

Bridge Blog – 12th December 2024



Bridge Christmas Dinner

We had a very enjoyable Christmas party on Saturday 7th December. Many thanks to Libby for her excellent organisation, to Miles for his music during the reception and to the kitchen staff for offering a really good dinner. It was nice to be able to reflect on a good year for the Bridge section and to have a lot to look forward to in the New Year, especially after the Club refurbishment programme is completed. Good to see a few new prize winners in the line up as well ...



Calendar for 2025

The Bridge Calendar for 2025 is now available showing the key dates for competitions and matches scheduled for 2025. Thanks to Ellie for working on this. There is a little more bunching of home matches in the late spring to cater for the likelihood of more restricted Clubhouse availability in January to April next year but overall it seems to have come together well.

Bridge at the Club over the Christmas Period

The festive season is continuing with the Social Bridge group having their Christmas Special on 14th 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 Christmas Eve when we will have a very informal Chicago Bridge session from 11am – 1pm.

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

- Mon 23rd December – usual session at 1.30 pm
- Wed 25th December (no session – Club closed)
- Thu 26th December (no session – Club closed)
- Mon 30th December – usual session at 1.30 pm
- Wed 1st January (no session – Club closing at 8pm)
- Thu 2nd January – usual session at 7.30pm

- The Supervised Play sessions run by Loulou and Arnold on Tuesday afternoons will finish on 10th December 2024 and restart on 14th January 2025.
- The Supervised Practice sessions run by John on Tuesday evenings will also finish on 10th December 2024 and restart on 14th January 2025.
- Niall will teach up to 20th December and then resume in the week starting 6th January 2025.

Dorin Salver Simultaneous Pairs Competition – Surrey EBU event

We ran the Dorin Salver Simultaneous Pairs Competition on Monday 2nd December instead of our usual Duplicate Session. The proceeds will go to Queen Elizabeth's Foundation in Banstead. This organisation which Surrey EBU have supported for over 40 years helps disabled people and people with acquired brain injuries.

As a member of the Surrey EBU, Roehampton Club is able to enter Surrey Bridge competitions against other bridge clubs in or affiliated to Surrey. This year our Members won the Mary Edwards (pairs) competition and came third in the Wanborough (teams) event.

Charity Events

On Friday 13th December Roehampton Club will host the Annual Bridge Drive on behalf of the Friends of Queen Mary Hospital. This will take place from 2pm to 5pm and includes afternoon tea and a raffle. Further details of this worthy event which Roehampton Club regularly supports are available on the noticeboard.

Malcolm Bricknell, Bridge Chair