



# Surrey County Bridge Association

Newsletter # 30 - June 2018

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## President's Introduction

As we head towards the end of the 2017-18 season, the principal SCBA events have been completed or are near completion. I would like to offer my congratulations to the winners of the County Pairs, Malcolm Bricknell and Peter Hardymont, and to the winners of the Mary Edwards Cup, Ralph Evers and Ronald Wood. The latter event had representatives of twenty Surrey clubs, slightly fewer than in recent years. I would like to encourage all our affiliated clubs to enter their champion pairs in this competition next year. The main teams league and knock-out events are in their final stages, and the Wanborough Cup for club champion teams takes place on 24th June.

You will no doubt have an in-box full of exhortations to click links confirming your acceptance of terms in compliance with the forthcoming data protection regulations. It is tempting to ignore these in the hope of reducing the amount of spam arriving daily, at least in my case. Fortunately SCBA (and the EBU) have taken advantage of provisions in the regulations that mean it is not necessary to opt in to their communications, so a bit less admin to do. However, if your club has asked you to re-register it is a good idea to do so now.

I would like to invite you all to enter our Flagship event:

**22 September 12pm**  
**23 September 12pm**

**Green Point Swiss Pairs**  
**Green Point Swiss Teams**

Best wishes

Tim

# The 2018 Calendar

## JUNE 2018

Sun 3	1300	Richmond Blue Pointed Swiss Pairs	Richmond
Sun 10	1300	Surrey League Finals	Oxshott
Sun 24	1300	Surrey Wanborough Cup	Oxshott
Mon – Fri 25-29		Surrey Simultaneous Pairs	Clubs

## JULY 2018

Sun 1	1300	Surrey Blue Pointed Mini Swiss Pairs (with AGM)	Oxshott
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## AUGUST 2018

Mon 27	1300	Surrey Blue Pointed Bank Holiday Swiss Pairs	Oxshott
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## SEPTEMBER 2018

Sun 2	1300	Richmond Blue Pointed Swiss Pairs	Richmond
Mon - Fri 10-14		Surrey Club Pairs Challenge Heats	Clubs
Sat 22	12 noon	Surrey Green Pointed Swiss Pairs	Guildford
Sun 23	12 noon	Surrey Green Pointed Swiss Teams	Guildford

## OCTOBER 2018

Sat 6	1100	Caterham & Selsdon Blue Pointed Swiss Pairs	Godstone
Sun 14		Woking Blue Pointed Swiss Pairs	Woking

## NOVEMBER 2018

Sun 4	1300	Surrey Club Pairs Challenge Final	Oxshott
Wed 14	1100	Surrey Chairman's Lunch	Bookham Old Barn Hall
Sun 18	1300	Richmond Blue Pointed Swiss Pairs	Richmond

## DECEMBER 2018

Mon-Fri 3 – 7		Surrey Doris Salver Simultaneous Pairs	Clubs
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Please note that our AGM is to be held on Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018 at Oxshott. The Blue Pointed Mini Swiss Pairs event will start at 1300 and the AGM will be held in the break around 4 pm. The deadline for nominations for officers is 10<sup>th</sup> June and these should be sent to the Secretary, [secretary.scba@bridgewebs.com](mailto:secretary.scba@bridgewebs.com).

## Club Pairs Challenge competition

We will be organising this event again to enable those who do not regularly enter Surrey events to have an easy way to try something outside their club environment. Clubs nominate their club duplicate in the week of 10-14 September as their qualifying event: no entry fee, and just your normal boards. All pairs in the master points for the qualifying event are eligible to register for the Challenge Final at Oxshott on Sunday 4th November, starting at 1pm

*For more information on events that Surrey County Bridge Association run* [Click Here](#) or click on a link in the Calendar on the website. To enter an event either online using the [Event Hub](#), download an entry form, or contact the competitions secretary, Shirley Pritchard [competitionsecretary.scba@bridgewebs.com](mailto:competitionsecretary.scba@bridgewebs.com)

