



Following a review of the entries received, the selection committee has decided not to hold the pre-trial scheduled for 21-22 July 2012. All of those who applied to play in the pre-trial therefore qualify automatically to play in the open trial.

The pairs who will play in the open trial are thus as follows:

Mike Close & Laura Woodruff
Peter Goodman & Mike Pownall
Jean & Peter Hand
Gary Jones & Tim Rees
Filip Kurbalija & Patrick Shields
Mark Roderick & Trevor Towers
John Salisbury & Mike Tedd
Barry & Beth Wennell

Details of the format of the open trial will be available shortly after the next selection committee meeting on 26 July.

Although it will no longer be possible to play in the pre-trial, there are plenty of other events coming up for you to play in and that still have space for further entries.

Details are at <http://www.wbu.org.uk/Congress.htm>

There is also some training material available for you to practice your defensive and declarer play skills. If you would like access to this material, please contact Neville Richards for details.

If you would like to practice your bidding, a good idea is to get hold of some issues of Bridge Magazine or the Bridge World and bid the hands from their partnership bidding features.

Finally, you should also make a note in your diary of the training weekend on 22-23 September. As last year, there will be a choice of venues. Again, further details will be available shortly after 26 July.