

OXFORDSHIRE BRIDGE

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Winners all round

Lots of readers flocked to [Oxford Spires Hotel](#) to see the first leg of play for the **Camrose Trophy**. The final has just finished, with **England** winning ahead of a strong **Wales** team. The latest winners of our newsletter quiz are given below. An earlier winner was **Norman Gascoigne** of Wallingford BC, whose prize was a meal for two at [The Trout Inn, Wolvercote](#). More great prizes (with a seasonal flavour) are on offer in our spring issue, out shortly. Entry is [free](#). - *David Bygott*

Lucky at the Camrose?

On board 31, England's 'man of the match' in Oxford **Andrew Robson** needed to play his diamonds for 4 tricks, losing just one.

Dummy (N) held: ♦K10832

Andrew (S) held: ♦J974

The defenders' joint cards were A-Q-6-5.
How would you play?

Playing for oppo cards to divide 2:2 with ♦A on his left, Andrew led ♦J. LHO put in ♦5 and Andrew rose with ♦K, winning. Any ♦ lead now sets up 3 more winners. As the full deal (*below*) shows, AR guessed right "on the day".

Smiling for your *Oxfordshire Bridge* editor, he modestly confided, "It's nice when it works. Doesn't always."

Andrew Robson

(photo: D.Bygott)



31	♠ 6	Dir: S
	♥ AK4	Vul: N-S
	♦ K10832	
	♣ 9743	
♠ QJ972	♠ 10843	
♥ J83	♥ Q765	
♦ A5	♦ Q6	
♣ KJ8	♣ Q105	
10	♠ AK5	♠ ♠ ♠ NT
12 6	♥ 1092	N 3 4 1 - 3
	♦ J974	S 3 4 1 - 3
12	♣ A62	E - - - 1 -
		W - - - 1 -

(Handwritten signature below the deal)

left: the full deal Andrew's likely reasoning for his chosen line (based on the auction) is set out in **Nick Smith's** good *Oxford Times* column, 19 Jan 2012. Perhaps you can find a copy at your local library?

Winners in issue 15 of a lunch at Banbury's historic **Ye Olde Reindeer Inn** (site of the Globe Room and episode 4 of the archaeological **Pub Dig** TV series with Rory McGrath) are **Virginia & Arthur Jones** (Wantage BC).

www.yeoldereindeer.co.uk

(photo by the editor)



Winner of the framed print of **Carfax Tower, Oxford** by Philip Martin – kindly donated by Castle Framing, Overthorpe, nr Banbury, is **Stephanie Bliss** (Summertown BC)

www.castleframing.uk.com

Newsflash. Enter our June congress (pairs and/or teams) quickly. It's filling up.

Details in the OBA brochure, online at

www.oxfordshirebridge.co.uk

A great meal out

After taking up his quiz prize from issue 14, Norman Gascoigne emailed your editor:

"What a lovely evening we had. The food and service were superb. Please tell the manager that his staff can be congratulated. We will certainly recommend the Trout to all our friends."

For info, visit: www.thetroutoxford.co.uk