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Affiliated to the English Bridge Union

Rule Book Second Edition May 2015

This online version incorporates all changes since the original printed August 2011 Rules. The August 2011 book should now be recycled.

During the Coronovirus pandemic, the DBA reserve the right to postpone, alter or cancel any competition as necessary.

Issued to all Devon's affiliated clubs and committee members and posted on the website



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Revisions etc

Amendments as follows have been made to Rule Book 2nd Edition May 2015 2 Nov 2015: VL rules corrected. March 2016: changes to Teams of 8 Rule; section league rules July 2016. Mar 2017: changes to Teams of 8 Rule; June 2017 amendments to DBA Constitution; July 2020: various amendments to tidy and allow for online play. The DBA Constitution is no longer attached to the Rule Book.

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^{*}Captains entering these events are responsible for obtaining a copy of their rules.

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The DBA organises events in Devon; it runs its own events and it licenses others such as charity events run by a club. Most listed events require players to be EBU members; some in addition require membership of DBA. Non-members of the EBU may also take part in some of the events. Please check with the organiser first.

(A) Bridge in Devon

The views of clubs are represented through the EBU Regional and National Club Committees. Devon's clubs elect a representative to the Regional Club Committee at the AGM in June. Devon's two Shareholders, instructed by the DBA committee, represent individual views at National level.

At County level the DBA is affiliated to the EBU and EBU members in Devon automatically become DBA members unless they nominate another county as their primary county of allegiance, in which case they may join DBA as secondary members.

The EBU is the national bridge organisation for England and as such represents the interests of players and clubs. The DBA promotes bridge and competitions for local players. Individual views at County level are represented at the four geographical sections whose committees are elected annually at Section AGMs. Each section nominates 2 representatives to the central DBA committee. The members at the AGM elect the Chairman of the DBA as well as the vice-Chairman, the Hon Treasurer and the Hon Secretary in June. Results and other information are on our website www.devonbridge.co.uk.

Within the county all out-of-club events awarding master points have to be licensed by the DBA or the EBU. The DBA also organises its own congresses and competitions.

(B) General Rules And Regulations Of DBA Competitions

It is DBA policy: (1) to own or have access to all the equipment needed to run the main events and congresses;

- (2) for main County events and Section Congresses, the event to (a) be run by a non-playing Director; (b) have checking of scoring carried out separately; (c) have pre-dealt boards and hand records; (d) have automatic scoring where appropriate;
- (3) to continue to participate in inter-County competitions with (a) expenses paid from the surplus from the Devon Congress; (b) level of expenses to be set by the DBA annually; (c) any format changes to be agreed by the DBA committee.

Green points will be awarded for the Devon Teams (Western Morning News Trophy) and the Devon Pairs (Julia Chadwick Trophy) and both events at the Devon Congress, local or blue points for all other events.

Agreements up to and including Level 4 (see the EBU Blue Book https://www.ebu.co.uk/laws-and-ethics/blue-book) will be permitted in all Devon Bridge events unless otherwise specified on event notices. All players should have completed system cards. In all Devon Bridge events mobile phones should be switched off at all times.

All competitions shall be played in accordance with The Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge as adopted by the English Bridge Union. Guidelines for face-to-face Bridge are contained in the guidelines in the EBU White Book (https://www.ebu.co.uk/laws-and-ethics/white-book). For online play, the EBU Blue and White Books are supplemented by the EBU Sky Blue Book (https://www.ebu.co.uk/node/3913). Event organisers have discretion to vary the rules to allow online play in exceptional circumstances.

Tie breaks are decided on the White Book guidelines at the time of the event. If a disqualification occurs and if prize money is involved, that money is distributed according to the amended final results.

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Only players whose primary county is Devon can enter Devon Teams and Devon Pairs. The Devon Congress is open to members of any Home Union. The DBA Simultaneous Pairs for Devon Air Ambulance is open to all players at participating clubs and to non-affiliated clubs.

For one day events, the results are declared at the event and published on the DBA website by the following day at the latest. If there is an error in the result, then the latest time for a score correction is at mid-day two days following the publication on the website. (For example, this would normally be mid-day on the Wednesday following a Sunday event). Where awards such as prizes and cups are made on the day, such awards are provisional until this correction period has expired.

