

STANLEY TROPHY RULES 2023-24

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The Rules below are additional to the LCBA Pairs Event General Rules.

1. The competition is for Pairs and will be scored using X-imp scoring. Cost of entry will be £5.00 per player, to be paid in cash on the day. However, players who have attended at least three of the Paul Bowyer Teams Training evenings in September and October 2023 will have free entry to the competition.
2. The competition is intended to cater for pairs wishing to play against a stronger more challenging field than that of typical club nights and it is expected that most players taking part will be expert players as defined by the LCBA for tournament prize purposes. However, entries from non-expert pairs wishing to improve their bridge, particularly with the ambition of possible selection to play for County Teams, will be welcomed.
3. The competition will take place at the County Bridge Club on Sunday 15 October starting at 2 pm. It will be run as a single-session single-winner event of about 24 to 28 boards duration.
4. The Stanley Trophy will be awarded to the highest ranked pair at the end of the event. Cash prizes of £40, £20 and £10 will be awarded to the first, second and third placed pairs. In addition, the leading non-expert pair will also be awarded a cash prize of £10 provided that they do not also qualify for one of the other cash prizes. In the event of a tie, standard EBU procedures will be followed to break the tie. Black Master Points will be awarded at the County Scale.