

CAMBERLEY BRIDGE CLUB

APR18 NEWSLETTER (006)

CHAIRMAN'S NOTE

This has been a busy month with action needed because of the new Data Protection laws, another rent rise and, together with our income being affected by the cancellations due to snow, this means we will probably make a loss this year - though this will be absorbed by our reserves as promised at the last AGM. At our committee meeting in April we decided to join the anti-plastic revolution and not to provide single-use cups any more - more on this point later. The club is overall holding its own with attendances, though the 8% increase this quarter compared with last year's, was solely due to the Friday session, often with more tables than our evening sessions where I think the attendance would have dropped were it not for the hosting system bringing in members who would not be able to attend otherwise. I hope you will continue to consider supporting the club with this - 64% of sessions in the last quarter had a host available - so we can face any future rent rises more confidently.

Best wishes,

Val Foster

GDPR

The new Data Protection regulations have meant that we have developed our Privacy Policy which is now on our website (See GDPR on the drop-down menu), and on our notice board. This important document should be read by all members. Members' phone numbers and email addresses will be available to fellow members only, password protected, on our website if permission is granted. The club has a legitimate interest to hold data and contact members and so does not need permission for this, but we do have a duty of care not to share this data or disclose it in any way without permission.

To be included in the members list going forward, please let your decision be known (ideally by using the GDPR form on the website or, if you prefer, you may complete a form when you are next in the club) as the default here must be "No".

DIRECTOR'S ROTA

Mainly for the benefit of our veritable band of directors and scorers, this is now available to view on our website on the drop-down menu.

CONVENTION CARDS

We are again asking each pair to comply with the request to have a convention card, at least one between each pair, on the table at all times. This is necessary, not only for your opponents' use, but also so that if the director is called to adjudicate on a problem and s/he has to decide on a fair result, your convention card may provide essential information. Anyone without a convention card may be disadvantaged as a result and not get the possible benefit of any doubt.

Camberley & YHBC's joint venture for the Blue Pointed Swiss Pairs took place on May Day and was again very successful. Ian has put a report of it on the website, and £230 has been raised for the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice. Well done and thanks to Ian and his team for all the hard work they put into this enjoyable event. Well done to CBC players Margaret & Dorothy for winning a close event!

CBC have teams in [Surreys Lady Rose](#):

- Trevor's team won their Plate match against the Hughes Team (A team with Alan C, Colin and David P) but then lost to a strong team (Millard's)
- Ian's team conceded to the Hinden team as ran out of time to play the match due to snow
- Jane's team played the Hinden team in the Semi Final but unfortunately lost

Bracknell League -

- [Division 2](#) team captained by Margaret W – 1st

Surrey League –

- [Division 1](#) team captained by Jane Green – 4th (only 3 matches played)
- [Division 2](#) team captained by Ian Lewis - 1st
- [Division 2](#) team containing Alan C, David & Colin – 2nd
- [Division 2](#) team captained by Trevor Hobson – 4th
- [Division 3](#) team captained by Geoff Williams – 1st
- [Division 4](#) team captained by Penny Moody – 1st (one other match to be played which could change this)

Overall, an extremely successful year for CBC where we could see 4 CBC teams winning a section in local leagues!

Internal Competition –

Still early days yet but all ladders are well under way and more updates on these later in the year.

SINGLE USE CUPS

You may be surprised to know that we use 6,000 polystyrene cups a year - at a cost of more than £150 - and it is reckoned that this material takes between 500 years-to-forever-never (no-one really knows) to biodegrade. The same day we discussed this at our committee meeting, Waitrose announced that they are not providing single use cups any more - and they reckon that they alone used 52million cups a year which adds up to 221 tonnes of plastic and 665 tonnes of paper. We have researched other "disposable" cups and find it is difficult to find any at a reasonable cost that do not contain a plastic liner, and even if we did use those instead of polystyrene they would need special disposal at a collection point rather than in a normal bin which goes into landfill. So, we have taken the decision not to provide single use cups any more when the present stocks run out, probably sometime this month. We will continue to provide tea/coffee/soft drinks/biscuits, etc, as usual but you will need to bring your own mug. I hope you agree with this decision which we feel is a step we can take towards reducing plastic waste. If anyone has a better idea, we would be pleased to consider it.

EBU INFORMATION

The EBU Bridge Warehouse is now available online - this can be accessed from our website on the drop-down menu under "Useful Links".

MEMBER NEWS

Sad news of Ron's passing in his 90th year. He had been a member for many years, often representing us in competitions as well as directing and he will be missed. Funeral details will be put on line.

I went to see Rodger Hughes last week and he is now making good progress since he went home nine weeks ago - something the medical staff said would never be possible after his major stroke in November.

It was our past and long-standing chairman, John Warren's 92 birthday recently and a card on behalf of us all was sent. Alma Mann, another of our stalwarts in helping to run sessions and hand score results, is not well enough yet to return to the club. Tricia Mackintosh is now home where she is hoping she will recover quicker from the severe chest infection she suffered. Hazel Roberts is settling into her new home, where she has made a new friend. She will be go in July.

Val and the CBC Committee