## Hall of Fame so far

Competition	Winners
AGM Pairs	Maciej Pilecki and Stanley Herman
Wanborough Cup	Varda Derwig & Jack Goody, Tim Rees & Simon Foale
Mary Edwards	Ralph Evers & Ronald Wood (Roehampton)
EBU Point-Board Teams	Frances Hinden, Graham Osborne, Jeffrey Allerton, Chris Jagger
Affiliated Clubs Teams of 8	RICHMOND - BLUE: Marietta Andree & Janet Cahm, Margaret Page & Patrick Bohan, John Clark & Nadia Koch, Dan O'Farrell & Maureen Dennison,
Club Chairmens Lunch	Steve Irwin & David Elvin (Selsdon)
Club Pairs Challenge Final	Marion Hart & Kenneth Wilshire
Dorin Salver Overall winners	Ulla Adilz & Joyce Munns (Bookham)
Dorin Salver Day 1 Monday	Ulla Adilz & Joyce Munns (Bookham)
Dorin Salver Day 2 Tuesday	Allan Webber & Mick Edwards (Caterham)
Dorin Salver Day 3 Wednesday	Frank Marshallsay & Steve Bourton (Tudor)
Dorin Salver Day 4 Thursday	Michele Lundqvist & Graham Cunningham (Wimbledon)
Dorin Salver Day 5 Friday	Renate Lane & Joyce Gibbs (Effingham)
Ladies Pairs	Ulla Adilz & Joyce Munns
Mens Pairs	Steve Bourton & Frank Marshallsay
Mixed Pairs	Easter David & Bhuma Rangarajan
Seniors Pairs	Steve Lock & Graham E Osborne
Surrey GP Swiss Pairs	Steve Preston & Andy Hughes
Surrey GP Swiss Teams	Ingar Hansen, Peter Lee, Paula Leslie & Mike Scoltock
Bank Holiday BP Pairs	Michael Hampton & Michael Prior
Lady Rose Cup	Arun Suri, Peter Lee, Richard Granville, Graham Sadie

## Victor Ludorum

In our previous Newsletter we asked for feedback concerning the future of the Victor Ludorum. So far we have had only one vote in favour of keeping this competition. A final decision on whether we will retain this competition will be taken at our next committee meeting on 5 July so now is your final chance to have a say.

## Wanborough Cup – for Club Team’s Champions

The Wanborough Cup is an event run by SCBA for club team’s champions. This year it is on **24th June** and there has been a change of venue from Wimbledon to **Oxshott**. For those of you who have not been there before, Oxshott is just off the A3 at the Esher/Oxshott junction. There has plenty of parking at the Community Centre where the bridge takes place.

The event is run over an afternoon – it starts at 1:00pm and typically finishes before 6:00pm – so you should be home for supper or that TV program that you really do not want to miss! During the afternoon there is a short break for refreshments. Those wishing to do so can order sandwiches to be made for them ready for the break. Unfortunately the sandwiches are not free, but coffee, tea and biscuits are available for no charge during the day.

The club team’s champions have to have been selected by some sort of competition at the club. Many clubs designate one of the team’s evening that they have as the Wanborough Cup qualifier. Then the winners – if they wish – can go forward to represent the club. If the winners do not wish to, or cannot, go then the runners up can be asked. Depending on the size of the field – I would suggest not asking below the top 25% of the field – the club can move on down the field. Or, if there are 2 pairs in the top who would like to play together in the Wanborough Cup this is also fine.

**This is very much a mixed ability event**, so please do not think that you shouldn’t come (or wouldn’t like it if you did) because your club is not one of the top three in Surrey. Most of us are not from one of those 3 clubs but we still have an enjoyable afternoon.

If your club has not yet entered, and you would like to play, and you think you qualify to represent the club – ask someone on the committee if you can represent the club.

## Sim Pairs

Our next Sim Pairs will take place from Monday 25 June to Friday 29 June. As always all the profits from these sessions will go to charity. We are proud of our record in supporting local charities regularly raising over £6,000 a year. So thank you all for your support in the past and I hope you will continue to support these events in the future.

The chosen charity for this June is Cherry Tree Homes, which provide Home from Home short breaks for children and young people with disabilities. More details can be found on their website here:

<https://www.cherrytrees.org.uk>

The pair with the highest overall score each day will receive a £20 prize and free entry to any SCBA event held between October 2018 and July 2019 .

Your club may enter as many times as they wish and full instructions can be found in the Library on the SCBA website or by clicking [here](#).

We have had several comments in the past about Sim Pairs hands being fixed. We can assure you that this is not the case. We use the same software to create the hand we use as most clubs use for their normal club sessions.

## SCBA Governance

The SCBA committee has worked hard recently to ensure the Association is in line with legal requirements and best practice concerning Data Protection and the Safe Guarding of Minors. Details can be found on both of these in the SCBA Library [here](#). Our privacy policy can be found in

<http://www.bridgewebs.com//surrey/SCBA%20Privacy%20Notice%2025%20April%202018.pdf>.