For longer events, the results of all except the last day may become finalised before the start of play on the next day.

Section leagues are run under a set of rules agreed by the Central Committee. These rules are published below.

Any protests regarding an event should be referred to the person who directed on the day, or to the Hon Secretary after the result has been published. The Hon Secretary will refer the matter to the Tournament Sub-Committee, to the Conduct sub-committee, or to the Officers of the DBA committee as appropriate.

Full rules for the Devon Teams and the Devon Teams Plate are published on the DBA website and circulated to all team captains.

The start time for two session events is now 11 am and the estimated time of finish is 7.30 pm.

(C) Code of Conduct

The Devon Bridge Association has agreed to adopt a code of conduct for all County competitions from August 2005.

Players are expected to greet others, be good hosts at the table and do everything possible to make bridge enjoyable for themselves, partner and opponents.

Unacceptable behaviour is as follows:

Criticizing partner or opponents,

Badgering, rudeness, insinuation, and profanity,

Over indulgence of alcohol,

Negative comments concerning opponents' or partner's play or bidding,

Discussing hands after the round is called,

Gloating over good results,

Objecting to a call for a director,

Poor personal hygiene, grooming or dress, and

Disputing a director's ruling during a game.

(Filing an appeal is the appropriate action).

In case of unacceptable behaviour please call the Director.

Code of Conduct- briefing for Directors

Copies of the above notice are to be placed on all tables for players

As well as what the notice says, Directors please note:

Before play, please announce that Code of Conduct is in operation. Please explain that they should call the TD if they think anything might be wrong & that is the preferred action.

Should the TD find any of the above unacceptable behaviour occurring then Tournament Directors should first issue a warning before using their powers to issue Disciplinary Penalties under Law 91A for breaches of this code. They are also asked to inform the Secretary of penalties applied as a tracking device for the code.

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Notes on the application of Law 91A

[a] In the absence of strong mitigating factors, a first offence will receive a minimum of 3 imps or 10% of a top penalty. The offenders should also be warned that according to the Code a second offence might result in their suspension or disqualification from the event.

Please note that the 3 imps or 10% of a top are the minimum amounts & the TD may increase this at his discretion up to & including disqualification from the event should circumstances warrant it. This may be when there is no reasonable expectation of the unacceptable behaviour being immediately rectified, e.g. extreme inebriation, entirely inappropriate dress.

[b] In the absence of strong mitigating factors, a second offence may result in suspension or disqualification from the event. Whilst disqualification remains the last resort for the TD & all other avenues should be explored before using it, the TD is empowered to disqualify serious or persistent offenders against the Code [approval under Law 91B is hereby conferred on the TD for this procedure]. Note that such disqualification or suspension automatically involves the rest of his pair or team as appropriate.

[c] While these penalties are not normally appealable, if there is a reasonable case the Tournament Director will usually allow it to be considered by an Appeals Committee. The Tournament Director is not bound to follow their advice.

(D) Notes - Competitions

D1. THE KEVIN and ANN SLEE TROPHY (VICTOR LUDORUM).

Restricted to players whose primary county is Devon. Limited to the events marked with an asterisk in the Calendar, and starting with the AGM Swiss Teams. Players will score 14 points for a win reducing by one point to 14th place. There are two exceptions; The Julia Chadwick Pairs which will be 21 points reducing by one to 21st place, and The Western Morning News where 7 points will be awarded to a match in a round not involving any byes. Tied places will share the points of the two places.

The following County (or section) events currently qualify as VL events Devon Teams For The Western Morning News Trophy

7 points will be awarded to a match in a round not involving any byes with a bonus 7 for the winners up to a maximum of 28.

Devon Pairs For The Julia Chadwick Trophy

The awards are 21 for 1st place reducing to 1 for 21st place.

The Devon Swiss Teams
The John Woolcott Weekend
The North Devon Congress
The Graphic Cup
The Plymouth Congress

For each of the above where there are 28 or more entries the awards are 14 for 1st place reducing to 1 for 14th place. For <u>pairs</u> events in which there are <u>fewer</u> than 28 entries, the awards start at the half way point with 1 VL point and go upwards from there to 1st increasing by 1 point each time. e.g. with, say, 16 entries, the top pair/team would get 8 VL points reducing by 1 down to 8th place.

