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Our decision to use all the club events in each of three weeks has as we expected led to more qualifiers but also to a lot more work for me.

In extracting the entries from club events it is has been interesting to note which clubs have started f2f sessions. Folkestone is an outlier with its f2f game similar in size to its online game. Otherwise the situation seems to be that the nearer to London you are the more people play f2f. So many of these Kentish clubs are only playing f2f. Further away from London where clubs have started f2f sessions these are very small and online predominates. It is worth noting that many of the pairs who have qualified at f2f sessions are also playing online.

I believe that the way to ensure the largest attendance at the semifinals is to hold them and the final on BBO. I propose the semi-finals should be held as follows:

Wed 9th February evening

Mon 14th February afternoon

Sun 20th February afternoon

Thu 24th February evening

With the final on Sat 16th March afternoon.