies for absence: A. Cundy, A Philpott, N Bardsley, J Birch, M Cook, B Telford, S Taylor, C Taylor, J Lestrangle, J Lestrangle, B Hair, J Hair, L Burt, S Burt, S Moorman and F Morrison

1. **Hon Chairman's Opening Remarks**

Mr John Williams welcomed those present and outlined the plans for the evening. He congratulated a number of Essex members who had done well during the past year in competitions further afield, in particular Cecil Leighton, who in October 2011 was awarded the very prestigious EBU Silver Medal award for services to bridge and Nicole Cook who had won a place in the team to represent England in the Lady Milne.

He reported that he had continued to visit and play at Essex clubs and had now visited 19 of the 28 ECBA affiliated clubs. He had less success with non-affiliated clubs but he had tried to encourage them to consider themselves as part of the Essex scene telling them of our events, particularly those for which their members are eligible, and offered them the opportunity to have their club details on our website. He hoped that by being friendly that eventually some might see the advantage of affiliating.

He said that in September he would be holding a meeting which he hoped all clubs would attend to discuss two matters. Firstly, the new events we had started, designed to attract wider participation, and to ask what other events might appeal to club members. And secondly, to explain the new EBU initiatives including Blue points, the National ranking project, the consultation on turning the EBU into an educational charity etc

He recorded his thanks to Jill Hair, who was not present. Jill was retiring after many years of hard work both on the committee and in Essex and the ECBA had decided to award her life membership and present her with the award of "Good Friend of Essex Bridge". Ian Moss was also retiring from the Committee, he had been co-opted for the last year and contributed excellently to the work of the Committee. John hoped to be able to persuade him to rejoin at some stage in the future.

He reminded the members that two years ago he promised to undertake the Chairman's role for three years and further, if required and if he felt able. He said he wished to pursue two or three pet projects related to trying to help intermediate players progress and he could easily undertake these as Chairman or as an ordinary committee member, whichever the membership wished.

He thanked all members of the Committee for their support and hard work over the year.

2. **Minutes of the last meeting**

These had been previously circulated to all members. They were agreed to be a correct record and acceptance was proposed by A Kitchen, seconded by C Lovett and signed by the Chairman.

3. **Matters arising**

Item 1. The Chairman had, as promised visited several more affiliated clubs.

Item 7. We had continued our focus on reducing cost and were proposing a further reduction of the County's portion from 7p to 6p and were hoping to continue to reduce it.

4. **Hon Secretary's Report**

This is attached in full. Its adoption was proposed by P Oake, seconded by M Homer and agreed by the meeting. The Chairman thanked Mrs Hartley for her report and hard work over the year. He presented her with a bouquet.

5. **Hon Treasurer's Report**

In T Philpott's absence the Treasurer's report was presented by J Williams. Copies of the Income and Expenditure Accounts and the Balance Sheet were circulated at the meeting. The Treasurer's Report is attached in full. Its adoption was proposed by J Peacock, seconded by V Mollison and agreed by the meeting. The Chairman thanked Mr Philpott.

6. Subscriptions 2013/2014

The County part of the P2P subscription for this coming year would be 6p which is a reduction of 1p from the year before. T Philpott in his report suggested that the figure for 2013/2014 should be set at a maximum of 6p but that we would make every effort to reduce this. That this should be adopted was proposed by D Valtisiaris, seconded by P Oake and agreed by the meeting.

7. Hon Tournament Secretary's Report

This is attached in full. Its adoption was proposed by M Smith, seconded by M Homer and agreed by the meeting. The Chairman thanked Mr Cockle.

8. Hon League Secretary's Report

This is attached in full. Its adoption was proposed by V Mollison, seconded by C Lovett and agreed by the meeting. The Chairman thanked Mr Hunt.

9. Election of officers

All of the current Committee members were willing to stand again with the exception of J Hair. G Foster has been proposed by J Hair and seconded by J Williams for the vacant position. All were elected unopposed.

