

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER	31	Closing date for entry to INTERNATIONAL MASTERS and YOUNG PLAYERS CUP
NOVEMBER	3	Ossie Evans Cup (Mixed Pairs) WEST (WAC) Tournament Directors Course - Llangollen
	8/10	LLANGOLLEN CONGRESS
	16/17	CAMROSE TRIAL 1 - RAGLAN
	23/24	B.B.L. SWISS TEAMS - LLANGOLLEN
	24	Club Teams of 8 - Porthcawl
	30	CAMROSE TRIAL 2
DECEMBER	1	EXECUTIVE MEETING - HEREFORD
	7/ 8	INTERNATIONAL MASTERS YOUNG PLAYERS CUP
1986	15	Area Finals - EAST & WEST - Mens/Ladies Pairs
JANUARY	5	Area Final - NORTH - Mens/Ladies Pairs
	12	Laidlaw Murray Cup (Teams) - WEST
	18/19	CAMROSE v. ENGLAND - Wynnstay Arms, WREXHAM
	20/24	FLITCH - Clubs
	25	Closing date for GRADED MASTERS (FEB. 1/2)
	25/26	JUNIOR CAMROSE - DERBY.

COMMEMORATIVE PINS/TIES

The W.B.U. presented a commemorative silver pin or brooch to all players who represented Wales during 1985 in senior international, i.e. Camrose or Lady Milne, at this year's A.G.M., and they will be presented in subsequent years. Players who earned this distinction in the past may purchase one at cost price. Those interested should contact their Area Secretary.

The Council is considering having an international tie (approximate cost £7) available for purchase by past internationals, non-playing captains and presidents, if there is sufficient demand.

Please notify Mrs. Vera McAndrew, 178 Manor Way, Whitchurch Cardiff. Tel: 0222 628346, by 20th November, if you require one.

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Editorial:

It has always been difficult to obtain publicity for bridge, but now a great step forward has been made. Bridge News is now appearing on television, on page 536 of Oracle. Also bridge problems, which have been set by Patrick Jourdain. The continuance of this bridge news will be dependent on the amount of interest shown, which will to a large extent be judged by the number of entries received for the bridge problems. So do your part to assure its continuance, and win a prize.

You can also play your part in helping to get more bridge news published in the papers. Some, such as the Daily Telegraph, do publish bridge news, but even they did not include a daily report on the European Bridge Championships in June/July, and may not do so whilst the World Championship Venice Cup, in which the British Ladies Team is competing, takes place, 19th October to 2nd November, at the same time as the Open Championship for the Bermuda Bowl, in Sao Paulo, Brazil. If there is not regular coverage, do your part by writing as a reader to the newspaper to complain, or complain to the publishers of the newspaper you read, if it does not give adequate coverage of bridge news. Only by every individual doing this can we get the service we would like from our newspapers in publishing bridge news in the same way as they do sports news.

TOURNAMENT ORGANISER'S REPORT

SAGA PAIRS - The first ever Welsh heat of this event was held on 22nd September in Llanelli and 20 pairs took part. We were allocated two places in the national final to be held at Buxton in November, and in a very close final Gerry Needham and David Hamilton came up the field to win with Albert Andrew and Peggy Turner taking second qualifying spot by 0.72 of a match point from Don and Eileen Jenkins. Mr. & Mrs. W. T. Thomas were fourth with N. Gable and Mrs. O. Landeg fifth. The winners also receive free accommodation at the final as their prize.

INTERNATIONAL MASTERS - Pairs intending to apply for this event are reminded that all applications must come to me by 31st October, 1985.

MATCH RESULTS - Team captains are reminded that rule 4 of "cup competition rules" states that the N.T.O. must be informed of the result of a cup match within 24 hours of the result: this is still not being done and is causing delay in arranging subsequent matches.

PETER GOODMAN'S REPORT ON JUNIOR TRAINING SCHEME

The training courses are open to all players under 25, who have an interest in representing Wales in the Junior Camrose. Normally each course will consist of four 4 hour sessions with 30% on group analysis of the hands (Viewgraph), and the balance made up of short talks by various senior players. A copy of every hand played is made available to each partnership (if reqd.).

It is expected that most of these training courses will be held at the South Glamorgan Club, although if the North or West wish to hold such a course, I would be happy to assist. Attendance at these courses gives new partnerships an opportunity to show several Selectors their current form.

Due to the success of the last course (9 pairs) a third training course has been scheduled for the weekend of the International Masters, (Dec. 7/8). This will be a 1 day course on the Saturday followed by the 2 session Young Players Cup on the Sunday. This will allow us to use the same boards as the International Masters and give the Juniors a chance to talk to our senior internationals.

The success of these courses depend heavily on the help of the members of the W.B.U. (A great deal more help is still required). Many thanks are due to all those who have helped.

GOLDEN JUBILEE - SWANSEA BRIDGE CLUB

The officers and Members of the Swansea Bridge Club staged a celebration party (August 24th) to commemorate their Golden Jubilee 1935-85.

The Area Chairman, Mr. Max Powell and Mrs. Powell, the Area Secretary, Mr. A. H. Haworth and Mrs. Haworth were present with other guests.

Swansea Bridge Club members are the proud owners of their lovely club house, and a considerable amount of work and effort has been made over the years by members past and present. I remember a few of the wonderful people who were perhaps the original members:-

Mr. & Mrs. Laidlaw-Murray, Mrs. Blodwen Williams, the late Doris Cullis, Mrs. L. MacDonald, Mr. Ossie Evans, Mr. G. Bowring and Mr. Jack Morris. A glorious achievement of FIFTY years.

B.M.C.

OBITUARY

It is with regret that we record the death of Mrs. Doris Cullis, last December. Doris was a loyal and faithful member of the Swansea Bridge Club and a highly respected international player, having partnered Miss Phyllis Rowe for 40 years.

B.M.C.

RESULTS

WELSH FOURSOMES

1. P.D. Jourdain, R. G. Upton, G. Needham, J. Salisbury.
2. T. J. Isaac, H. Leach, M. Baker, J. Seal.
3. Mr. & Mrs. A. Haworth, Mr. & Mrs. L. Sheridan.

LADIES WELSH CUP

1. Anne Hyatt, Pat Haworth, Sheila Crampton, M. Williams.
2. Margaret Warburton, S. Webster, D. Williams, M. Dennison.
3. Margaret Pitts, Pam Edwards, Anne Dunn, Vera Kenyon.

HAROLD GRIFFITHS CUP (Northern Area Teams Championship)

1. Pam, Simon, Krista Edwards, Al Stephenson.
2. Hubert & Jessie Newton, Joan Haworth, Ivor Owen.

B.B.L. ISLE OF MAN CONGRESS - Tynwald Trophy (Swiss Teams Champ.)

Jessie & Jean Newton, Morag Malcolm, Catherine Thomson.
(Wales & Scotland)