



**CHELTENHAM
BRIDGE
CLUB**



Newsletter

January 2021



A note from the Editor,

Welcome to our first Newsletter for 2021. We were all thrilled by Ann's award from the Queen and warmly congratulate her.

We are usually all in Bournemouth in January for the annual club holiday. Lots of people have told me how much they are missing it and that they are thinking of Nicola and Martin and Penny and Chris at the moment. I had the chance to see Sybil and Peter Davis before the latest lockdown and I include a snap of them. They are a lovely welcoming couple to all who play in the Club and we send them our best wishes.



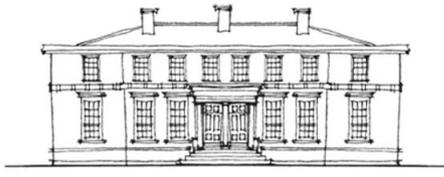
Breaking News!



Ann McCulloch BEM

Ann was honoured by the Queen in the New Year's Honour's List for her charity work. She has spent 32 years fund-raising and working in the Cancer Research UK shop in Gloucester.

Well-deserved Ann!



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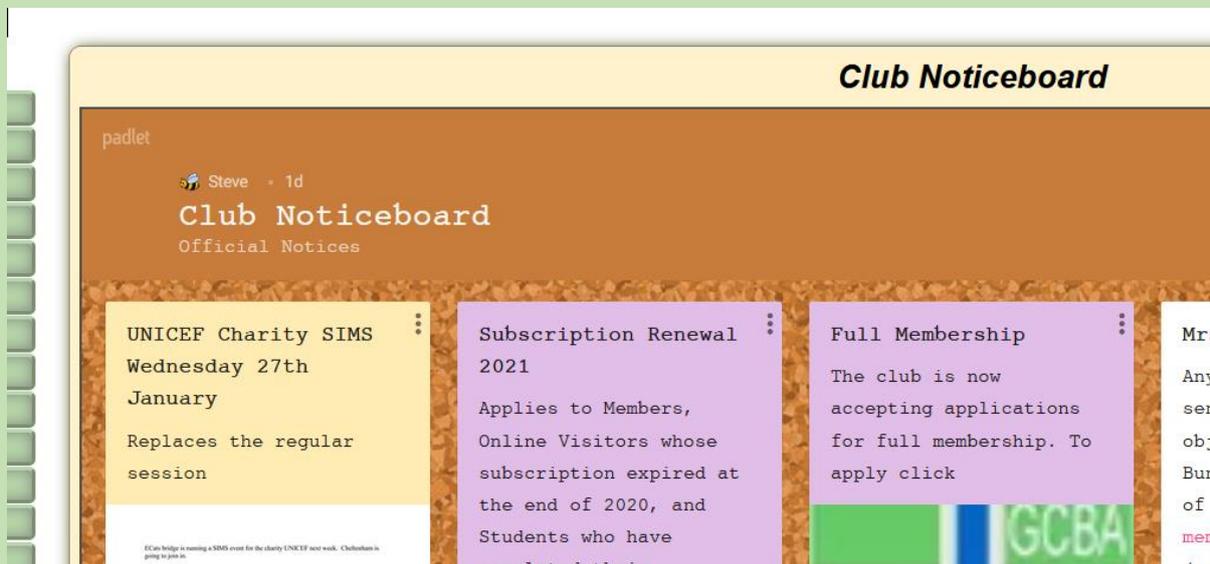
Online Noticeboards

If you look at the top right-hand corner of the website, you will see that we now have online noticeboards:



Here they are!

There are two: a Club Noticeboard for official notices, and a Members Noticeboard for, Members. If you double-click either of these, it will bring up the noticeboard, for example, the Club Noticeboard looks like this.



The picture just shows part of it, there are many other notices pinned up there. This is where you can now find all official notices whilst we're not at the club. At the moment, there are notices describing how to renew your membership, about upcoming events, and there is description of how our Leader boards work if you have ever wondered what they are. There is even a copy of the latest Newsletter to save you searching through your inbox!

