

OUR VENUE:

RGS The Grange is situated between Fernhill Heath and Worcester. Easy access from J6 of the M5. RGS The Grange is 5 mins drive North of the City Centre, with two pubs within 2 minutes' drive; several B&Bs are about a mile away on the Upper Tything (WR1 1HU). (See website for details of parking, accommodation and restaurants.). As in previous years, free hot and cold drinks will be available throughout the weekend.

MEALS

A two-course meal by our excellent caterer will be available. While we have been able to hold the entry fee for the Congress, we have been faced with rising costs of meals. The cost for each day is shown below. Please pre-book and pay with entry (not later than 20th October) to ensure that we can cater for you. We are offering a simple menu as follows (special alternatives for vegetarian and gluten-free if specified with order):

<p><i>Saturday £13.00</i> <i>Lasagne or Vegetarian Lasagne</i> <i>Sweet</i></p> <p><i>Sunday £14</i> <i>Meat Roast or Vegetable Wellington</i> <i>Sweet</i></p>

Directions: Address is RGS The Grange, Grange Lane, Claines, Worcester WR3 7RR

From the North (M5 Junction 6): Take the A449 (Worcester/Kidderminster); leave after 1 mile at the first exit (Blackpole, A4536), but turn RIGHT (towards Fernhill Heath) at the bottom of the sliproad. Continue to Fernhill Heath, turning left (Worcester) onto the A38. After ¾ mile, just before the speed limit rises to 40mph, take the right-hand turn into Grange Lane; RGS Grange is on the left at the bottom.

From the South/Centre of Worcester: Follow the main A38 route north from the centre; take the Bromsgrove/Droitwich right fork, (rather than the A449 to Kidderminster). Continue for 1 ½ miles, past turnings to Claines (L) and Hindlip Lane on the right; just **after** the "Fernhill Heath"/30mph limit, turn **left** into Grange Lane; RGS The Grange is on the left at the bottom.

Please see our website for Data and Privacy policies, and indicate consent on entry form

Results and all other info: <http://www.bridgewebs.com/worcestershire/>

WORCESTERSHIRE CONTRACT BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

THE MALVERN CONGRESS 2024

GREEN-POINTED SWISS WEEKEND

Saturday 26th October
Sunday 27th October

RGS The Grange, Claines
Worcester WR3 7RR

Chief Tournament Director: **Sarah Amos**

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Saturday 26th Oct 2024

**Green-Pointed Swiss Pairs Championship
(6 x 8 boards)**

(£25 per player)

1:00pm Start of play, three matches

Interval of approximately 45 minutes

Approx 5.15pm Restart for last three matches

8.30pm – 8.45pm Estimated finish time

(there will be a host pair)

Newcomers' Pairs Championship

(£7.50 per player)

Advised guideline: limited to players having learned to play in the
last five years

1:00pm Start of play

4:30 pm Estimated finish time

The format to be determined by the number of entries

Sunday 27th Oct 2024

**Green-Pointed Swiss Teams Championship
(6 x 8 boards)**

(£25 per player)

11:00am Start of play, three matches

Interval of approximately 45 minutes

Approx 3.15pm Restart for last three matches

6.30pm – 6.45pm Estimated finish time

Licensed by the EBU. All events Level 4 except No Fear Events

ENTRY FEES

To enter, please go to bridgewebs.com/worcestershire and click on “Malvern Congress 2024” on the menu on the left hand side (or follow this link <https://tinyurl.com/2ptscrez>). There you will find online entry forms together with instructions for completing them. Instructions for payment will then be provided on an email acknowledging your entry.

We have maintained the entry fees for the Congress at the same level as last year. However, this has necessitated a change to our refund policy. We will not be able to refund entry fees on withdrawal from the Congress after Friday 25th October nor will we be able to refund meal bookings after Sunday 20th October UNLESS we are able to resell those meals.

PRIZES

Prizes for Green Point events will be awarded to the EBU scale.

SAFEGUARDING

Players who are under 18 years of age are asked to communicate their date of birth by email to our Safeguarding Officer, Mike Vetch (mike1958v@mail.com) when entering the event.