

NATIONAL TOURNAMENT ORGANISER'S REPORT

Unfortunately our competition entries this year have again been disappointing, the highest entry being the National Open Pairs qualifier so I aimed for a 14 table final but due to pairs dropping out for various reasons, it ended with 13 tables. It has been suggested that in future perhaps we should aim for a smaller number of tables in the finals so this will be considered.

This year the Mixed Pairs Final is being held on Sunday 14th June with (hopefully) eleven tables.

The Welsh Cup entry of 14 teams was the lowest that I can remember and I sincerely hope that this will improve next year.

Last year in my report I did say that the future of all of our National competitions lies with you all and that still applies so please give some thought to taking part, also, your views are important, so please put forward any ideas that you have that you think may improve our competitions and ensure their survival..

Congratulations to the winners of the competitions to date go to:

Teams of Eight June 2014: Cardiff

Open Pairs: Rob Charlesworth and Tony Haworth

Webber Cup: John Salisbury, Tony Ratcliff, Diane and Filip Kurbalija

Welsh Cup: Mike Tedd, John Salisbury, Patrick Jourdain and David McAndrew

Cambria Cup Final has yet to be played

Finally, I wish to thank the members of the Management Committee and our President Herbie Rowley for their support over the past year, Mike and Sarah Amos for Directing our Finals and of course, all of the players who took part in our competitions.

Best wishes.

Jean Hand