## Beginners Taster Session

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## Neighbouring County Events

9 & 10 June: - Oxfordshire Congress ([Website](#))

16 & 17 June: - Berks & Bucks Green Point Swiss Pairs and Teams ([Website](#))

17 June & 22 July: - Dorset Green Point Swiss Teams and Pairs ([Website](#))

21 & 22 July: - Hertfordshire Green Pointed Swiss Pairs and Teams ([Website](#))

15 & 16 September: - Hertfordshire Green Pointed Swiss Pairs and Teams ([Website](#))

# Bridge Hand (1)

## BEGINNER DECLARER HAND

Board: 2019 Dealer: East Vul: None Contract: 4♠ by East Lead: ♥K

East	South	West	North
2♥*	3♣	Pass	4♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

\* Weak

<b>North</b>	
♠ 98	
♥ QT7	
♦ KQT74	
♣ K54	
<b>West</b>	<b>East</b>
♠ Q74	♠ 2
♥ K	♥ AJ9653
♦ 82	♦ 965
♣ QJT9732	♣ A86
<b>South</b>	
♠ AKJT653	
♥ 842	
♦ AJ3	
♣	

We have plenty of tricks on this hand, although at first sight we're in danger of losing a trump and three hearts. West wins the first trick with ♥K and switches to ♣Q, which we ruff in hand. We try ♠AK, but East discards on the second round.

When the only trump outstanding is a winner it's often best to abandon trumps and play on the side suits, especially if it's urgent to discard losers before the opponents get on lead. That's not the case here because the bidding and play both indicate that West has no more hearts remaining.

We therefore lose the third round of trumps, discarding a heart or club from dummy. We ruff the club return, cash ♦AJ and discard our losing hearts on North's diamond winners. Making eleven tricks.

If after cashing ♠AK we had played on diamonds immediately, West would have ruffed the third round, after which we would have no access to dummy's winners. With two more inevitable heart losers we would have finished one down.

Hand supplied by Richard Granville for No Fear Bridge

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## Bridge Hand (2)

### IMPROVER DECLARER HAND

Board: 2000 Dealer: South Vul: None Contract: 6♥ by South Lead: ♠A

South	West	North	East
1♣	1♠	DbI	4♠
5♥	5♠	Pass	Pass
6♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

#### North

♠ J5  
♥ JT843  
♦ JT73  
♣ AK

#### West

♠ AQT976  
♥ 962  
♦ KQ8  
♣ 2

#### East

♠ K8432  
♥ 7  
♦ 654  
♣ JT65

#### South

♠  
♥ AKQ5  
♦ A92  
♣ Q98743

If clubs are breaking 3-2 we have 13 easy tricks, even if trumps are breaking 4-0. We can also achieve the same result if clubs are 4-1 and trumps 2-2.

It's less easy to make even 12 tricks if clubs are 4-1 and trumps 3-1. If we draw trumps immediately we'll have none left in hand and only one side suit entry. With the clubs blocked we could only make the contract if East held ♦KQ.

The solution is to draw only two rounds of trumps before trying ♣AK. If clubs break 3-2 then we can draw the last trump and still make all the tricks.

In practice West ruffs the second club and forces out our last trump with a spade. We ruff a club in dummy, re-enter hand with ♦A and discard all of dummy's losing diamonds on our winning clubs. Making 12 tricks.

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**ALL-FARNHAM**  
**FUN FESTIVAL OF BRIDGE**  
in The Maltings Great Hall  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August 1.30.pm to 4.30.pm

If you play bridge at home, at your golf club or at a dedicated bridge club - or you'd just like to learn more about this great card game - then the **Farnham Fun Festival of Bridge** is just right for YOU. It is estimated that over 500 people play bridge every week in the Farnham area. You are invited to see if you'd like to play in a new or different environment.

The afternoon will comprise play in four separate sections.

- Open Duplicate —18 boards with Bridgemate scoring
- 'No Fear' Duplicate —14 boards with Travellers in use
- Rubber/Chicago Bridge — play several normal Rubbers
- Introductory/Mini-Bridge — for those new to the game

*An entry fee of £5.00 includes tea/coffee mid-afternoon. However, there will be no charge for those only coming along just to learn more about bridge. Anyone under 21 is welcome free of charge.*

**Prizes/Trophies to Winners of each Section and for the Fun Table Quiz. All Profits will go to the Alzheimers Society and it is your chance to meet old friends and to make new ones.**

To book to play (pay on the day) indicating which section and the name of your partner please email **Mike** - [mike@lizandmike.co.uk](mailto:mike@lizandmike.co.uk) or for more information please call **Tony** on **01252 733785**.



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July

**Richmond Club Training - Penalty Doubles -  
Bernard Magee**



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August 6<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>

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## **NEXT LEARNING WEEKENDS**

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**Balmer Lawn, New Forest - 5, 6 and 7 October 2018 - Declarer Play [Brochure](#)**

**Balmer Lawn, New Forest - 23, 24 and 25 November 2018 - Counting & Competitive bidding strategies**

**[Brochure](#)**

**[Click here to register](#)**

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## Café Bridge in Guildford supporting



Join us for a fun day of bridge in the historic cathedral town of Guildford on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2018 in support of North West Surrey Samaritans. You'll play several hands at various cafés and restaurants in the town, enjoy a tasty lunch and have the chance to win some great raffle prizes.

