

Scottish Bridge Union
Eastern District Newsletter – 2006/07 N0.3

Recent Results:

Edwin Berry Swiss Teams:

1st Dave Walker, Malcolm Cuthbertson, Les Steel, Bif M^cGeorge
3rd Jenny Cooper, Tony Wilkinson, Andreas Re, Paul Gipson
4th Sheila Adamson, Anne Martin, Fiona M^cQuaker, Liz M^cGowan

Faie Individual:

1st Sandy Kirkwood
2nd Thea Teale
3rd Dee Harley

Diamond Senior Pairs:

1st Pam and Archie Leith
2nd David Liggat & John MacLaren
3rd Ross Woodburn & Jimmy Allan

SBU Autumn Sim. Pairs

The top score on the Wednesday was by RF Hunter & RC Moodie of Leven BC with 70.95%. Other good scores were posted by R Francome & D Usher of Hawick (4th) and John and Marion Miller of Kelso (6th).

ED Simultaneous Pairs

1st David Weir & Gordon Stuart (Melville)
2nd Cath Graham & Jim Leggate (Dunfermline)
3rd D Wilson & M Lawley (Jedburgh)
4th Iain Sime & Fiona M^cQuaker (Melville)
5th Andy Philip & Brendan Clark (Falkirk)

Mens Pairs (ED Qualifiers)

David Kaye & Andrew Muir
Brian Short & Dave Walker
John Bilsland & Ed Repecka
Malcolm M^cCardle & Derek Peden
John MacLaren & David Liggat
Harry Smith & Finlay Marshall

Womens Pairs (ED Qualifiers)

Liz M^cGowan & Fiona M^cQuaker
Pam Leith & Jenni M^cCartney
Sheila Adamson & Anne Martin
June Morrison & Jane Stephenson
Joan Crockett & Janet Terry

Congress News:

Peebles (Oct) –

Womens Teams – 1st Ying Piper, Fiona Greenwood, Vi Outred, Cathy Gerrard
2nd Muriel Leith, Pam Stewart, Anne Martin, Anne Perkins
Mens Teams – 2nd Harry Smith, David Liggat, Bill Innes, Finlay Marshall
2 board KO – Sam Punch & Paul Gipson
Consolation Pairs Final – Anne Martin & Andrew Symons
Teams Final – 2nd Malcolm & Kathy Copley, Dee Harley & Derek Peden

Aviemore

Womens Teams
1st Marjory Brydon, Fiona Lawson, Christine Walker, Fiona Greenwood
2nd Margaret Archibald, Rhona Collins, Lillian Flett, Jessie Turner
Mens Teams
1st Alex Hamilton, Jim Power, Gordon Wellington, Donald Denoon
Mixed teams
1st Irene Sime, Anne Perkins, David Kaye, Mike Baron
Pairs
1st Evelyn Outred & Rosemary Miller
2nd Irene Sime & Anne Perkins
3rd Liz M^cGowan & Les Steel
4th Tim McKay & George Plant

Other News:

Camrose Trials

The final weekend takes place in the Buchanan Club in Glasgow on the weekend of Dec 2/3. The East is still represented by Les Steel & Bif M^cGeorge, Dave Walker & Malcolm Cuthbertson, Miro Dragic (& Brian Spears), Tony & Alex Wilkinson, Finlay Marshall (& Bill Innes), Liz M^cGowan (& John Matheson), David Liggat & Roy Bennett. Good luck to all involved.

Gold Cup

Unfortunately Iain Sime's team was knocked out at the final 16 stage.

A reminder though that spectators are welcome at Peebles to watch and support the semi-finals and final on Dec 8/9/10 where Dave Walker's team will be representing Scottish interest.

Forthcoming Events:

McGregor Cup – ED Mixed Pairs

Championship on Friday Dec 1st at 7.00pm at the Melville – entries to Lucia Barrett on 0131 668 1077 or lucia@sbueast.org.uk

Swiss pairs (red-pointed) on Sunday Dec 3rd at 1.00pm at the Melville – entries to Anne Perkins on 0131 539 6634 or anne@sbueast.org.uk. This is a new event and you support for it would be much appreciated.

Edinburgh Congress Trophy (and **Rayne Cup** qualifier) – District Multiple Teams on Wednesday Nov 29th and December 6th at 7.00pm at the Melville – entries to David Kaye on 0131 661 4877 or david@sbueast.org.uk

A reminder that the ED heat of the **Jesner** – for SBU Masters and Star Master Pairs is being held on Sunday January 21st at 1.00pm at the Melville – entries to Anne Perkins as above.

League and KO News

The current positions are as follows –

Div 1 – Falkirk A in lead from 49ers

Div 2 – Pied Pipers in lead from Berwick A.

Div 3 – Athenians and Skateraw lead the field.

Div 4 – Brave Knaves and Comiston lead the way.

Div 5 – Diamonds, Mallard and Ratten are tied in first place.

KO – Through to the 2nd round are Pentland, Longniddry B, Comiston, Royal Scots B, and Scramblers along with Waverley, Gullane, Ratten and Merchiston who received byes and Mallard, Linlithgow, Borderers and Penicuik whose opposition conceded their ties. There are 3 ties still to be played.

Liz M'Gowan classes

The remaining 2 classes for this year are at the Carlton Bridge Centre at 7.00pm on Tuesday November 28th – 'Slam Tries' and Tuesday December 12th – 'Checkback'

The series may continue in 2007 depending on demand – any topic which is a burning issue with you will be considered by Liz for inclusion – contact her at liz@sbueast.org.uk

News from the Borders

18 very keen Border 'students' attended the SBU Club Director Course in Smailholm village hall on the weekend of 4/5 November. All attending found it very instructive and enjoyable mainly due to their 'teacher' Ian Ross.

Everyone passed – no re-sits needed – and some are even talking about doing the next level!

The Border Teams Championship is due to take place at Glen Douglas Hall, Jedburgh on Sunday November 26th at 2.00pm. If further info is required, contact Reg Drysdale at reg@sbueast.org.uk

A Date For Your Diary

Kelso Bridge Club are holding their first Bridge Congress at Kelso Racecourse (The Tweedie Room) on Sunday June 17th 2007 at 1.30 for 2.00pm. Further details to follow at a later date.

Melville Bridge Club

The Melville has now had 2 successful Friday evenings when people can turn up and draw for a partner. This is to encourage new members to come along and meet others who may be looking for partners, and to help people take the step from classes to playing in the Club.

The next such event will be on Friday January 5th 2007 at 6.45pm. Just turn up – you will be guaranteed a game, and visitors fees don't apply.