For <u>teams</u> events in which there are <u>fewer</u> than 28 entries, the awards start at the half way point with 2VL points and go upwards from there increasing by 2VL points each time. e.g. with, say 8 entries, the top team would get 8VL points reducing by 2 down to 4th place.

The following County (or section) events are currently dormant but did qualify as VL events: Jack And Jill; Pivot Teams; Ali Khan Cup

D2. DEVON TEAMS FOR THE WESTERN MORNING NEWS TROPHY.

The Devon Bridge premier 'Teams of Four' Championship. It is a condition of entry that the winning team, or the runners-up, will represent the County in the EBU's Pachabo Cup (The Inter-Counties Teams of Four event). The Association will pay Entry fees, but not expenses. At least two teams are seeded into the second round based on the previous year's results. Teams may be of 4, 5, or 6 players of whom all may play in any round, changes of players only being made at the end of a set of boards. Teams of less than 6 may add members up to a total maximum of 6 up to and including the quarter finals, provided that the reserves have not played for or been nominated by any other team. To qualify for master points (green) team members must play at least one third of the total number of boards in that match. Written entries naming all team members and including entry fees must be submitted not later than 7 October. A referee will always be on call for all matches. Note: The Home Team is responsible for providing adequate refreshments.

D2a. DEVON TEAMS PLATE COMPETITION Teams losing their first match played in the Devon Teams (Western Morning News) will be automatically entered into the draw for the plate competition which will be played on a knockout basis over 24 boards.

Rules common to all Devon knockout teams competitions.

1.DRAWS AND DATES

The draw for (D2) will be made by the DBA Committee early in October; the draw for (D2a) as soon as possible.

Rounds in (D2) are to be completed by the following dates:

Round 1 if needed 31 October

Round 2 14 December

Quarter Finals 7 February

Semi Finals 31 March

Final 10 May

Teams losing their first match in (D2) will play in the Plate event.

Rounds in (D2a) are to be completed by the following dates:

Round 1 if needed 31 January Quarter Finals 10 March

Semi Finals 30 April

Final 31 May

If matches are not played by these dates, one or both teams may be disqualified. In exceptional circumstances the Tournament Administrator may grant an extension of no more than SEVEN DAYS.

2. HOME & AWAY TEAMS, FAILURE TO FIX A DATE

- a) The higher team in the draw is the home team and shall be responsible for organising the venue after consultation with the opposing captain.
- b) It is the responsibility of the home team to provide boards and stationery
- c) It is the responsibility of the home team to provide refreshments and a suitable break from play in which to consume them.
- d) Within 7 days of the end date of the previous round, the lower team in the draw (the away team) must offer at least four dates to their opponents, not all in the same week. At least one of these (but not all) must be on a Saturday or Sunday. Within a further 7 days, their opponents must accept one of these dates.
- e) If the two teams fail to agree on a date to play (or in the case of any other dispute) the matter shall be referred to the Tournament Administrator, who may refer to the Appeals Committee, to which committee the disputants also have the right to appeal.

3. ALLOWED SYSTEMS, BIDDING BOXES

- a) Agreements up to and including Level 4 (or the equivalent, as per current EBU regulations) will be permitted in D2 and D2a.
- b) Bidding boxes should be used for all matches. If a team is unable to obtain these for a match, please contact the Tournament Administrator.

3a. ONLINE PLAY

Any match may be played online if all 8 first choice players agree.

4. RULINGS AND REFEREES

There will be a list of referees willing to give rulings on the DBA website, or one of the EBU referees listed in the diary can be used. In common with EBU knockout regulations, a ruling agreed by the captains cannot later be changed even if it is not strictly according to the Laws of Duplicate Bridge.

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5. COMPOSITION OF TEAM

- a) Teams of less than 6 are allowed to add members up to a maximum of 6 at any stage up to and including the Quarter Finals, provided that the total number of players representing the team does not exceed 6 persons, and reserves have not been nominated by, or played for, any other team.
- b) Devon must be the first county of allegiance for all members of a team, and all members of the team must be fully paid up at the date of play; otherwise the team will be disqualified.
- c) In order to qualify for master points, a team member must play at least one third of the total boards in the match.

