

## **THE ERICA CURRIE & RICHARD CURRIE CHARITY PAIRS JOINING AND PLAYING INSTRUCTIONS.**

Register in advance for the appropriate qualifier(s) via the Farnham Bridge club website [www.bridgewebs.com/farnham](http://www.bridgewebs.com/farnham)

### **To enter and play play in the qualifier, on the appropriate evening**

Log on to the BCL HOME PAGE (do not click “play bridge”).  
Click on the “Members” tab, then on “Clubs” from the drop-down menu

If you are not already registered with the club holding the qualifier, click on that club from the right hand list, then press “HERE” on the left hand side to temporarily join that club. (No charges are involved and you can switch your registration back after the event).

At 7pm for the 3 Counties Qualifier, 7:15pm for the Bourne & Farnham Bridge clubs qualifiers, return to the “Clubs” page, click on “Enter your club page”, then click “Play bridge” under “F2F Online Club sessions”.

Sit at the first empty table, clicking on “Enter the Tournament” if you are entering the room before your partner, and get your partner to sit opposite you. Submit and agree your SSD with your partner, then sit back and wait for the tournament to begin.

Unlike face to face clubs, DO NOT sit 4 to a table, sit alone with your partner and the server will choose your opponents.

Press refresh regularly whilst waiting for the tournament to start, or when waiting for opponents for next round ( the system will either leave you at a table or move you to “lurking” if you are waiting for next round opponents). Press “Ready” as soon as you have new opponents then exchange “chat” & greetings.

Enjoy the evening. Do your best to play at good pace (7 mins or better per board). Please follow “**best behaviour at bridge**” guidelines. At the start of a round, greet opponents and press ready. Do not discuss or hold an inquest into a previous board (do this after the event or when waiting between rounds). Do congratulate partner or opponents on a well played board. Be courteous at all times.

### **ADDITIONAL NOTES.**

Pairs not entering the full charity event are still most welcome to play in the heats as “non-qualifiers” for finals and do not have to make an entry donation (but can still donate if they wish).

Results of heats and finals will be submitted to the EBU, for master points and NGS purposes, so do ensure that your EBU number is recorded on your BCL profile.

## **ARRANGEMENTS FOR FINAL AND PLATE 2pm SUNDAY 6<sup>th</sup> December**

The top 12 pairs from the heats will play in the final, places being awarded in proportion to the number of qualifying pairs in each heat (e.g. if all heats have an equal number of qualifying pairs, the top four pairs from each heat will be asked to play in the final). If a pair or player plays in more than one heat, their top finish will be taken.

All other pairs will be asked to play in the plate.

You will be advised by email, by 5pm Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December, whether you have qualified for the final or plate. Please respond by return if, for any reason, you cannot play on the Sunday, so that your place can be allocated to another pair.

The process to enter and play in the final or plate is exactly the same as the heats, except that you will be advised in the email of the names of the final or plate rooms and how to access them. The main final will be over 22 boards, 11 x 2 board rounds, all play all.

The plate will be 18 boards, with the movement dependant on number of pairs.

Players in the main final must play with the partner they qualified with, but we can be more relaxed about the Plate with a substitute partner allowed.

Results will be posted on all three club websites overnight Sunday and a “Zoom” presentation of trophies will be arranged at a time to suit winners of main final and plate.