

Bourne Bridge Club, Farnham Winter Newsletter 2025.

Teams.

It was great to see such a good turnout on a cold winter evening for the Championship Teams. You will shortly receive a questionnaire seeking your advice on how we can engage greater participation in the Winter League Teams Event and whether you would like more teams events at the club. We would very much welcome your responses, as it is only through these that we can work to meet your preferences. The next 'Pot Luck' Teams event is scheduled for 30th. October. Put this date in your diary.

Duplimated Boards.

We have heard frequent comments that the 'Duplimate' does not give a fair distribution of hands between North/South and East/West. Tony Philpott has very kindly reviewed the balance of points over the last 6 months and has confirmed that there is no overall difference. If you do feel that one polarity gets an unfair advantage (which Tony's review would deny) then please sit in a direction that you feel would be preferable.

If you come across 'dirty cards' that need replacing please put a note in the carrier so that we can ensure that they are replaced.

Tables.

Your committee is very aware of the poor state of many of the tables we use. We also note that the old wooden tables are heavy to move around and often difficult to put up. We intend to purchase 10 new tables with metal legs, which will be lighter, stronger and easier to 'rack' at the end of the evening.

New Members.

We have been very pleased to welcome 3 new members in the past few months. If you know someone who is unsure about joining us, please

reassure them that we play 'friendly' but competitive Bridge. We have reviewed our finances and plan to reduce the annual subscription to £15.00!

Erica and Richard Curry Event. This 'Blue Pointed' Event is now scheduled to take place on Sunday 18th. May from 13.30 to 19.30. This will raise funds for Phyllis Tuckwell in memory of the above Mother and Son who were Enthusiastic Bridge Players who both lost their lives to Cancer. Please consider playing in the event. If you do not wish to play perhaps you would like to volunteer to help with the preparation of the teas or by making a cake for the event. The preparation of the tea is not particularly onerous as the sandwiches are bought in 'ready made'.

Promotion. We are pleased to note that Pam Franklin has been upgraded to a 7 star Tournament Master.

AGM. This year's AGM will be on Thursday 26th. June at 6.45 pm. Please put this date in your diary. As ever we are keen to have fresh nominations to join the committee.