6. NUMBER OF BOARDS (D2)

Matches are of 24 boards in 2 sets of 12 (round 1 if needed); 32 boards in 4 sets of 8 (rounds 2 & quarter-finals); 40 boards in 5 sets of 8 (semi-finals) or 48 boards in 6 sets of 8 (final).

NUMBER OF BOARDS (D2a)

All matches shall be played over 24 boards played in 4 sets of 6.

7. SEATING RIGHTS for D2 and D2a

- (a) The captain who wins the toss may take the first choice or pass that choice to his opponent. Choices are made as follows:
- 1. For matches of 32 or 24 boards in 4 sets of 8 or 6: 1st choice: the captain selects one stanza in which he will have seating rights (i.e. how to place his own pairs after opponents have nominated their line-up), 2nd choice: the other captain next selects two of the remaining 3 stanzas in which he will have seating rights, and the remaining stanza is then taken by the captain who had first choice.
- 2. For matches of 40 boards in 5 sets of 8: 1st choice: the captain selects 2 stanzas, which may not be both stanzas 4 & 5 (but may be one or other of these), in which he will have seating rights, 2nd choice: the other captain then has seating rights in the remaining 3 stanzas.
- 3. For matches of 48 boards in 6 sets of 8: 1st choice: the captain selects 2 stanzas, which may not be both stanzas 5 & 6 (but may be one or other of these), in which he will have seating rights, 2nd choice: the other captain next selects 3 of the remaining 4 stanzas in which he will have seating rights. The captain who had first choice then takes the remaining stanza.

- a) IT IS A CONDITION OF ENTRY THAT THE WINNERS OF THE FINAL (or, in the event of illness, the runners-up) WILL COMPETE IN THE PACHABO CUP TO BE HELD IN JUNE (see EBU diary). If the winner of the Final is reduced by circumstances to three or fewer players (registered as above) available to represent Devon in the Pachabo cup, substitute players may be brought in (up to a maximum of 3) from the runners-up team, but only so as to make up a team of **4 players** in all.
- c) FAILING THAT the runners-up team comprising 4, 5 or 6 players may represent the county registered as above. It is the duty of the winning team in these circumstances to inform the runners-up within 1 week of the Final match.

8. NOTIFICATION OF RESULT

The winners of each match must forward to the Tournament Administrator within 24 hours of completion of the match a completed result form signed by both captains, giving the players' names and the result of the match. (OR an email from EACH captain). If such notification is not given, then the winning team will be disqualified and the match awarded to the opponents.

9. MASTER POINTS AWARDS

Main event Green Points according to current EBU scale.

Plate Local Points

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D3. DEVON PAIRS FOR THE JULIA CHADWICK TROPHY

The Devon Bridge 'Premier Pairs' (green pointed) Championship. Each club may hold one qualifier in the 3 weeks prior to the second Saturday in February with pairs scoring 50% or more qualifying for the two-session final, where each pair plays as many of the other pairs as practicable. Clubs must forward a dated list of qualifying pairs to the Tournament Administrator by the end of the qualifying period, stating if known whether any qualifiers will not be attending the final. Any player who plays in more than one qualifier will be judged on the earliest dated result unless the Tournament Administrator is notified in advance of an alternative selected date.

The final will be played as a two-session event with all pairs playing as many of the other pairs as possible. (See also general rules and regulations of DBA competitions. The leading 4 pairs qualify for the EBU's Reg Corwen Trophy (The Inter-Counties Pairs Championship) and the Association will normally pay entry fees, but not expenses. Pairs playing MUST notify the Tournament Secretary if they will not be available to attend the Reg Corwen Event if so qualifying.

D3. NOTES FOR CLUBS HOLDING DEVON PAIRS QUALIFIERS

The Tournament Administrator and/or Secretary should be notified in advance of the date.

Table money is <u>normal club money</u>. Please note that from 2016 normal master points should be awarded at the club. **REMIND YOUR MEMBERS PLAYERS AT THE FINAL RECEIVE GREEN POINTS.**

The following instruction should be passed to whoever is Directing and / or scoring on the night. In particular players must declare IN ADVANCE if their attempt to qualify is at another club on a later date. Also, no one may make a second attempt to qualify if they miss first time.

After your qualifier please send to our Tournament Administrator a printed copy of the results on the night so that she can identify those scoring 50% or more and qualifying for the final.

