

## Bridge Blog – 14 December 2023

We had a most enjoyable Christmas Party on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December. Many thanks to Libby for her excellent organisation, to Paul for his music during the reception and to Nikki and the kitchen staff for a really good dinner. It was nice to be able to celebrate an outstanding year for the Bridge section and to have a lot to look forward to in the New Year.



### Bridge at the Club over the Christmas Period

The festive season is continuing with the Social Bridge group having their Christmas Special on 14<sup>th</sup> December. This will include mulled wine and mince pies followed by some interesting and unusual Bridge. We also plan to have mulled wine and mince pies on Xmas Eve when we will have Chicago Bridge from 11am – 1pm.

Over the period after Christmas we plan to hold the following sessions:

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> December – no session

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> December, 7.30pm – Social Bridge

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> January, 1.30pm – Duplicate Bridge session similar to other Mondays.

### Calendar 2024

[Click here for the Bridge Calendar 2024](#) which is also available at the Club and on BridgeWebs.

### Special Social Bridge Session

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November we ran a special version of the usual Social Bridge evening which was organised by Fiona Pollard. A number of more experienced players were available to help introduce the non-regulars to the mechanics of the Club's duplicate bridge sessions and some of us got together for a very pleasant dinner beforehand.

### Simultaneous Pairs

On Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December we joined other Bridge Clubs in Surrey in running the Dorin Salver Charity Sim Pairs. There was a good turnout allowing us to make a decent contribution to the Queen Elizabeth Foundation ([qef.org.uk](http://qef.org.uk)).

### Devonshire Cup

We have now entered three teams for the Devonshire Cup being held on consecutive Tuesdays in February. Team captains are Vivien Harris, Julie Bacon and myself. Hopefully we can keep up our excellent record in this competition.

Wishing everyone a most enjoyable Christmas!

Malcolm Bricknell

Bridge Chair