10. Any Other Business

The Chairman said he had received a request that the AGM should be held on a different weekend and at a different venue. He promised to air this under Any Other Business. He pointed out that next year's AGM would be on May 18th. Ideally we like the AGM on the second Saturday of May but that was the day the Village used their Hall for their annual Open Gardens weekend. He pointed out that the Little Baddow Hall was extremely convenient for parking, kitchen, access to entrances, equipment and very reasonably priced. P Oake suggested using Barleylands for all events as it had many similar attributes and a number of other venues were suggested; however, members from the west of the County agreed that they had been unable to find any new suitable venues. J Williams said that his aim was to try to cover the whole of Essex with a fair distribution of our meetings but the Committee would consider it further. As there was no further business Dr Williams closed the meeting

The trophies and prizes were presented by the President, Mrs Margaret Curtis and she received a bouquet of flowers with thanks. This was followed by a cheese and wine buffet and closed with a short game of bridge.

Hon Treasurer's Report

Income and Expenditure Account for the 2011/2012 Season

	2011/2012		2010/2011	
	£	£	£	£
P2P, Club and other EBU Income	6353		5723	
Less Life Members	<u>96</u>		<u>138</u>	
		6257		5585
COMPETITIONS				
Fees	9770		9120	
Expenses				
Accommodation, refreshments & T.Ds	5194		4613	
Cost of Duplimating & Bridgemates	796		1112	
Tournament Directors	498		869	
EBU and other charges	923		997	
Prizes	<u>1170</u>		<u>1132</u>	
	<u>8581</u>		<u>8723</u>	
		1189		397
LEAGUES				
Receipts	600		580	
Prizes and EBU Fees	<u>230</u>		<u>230</u>	
		370		350
Interest Received Gross		5		5
Surplus on joint EBU events	<u>1560</u>		<u>815</u>	
	9381		7152	
EXPENSES				
County matches	2194		903	
Honorary secretary's expenses (2011 includes travel, telephone etc.)	Nil		900	
Printing and stationery	169		1157	
AGM 2011/2012 Season	340		Nil	

AGM 2010/2011 Season	199	700
Tournament Director Course	119	Nil
Meetings	79	486
Postage and telephone	459	474
Engraving and repairs	305	199
Web Site	97	116
Bidding Box Purchase/Cards	168	74
Sundries	<u>57</u>	<u>302</u>
	4186	5311
Excess of Income over Expenditure	<u>4186</u>	<u>5311</u>
Less transfer to Tollemache Reserve Fund	5195	1841
Less transfer to New Equipment Fund	Nil	1000
Less transfer to Youth Development Fund	2500	Nil
	<u>1198</u>	<u>Nil</u>
	1497	841

Balance Sheet as at 31/03/12

	2011/2012 £	2010/2011 £
ASSETS		
Stock: ties, spoons, vouchers and stamps	306	377
DEBTORS		
Entry fees due and payments in advance	250	709
CASH		
On current account and in hand	559	142
On Business Bonus Account	9004	13999
Skipton Building Society 90 Day Account	<u>10000</u>	<u>Nil</u>
	<u>20119</u>	<u>15227</u>
LESS CREDITORS		
Hire of halls, fees in advance and prizes	<u>1037</u>	<u>1341</u>
	<u>19082</u>	<u>13886</u>
REPRESENTED BY		
New Equipment Fund (see Note 4)	2500	Nil
Youth Development Fund (see Note 1)	2000	802
Tollemache Reserve Fund (see Note 2)	1000	1000
Capital account	12085	11243
Excess of Income over Expenditure	<u>1497</u>	<u>841</u>
	<u>19082</u>	<u>13886</u>

Note 1: The Youth Development Fund represents funds donated by the Thurrock Bridge Club on their closure with the express wish that they be used to develop Youth Bridge. The ECBA has topped up this Fund by £1198 to cover planned activities.

Note 2: The Tollemache Reserve Fund is to cover the extra costs involved on occasions when Essex qualifies for the final.

Note 3: It is the policy of the committee to write off expenditure on trophies, cards, boards and stationery in the year of purchase.

Note 4: This fund is to cover substantial expense expected in the near future.

