

Chairman's Report 2025 – 2026

This is my first Chairman's Report having been asked to take over from Valdie last year. Valdie was Chairman for 6 years and steered the Club safely during the difficult period during and following Covid and it is due to him that the Club has survived although its strength is now largely in its on-line presence.

We hold 3 RealBridge sessions each week which are very well supported. We have also started a weekly Gentle Bridge session which is aimed at those players who are looking to gain experience or who prefer a less competitive atmosphere. We will come to the position of face-to-face sessions later in the agenda.

Taking over from a very successful Chairman is always daunting and I have been fortunate in having the support of both Colin and Julie who have been towers of strength during these months. However, the person who also does a great deal behind the scenes to keep the sessions running successfully is Audrey and I have to thank her for her unstinting support and encouragement.

Finally, Cath Fox, Jill Collier and Jean Maker are not standing for re-election to the Committee and I would like to thank them all for their contributions over the years. Ashley Mews has agreed to stand for election but volunteers are always welcome.

In conclusion, on behalf of the Committee I would like to thank you all for your support over the last 12 months and we look forward to another successful year ahead.

Alan Rodger