

## **Competition Secretary's Report**

### **January 2019**

#### **Dyer Smith Cup**

We had 13 tables for the Dyer Smith. This was 4.5 down on last year but one more than 2016.

#### **Fleming Femina / Hunter Homines**

Entries currently stand at 13.5 tables for the Fleming Femina and 13.5 tables for the Hunter Homines. This is 4 tables more than this time last year for the ladies but the same as last year for the men's pairs. A reminder email has been sent and I am hoping for a few more tables. Last year we finished on 10.5 in the ladies (so are already up 3 tables) and 15.5 in the men's so just need another 4 more pairs to equal last year.

#### **Arnold Cup**

We have 18 teams in this year's competition. One more than last year which was three down on the year. As I said in my report last year I believe some teams have dropped out as they were always drawn against the same one or two teams. Due to ensuring first round matches are relatively local this is impossible to change due to the limited number of teams entering. The policy of ensuring everyone gets a reasonable local match could not be maintained this year with only Brian Crack's team entering from the east of the county.

Of the 18 teams, 2 were seeded and had byes in round 1 leaving a nice neat 16 teams to play against each other in round 1. The 8 losing teams have all gone into the Plate.

#### **Corbett League**

We have had repeat entries from all the clubs that participated last year. We also have an additional team from Bromley North BC who now have three teams in the league. This makes a total of 21 teams competing across the weekend ready for next year's new arrangement into four divisions of 5 teams, presumably with the 21<sup>st</sup> and any new teams being in division 4.

The rules have been updated with the new format and a copy is attached.

#### **Area Leagues**

Last year the Gill Cup (North West Kent) lost two teams so was down to two divisions of five. This year Lindsey has worked very hard and has got both divisions back up to six teams. Once again Mike Griffiths has done his best with the Pearson Cup (South West Kent) but was unable to generate enough interest. So there are only three of the four area leagues running this season.

#### **KCBA congress**

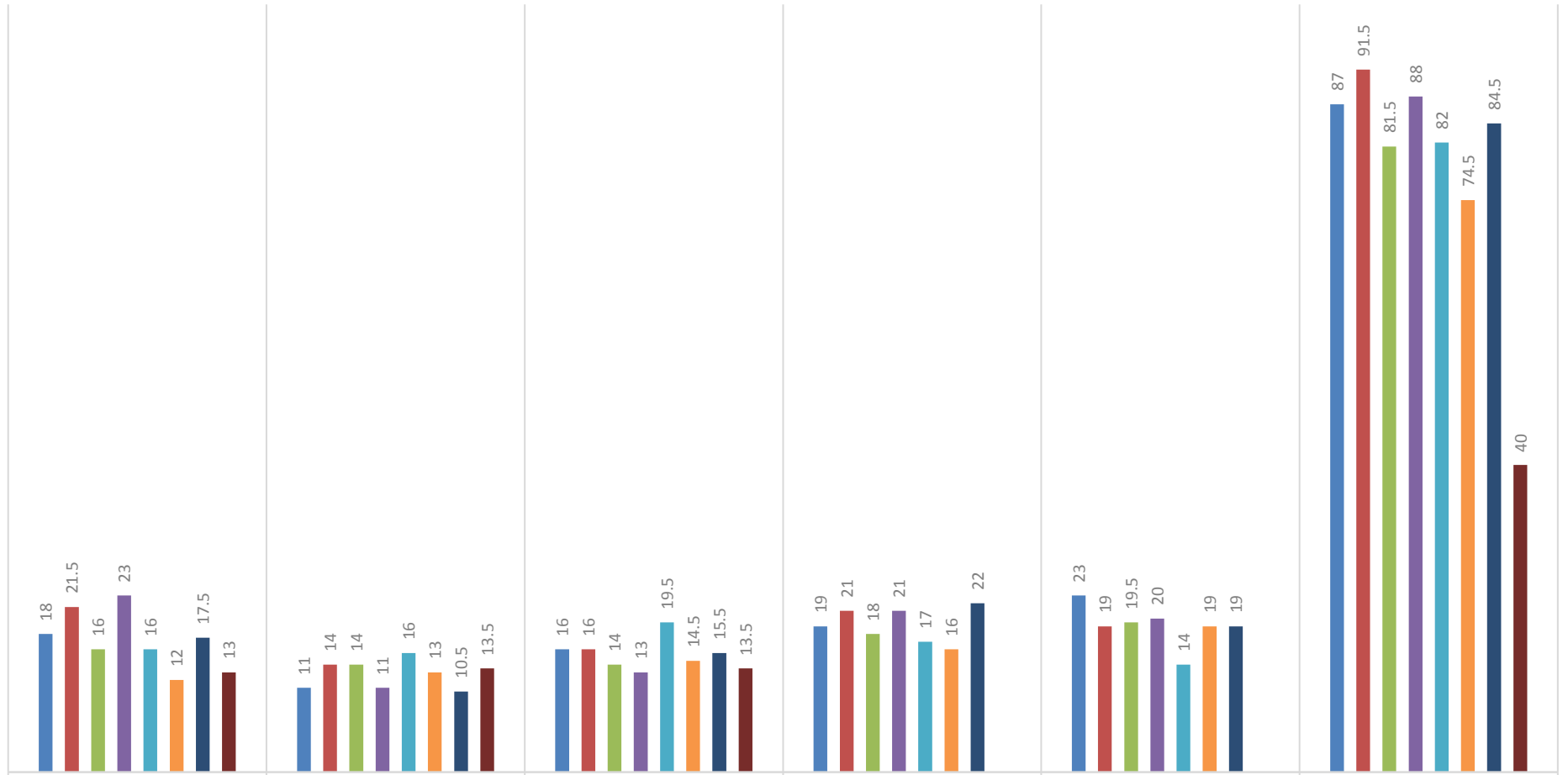
The EBU have granted us an additional green pointed event to commemorate our 60<sup>th</sup> Congress. Last year both days were blue pointed so we need to decide which day we would like to be green or perhaps to give up one of our one day events and have the whole congress green pointed. Once again the congress weekend clashes with the Premier League. Would it be better to clash with the Autumn congress the previous weekend?