HONORARY TREASURER: *A.J. Philpott*

I have examined the books and records of the Essex Contract Bridge Association and, in my opinion these give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 31/03/2012

HONORARY AUDITOR: *J. Cordingley*

Balance Sheet. Under Cash you will note the Skipton Building Society Account that was opened during the year which originally was paying 2.0% Gross interest although that reduced to 1.80% in January 2012. Still this is a better rate than that paid by Barclays.

The other 2 items of note are the creation of a New Equipment Fund of £2500 and an increase in the Youth Development Fund to £2000. Both these were achieved by a transfer from our surplus with particular projects in mind.

Income and Expenditure Account. The key items here are P2P, Club and other EBU Income.

At first glance it may appear odd that when we reduced P2P from 9p to 7p our income has gone up. However because the EBU paid us 2 months in arrears in the 2010/2011 year we only received 10 months of income. In the current year we therefore received 2 months at the old 9p rate and having said they pay us 2 months in arrears for some reason the February 2012 payment normally received in April was put through by the EBU at the end of March. We received 13 months income in the year.

For next year, with P2P reduced to 6p, I would anticipate income including direct members and BFA to be in the region of £4500/£5000.

Competitions. Overall a much improved performance only partly aided by a credit adjustment of £216 where we did not, as anticipated, enter a team in the Pachabo. Our prize structure has remained unchanged since 2005 and will be reviewed this year.

Interest Received. Our 1st Interest from the Skipton Building Society was not due in the year.

Joint EBU Events. The surplus of £1560 was almost double as compared to the previous year.

County Matches. The cost of £2194 was more than double the previous year largely due to us entering a team in the Tollemache which we had not done in the previous year. We now employ a caterer for our home Eastern Counties Matches and had one more match than we were expecting as the re-arranged match with Bedfordshire became a home rather than an away match. We will benefit next year as they will now host a match that would have been our home match for the 2012/2013 season.

Honorary Secretary's Expenses. Now nil but not due to us being mean to Audrey! These are now dispersed amongst other cost headings.

Printing and Stationery. At only £169 this is an amazing result. Going back over 10 years, and before we changed printers, in one year we spent over £5400.

Meetings. These costs are considerably reduced as they are now held in members' houses rather than a hired room.

Tony Philpott 10th April 2012

Hon. General Secretary's report 2011 - 2012

Good evening Ladies and gentlemen. This is my first report to you as the General Secretary of the Essex Contract Bridge Association. At the last AGM I was caught by surprise when I was asked to take the minutes as, at that point, I had not been elected to the position. However it was much easier that I expected as most of the reports were given to me either by email or paper copy.

Firstly I would like to say a special thank you to Margaret Curtis. Hers was a tough act to follow but she has been incredibly helpful throughout the year. It was very comforting to know that she was only the other end of a phone line when ever I needed to tap into her experience or ask for advice. Thank you, Margaret.

It has been a busy year and your Committee Members have been working hard often with more than one hat on, and they have accomplished a lot. On your behalf I thank them all.

New events. Your Chairman is very keen to involve clubs and their members in County activities; to that end he has been visiting clubs and asking them what they want from the County. Many said they wanted more competitions where ordinary club members didn't have to play against strong players.

To that end we have introduced some new competitions which we hope will attract more of the ordinary club members to take part.

Pairs League. During April, May and June we are running a pilot Pairs League. When this is fully operational it should be formed into divisions of approximately ten pairs so that competitors play against opponents of about the same level. During each of three afternoons each pair will play approximately eight boards against three other pairs so that at the end of three afternoons they will have played against all of the pairs in their division. The first three games of the pilot are held on one Thursday afternoon each month. If it is successful then we hope to run three sessions each year; September, October and November; January, February and March; and May June and July with pairs being promoted and demoted as in football. Do encourage members of your clubs to take part. Your comments on which afternoon and afternoon or evening will be welcome.

PRO/AM. The "Play with an Expert" has been very successful and we decided to introduce another competition along similar lines. This one is called PRO/AM. Each pair entering should consist of one less experienced player and one more experienced player. But this time we are leaving it to players to find partners for them-selves. We ask clubs to encourage stronger players to pair up with less experienced players from their club and enter this competition. If you do want to enter but don't know an appropriate partner the organisers will be pleased to help. The competition will be on July 1st at Barleylands.