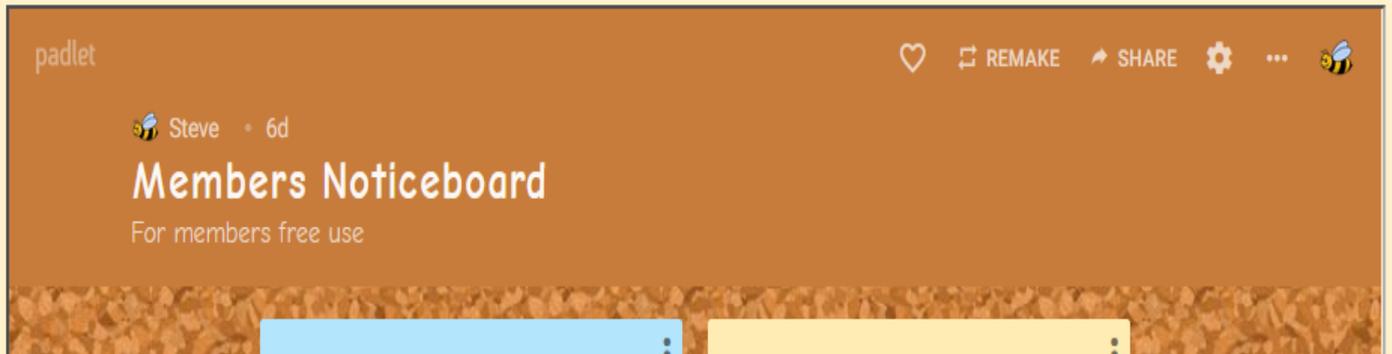


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Members Noticeboard

For members to post notices for any purpose - **just double-click on the noticeboard to add your notice**. If you want a reply don't forget to add your contact details. Please delete when no longer needed. **The administrator** will remove inappropriate notices and old notes to keep it tidy, current and manageable.



And this is for you! Yes, **anyone** can add their own notice just by double-clicking in it. You can use this for anything you like, from asking for a partner, to asking for charity sponsorship, or even selling that old Bridge Table that you can no longer use!

Steve Betteley- IT Director

Volunteers Needed!



We are keen to recruit a **secretary** for the Club. This is an interesting post and you will get to know a lot about the running of the Club. If you are interested please contact Hugh or any of the Committee.

We are also looking for a **minutes secretary** to take minutes at Committee meetings.

Please think about it because the Club relies on volunteers to function.



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A message from the TD, Judy Sanis

Registering for a Cheltenham Bridge game with BBO

Usually this is really straight forward. You write your name on the registration line and invite your partner. You then wait a little and join the game which appears like magic!

Occasionally there is a hiccup, and the game is in danger of starting without you. For example, your partner goes offline just before the game starts or you have not got \$4 in your BB\$ account. All is not lost! As soon as you realise there is a problem chat to the director. The director will always try and help. The game can wait a minute or two if the director knows you are on your way or you can be provided with a temporary robot partner to be replaced as soon as your partner logs on. Even if you are both late and the game is already started, it is worth getting in touch with the director because if there is a half table you can be slotted in and you can pay later.

Tips:

1. Try and register at least 10 minutes before the game and this gives you time to sort out an occasional problem
2. Make certain you stay in the competitive area
3. The CBC director will always start the game by logging on with the BBO name **vebu205733**. This name can be used in the chat bar before the game. (Be aware that after the start, the director will change to their own BBO name, but by then you will be in the game and can call the director by clicking the three blue bars in the usual way).

The director is always there to help – make them feel needed!

Judy Sanis Bridge Director.

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday 21st March 2021

An afternoon of bridge bonanza. Do come and join us, lots of surprises.

Cheltenham Congress

30th April – 2May 2021

Green pointed event but other events for all abilities.

Save these dates

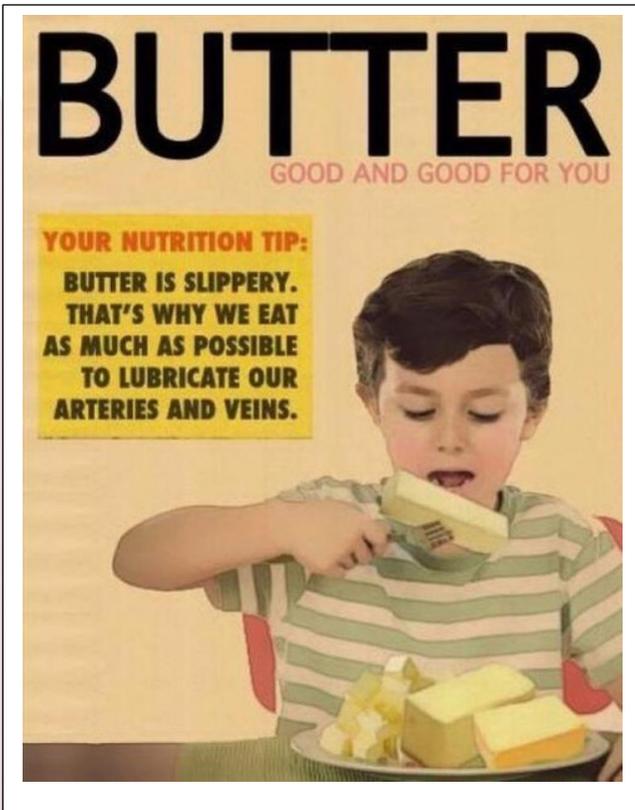


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Roger Eaton, our roving reporter, has come up with the goods again!

Here are some adverts from our youth which our children would be horrified about now. Do not show them otherwise they will not leave the grandchildren in your care!



WANTED

If you have any not too old tablets, laptops or ipads we would like to hear from you. We have some members of the Bridge Club who do not any of these , or partners who have only one between them.

If you can help it would be greatly appreciated!

Stay safe every one and see you soon we hope.