SELECTION (Continued)

It is not essential that pairs wishing to be considered for Lady Milne and Junior Camrose are available for the September and October weekends. However, the Selectors will give consideration to including such pairs in these weekends if available.

It is hoped to hold these events in the Masons Arms, Whitchurch, Cardiff. The venues will be confirmed when players are invited to take part.

Those wishing to put their names forward for the trial weekend in the first instance, kindly write to Marjorie Morris (Secretary to Selectors), Wirral House, Llanbethery, Barry, South Glamorgan, CF6 9AN. giving details of successes in National Events during the last two years, your application to arrive NO LATER THAN 26th AUGUST 1991.

P.S. by Editor

Some players have suggested that the selectors announcement is not very clear, particularly for Lady Milne and Junior Camrose players and I would suggest that anyone requiring clarification ask the Selection Committee Chairman, Adrian Trickey, Telephone 0222 627488 Junior Players please also note that the Junior Camrose is for players under 25, but on the same weekend there is a Junior/Junior Camrose for the Peggy Bayer Trophy for players under 20 and since there are few WBU members in this age group from which to select a team, I'm sure that the selectors would be pleased to hear from any player within this age group.

LADY MILNE RESULT

1. England 165 VP 2. Scotland 159 3. N. Ireland 116 4. Wales 98

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST 31/ 1 SEPTEMBER 15 20/22

31/ 1 WELSH FOURSOMES - Porthcawl

15 EXECUTIVE MEETING. Veteran Pairs

20/22 Lampeter Congress 21/22 CAMROSE TRIAL

29 Ossie Evans Cup - WEST

OCTOBER 5/6 LADIES & MENS TEAMS - Llandrindod

13 Harold Griffiths Cup (Teams Final) - NORTH Vince Bevan Trophy - WEST

19/20 International Training Weekend

27 Louis Lermon Cup - EAST

Valance Cup (Individual) - NORTH

31/ 3 PORTHCAWL CONGRESS

NOVEMBER 8/10 LLANGOLLEN CONGRESS



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NEWSLETTER No 38 Summer 1991

Editorial:

The new membership number scheme for WBU members introduced last year has proved a success, but has caused many headaches and a great deal of extra work for our efficient and hard-working Master Point Secretary. Barbara points out, quite rightly, that she is not a registration secretary in addition to being Master Point Secretary, but does need to know the correct details of members. The WBU Council have asked me to appeal to all club and area secretaries and treasurers to co-operate to ensure that they do everything in their power to see that they do not add to the already heavy burden of work which Barbara undertakes as Master Point Secretary.

Please will CLUB secretaries and treasurers when collecting WBU subscriptions check the names with their previous year's list of WBU members and send both lists to the Area Secretary or Treasurer (whichever is the practice in your area) indicating in every case where there is any difference between the current year and the previous year's lists the reason for the difference e.g new WBU member, deceased, moved out of Wales, subscription previously paid or now paid through another Welsh club (giving name of club) or still a member of club but no longer paying WBU subscription. The Area Secretary/Treasurer will then be able to give the full and correct information to the Master Point Secretary and areas and the union will have a correct register of members.

A new British schools cup is to be sponsored by the Bridge Magazine (prev. Pergamon Bridge) with cost of travel and subsistence for finalists and prizes etc. provided by the sponsors. Our own Schools Cup (The Bowman Trophy) will be a qualifier for the event, but some years it has been difficult to find schools interested in playing in the WBU Schools Cup, and it is essential that this competition should be held. Will all members who are connected with schools or young players bridge please endeavour to arrange for a team from your school this coming season. It is planned for the Thursday before the February 1992 half-term at a venue to be arranged to suit contestants. Please contact the NTO, Paul Chimes if you can raise a team or teams from your school or area to take part.

P.T.O.

Congratulations to the successful BRITISH OPEN TEAM (A Forrester A Robson, J Armstrong G Kirby, A Sowter R Smolski, npc Mrs S Landy) who won the 1991 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP in Killarney in June for the first time since 1963. Also to the British Ladies Team (N Smith P Davies, L McGowan S Penfold, V Mitchell J Preddy npc C Dixon) who finished in fourth place in the Ladies European Championship. Great Britain won the GENERALI TROPHY for the country with the best overall result in the Championships and both teams qualify to play in the World Championships in Yokohama, Japan in September for the Bermuda Bowl (Open) and Venice Cup(Ladies)

The British Bridge League now has the difficult task of raising approximately $\pounds50,000$ to send two teams to Yokohama, at least double that which was budgetted for in the hope that one team would qualify, and bridge players in Great Britain are asked to help in any way they can with donations and organising and supporting events held to raise the necessary funds. The Portland Cup competition is to be postponed until later in 1992 to leave the weekend of 25/26th March free together with the weekend of 8/9th February to enable unions, counties etc. to run fund raising competitions such as one day green-pointed Swiss teams. The WBU Council has voted to make a contribution of £1000 plus the amount raised from adding an additional fee to the entry fee for this year's WBU Simultaneous Pairs.

At the AGM some members suggested that we should have a larger Newsletter. If anyone would like to make any specific suggestions as to what they would like it to include, please write to me or the WBU secretary.

I am resigning after six years as Newsletter Editor. Would anyone interested in taking on the job please write to the WBU Secretary, Mrs Mary Aherne, 19 Penygraig, Rhiwbina, Cardiff.

NATIONAL TOURNAMENT ORGANISER'S REPORT

The 1991-2 Journal is now being printed and should be in the clubs by the time you read this.

The BBL has postponed the Portland Pairs for 1992, probably until September. They are hoping to arrange other events for this weekend, but no firm news is yet available.

Congratulations to F Kurbalija, P Goodman, G Martin, D Hardie, P Jourdain and A Thomas who reached the semi-final of the Gold Cup this year.

NATIONAL MIXED PAIRS

1 A Thomas G Clench .

2 D Ronson E Atkinson

PERRY SHIELD

1 West 142 VP 2 Mid 136 3 East 135

SPICKETT BOWL

1 North 168 VP 2 East 167 3 West 121

NATIONAL TEAMS OF EIGHT

Cardiff - P Goodman F Kurbalija M Hirst Dr A Hirst J Luck Mrs D Kurbalija Ms C Clench J Burke S Daniel

2 Bridgend - R Scott A Scott W Turner Mrs M Morris Dr A Zaman M Best Mrs S Howarth Dr A Evans

SELECTION FOR INTERNATIONAL MATCHES 1992

CAMROSE 18th/19th January

ENGLAND (home)

15th/16th February 21st/22nd March N IRELAND (away) SCOTLAND (away)

LADY MILNE 6th/7th June

Nottingham

JUNIOR CAMROSE 25th/26th January -

Cardiff

The Selectors invite applications from players eligible to represent Wales who wish to put their names forward, as a Pairs or as a Team, for the Camrose, Lady Milne or Junior Camrose matches.

The following weekends have been set aside to assist the Selectors in making their final choice:-

- 1 21st/22nd September A trial weekend. Hands will be computer dealt
- 19th/20th October A training weekend. The Selectors will decide to whom to extend this facility on the basis of the trial weekend but please let me know in your letter of application if you are interested in attending.
- 3 16/17th November A final Camrose preparation weekend (probably for eight pairs) to which invitations will be sent out following the training weekend and Lady Milne and Junior Trials.
- 4 25th/26th April Lady Milne preparation weekend