The Queen's Jubilee. For the Queen's Jubilee and the Olympics we have decided to celebrate with a rather novel competition on June 5th designed to appeal to all standards. The aim is that players will be formed into groups of similar standards and will play three short sessions of bridge, the first will be teams, the second pairs and the last an individual. There will be a lunch between the first two sessions and tea and biscuits in the second break. We hope the novelty of this competition will attract many players. If it proves popular we will hold another during the Olympics.

Christmas Party. The Christmas Party was a last minute addition to our programme of events and was only advertised on the Website. It was held at Barleylands. The food was fantastic and the bridge was great fun. I

thoroughly enjoyed chatting to people I don't usually meet. Most of the money went to a Charity chosen by the winners.

Website. Over the year Sandy Riach has been hard at work revamping the Website and reorganising it and the additions into a logical format. He has been very receptive to suggestions and requests have been installed within 24 hours. Sandy, the Website is fantastic – thank you.

Disciplinary Panel. During the year we have dealt with two disciplinary matters; as a result of these and advice from the EBU Laws and Ethics committee we have advertised on the website for volunteers with appropriate experience in court procedure and legal matters to be part of a Disciplinary Panel. From this we will be able to form Conduct and Disciplinary Committees much more quickly if or when we need them in the future. If you know of anyone else who would be willing to be part of this Panel please let me know. We also wish to make two changes to the Constitution which will be on the AGM agenda next year. One is a slight change to the wording in the definition of a Full Member of the Association and the other is an inclusion recommended by the Laws and Ethics Committee to define more clearly the role of the County in helping Clubs if they encounter disciplinary problems. I also wish to recommend to all clubs, whether Member or private, affiliated or non-affiliated that they have a Constitution approved by the EBU. There are example Constitutions on the EBU website and John and I would be happy to help if needed.

Programmes and AGM Report. The programmes of events and the AGM report are now done in-house. They are published on the website and paper copies are sent to Club Secretaries and to those members who don't have internet access; if you know of any member who can't access our website please let me know.

Blue Points. There is an exciting addition to the Master Point scheme which will start next year. Blue Points! Blue points are designed to be halfway between black points and green points with 3 blue points being equivalent to one green point. A blue pointed event has to be a two session competition. All clubs can hold up to two blue pointed events and a county can hold up to four blue pointed events in any year. Any club wishing to hold such an event will need to apply first to their County to agree the date so that it fits into the calendar and then to the EBU for permission to hold the event. More details will be found on the EBU website. The County are considering applying to change one of their team events and perhaps the Swiss Pairs to blue points. Your comments on this are welcome.

EBU and Charity Status. At a Meeting in October the Shareholders of the EBU approved that there should be an investigation into whether the EBU should apply for charity status or not. At the more recent Shareholders' Meeting in April progress on this issue was reported but a written report had not been circulated. A more detailed report is being published in the next two months and will be further discussed at the Chairmen's Meeting in July. Your Shareholders and your Chairman will discuss this issue when they receive more information.

Thanks should also go to Ted Cockle, Nicole Cook and Bernie Hunt for organising and directing our competitions and for coming up with so many new ideas for our entertainment. When all is said and done – bridge is what we are here for, so without their hard work we would have no bridge outside the club environment. Thank you. Thank to everyone who helps or participates – without you life would be very dull!

J Audrey Hartley 5 May 2012

Hon Tournament Secretary's report – 2011/12

The total number of pairs competing in Essex events (excluding the leagues) was slightly down on the previous year but still higher than the previous two years; last year 474 pairs played in all competitions compared to 481 in the previous year. I have produced a one page summary showing the number of entries for each competition for the last four years; I have printed off a number of copies for the AGM. Some extra statistics; 103 individuals took part in the 3 seniors, this increased to 169 in all the pairs events (excluding the play with an expert) and when you include all the team events it goes up to a total of 224 competitors. The total membership for Essex is 1975.

