



SOMERSET COUNTY BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

Event Information for 2016-17

1. County Percentage

Not a new event as it was run last year but worth repeating the rules! Designed to reflect the **Individual** nature of the competition and hopefully encourage **all** club members to enter:

- members will choose one specific club to enter through - only results obtained after the entry fee (£4) is paid to the club treasurer will count!
- all results obtained at that club (July -March) count with the best 10 providing an individual's average percentage.
- the top 52 in the County (or thereabouts) will then be invited to compete in a 4-winner Individual Final on Sunday 7th May.

Open to all members of affiliated clubs.

2. Championship Teams of Four

This is our principal knockout team event. **Green points** are awarded at all stages and we would like to see a much larger entry. To that end for this year:

- The first round will be a head to head 24 board match in 2 stanzas played at Woolavington on Sunday 9th October 2016 at 2pm. Drinks will be available but no plated tea.
- Any team of 4 EBU members may enter - extra players can be added at a later date. Entries must be made via the website by 1st September. The draw will then be made & published - any team genuinely unable to field a team on 9th October must state this at time of entry. Entry fee £5 per player.
- Subsequent matches in the main event will be arranged & played privately and will be of 32 boards with 40 in the semi-final & 48 in the final.
- Losers of first round matches will join 2nd round losers in a **Plate competition** redrawn at the end of Round 2 - subsequent matches will be of 24 boards with a final of 32 boards.

3. Restricted Inter-Club Pairs & Teams

The **Club Championship** will be decided on the combined results of these 2 events open only to players **below the rank of National Master** on 1st July 2016.

Inter Club Pairs

Date: Sunday 6th November 2016, Woolavington 2pm

The Lundie Rees Cup will be awarded to the winners of the 3rd stratum

Inter Club Teams of Four

Date: Sunday 22nd January 2017, Woolavington 2pm.

- Clubs may enter as many pairs/teams as they like. Entry to both competitions should be made by the club secretary direct to the Tournament Secretary and it is hoped that the club will pay the entry fee of £4 per player (players will then be responsible for £8 on the day).
- An individual is not permitted to represent one club in the pair's event and another club in the team event in the same season.
- Each competition will be run as an all play all event (as far as possible) but will be stratified into 3 roughly equal sections using current NGS ranking. The top ten places in each of the 3 sections are allocated Club Points as in previous years.
- Non-affiliated clubs may enter teams/pairs so long as the players are members of the EBU but will not be eligible for the Club Championship or the Lundie Rees Cup.

4. Dates of all county events (Woolavington 2pm):

23 July	Barometer Pairs	8 Jan	Swiss Pairs
14 Aug	Paul Jones	22 Jan	Inter-Club Teams
4 Sept	Mixed Pairs	6-10 Feb	Michael Coda Sim Pairs
9 Oct	Champ.Teams Round 1	18 Feb	Champ. Pairs 1pm start
22 Oct	Mixed Teams	11 Mar	Teams of 8
6 Nov	Inter club Pairs	7 May	Percentage Final
27 Nov	Swiss Teams	21 May	Point a Board Teams
11 Dec	Men's & Ladies Pairs	25 June	AGM Swiss Teams

Further details on all competitions will be found on the County website.