

Competitions Secretary Report for Oct 2025 meeting

Events completed since last meeting

PHILLIMORE BLUE POINTED SWISS PAIRS – Sunday 29th July 2025

A very successful event with 19 tables. Many thanks to Lindsey, who also advertised it to clubs. A big improvement on the previous year where it was decided to cancel due to insufficient entries to make a Swiss Pairs viable.

IMPROVERS PAIRS – Saturday 9th August 2025

A good entry of around 38 tables (increase of 9 tables on the same event last year).

DYER SMITH MIXED PAIRS – Sunday 5th October 2025

16 pairs entered, but three pairs withdrew on the weekend of the event due to illness. A slight decrease on the previous year (9 tables)

DISCUSSION point

Should we continue running the Mixed Pairs and Seniors pairs?
Review of entries for all competitions.

CONGRESS

Currently 17 tables for Swiss Pairs and 16 tables for Swiss Teams.

The event is advertised on the Websites of the other seven counties in our area and on the Scrolling Banner on the EBU website.

Disappointingly, even though Lindsay has asked clubs in Kent to add it to their website, only two have.

Of the 34 pairs entered on Monday, 14 had also entered for the teams. The other 20 pairs were invited to play in the teams, with help to pair up.

Dates confirmed with venues and catering where appropriate– the first one is currently being advertised:

25/26 Oct 2025	TWBC	<u>Joint Congress with Sussex</u>
Sat 13 Dec 2025	BBO	<u>Blue Pointed Swiss Pairs (6x6)</u> (or Sun 14 depending on WBA Swiss Pairs)
Sun 11 Jan 2026	TWBC	Homina Mens / Femina Ladies Pairs
Sat/Sun 24/25 Jan 2026	TWBC	<u>Corbett Teams of 8</u>
Sat 28 Mar 2026	Maidstone	Larsky Final (booked)
Sun 19 Apr 2026	TWBC	George Griffiths Seniors Pairs (Easter is 5 April)
Sat 16 May 2026	RealBridge	Blue Pointed Swiss Pairs 6x6
Sun 19 July 2026	TWBC	<u>Phillimore BP Swiss Pairs (6x8)</u>

County TDs

David Cock is interested in becoming a county TD and will be directing the Congress with me and receive training on directing Swiss events.

Event for Jack High

A couple of players who were 9High and played in our Improver Pairs, are requesting a Jack high event on BBO. Players of NGS 7-Jack could be encouraged to play. Thoughts?

Stephen Brown, Oct 2025