Some of the competitions had an increase and some a decrease; for example the George Curtis had 13 teams this year compared to 7 last year, but the Tony Kelvin only had 7 teams compared to 11 for the previous year. The day time seniors are still proving popular; we run three separate events and there were 30 pairs on two of the occasions and 31 on the third one.

We introduced a new event this year which was a Christmas party at Barleylands. Although only 12 pairs took part I understand they all enjoyed themselves. In the coming year we will be introducing three new events.

Over the past year most people have been entering competitions via E:mail; these either come via our web-site or normal E:mail. From an administrative point I can easily confirm I have received the entries but the downside is that on the day someone (quite often that is me) has to collect the entry fees and that is normally a lot of money! Over the year the total amount of entry fees is just under £10,000. This year we've introduced electronic payments and we received a total £455 during the year. As result of proving that we can accept electronic payments successfully the committee have decided that whilst competitors can still pay on the day it will cost them an extra pound per person. In addition to Nicole Cook and myself directing the tournaments Audrey Hartley, Bernie Hunt and Richard Register have also directed, - so I would like to thank them

Finally I would like to point out that have I taken on a new and valuable responsibility which is, Chief (I always think it's good to have chief in the title as it makes you feel important) Lost Property Officer – for example at the Essex pairs 3 coats, 1 jacket, 1 cardigan and 1 large umbrella were left behind!

Ted Cockle May 2012

Hon League Secretary's report – 2011/12

Before I say anything else I wish to express my thanks to Bill West who has put all the results and league tables on the ECBA website.

Apart from one all matches were completed by 29th April.

There have been some really good performances in all divisions

In West Essex there was only one division of eight. Waltham Foresters (T Verran, S Dunstan, P Mattacks and A Barker) have won the division comfortably scoring 109/140 VPs, Hatfield Heath were second and Redbridge were third.

In South East Essex there are three divisions of 7 teams. Division 1: May and Baker (J & R Tattersfield, A Cundy, C Megahay, T Cockle and M Smith) are first with a score of 110/120 VPs, followed by Taylors' Dummies (74) and Barleylands (71). One team have failed to complete 50% of their fixtures and will be withdrawing completely from the league next season. This means that only one team will be relegated.

Division 2: was won by a new team, Ultra Vires (G Foster, J Hair, S Cade-Bowyer and S Moorman) with a score of 95/120 VPs followed by Chelmsford Green (66) and Academics (65).

Division 3: was won by the Hadleigh Castle (B Newman, G Webber, J Sargent and S Larkin) scoring 82/120 followed by Derek's Dominoes (80) and Weakenders (62)

Bernie Hunt May 2012

COUNTY NEWS

EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE 2011/2012

A Division		B Division		C Division	
1	Suffolk	101	1	Northamptonshire	108
2	Hertfordshire	94	2	Essex	101
3	Bedfordshire	73	3	Hertfordshire	90
4	Norfolk	71	4	Cambs. & Hunts.	71
5	Northamptonshire	68	5	Norfolk	63
6	Essex	63	6	Bedfordshire	60
7	Cambs. & Hunts.	56	7	Suffolk	40
8	Cambridge University	34	8	Cambridge University	22

ESSEX SWITCH CUP

1st Peter Scotting, Phil Collier, Sandy Riach & Michael Watson.

2nd Sue Taylor, Chris Taylor, Winnie Godber & John Stimson.

QUALIFYING HEAT OF THE NATIONAL PAIRS

1st Graham Foster & Richard Register 2nd Sandy Riach & David Clark

ESSEX NATIONAL PAIRS TROPHY

Margaret Curtis & David Sherman.