Samaritans has 201 branches in the United Kingdom and Eire working together to offer a safe place to talk at any time of the day or night, 365 Days a year. Each branch is responsible for raising its own funds, relying on the generosity of our supporters to keep providing our service, free of charge to anyone. People can talk to Samaritans about anything that's getting to them, in confidence. They don't have to be suicidal. People can talk to Samaritans on the phone, email or text, call in for face to face support or write a letter, whatever works best for them.

North West Surrey Samaritans are currently based into Addlestone, but they are moving to new offices in Walton on Thames town centre this Summer. This will allow them to provide greater interaction with the community, in particular their outreach and face to face work. North West Samaritans are open for over 100 hours every week staffed solely by volunteers, however it still costs approximately £20,000 every year to keep the branch running.

**£2** enables North West Surrey Samaritans to answer one call for emotional support.

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**£25** enables North West Surrey Samaritans to keep the branch open for half a day.

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If you'd like to know more about Samaritans:- <https://www.samaritans.org>



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# Bridge & Golf Open

Wednesday 19 September 2018

18 holes Ladies/Mens/Mixed Betterball Stableford from the Yellow & Red Tees

DUPLICATE PAIRS BRIDGE IN THE AFTERNOON

STRICT HANDICAP LIMIT FOR GOLF MEN 28, LADIES 18

The closing date for entries is Monday 3 September 2018



Entry Fee: £110.00 per Pair

Hindhead Golf Club is pleased to invite applications for entry to their Open Golf and Bridge Competition. The entry fee of £55.00 per player includes morning coffee, green fee, a two-course hot buffet lunch and prizes.

The morning golf will be played from the Yellow/Red tees with 90% handicap allowance for both men and ladies. The ladies will score from their own card.

Pairs will be ranked both for Golf and Bridge (similar to the Surrey County Golf-Bridge Cup). Overall winners will be the pair with the highest aggregate percentage. Refunds will only be given prior to the closing date.

HINDHEAD is a hilly course hence only one man buggies can be used - weather permitting. We do not have buggies for hire. Should you wish to use your own buggy, please contact Beth on 01428 604614

Please complete the following entry form and send it into the Club Office accompanied by the cheque made payable to Hindhead Golf Club Limited of £110.00 per pair.

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Home Golf Club:	CDH No:
Second Player Details:	Handicap:
Home Golf Club:	CDH No:
Any dietary requirements:	
Signed: _____ Dated: _____	

HINDHEAD GOLF CLUB, CHURT ROAD, HINDHEAD, SURREY, GU26 6HX

Tel: 01428 604614

## Youth News

The new Head of the Prep School at Claremont Fan Court School, Esher introduced bridge as a curriculum subject from autumn term last year. I met her recently and have written an article that's due to appear in the August edition of the EBU Mag. We're aiming to get it in various other outlets, such as First News (a newspaper for schoolchildren), GetSurrey.co.uk, and Attain, the magazine of Independent Association of Prep Schools.

Our two new school clubs, at Boxgrove and Broadwater, had successful terms with, for instance, a regular four tables at Broadwater. Both are closing down for the summer, but we hope they will restart in September.

Over the weekend of 7-8 July, Surrey, Sussex and Kent are jointly promoting the Southern Counties Junior Bridge Camp at Ardingly in Sussex. It'll be a fun weekend for 8-21 year-olds, whether looking to improve or learn from scratch. We're offering sponsorship for Surrey juniors, which makes it just £15 with accommodation and all meals, which are also free for non-residents. For more information, including adult and non-Surrey junior rates, see [www.sccba.co.uk](http://www.sccba.co.uk) or contact Tim Warren.

There's lots of more local activity over the summer, too:

- Richmond are running a morning Junior Bridge Camp, during the first half of August. For more details, see [www.RichmondBridgeClub.com](http://www.RichmondBridgeClub.com).
- At The Bourne, there will be Junior Summer Holiday bridge sessions on 23-25 July, and a Thursday afternoon youngsters' club.

If you'd like to learn how to teach your children or grandchildren to play MiniBridge, or maybe help teach bridge at a local school, sign up for our MiniBridge Teach-the-Teacher course at Wimbledon BC on Sun 24 June. If you'd like to help at the Ardingly Junior Bridge Camp, this course might be ideal preparation. Unfortunately, no-one signed up for our course at Horsham BC on Thu 31 May, so we've had to cancel it.

We've revised SCBA's safeguarding policy slightly from the version adopted in Jan; see [www.bridgewebs.com/cgi-bin/bwom/bw.cgi?club=surrey&pid=display\\_page10&sessid=263692504067009](http://www.bridgewebs.com/cgi-bin/bwom/bw.cgi?club=surrey&pid=display_page10&sessid=263692504067009).

## Next Newsletter

The next newsletter will be in September 2018. News, views and interesting hands, what is happening at your club – please send them to me. If you have any comments on any of this newsletter or any other bridge matter, please contact the Committee.