

Trustees report for the year to 31 May 2018 for the Norfolk Contract Bridge Association. Charity Number 1171798.

The charity trustees are

- Graham Hardman (Chair)
- Peter Cotes
- John Dennis
- Gabriel Ip
- Maureen Kimbley
- Karen Read
- Paddy Seligman
- Neil Tracey

Trustees are elected at the Association AGM in accordance with our Constitution.

The Association is run by the trustees in conjunction with the officers who assist with the bridge related activities. Non trustee officers are

President	Adrian La Chapelle
Membership Secretary	Brenda and Peter Howlett
Newsletter Editor	Nigel Block
County Captain	Bogdan Drobny
Congress Secretary	Karen Read
Publicity Officer	Maureen Kimbley
Website Officer	Neil Tracey
Ebu Shareholders	Bogdan Drobny and John Dennis
Chair of Conduct Committee	Appointed when required

Activities in the year

We have continued to run the bridge events in Norfolk and to provide guidance and support to the bridge clubs in Norfolk.

We have sought to increase the range of participation in the county events by promoting “Really Easy” events and considering how to stratify some events so that less experienced players have a better opportunity of gaining better results. Several of the county events continue to be hosted in clubs across the county, which again widens the participation in these events.

We celebrated our 50th Norfolk Congress by providing a small gift to the entrants and awarding some innovative “spot prizes”. The sponsorship kindly provided by JM Finn stockbrokers and First for Bridge allowed us to increase the prize money awarded.

With the help of Bawburgh Bridge Club we have booked a weekend course to train up to 10 bridge teachers, at no cost to the delegates. In this way we hope to promote

further bridge teaching around the county and to increase the numbers of people playing the game.

We have been booked to have a stall at the “Older People’s Forum” AGM in Norwich and we hope this will lead to widening our contacts with other organisations with similar aims and objectives.

It remains our aspiration to have our own premises for NCBA for county events, matches, administration and to make this available to any clubs or teachers who would like to use them. This may not be achieved in the short term, but we continue to seek a suitable venue.