ESSEX TEAMS OF FOUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Championship

1st Peter Oake, Robert Elliott,
Bernie Harrison & Dave Duffy
2nd Graham Foster, Richard Register,
Alaric Cundy & Chris Megahey

Plate

1st Sandy Smith, John Sutcliffe,
Linda Fleet & Mary Homer
2nd John Williams, Brian Davies,
Val & Paul Mollison

WARBOYS TROPHY

1st Paul Spencer & Marc Chawner
3rd Alaric Cundy & Chris Megahey

2nd Laurie Burt & Alan Coral
4th Dave Duffy & Bernie Harrison

ESSEX SENIORS' CUP

Seniors' Summer Pairs

- 1st= John Birch & Pat O'Gara.
- 1st= Sue Taylor & Chris Taylor
- 3rd Pat Johnson & Peter Scotting
- 4th= Richard Perryman & Michael Wren
- 4th= Peter Williamson & Derek Stewart
- 6th Sandy Smith & John Sutcliffe

Seniors' Spring Pairs Final seniors' Cup

- 1st Graham Foster & Richard Register
- 2nd George McGuffin & Joan McGuffin
- 3rd Theo Todman & David Tennet
- 4th Pat Johnson & Peter Scotting
- 5th Cecil Leighton & Monty Krimgoltz
- 6th George Vede & Maureen Vede

Seniors' Autumn Pairs

- 1st Albert Kitchin & Catriona Lovett
- 2nd Sue French & Jill Day.
- 3rd Dennis Valtisiaris & Robert Elliott
- 4th Eddie Cirket & Hazel Miles
- 5th Jean Rance & George Rance
- 6th Margaret Curtis & David Sherman

- 1st= Pat Johnson
- 1st= Peter Scotting
- 3rd= Chris Taylor
- 3rd= Sue Taylor.
- 5th= Dennis Valtisiaris
- 5th= Michael Wren

SIMULTANEOUS PAIRS

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|------------|------------------|------------------------|------------|------------------|----------------------|
| 12/09/2011 | 1 st | A Coral & D Sherman | 10/04/2012 | 14 th | B West & D Cooper |
| 13/09/2011 | 1 st | A Kitchin & A Eames | 11/04/2012 | 6 th | M Marks & J Lepszys |
| | 9 th | P O'Gara & J Birch | | 20 th | M Rastin & A Aylott |
| | 10 th | A Coral & D Sherman | 12/04/2012 | 14 th | R Elliott & S Riarch |
| 27/02/2012 | 10 th | R Perryman & D Johnson | | | |

ESSEX MIXED TEAMS OF FOUR:

- 1st Ian Moss, Nicole Cook, Frank Morrison & David Sherman
- 2nd Marion Cook, John Birch, Rod Hudson & Susan French
- 3rd Peter Scotting, Phil Collier, Pat Johnson & Michael Watson

THE GEORGE CURTIS TEAMS

- 1st Margaret Curtis, David Sherman, Frank Morrison & Ian Moss
- 2nd Marion Cook, John Birch, Len Garcia & Sue French
- 3rd John Stimson, Winnie Godber, Martin Baker & Peter Richardson

THE FLETCHER TROPHY

- 1st Chelmsford – Martin Smith, Sandy Smith, John Williams, David Cooper, George Rance, Jean Rance, Val Mollison & Brian Davies
- 2nd Waltham Forest – Winnie Godber, John Stimson, Collin Elliott, Anne Catchpole Ken Ralph, Phil Mattacks, Stuart Dunstan & Tony Verran

ESSEX CLUB TROPHY

- 1st Loughton B Sandra Fenton, Jackie Chesler, William Yeung & Harish Dhawan
- 2nd Loughton A L Raven, R Newson, K Mitchell & C Ollive
- 3rd Loughton C Keith Thompson, Ray Green, Pat Johnson & Charlie Cook

TONY KELVIN TROPHY

- 1st= Paul Mollison, Val Mollison, Chris Taylor & Sue Taylor
- 1st= Roger Tattersfield, Jill Tattersfield, Alaric Cundy & Chris Megahey

MIXED PAIRS

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|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| 1 st | Bernie Hunt & Judith Moorman | 4 th | Mary Homer & Tom Fox |
| 2 nd | Linda Fleet & Simon Moorman | 5 th | Sue French & Rod Hudson |
| 3 rd | Allan Greenstein & Yvonne Dias | 6 th | Dennis Valtisiaris & Frances Alexander |

