



# Key points HBA COMMITTEE MEETING – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019

## Chairman's Report

Gary updated on developments with the Gosling site/Bridge Centre building. Amendments to the HBA calendar for the rest of the season were agreed as regards venue, timing and catering. The amendments were to be made to the website content and communicated to members.

## Treasurer's Report

Rodger still expects a close to breakeven result for the financial year subject to variability caused by the changes at Welwyn.

## Tournament Reports

- Entries are generally up for HBA events over last year.
- Draft of new HBA regulations was discussed and agreed (and subsequently uploaded to the website). It was agreed that in future HBA events apart from Humble Cup and Championship Pairs would be open to all EBU members and not just HBA members.
- There was a discussion about future Relaxed Duplicate and NGS related events. It was agreed to await feedback from clubs at the meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> January.

## Membership Secretary & Communications Subcommittee

HBA membership continues to grow, predominantly from new students. Membership, particularly at certain clubs remains a concern and membership is the first item on the agenda for the clubs meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> January. Monthly communications continue to be issued with good feedback. The circulation is now over 1900.

## Selection Committee

Our three teams are doing well in the Eastern Counties League and with one match to go stand a good chance of winning their respective divisions. The C team have already won their division – the 4<sup>th</sup> time in 5 years.

## Clubs Meeting

Confirmed for 26<sup>th</sup> January 2019. 18 of the 20 affiliated clubs are sending representatives. Main item on the agenda is membership, particularly in the light of the EBU initiative. Also discussing competitions, training and the AGM.

## Date & Time of Next Meeting

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 at 7:30pm

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