

TWYFORD BRIDGE CLUB  
CHAIRMAN'S REPORT JUNE 2016

Ian and I would like to thank the rest of the Committee, the Directors, the Scorers, the Dealers and all members who have contributed to the efficient running of the club. Our thanks to Martyn for training another dealer, John. This means that each dealer only deals for 2 months per year now. Also our thanks to Ed for mending tables. We have 3 new directors this year which greatly spreads the work. Tony has volunteered to fit roller blinds in this room to alleviate the sun problem and help with insulation. This is subject RCHC agreement.

Thank you Diana for collecting the money every week and banking it. Please try to help her with the correct money. Membership and Table money will remain the same next year.

Thank you to Kathy for running the host system and thanks to all who were hosts this year. It is really popular and important and benefits the club in attracting new members and provides a valuable service to members when their regular partners are away.

In July and August Kathy will begin taking your membership subscriptions for this coming year Sept-Aug . Please update contact details at the same time if necessary.

Also our thanks go to the organisers and members who made the Christmas party and presentations such a successful evening, particularly those who brought all the delicious food. As our financial position remains healthy we propose to have reduced ticket prices for this year's party.

We are pleased that the weekly attendance has increased slightly again this year and now averages at 12 1/2 tables. We currently have 83 members which is an increase again this year.

We propose to buy some new tables to replace those which have become unstable and also new cloths to replace our present ones.

BridgeMate scoring continues to work successfully. A new computer has been purchased to run the dealing machine reliably and is working successfully. Ian plans to trial BridgeWebs website at some point his year. If we put our website on this server with its bridge dedicated format it would be quicker and easier for less website orientated people to score when Ian is not available. The two websites would be available during the free trial period so that everyone has an opportunity to see both in action before a decision is made. Several local clubs already use BridgeWebs. It is slightly cheaper than our present provider.

We have no team representation in the Chiltern League at present. If anyone would like to organise a Team of 8 or team of 4 to play matches against other clubs please let us know as soon as possible

All current Committee members are willing to continue next year subject to membership approval. Sue English has volunteered to help with any extra work as required.

Please try to be seated by 7.20 so the movement can be entered into ScoreBridge. Please could N and E make sure that S and W are given the percentages and results for each board. The pairs trophy next year will be for best 18 results from at least 18 played.

Lesley and Ian Haigh