ESSEX SWISS PAIRS

- | | | | |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 st | John Stimson & Winnie Godber | 5 th | Margaret Curtis & David Sherman |
| 2 nd | David Clark & Dennis Valtisiaris | 6 th | Robert Elliott & Sandy Riach |
| 3 rd | Paul Mollison & Val Mollison | 7 th | Alaric Cundy & Chris Megahey |
| 4 th | Bernie Hunt & Ray Clarke | 8 th | Bernie Harrison & Dave Duffy |

PLAY WITH AN EXPERT

1 st	Bobbie Hall & Phil Mattacks	4 th	Patti Nicholson & Bernie Hunt
2 nd	Maureen Killey & Mary Homer	5 th	Stephanie Pyne & Peter Oake
3 rd	Janet Starkey & Gad Chadha	6 th	Jane Huxter & Angela West

HELLIAR TROPHY

1 st	Waltham Forest A	Colin Elliott, Martin Baker, Winnie Godger & John Stimson
2 nd	Lingwood A	Ray Jones, Nick Hunt, Steve Ensor & Tim Connett
3 rd	Thorpe Bay B	Roger Bright, Bob Hair, Richard Perryman & Jill Hair
4 th	Thorpe Bay A	Graham Foster, Richard Register, Allan Greenstein & Yvonne Dias
5 th	Hutton A	Dennis Valtisaris, Simon Moorman, Sandy Riach & David Clark

Thorpe Bay have won the right to represent Essex in the Garden Cities Trophy

ESSEX PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP

The first four qualify to represent Essex in the Corwen.

Final Consolation

1 st	Tony Philpott & Nigel Bardsley.	1 st	Rod Hudson & John Birch
2 nd	Peter Oake & Simon Moorman.	2 nd	Anthony Verran & Stuart Dunston
3 rd	Ted Cockle & John Williams	3 rd	George Wilcox & Alan Cohen
4 th	Margaret Curtis & David Sherman	4 th	Allan Greenstein & Yvonne Dias
5 th	Alaric Cundy & Chris Megahey	5 th	Lionel Thacker & J Murray
6 th	Frank Morrison & David Piper	6 th	Alan Coral & Laurie Burt

HEAT – Spoon winners

1 st	Tony Philpott & Nigel Bardsley	2 nd	Peter Oake & Simon Moorman
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GWEN HERGA TROPHIES

Ladies:

1 st	Carol McCue & Linda Barker
2 nd	Linda Fleet & Mary Homer
3 rd	Pat Johnson & Marion Cook

Gentlemen:

1 st	Albert Kitchin & Chris Taylor
2 nd	Alan Cohen & Richard Register
3 rd	Roger Tattersfield & Bill West
4 th	Michael Wren & Chris Chorley

EVE GOBLETS

Ladies Gentlemen

1	Sue Taylor	30	1	Chris Megahey	42
2	Margaret Curtis	29	2	Alaric Cundy	41
3	Winnie Godber	28	3=	David Sherman	35
4=	Audrey Hartley	18	3=	Chris Taylor	35
4=	Val Mollison	18	5	Peter Oake	30
6=	Marion Cook	17	6	John Stimson	28
6=	Mary Homer	17	7	Simon Moorman	26
6=	Jill Tattersfield	17	8	Frank Morrison	25
9=	Linda Fleet	16	9	Robert Elliott	24
9=	Sue French	16	10	Graham Foster	23

EBU MASTER POINT RANKING LISTS 2011

Leader Board Level 4

(Star Masters, Tournament Masters, Premier Masters)

1	Mr F C Morrison	5108
2	Mr D F Clark	4893
3	Mr T Todman	4589
4	Mrs P Clark	4397

Leader Board Level 5

(County Masters, Masters, Advanced Masters)

1	Mr A Aylott	5136
2	Mrs P Johnson	3593
3	Mr. M H Rand	3439
4	Mr B Davies	2470

Leader Board Level 6

(Unranked, Club Masters, District Masters)

1	Mr. N Sussman	4038
2	Mr. A J Flaherty	3061
3	Ms H I Banks	2236
4	Mrs. S Thorburn	2101

Ranks shown are as at 01/01/2012. Total points column includes net points.