#### **Competition dates for 2019-20**

I have attached a list of proposed dates for next season's competitions. Once these dates have been agreed we can book venues and Stephen Brown will be able to organise directors.

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5<sup>th</sup> January 2019

## KCBA'S PAIRS COMPETITION TABLE NUMBERS



	Dyer Smith	Fleming Femina	Hunter Homines	George Griffiths	Phillimore	Total no of tables
■ 2011-12	18	11	16	19	23	87
■ 2012-13	21.5	14	16	21	19	91.5
■ 2013-14	16	14	14	18	19.5	81.5
■ 2014-15	23	11	13	21	20	88
■ 2015-16	16	16	19.5	17	14	82
■ 2016-17	12	13	14.5	16	19	74.5
■ 2017-18	17.5	10.5	15.5	22	19	84.5
■ 2018-19	13	13.5	13.5			40

2019 - 20	Proposed date	Other events / competitions			
		Previous weekend	Same weekend	Weekend after	Weekend after that
Dyer Smith	Sunday 6th October	Surrey GP weekend	<b>Premier League (1st w/e)</b>	Overseas Congress Gold Cup Final	Autumn Congress
KCBA Congress Green and Blue pointed	26th & 27th October	Autumn Congress	<b>Premier League (2nd w/e)</b>	Seniors Congress	Premier League (3rd w/e)
Fleming Femina Hunter Homines	Sunday 19th January	Camrose (1st weekend) Lady Milne trials	<b>European mixed trials</b>	Point-a-Board teams (London) Lady Milne Trials (final stage)	European Senior Trials
Mitchell Salver	Saturday 25th January	European mixed trials	<b>Point-a-Board teams (London) Lady Milne Trials (final stage)</b>	European Senior Trials	
Corbett Cup & Plate	Sunday 26th January	European mixed trials	<b>Point-a-Board teams (London) Lady Milne Trials (final stage)</b>	European Senior Trials	
GP Swiss Pairs	Sunday 8th March				
Larsky Final	<u>Saturday 21st March</u>	National Pairs Regional Final	<b>Hampshire Congress (GP) Mothering Sunday</b>	Portland Pairs	
George Griffiths	Sunday 5th April	Portland Pairs		Easter Congress	National Pairs Final
Brook Shield	Sunday 10th May	Jersey Congress	<b>National Swiss Teams (West Midlands)</b>	GP weekend	Spring Congress
GP Swiss Teams	Sunday 17th May				
Phillimore & AGM	Sunday 14th June	Pachabo Cup Oxfordshire Congress (GP)	<b>Saturday - Garden Cities</b>	GP weekend Fathers Day	Riviera Congress