

On Monday 21st October Summertown Bridge Club will be holding its heat of this season's Oxfordshire County Pairs Championship. All members are encouraged to take part in this heat, which is open to club members playing with club members and club members playing with visitors, but not open to pairs of visitors. The latter may come along and play in the non-competing section only on that night.

There is no extra charge for playing in the heat, and Master Points are awarded at three times the usual rate. It is anticipated that 50% (rounded down) of participants will qualify for the semi-final(s), so the more of our members who take part, the more will get through to the next round. So please do come along and support those members who wish to qualify.

However, the Oxfordshire Bridge Association stipulates that you must not take part in more than one heat. Most other clubs in Oxfordshire will also be holding heats, but will allow people to play on the same night in a non-competing section, as is the case at Summertown, so you will not miss out on your usual evening's bridge at another club if you compete in our heat.

You should also have Oxfordshire registered with the EBU as your County of Primary Allegiance. For most of our members this is de facto the case, but if you have recently moved from another county and are unsure about this, please check under 'My Details' in your member area on the EBU website at

<https://www.ebu.co.uk/members/>

The OBA also requests that you do not take part in any heat if you are definitely unable to play in the semi-final on Sunday 2nd February 2014 or the final on Sunday 30th March 2014. If you are unsure, by all means do take part in the heat.

For those pairs that are unable to play in their club (or at another club) heat there is a heat being held at the Oxford Bridge Club on Tuesday 12th November 2013.