WEST ESSEX LEAGUE CHAMPIONS AND RUNNERS-UP 2010/2011

Division 1

1. **Waltham Foresters:** Tony Verran, Stuart Dustan, Phil Mattacks & Andy Barker.
2. **Hatfield Heath:** Adrienne Tinn, Michael Shine, Roy Young and Hazel Miles

SOUTH EAST ESSEX LEAGUE CHAMPIONS AND RUNNERS-UP 2010/2011

Division 1

1. **May and Baker:** Jill & Roger Tattersfield, Alaric Cundy, Chris Megahey, Ted Cockle & Martin Smith.
2. **Taylor's Dummies:** Sue Taylor, Chris Taylor, Winnie Godber and John Stimson

Division 2

1. **Ultra Vires:** Graham Foster, Jill Hair, Steve Cade-Bowyer & Simon Moorman

2. **Chelmsford Green:** Audrey Hartley, Alison Spencer, David Cooper, John Williams & Neil Bresler.

Division 3

1. **Hadleigh Castle:** Barry Newman, Geoff Webber, John Sargent & Steve Larkin

2. **Derek's Dominoes:** Angie Spittal, Lorraine Butler, Wendy Logan and Derek Stewart

CONGRATULATIONS TO

May	Kent GP	Swiss Teams	6 th	G & M Vede, C Lovett & M Harbour
			8 th	M Wren, R Perryman, C Chorley & P Murray
	Norfolk GP	Swiss Teams	9 th	R & J Tattersfield + team mates
	EBU BH W/end	Pairs A Final	16 th	R Elliott & S Riach
June	Beds GP	Swiss Teams	5 th	C Megahey, A Cundy, G Foster & R Register
July	EBU Seniors	Pairs A Final	3 rd	R Register & A Cohen
			6 th	C Leighton & partner
		Pairs B Final	3 rd	L & S Burt
			4 th	M & S Smith
			8 th	Y Dias & J Hair
		Swiss Teams	4 th	R Register, A Cohen & team mates
			7 th	L & S Burt, P & M Burrows
			9 th	C Leighton & Team mates
Sept	Met Cup	B Division	1 st	Essex B team
		C Division	2 nd	Essex C team
	Surrey GP	Swiss Pairs	10 th	R Perryman & M Wren
	Herts GP	Swiss Teams	1 st	S & C Taylor, D Clark & S Riach
			5 th	A Catchpole, N Freake, D Schiff & P Mattacks
Oct	EBU Kos	Swiss Pairs	4 th	M Wren & S Evans
		Open Pairs	2 nd	M Wren & S Evans
		Swiss Teams	4 th	M Wren, S Evans, & team mates
	Felixstowe	Pairs	2 nd	P Oake & S Moorman
		Teams	2 nd	D Cooper & team mates
	EBU W/end	Teams B Final	8 th	R Register, Alan Cohen, A Greenstein, Y Dias
		Swiss Teams	9 th	R & J Tattersfield, M & S Smith
Nov	EBU Seniors	Pairs A Final	10 th	A Greenstein & Y Dias
		Pairs B Final	3 rd	C Leighton & Partner
		Swiss Pairs	8 th	M Wren & C Chorley
Jan	EBU	Lady Milne Trials	3 rd	Nicole Cook and partner
Feb	EBU Marbella	Pre Congress Pairs	8 th	M Wren & S Evans
		Swiss Teams	2 nd	M Wren, S Evans, & team mates
March	EBU Ranked	Regional Masters	2 nd	D Tennet & T Todman
	Beds GP	Swiss Teams	5 th	R & J Tattersfield, C. Megahey & A Cundy
			7 th	M Wren, R Perryman, P Murray & c Chorley
	London GP	Swiss Teams	7 th	W Godber, J Stimson, & team mates
	National Pairs	Regional Finals Qualifiers:		M Curtis & D Sherman, G Foster & R Register, P Oake & R Elliot, and R Perryman & P Murray
Apr	EBU Easter	Swiss Pairs A-flight	13 th	C Lovett & M Harbour
	Norfolk	Pairs Championship	4 th	S & C Taylor
			9 th	R & J Tattersfield

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