

Chief TD Report - May 2019

I am pleased to report that all events this year (just one left) have been run very successfully. Many thanks to our EBU/County tournament directors Paul Gibbons, Diane Rogers, Mike Rafferty, John Oakland, Fred Davies, Sharon Bayne, Jan Johnson and other EBU TDs from outside the county. I am ready to ask availability and then appoint TDs for 2019-2020 events once this meeting has decided the final calendar (i.e. green point events).

I am pleased to report that John Oakland, Fred Davis and Mike Rafferty plan to attend the Advanced Training Day in May or August. Depending on results etc, they also wish to attend the residential two day County TD weekend training in September. There is no need to have any other county TD training in 2019 so I would hope that a suitable budget would be found for this training (£55 per person for the Advanced Training, £225 per person for the September course). I have already liaised with Georgina and I hope that she will raise this budget issue at the May meeting.

There have been Club TD training events that I have led but organised by EBED in Beckenham and Pembury in 2019-2020 with all 15 people passing the club TD courses, 7 of these with distinction.

I feel that the rules for reserve pairs qualifying from the Larsky Semifinals that were changed this year (to using reserve pairs from the same heat that a pair dropped out from) need to be changed back to the long standing rules that stood up to this year (i.e. one reserve pair in each heat and then the best percentage from the remaining reserve pairs with scores 50% or above). This year's rules resulted in several pairs scoring under 51% being invited before pairs gaining over 56%. I hope that this can be discussed under the Larsky Report.

Stephen Brown. 8.5.2019