

WBU Lady Milne Trial 2012

Saturday 28th (12.00 start) & Sunday 29th January (10.00 start) 2012
At Crossgates Community Centre, Llanbadarn Fawr, Powys, LD1 6RE

We are expecting the following pairs:

- Aida Aris & Linda Greenland
- Margaret Barnes & Andrea Martin
- Jill Casey & Diane Kurbalija
- Gilly Clench & Lee Collier
- Jo Coppin & Christine Forbes
- Jean Hand & Mary Lee
- Susan Ingham & Laura Woodruff
- Diana Jones & Mary Moore
- Val Kennewell & Margaret Lane
- Jill Knight & Joan Marray
- Christine Norman & Jennifer Wardell
- Sheila Shea & Beth Wennell

If you have an emergency on the day that means you might be absent or late – please phone 07804 956006, 07855 435946 or 07761054255 to let us know.

The Lady Milne this season is as follows:

13th – 15th April 2011 Metropole, Llandrindod Wells, Wales

If you are unavailable for this weekend, please tell us as soon as possible.

The main purpose of the trial is to pick six pairs to form two teams in the Lady Milne. The winning pair in the trial will play in the Wales team. The pairs coming second and third will play in either the Wales team or the WBU team. The selectors will determine the remaining pairs partly on the result of the trials and partly on performance over the previous 2 years.

PLAYER TO DO LIST

System Card All pairs will submit an up-to-date electronic version of their system card (preferably in WBF format) to the WBU Chief Executive 2 weeks before the start of the trial. The system cards will be available on the WBU website at least 1 week before the trial and we will not be circulating the cards. Any pair that does not have access to the internet should inform the WBU Chief Executive.

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- Timing:** Saturday Match 1 12.00-13.03, Match 2 13.10-14.13, Match 3 14.20-15.23, Match 4 16.00-17.03, Match 5 17.10-18.13, Match 6 18.20-19.23.
Sunday Match 7 10.00-11.03, Match 8 11.10-12.13, Match 9 12.20-13.23, Match 10 14.00-15.03, Match 11 15.10-16.13.
The selectors reserve the right to change the timing if there are fewer than 12 pairs.
- Refreshments:** Free coffee, tea and squash will be available throughout; there will also be tea and coffee-making facilities that players can use if they have time without disrupting play. There will also be limited supplies of biscuits. After match 3 on Saturday and match 9 on Sunday, there will be a light refreshments provided.
- Format:** 11 x 8 board rounds – with 48 boards in play on Saturday & 40 boards in play on Sunday, with no sit out. The selectors reserve the right to vary this if there are fewer than 12 pairs.
- Scoring:** Table scores compared with datum scores from previous events, IMPs converted to VPS using WBF scale.
- Screens:** Screens will be in use for all matches. Players should remember to make enquiries about conventional calls and replies in writing. Any players who have not played with screens before should inform the WBU Chief Executive. If there is demand, there will be a demonstration on using screens at 11.45.
- Slow Play:** The time allowed for 8 boards is 63 minutes.
At about half way, and about 10 minutes before the end of play, the Director will announce the time remaining. Failure of the Director to do so will not absolve the players from penalty. At the end of the allocated time, the Director will remove any boards not yet started and impose, for any table still in play, a fine of 1VP, and an additional fine of 1VP for each unplayed board. The fine will apply to each pair unless the Director considers one pair to be more at fault, in which case the other pair may receive a lesser fine or no fine. Where the same pair incurs a subsequent fine, the fine will be 1.5 VP instead of 1VP. The Director will always consider any pair that conducts a post mortem at the table or that had arrived late as being at fault.
- Systems:** The Lady Milne Series is a Category 2 event as defined within the WBF Systems Policy; see <http://www.worldbridge.org/departments/systems/policy.asp>
Highly Unusual Methods (HUMs) are not permissible in these trials.
- Smoking:** No player may leave the playing area to smoke during a match.
- Spectators:** Spectators must watch one player only and not display any reactions during the bidding or play. They should remain silent unless otherwise instructed by the Director or a member of the selection committee.