Please mark against each pair one of the following

Y = yes we intend to play in the final if we qualify
N = no we do not intend to play in the final even if we qualify
X = one or both players is playing in a qualifier at another club
V = one or both players is NOT a member of the DBA.

If a player plays in more than one qualifier and is not marked X on the first result submitted, only the first score is valid.

Each pair qualifying is asked to confirm their entry to The Tournament Administrator and to pay the entry fee.

D4. THE DEVON COUNTY CONGRESS

The major Devon Bridge Congress. An open Congress held annually. Events include 10-round Green Point Swiss Pairs, 7-round Green Point Swiss Teams.

D5. THE DEVON SWISS TEAMS

A Devon Bridge Swiss Teams event played over two sessions on a Sunday.

D6. THE DEVON CLUB 'TEAMS OF 8' CHAMPIONSHIP

A one-day 'teams of eight' competition, this will not take place with fewer than 7 teams. The winning club qualifies to represent Devon in the Garden Cities Trophy. Any team of eight players from the same club may enter. There is no limit on the number of teams from each club. The club must submit each entry. In addition, EBU rules for their Garden Cities competition will apply.

D7. DEVON WINTER PAIRS

Will be played at 7 pm on the first Tuesday of each month from October to April and is limited to EBU members. Prize money each month with bonus prizes to best pairs and individuals over the season.

D8. DBA SIMULTANEOUS PAIRS for DEVON AIR AMBULANCE

Will be played at participating clubs on 5 different dates throughout the year. Non-affiliated clubs may take part.

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D9. THE JOHN WOOLCOTT WEEKEND

A Bridge Weekend consisting of Swiss Teams and Pairs Competitions organised by The Eastern section.

D10. THE NORTH DEVON CONGRESS

A Bridge Weekend consisting of Swiss Teams and Swiss Pairs Competitions organised by the Northern section.

D11. THE SOUTHERN SECTION PETIT CONGRESS

From 2013, the Graphic Cup teams competition has been run by the North Section and the Ali Khan Cup not run at all.

D12. THE PLYMOUTH CONGRESS

A two-day Congress: Tournament Pairs and Novice Pairs on Saturday and Swiss Teams on Sunday.

D13. SECTION LEAGUES

The Eastern League for the Innals Trophy will be played on the first Friday in each month from October to April.

The North Section league will be played on the second Tuesday of each month from October to April.

The South Section league will be played in two divisions on the fourth Monday of each month from September to May inclusive.

The West Section league will be played on the third Friday of each month from October to April inclusive.

(D13) DBA Rules for Section Leagues from 1 Sep 2016 Incorporating all changes since the Sep 2004 version.

1. <u>Administration</u>

Each Section within the DBA may run an annual League for teams of four. No entry fees will be charged. The Section Committee is responsible for the organisation and running of its League and will:

- 1.1 Decide the dates and venues for matches, which will be published in the DBA Programme. Any subsequent changes will be published as soon as practicable.
- 1.2 Determine the number of Divisions in the League and the number of teams that will be promoted and relegated from each Division.
- 1.3 Decide table monies and prizes.
- 1.4 One player will be registered as Captain. Otherwise no team may register more than a total of 7 players.
- 1.4 Nominate an Organiser, who will be responsible for recording and checking team and player registrations, drawing up the match schedules and publishing the League tables after each round.
- 1.5 Nominate a Director, who will be responsible for running each round of matches. Appeals against any Director's ruling should be notified to the Director within 30 minutes of the end of play and in the first instance dealt with by the Section committee.
- 1.6 Be the final arbiter in the resolution of any disagreements, disputes, or other organisational matters.

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2. Matches and Scoring

- 2.1 Each match will be of 26 to 28 boards, played in two stanzas. A 'multiple teams' format may be used for smaller leagues.
- 2.2 A team will field 4 players in each match; substitution of a player during a match will not be permitted, except (at the discretion of the Director) in an emergency.
- 2.3. Scoring will be by net IMPs converted to Victory Points as per the published scale.
- 2.4 At the end of a match the Captains must agree the score with their opponents and hand in the completed result forms to the Director. The Director will forward the full results to the Organiser.
- 2.5 **Walkovers**: Should a team be unable to field four eligible players then the match will be conceded to their opponents. The conceding team will be awarded 0 VPs and their opponents will receive the maximum of:
 - (a) 12 VPs.
 - (b) One half of the total of: 20, plus the average number of VPs scored by their team in all matches, minus the average number of VPs scored by the conceding team in all matches played.
- 2.6 Local points will be awarded for all matches actually played; walkovers will not qualify for local points.
- 2.7 If a team concedes more than half of its matches as walkovers, or withdraws from a league before it has played half of its matches, all results of that team's matches will be cancelled.
- 2.8 EBU Regulations apply in all other circumstances (e.g. late arrivals).

