Competitions Secretary Report for Jun 2022 meeting

CURRENT NUMBERS FOR SATURDAY EVENTS

The 9-High online events have attracted 10-11 tables per week on average, but are requiring a lot more advertising to keep numbers up.

ARNOLD CUP & PLATE – all completed, but Kent is unable to submit a team in Pachabo due to only pair out of 4 pairs in Semifinals able to play.

CONGRESS - 29/30th October 2022

Paul and I had a meeting with Peter Clinch and Joy from Sussex. We plan to have both days Green Pointed running a joint congress at TWBC. Advertising to be posted soon. 9-High event on Saturday. Notes:

Kent / Sussex Congress 29/30th October 2022

Programme:

Saturday: Swiss Pairs 11am 7 x 7 board matches

Sunday: Swiss Teams 11am 7 x 7 board matches
6-high pairs 2pm (24 boards) – F2F £5 per person
BLUE POINTED? BBO \$10 "

Includes free cup of tea/coffee/biscuit of arrival.

No Friday events this year

Other things to consider / for info:

Advertising to other counties via emailing
Advertising within each county i.e. to clubs etc each county to do
Advertising? Only email. Some brochures to print
Clashing with Malvern Congress (both days)

Lancashire Congress (Sat GP, Sun BP)
Entry forms on Sussex Site for Swiss Events, linked to Kent
Entry form for 9-High on Kent site, linked to Sussex
Player can bring own food, or go out. 45 mins break. Can buy drinks
Entry fee £27 after 15th Oct, to encourage early entry / cover costs of extra
boards for late entries

Payment by transfer to Sussex bank account for Swiss, 9-High to Kent Cups: for leading Sussex Pairs/Teams & leading Kent/Pairs/Teams

Income £25 per person- Costs:

Club: 17-24 tables (£348 inc VAT), 25-40 tables (£432 inc VAT)
= approx. £15 per table (less if >29 tables)

EBU Fee: £8.32 per table per session + VAT = £19.97 per table
TD Fee: 3 TDs £550, 2TDs £400 approx. £16 per table,
Board Duplicating: £9 per set + 8p per hand copy x 2 sessions
= approx. £6 per table (2 sessions)

Prizes at 20% of entry fee = £20 per table
Contribution towards equipment: esp. batteries £2 per table?

So profit per table = £20 per table / day
Based on 30 tables = £600 per day, on 25 tables = £500 per day

Action Points:

Peter to let SB know Stephen know if Eddie wishes to direct Stephen to appoint TDs as needed Stephen / Joy to send Advertising to other counties via emailing Joy / Stephen to advertise within each county i.e. to clubs etc Mervyn to post entry forms on Sussex Site for Swiss Events, linked to Kent Stephen to post entry form for 9-High on Kent site, linked to Sussex Payment by transfer to Sussex bank account for Swiss, 9-High to Kent Peter Clinch to accept entries by cheque (& add entry to online form) Stephen to amend Brochure & to speak to Jeremy ref Premier Inn. Stephen to inform EBU and ensure licences received

Discuss at KCBA Meeting: Cups

We need to discuss cups and whether we use any?

GREEN POINT SWISS TEAMS

Following lots of advertising, we had a 23 tables. Only one team from Suffolk. We do not plan to run this next year – East Anglia will not wish to run a join event. They had to cancel their Saturday Swiss Pairs since so few entries.

IMPROVER PAIRS

As part of Spring Bank Holiday Congress 4th June (sessions of 37 & 38 tables) and Easter Sunday 17th April (sessions of 26 & 36 tables). Entries still very good.

PHILLIMORE

Sunday 19th June. Our first F2F event for 2022. Currently 6.5 tables. The AGM can be at TWBC as well. I have confirmed with TWBC that we are definitely running it, but it will make a loss. It's important to get F2F bridge up and running.

AGREED DATES FOR 2022-2023, TWBC unless indicated

Sun 9th October 2022 Dyer Smith (Mixed)

Sat/Sun 29/30th October 2022 Congress

Sun 15th January 2023 Homines Mens & Femina Ladies Pairs

Sat/Sun 28/29 January 2023 Corbett Teams

February 2023 Larsky Semifinals (4 semis at clubs)

Sun 5th March 2023 Green Pointed Swiss Pairs

Sat 18th March 2023 Larsky Final - Maidstone

Sun 23rd April 2023 George Griffiths Seniors Pairs (Easter is 9th Apr)

Sun 18th June 2023 Phillimore Blue Pointed Swiss Pairs & AGM

The Working Group suggests smaller events should be nearer Maidstone, but we would need to find e.g. a school to accommodate the event, not easy, and transport equipment. We could use Maidstone Bridge Club – but then numbers are limited to 16 tables and we would need to have events on Saturday.

The Working Group suggests restarting the Area Leagues, but online in divisions to cut out travel.

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