

## Swiss Pairs

- In a Swiss Pairs tournament, your opponents for the second and subsequent rounds are determined by how well you are doing at the end of each round
- The system will find you a pair to play against with a similar or identical rolling score, thus, as the tournament progresses, the players doing well only play against other players who are doing well and similarly for those doing less well
- Sometimes you will play N/S and at other times E/W and this produces an overall winner rather than winners in each direction
- The number of boards played per round in Swiss Pairs is larger than for other pairs events, usually 6-10 boards
- The advantage of this format is that it is possible to have a mixed field because players play against those of equal standing after the first round