Competitions Secretary Report for September 2019 meeting

Sue Parkins has agreed to share the competitions role with me. She will be responsible for checking off entries, and food orders for all Sunday events, Stephen being responsible for the website, regulations, Saturday events, Arnold Cup and all other competitions. Stephen & Sue can be contacted using the KCBAcompetitions@gmail.com email address. Paul Gibbons continues his work with the Larsky and Monica continues as Congress Secretary for the Congress at the end of October 2019.

The website has full information set up on all the Sunday competitions in 2019/2020 – with posters and entry forms all ready to go. Members and secretaries have been emailed with posters and entry forms for the Autumn competitions and Monica kindly mailed a poster to secretaries for the Dyer Smith & Arnold along with her Congress entry forms.

Entries are trickling in......

Planning ahead to the George Griffiths in April 2020..... we need to decide whether to come into line with the EBU on age requirements or remain at taking entries from anyone over 60.

The EBU have decided for their competitions:

In 2019	Age at least 61, or your 61st birthday falling in 2019 (i.e. born in 1958)
In 2020	Age at least 62, or your 62nd birthday falling in 2020 (i.e. born in 1958)
In 2021	Age at least 62 or your 62nd birthday falling in 2021 (i.e. born in 1959).
In 2022	Age at least 63, or your 63rd birthday falling in 2022 (i.e. born in 1959)
In 2023	Age at least 63, or your 63rd birthday falling in 2023 (i.e. born in 1960)
In 2024	Age at least 64, or your 64th birthday falling in 2024 (i.e. born in 1960)
In 2025	Age at least 64, or your 64th birthday falling in 2025 (i.e. born in 1961)
In 2026 or later	Age at least 65 or 65th birthday falling in the year of the competition.

Brian Crack has continued his correspondence ref the qualification from the Larsky Semifinals to the finals and has asked us to continue to discuss this at our next meeting – although a compromise was made at the last meeting with the next two pairs from each heat being offered places, then using the pool. Norman Inniss I had the germ of an idea: Would it be possible to take the 2 reserves as agreed and then take reserves from all the semi-finals, taking into account the SOPP? For instance a pair scoring 55% in a field with a SOPP of 58% would likely be selected over a pair scoring 56% in a field with a SOPP of 55%. Something to discuss at the meeting – I cannot quite see how this would work.

Stephen Brown