

Dear member.

There are only a few places left at the Christmas party so be quick if you don't want to miss all the festivities, you don't need to come with a partner, anybody on their own will be paired up with a suitable partner. The cut off for signing up is Friday the 5th.

We have arranged to run a special event Swiss pairs on Friday the 16th of January, starting at 1 o'clock so we can get home before dark, there will be a sign-up sheet. While you are arranging partners, the men's and ladies' pairs comps will take place on Wednesday the 21st of January at the evening session, if you can't find a member of the same sex to play with you can still play without standing in the competitions.

Our usage of mugs and tea spoons seems to have drastically gone up, (or someone has a fetish for them). Also, we bought some special clear plastic platters for Sunday league sandwiches that have gone missing; if anybody has any ideas where they are please let me know. On more upbeat news! I have bought us a new kettle to replace the old one that leaked (at the bottom latterly not just from the spout). A Bosch one no less!

Congratulations to all the players who did well in the Children in need SIM pairs and are looking forward to seeing how many extra master points they've earned. A special congratulations and apologies to those of you who will get a master point promotion this month through long time hard work but will get drowned out by extra promotions from the master points given through the SIM pairs events. Also. Thank you to the people who gave extra to the charity for whatever reasons, you know who you are.

Wine and mince pies will be available at all sessions the week beginning 15th of December. As usual on the Monday and Thursday evenings Kath will be doing her famous mulled wine. If that weren't incentive enough, any member who comes to play on the Monday or Thursday evening that week who doesn't usually will not have to pay table money! It will be a great time to come a play with us on a Monday or Thursday evening as we will be extra friendly due to mulled wine consumption!

See you all soon.
Rob