

## Competitions Secretary Report for Jan 2024 meeting

### ARNOLD CUP 2023-2024

There were 19 entries allowing three seeded teams joining in round 2 (Entries: 15 teams last year, 22 the year before). All matches on schedule

### DYER SMITH – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2023

10 tables entered (up from 5 tables at Maidstone BC in 2022)

### KENT / SUSSEX CONGRESS – 28/29<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Lots of people entered in the final 10 days making Swiss Pairs 24 tables, Swiss Teams 17 tables. A pleasing number in the end. Many thanks to anyone who helped promote further entries.

### ONLINE SWISS PAIRS – 10<sup>th</sup> December 2023

A very high entry of 30 tables. Although, in my opinion, RealBridge is better for Swiss Pairs (you can see opponents, and chat to all, VPs can be used and you can see current scores at all times), such a large entry suggests that there is definitely a place for such online events on the calendar, along with the F2F events. The May event is on RealBridge.

### IMPROVER PAIRS – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Another very high entry of 112 pairs for am, 102 pairs for pm and 58 pairs playing in both sessions. Likely profit around £400.

### ENTRIES FOR MENS & LADIES PAIRS 2024

Current entries are: 7 pairs for Ladies, 14 pairs for Mens.

### CORBETT CUP – 4<sup>th</sup> February 2024

The following clubs have entered teams: Tunbridge Wells (4), Farnborough (5), Beckenham (2), Bromley North (2), Maidstone (1), Gravesend (1) and possible entry from Folkstone. So 15 teams of eight playing. A possible team from Folkestone (or Canterbury).

### CLUB TD TRAINING

There has been two sequences of club TD training on behalf of the EBU in 2023. At Pembury in the Spring (8 delegates) and then at Bekesbourne in the Autumn (6 delegates), a few from outside the county. If anyone is aware of a good club TD that would like to direct for the County, please let me know.

### DATES FOR 2024 EVENTS.

Sun 14 Jan 2024	TWBC	<a href="#">Mens &amp; Ladies Pairs</a>
Sat 27 Jan 2024	Maidstone	<a href="#">Event for 2-9 on NGS</a>
Sun 4 Feb 2024	TWBC	<a href="#">Corbett Teams of 8</a>
February 2024	Various	<a href="#">Larsky Semifinals</a>
Sun 3 Mar 2024	TWBC	<a href="#">Green Pointed Swiss Pairs (7x7)</a>
Sat 9 Mar 2024	Maidstone	Larsky Final
Sun 21 Apr 2024	TWBC	<a href="#">George Griffiths Seniors Pairs</a>
Sat 18 May 2024	RealBridge	<a href="#">Blue Pointed Swiss Pairs (6x6)</a>
Sun 14 July 2024	TWBC	<a href="#">Phillimore BP Swiss Pairs (6x8)</a>

& equivalent dates to be confirmed

Sat 7 Sep 2024	TWBC	<a href="#"><u>Event for 2-9 on NGS</u></a>
Sun 6 Oct 2024	TWBC	<a href="#"><u>Dyer Smith Mixed Pairs</u></a>
26/27 Oct 2024	TWBC	<a href="#"><u>Joint Congress with Sussex</u></a>
Sun 8 Dec 2024	BBO?	<a href="#"><u>Blue Pointed Swiss Pairs (6x6)</u></a>

Stephen Brown, January 2024