

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- APRIL 5/6 PORTLAND PAIRS - Commodore Hotel CWMBRAN  
10/13 LLANDUDNO CONGRESS - COUNTY & ORMESCLIFFE HOTELS  
20 Area Finals - National Mixed Pairs  
26/27 NATIONAL OPEN PAIRS FINAL - Beaufort Arms RAGLAN
- MAY 4 Wartski Cup (Club Teams) - NORTH  
Louis Lermon Cup - WEST  
5 Llanelli One Day Congress  
10/11 WEBBER GUP - PORTHCAWL PAVILION  
14 B.B.L. SIMULTANEOUS PAIRS  
17/18 NATIONAL MIXED PAIRS FINAL - PORTHCAWL PAVILION  
31/JUNE 1 TENBY CONGRESS
- JUNE 1 Arthur James Bowl/Beatus Cup - EAST  
7/8 LADY MILNE - CREST HOTEL CARDIFF  
12 W.B.U. SIMULTANEOUS PAIRS  
15 Addenbroke Cup - West  
21/22 PERRY SHIELD & SPICKETT BOWL - SWANSEA B.C.  
29 EXECUTIVE MEETING HEREFORD
- JULY 25/27 ABERYSTWYTH CONGRESS

## OBITUARY

It is with deep regret that we record the death of Len Muller in January and Stan Reed at the beginning of March. Len did excellent service for the W.B.U. as secretary for six years, 1972-78, and Stan was President of the W.B.U. 1975-76 and represented Wales in Camrose matches on many occasions.

## MEN'S PAIRS FINAL - Llangollen - 22nd/23rd March 1986

1. Gary Martin Dean Hardie 57.80 %
2. Geoff Evans Adrian Thomas 55.02
3. Dave Debbage Bob Pitts 54.27

## LADIES PAIRS

1. Jessie Newton Monica Randles 62.87
2. Sheila Crampton Marjorie Williams 55.45
3. Margaret Warburton Edna Nixon 55.13

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## Editorial:

Next year from the 1st-14th August 1987 the European Championships are to be staged in Brighton at the Brighton Conference Centre by the English Bridge Union on behalf of the British Bridge League. They were last held in Britain in 1981 at Birmingham when undertaken at short notice by the B.B.L. at the request of the European Bridge League owing to troubles in Poland, who were unable to stage the championships as planned. Because of the short notice it was not possible to raise funds to provide as much hospitality as when it was last organised in Brighton at great credit to Great Britain in 1975.

To do so this time all bridge players in Britain are being asked to help raise contributions to the Championship Fund, so we can match the magnificently run European Championships in Salsomaggiore, Italy, last year.

The Welsh Bridge Union are organising a special Simultaneous Pairs event, run by Tony Haworth, in order to forward a contribution from Wales. All clubs are asked to support the competition, on 12th June, so that as a member country of the B.B.L. we can play our part. Please give this competition your support. Any other money raised will of course be welcome, but please give priority to the W.B.U. Simultaneous Pairs in June.

Lucinda Edwards of Hawarden claims to be the youngest W.B.U. member at seventeen. Any other claimants? Or any for oldest member? A former Welsh Bridge Union president, Harold Griffiths, celebrates his 90th birthday on 29th March.

## TOURNAMENT ORGANISER'S REPORT

GOLD CUP The surviving team from the Welsh section of this event is Mrs J Newton Miss J R Newton C M Pope G Stanley. In the next round they play J. D. Colley.

GOLD CUP 1986/7 The WBU section of this event will consist of at least two seeded teams. The method for deciding these will be as follows:-

1. The Welsh section winners from the previous year will automatically be seeded provided at least four of the original team re-enter.
2. Subsequent seeds to be determined on the basis of the teams highest average Green Point total based on points won over the past three years.

CAMBRIA CUP The draw for the semi-finals is:-

Turner v Hirst  
Graham v Edwards

These matches to be played by 21st April 1986.

NATIONAL OPEN PAIRS The final of this event will be held at the Beaufort Arms Hotel, Raglan, Tel: 0291 690412 on Sat/Sunday 26/27th April 1986. The 14 table final will comprise a combined 9 table Mitchell and 5 table Howell and 3 x 27 board sessions will be played. Table money will be in the region of £4 per player. Entries from Areas as follows:-

	<u>Entry</u>	<u>Allocation</u>
North	55	7
East	86	11
West	81	10

NATIONAL MIXED PAIRS The final of this event will be held in the Jubilee Room of the Porthcawl Pavilion on 17th/18th May 1986. The movement will be the same as for the National Open Pairs.

WEBBER CUP This will also be played at the Porthcawl Pavilion on 10th/11th May 1986. Club secretaries are reminded that entries for this event must be sent to me by 1st April.

WELSH CUP The draw for the semi-finals is:-

T J Isaac v A Daniel  
F Kurbalija v P Edwards or L Hudson

These matches to be played by 21st April 1986

## INTERNATIONAL MATCHES

### CAMROSE RESULT

1. England 189 (71-12 v NI 70-20 v Wales 48-42 v Scotland)
2. Scotland 120 (42-48 v England 40-50 v NI 38-48 v Wales)
3. N. Ireland 117 (55-45 v Wales 50-40 v Scotland 12-71 v Eng.)
4. Wales 103 (48-38 v Scotland 35-55 v NI 20-70 v England)

Team representing Wales in the matches against N. Ireland and Scotland was P D Jourdain R G Upton G Martin D Hardie G Evans A Thomas. NPC v NI J Hockey. v Scotland L Sheridan.

### JUNIOR CAMROSE RESULT

1. England 170
  2. Wales 153
  3. Scotland 111
  4. N. Ireland 104
- The Welsh team were in contention right up to the end of the contest when they were overtaken by England, but achieved an excellent second place.

### W.B.U. TRIALS - LADY MILNE

1st Team Jessie & Jean Newton Margaret Pitts Pam Edwards VP 84  
2nd Jill Casey Maggie Pierce Jean Rattray Barbara Wood 74

Jessie & Jean Newton Margaret Pitts Pam Edwards Jill Casey Maggie Pierce were selected to represent Wales at Cardiff in June with Liam Sheridan as NPC.

### COMPETITION RESULTS

#### Welsh Successes outside Wales

CARANSA TOURNAMENT (Netherlands) Patrick Jourdain in the winning team.

NATIONAL WOMEN'S PAIRS (E.B.U.) Won by Jessie & Jean Newton

### W.B.U. COMPETITIONS

FLITCH Each year the entry for this event reaches a new record. This year 85 married pairs competed, 45 from the West, 37 from the East and 3 from the North. Congratulations are due to Bill and Jill Nicholls not only for winning the competition handsomely but also having the highest entry from their new club in Mumbles. Don't forget that there is no minimum entry and a club can run the event for the benefit of each one of its 'Fritch Pairs' Max Powell.

### GRADED MASTERS

Section 1	Hockey/Goodman	Section 4	Shimell/Thomas
2	Slape/Thomas	5	Thomas/Stagg
3	Turner/Howarth	6	Thomas/Thomas