

Brighthouse D versus Doncaster G Lost 13-7

5th. January 2020

Pair	Boards 1-8	Boards 9-16	Boards 17-24	Boards 25-32	Totals
Ann and Val	190	-700	430	-30	-110
Barbara and Maurice	-650	1100	-800	-550	-900
Stephanie and Craig	200	-1450	960	-660	-950
Deanna and Eric	0	1050	-310	270	1010
Totals	-260	0	280	-970	-950

This was the first Home match of the season.

In boards 1 to 8 pairs 1 and 3 made one game bid of 4 spades (board 2) and both were successful. These scores were counteracted by pairs 2 and 4's opponents who made equally successful game bids on this hand.

Pairs 2 and 4 made only part bids as did their opponents. Board 6 had a pass out at three out of the four tables and the one that did not pass out, pair one suffered a 3 club successful bid from Doncaster. At the end of this round Brighthouse were minus 12 IMPs.

In boards 9 to 16 pair 1 made a successful bid of 3NT on board 13 whilst on this board pair 3 bid 5D going down by 1 trick. Neither pair made any more game bids though both their opponents bid 4S on board 10 both making 12 tricks though neither had bid a slam. On these boards pairs 2 and 4 underbid on three and two occasions respectively thus failing to gain an advantageous score. At the end of this round Brighthouse were trailing by 10 IMPs.

A hearty meal was enjoyed and the Doncaster team were very appreciative of being served such a substantial meal in very pleasant environment.

After the break on boards 17 to 24 pairs 1 and 3 made successful game bids and made positive scores in this section. Pairs 2 and 4 both made successful bids of 3NT on board 18 gaining 11 and 10 tricks respectively. No other game bids were made in this set of boards though there was no obvious underbidding on the part of the Brighthouse team. At the end of this set of boards Brighthouse had slipped further behind though only by one additional IMP to be 11 IMPs adrift.

On the final eight boards pair 1 were successful in their bid of 3NT on board 25 and pair 4 were successful on this board with a bid of 4H. All other game bids were unsuccessful. On board 30, 31 and 32 both pairs 2 and 4 underbid but made 10 or 11 tricks for part scores. Perhaps we should be more brave in the future. On this final set of boards Brighthouse fell further behind to finish on the wrong side of a 13 to 7 score line.