

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- AUGUST 28 Closing Date for Camrose Trials
30/31 WELSH FOURSOMES - Awel-y-mor, PORTHCAWL
31 Closing date for entry to GOLD CUP, WELSH CUP, CAMBRIA CUP, LADIES WELSH CUP
- SEPTEMBER 7 Harold Griffiths Cup - NORTH (Shotton) - Teams
21 Saga Senior Pairs Heat - Swansea Bridge Club
(Closing date 14th September 1986)
19/21 B.B.L. Isle of Man Congress
26/28 Lampeter Congress
LADIES WELSH CUP - Glen Usk, Llandrindod
- OCTOBER 5 EXECUTIVE MEETING - HEREFORD
11/12 Camrose Trial 1
19 Ossie Evans Cup (Mixed Pairs) - WEST (Comm)
Valance Cup (Individual Final) - NORTH (Mold)
23/26 PORTHCAWL CONGRESS
31 Closing date for entry to INTERNATIONAL MASTERS & YOUNG PLAYERS CUP
- NOVEMBER 1/ 2 Camrose Trial 2
8/ 9 LLANGOLLEN CONGRESS

SUPPORT CONGRESSES IN WALES

- LAMPETER - September 26/28 - Entries to J Williams, Brynhyfryd, Forest Road, Lampeter SA48 8AN
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- PORTHCAWL - October 23/26 - Mrs C Bowen-Simpkins, 151 West Rd. Nottage, Porthcawl, Mid Glam.
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- LLANGOLLEN - November 8/9 - Mrs J Newton, 14 Lisburne Grove
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- PERRY SHIELD - Winners - EAST 49 VP (D Hamilton J Hockey
NORTH 35 VP P Jourdain A Thomas
WEST 24 VP A & M Pierce npc)
- SPICKETT BOWL - Winners - NORTH 44 VP (J Newton (capt)^T Reddy)
WEST 43 VP J.R Newton P Edwards
EAST 21 VP M Pitts)

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Editorial:

The New Master Point Handbook effective in Wales from 20/7/86 should shortly be received by clubs. In addition to some changes in Master Point awards, there has also been a change in the total master point holdings required to achieve certain ranks as follows:

- Club 2 Local 10 County 25 Master 50 remain as before
ADVANCED MASTER (New rank) 75
Star Masters as before 1 Star 100 2* 150 3* 200 4* 250 5* 300
TOURNAMENT MASTER (New rank replacing higher Star Masters) 400
1 Star 500 2 Star 600 3 Star 700 4 Star 800 5 Star 900
Regional Master as before 100 including 25 Green Points
PREMIER REGIONAL MASTER (New rank) 400 including 100 Greens
Life Master 600 (previously 300) including 150 Green Points
PREMIER LIFE MASTER 900 (Senior 600) including 300 Green Points
Grand Master as before 1200 including 600 Green Points

It will be noted that some of the higher ranks now have higher black-point targets, but there will be no demotions. Any player who has already acquired a certain rank will retain it.

The 1986 EBU 'Yellow' Books listing current and newly licensed systems and conventions have been issued to club secretaries. I have been asked to remind them that they should be made available to all club members for reference.

David Powell of South Pembrokeshire would appear to have the record of joining the WBU as the youngest player at 13½ in 1983.

TOURNAMENT ORGANISER'S REPORT

1. Team captains are reminded that entries for the Gold Cup, Welsh Cup and Cambria Cup must reach me by 31st August 1986. It is hoped that as many members as possible will endeavour to form teams to make these competitions as representative as possible. Early rounds in all three competitions will be zoned to avoid excessive travelling. Green points are awarded for each match won.
2. Venues for 1986/7
SAGA Pairs - Swansea Bridge Club
Ladies Welsh Cup - Glen Usk Hotel, Llandrindod Wells
Graded Masters - Porthcawl Pavilion
Portland Pairs - Commodore Hotel, Cwmbran
Webber Cup - Porthcawl Pavilion
3. New Master-point scheme
The revised Master-point handbook has finally appeared in print. Copies of this will be sent to all clubs shortly. In the meantime, all clubs should have received an information sheet listing the major changes which became effective in Wales on 20th July 1986. Clubs or individuals can obtain further copies of this sheet on request. Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.
4. European Green Points
The WBU has been allocated 24 European green points to award to WBU competitions. These will be awarded as follows:-
16 to be shared amongst the team winning the Welsh Cup
8 to be shared amongst the losing team in the Welsh Cup final.
The awards will be operative from the 1985/6 season.
5. Amendment to 1986/7 calendar
Please change June 29 Executive meeting to June 28.
6. The WBU Journal 1986/7 has now been delivered to all clubs. These are issued free to all members of the WBU.
Members wishing to advertise their businesses in next year's Journal, please contact me to reserve space.
The rates are £40 per full page
£25 per half page
£13.50 per quarter page

SELECTION TO REPRESENT WALES IN INTERNATIONAL MATCHES

The following programme was decided by the Selectors at their policy meeting on Tuesday, 29th July, 1986:-

CAMROSE TRIALS

Dates allocated

Trial 1 (No. of tables to be arranged)	11th/12th October
Trial 2 - 4 Teams	1st/ 2nd November
Trial 3 - To be decided	15th/16th November

Trial 1 - Pairs event scored by IMPs with Butler Scoring. Players playing in British Trials will be exempted owing to conflicting dates.

Trial 2 - The field will be reduced to 4 teams (to be arranged by the selection committee). Teams will be switched after each session.

Trial 3 - Players may be required for a third trial.

<u>Venues</u> - Trial 1 & 2	Beaufort Arms Hotel, Raglan
Trial 3	To be decided

APPLICATION

All pairs wishing to be considered must apply to their AREA selector by 28th AUGUST 1986.

LADY MILNE

All pairs wishing to be considered must apply to their AREA selector by 10th FEBRUARY 1987. It will then be decided whether or not a trial should be held. If one is held it will be on 11th/12th April 1987 (7th/8th February will not be used).

JUNIOR CAMROSE

It was proposed to co-opt Peter Goodman to assist with selection. Pairs wishing to be considered should try to attend as many of Peter Goodman's Junior Training Courses as possible. Please contact him for details - Telephone no. below.

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