3. Team Composition

- 3.1 Every player must be a member of the DBA (primary or secondary) prior to playing in a match, except that if there is more than one division, non-EBU members may play in the lowest Division. Players whose county of allegiance is not Devon may become DBA members by paying an annual subscription. This fee is waived for Cornish members.
- 3.2 A player may only register for one team in a League (but may play in any number of DBA section leagues).

- 3.3 All registrations must be made in writing and accepted by the Organiser before the registration becomes effective. Once accepted, a registration remains in effect until the end of the season.
- 3.4 After initial registration, a Captain may register further players during the season (up to the half way stage of the competition) provided that rules 1.4, 3.1 and 3.2 are complied with.
- 3.5. Any player who is not a registered player may play as a reserve for any team, subject to Section conditions.
- 3.6 In each match, each team must include at least two of the registered players.
- 3.7. In the top division no team may use more than 7 players in a season.

Substitute Players

- 4.1 A registered player may only act as a substitute in a higher Division.
- 4.2 In all divisions except the top Division, no substitute may be of higher EBU rank than the highest ranked registered player in the two teams in the match, unless agreed by the opposing captain before the start of the match. For this purpose, the "star" grades within each ranking are ignored.

5. Promotions and Relegation

- 5.1 If the final positions in a Division are tied on VPs, the tie will be broken on the result of the match(es) between the teams. If this is also tied then the IMPs in those matches will determine the position. If these are tied then the tie will be broken on the total IMPs over all the matches played.
- 5.2 At the end of each season the bottom team(s) of each Division may be relegated to the next lower Division and the top team(s) promoted to the next higher Division..
- 5.3 Where the number of teams in a higher Division needs to be increased (e.g. as a result of a team withdrawing) teams from the next lower Division may be invited, in their finishing order, to make up the number in the higher Division.

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- 5.4 A team will be considered to be the same team if either:
 - (a) The Captain and one other member are the same as registered in the previous year
 - (b) Three members excluding the Captain are the same as registered in the previous year.
- 5.5 Any team not meeting the criteria in 5.4 will be considered a new team. If the criteria are met by two entries, the Captain's entry will take precedence.
- 5.6 New teams will join the lowest Division.

6. Discretion

6.1. The Section organiser has discretion to vary the rules in exceptional circumstances.

D14. THE WESTERN LEAGUE

This is an inter-county league comprising 8 counties in 3 divisions. Teams are selected according to current committee policy. The winners of each division qualify for a National final. C teams are restricted to players with fewer than 50 green points. Players interested in participating should apply to the Selection Committee.

For each match, a nominated captain will be appointed to be in overall charge. Normally this will be the A team captain. Captains will be responsible for the conduct of their teams, courtesy to the opposition, domestic / refreshment arrangements for home matches, transport arrangements for away matches, the availability of their team members and arranging substitutes if necessary. Each match is of 40 boards in 4 sets of 10, scored in IMPs and converted to VPs. The results are published on the website. At the end of play, the nominated captain will ensure that the members of all the 3 Devon teams will discuss the boards with each other to establish lessons learned (particularly helpful to the members of the B & C teams.)

The Western League organisers are responsible for the various rules and regulations governing these matches. These are discussed at the annual fixture meeting preceding the final round of matches in May.

D15. EBU COMPETITIONS (full details in EBU diary and on www.ebu.co.uk)

Devon as a County sends and pays for entries to (a) Tollemache Cup for teams of 8; (b) Corwen Trophy; (c) Pachabo Cup; (d) Garden Cities Trophy.

The EBU holds a Masters Pair heat and a National Pairs Regional qualifier in Devon as well as the Riviera Congress at Torquay.