Chairman's Report for KCBA Committee Meeting 18th January 2020

I have not had any meetings or contact with the EBU since the last meeting.

The autumn competitions were better attended than last year. The attendance at the Dyer-Smith and the Kent Congress pairs were marginally increased, the Kent Congress teams attendance was almost doubled. Monica has agreed to organise the Congress again in 2020.

Following the contact from Declan Treanor, we have agreed that First for Bridge will sponsor a KCBA 'Open Day', to be held on 18th April 2020. The agreed venue will be the Mick Jagger Arts Centre located within Dartford Grammar School. Further details to be given in the dedicated slot on the agenda.

We had a good attendance at the Development/Membership Campaign meeting in November, with a very positive atmosphere and many good suggestions as to how to increase teaching and consequent membership. This meeting was also attended by Tim Anderson, the EBU Membership Development Officer.

Phil Jones has indicated that he wishes to stand down from being the Archivist. Gerald Soper has indicated a willingness to take over the role, but wishes to stand down from his role as organiser of trophies. We need to identify someone to take over that role.

Norman Inniss

11th January 2020