

THE WELSH BRIDGE UNION NEWSLETTER

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Editorial:

When the new laws come into force on 29th July the main thing for players to remember is that the Tournament Director must be called when any irregularity occurs at the table, to give a correct ruling, since there are numerous alterations to the laws on revokes, penalty cards, leads from the wrong hand etc.

In addition players should be aware of the alterations which affect their actions and rights.

1. Restrictions which now apply

- a) A defender is no longer allowed to ask his partner 'having no hearts' partner? etc., when his partner fails to follow suit (although Declarer may ask Defender, Dummy may ask Declarer, or a Defender may ask Declarer).
 - b) No player may draw attention to a quitted card that has been wrongly pointed by its owner.
 - c) Dummy's rights are reduced. In addition to restrictions which previously existed, he is not allowed to:-
 - ask a Defender about a possible revoke
 - try to prevent an irregularity on the part of a Defender
 - draw attention before the hand is over to any irregularity
 - point out how many tricks have been won/lost
 - suggest that the Director is called
 - look at opponents convention card
 - ask any questions even if Director is presentbut he may try to prevent an irregularity by declarer.
 - d) There is now a DUTY to correct a wrong explanation (this includes a failure to alert) but only when the time is right.
2. New Right - After he has turned the card over that he has played to a trick the player can have a look at it (NOT showing it to anyone else) until someone leads to the next trick.
3. Scoring
- a) Penalties are increased for non-vulnerable undertricks from 4 down onwards doubled (300 per trick) and redoubled (600 per trick).
 - b) The bonus for a redoubled contract is increased from 50 to 100.
 - c) Honours no longer count.

TOURNAMENT ORGANISER'S REPORT

1. Ladies Welsh Cup

The hotel booked for this event, the Maesmawr Hall Hotel, is in Caersws on the main road between Llanidloes and Newtown. The playing area is excellent, however, accommodation at the hotel is severely limited as is its capacity to provide meals. Ladies unable to book at the hotel (B&B in twin £22.50) are informed that the Bear Hotel in nearby Newtown may be a suitable alternative.

2. Mens Teams Championship

This new event will for this year be held in the Swansea Area. As it is a new event and I have no idea for what number to cater, I would appreciate a very early entry so that I can book a suitable venue.

3. Young Players Cup

The Young Players Cup is being held on Saturday, 31st October, earlier than usual, so that it can be used as a heat of the Easter Guardian Under 25 Pairs. Subject to there being a minimum entry of 8 pairs, the leading pair(s) will gain entry into the regional final run by the EBU, and those who qualify for the final have a free entry to the Easter Guardian. Again early entries would prove helpful in arranging a venue suitable to the majority of entrants.

4. Saga Seniors Pairs

This popular event will be once again held in the Swansea Bridge Club on 20th September with a 1.00 p.m. start.

5. Team Competitions

Team captains are reminded that entries for the Gold Cup, Welsh Cup, Cambria Cup, Ladies Welsh Cup and Mens Teams Championship must reach me by 31st August, 1987.

BBL OPEN TRIALS

The BBL will be holding team trials on 2nd/10th January 1988 for the WBF Olympiad in October 1988. Applications to the BBL secretary by 20th September 1987.

Charity Challenge Cup

More than 15000 played in this Simultaneous Pairs event throughout the world:-

4th	R Pitts & P S Broster - Shotton	74.07%
9th	G Martin & J H Pilborough - Llanelli	72.76%
<u>Portland Pairs</u>	- R Pitts 3rd with Mrs M Costagliola (Manchester)	
	F & D Kurbalija 1st Welsh pair at 10th place	

SELECTION TO REPRESENT WALES IN INTERNATIONAL MATCHES

The following programme was decided by the Selectors at their policy meeting on Thursday, 16th July 1987:-

CAMROSE

- (1) The 3 trial weekends will be used. All applications for a place in the trials to be sent to the Secretary, in writing, by 29th August 1987. No other applications will be considered. Any information in support of an application will be carefully considered by the Selectors.

Trial weekends - 26th/27th September 1987
10th/11th October 1987
14th/15th November 1987

- (2) All applicants will be contacted by 17th September 1987 and details of trials format will then be given. Successful applicants will be sent a system sheet which must be completed and returned to the Secretary with acceptance slip.
- (3) All trialists must be available for the 3 weekends.
- (4) Venue to be arranged.

JUNIOR CAMROSE

Applications, in writing, to the Secretary by 10th October 1987.

LADY MILNE

Applications, in writing, to the Secretary by 30th January 1988. Format will be arranged after applications have been considered and all applicants will be notified.

RESULTS

PERRY SHIELD - Winners - EAST 56 VP (Dr J Butler W O Davies
WEST 33 VP P Jourdain A Thomas
NORTH 19 VP R Upton A Ratcliffe
npc J Hockey)

SPICKETT BOWL-Winners - NORTH 61 VP (J Newton(capt)
WEST 31 VP J R Newton P Edwards
EAST 16 VP M Pitts)

TENBY CONGRESS

Ladies Pairs	Mrs Robinson Mrs Sparrow
Mens Pairs	F Kurbalija A Thomas
Mixed Pairs	Mr & Mrs D Jenkins
Championship Pairs	J Armstrong A Pierce
Championship Teams	J Armstrong A Pierce A Casey G Kirby

CAMBRIA CUP - D Hamilton's Team

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- AUGUST 2/14 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS - BRIGHTON
29 Closing date for CAMROSE TRIALS
31 Closing date for entry to GOLD CUP, WELSH CUP
CAMBRIA CUP, LADIES WELSH CUP, MENS TEAMS
- SEPTEMBER 5/ 6 WELSH FOURSOMES - Awel-y-mor, PORTHCAWL
13 EXECUTIVE MEETING - HEREFORD
18/20 BBL ISLE OF MAN CONGRESS
20 Saga Pairs Qual. - Swansea
(Closing date 14th September)
25/27 Lampeter Congress
26/27 CAMROSE PRE-TRIAL
- OCTOBER 10/11 CAMROSE TRIAL 1 - 10th Closing date for
Junior Camrose Trials
14 BBL SIMULTANEOUS PAIRS
17/18 LADIES WELSH CUP - CAERSWS
MENS TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP
22/25 PORTHCAWL CONGRESS
31 Closing Date for INTERNATIONAL MASTERS PAIRS
- NOVEMBER 1 Harold Griffiths Cup (Open Teams) - NORTH
Ossie Evans Cup (Mixed Pairs) - WEST - WAC
6/ 8 LLANGOLLEN CONGRESS
14/15 CAMROSE TRIAL 11 & JUNIOR TRIAL
15 Euro Simultaneous Pairs
20/22 BBL SWISS TEAMS - LLANGOLLEN
26 WBU SIMULTANEOUS PAIRS
28/29 INTERNATIONAL MASTERS PAIRS

CORRECTION TO PRINTED WBU CALENDAR RE SIMULTANEOUS PAIRS

Addition - BBL SPRING SIMULTANEOUS PAIRS - APRIL 13th 1988
Correction - EPSON WORLD SIMULTANEOUS PAIRS - JUNE 4th (not May 14)

Western Area Results

Addenbrooke Cup - 1. G Martin & D M Hardie
2. L R Griffin & R Mahoney
Vincent Bevan Trophy (Correction) - M J Humphries & J G Whateley