

**Scottish Bridge Union  
Eastern District**

**“NO FEAR” Pairs**  
and  
**“NEXT STEP Pairs**

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2010**

**Carlton Bridge Centre,  
36B Warriston Gardens  
Edinburgh EH3 5NE**

**1.00 pm - 6.30 pm approx.**

## The “NO FEAR” Pairs

The Tournament is renowned for its friendly atmosphere. It is aimed at those unfamiliar with Duplicate scoring, and newcomers to the game.

*All artificial methods are banned; bidding must be natural and simple.*

A copy of the Simple System is provided, and there are plenty of supervisors to help with problems.

## The “NEXT STEP” Pairs

A parallel event aimed at those who have graduated from the “NO FEAR” and the more experienced club player who has adopted some common conventions such as Transfers, the Unusual Notrump or Negative Doubles.

It is not a free-for-all: we ban the complex and abstruse, and anything designed solely to disrupt opponents’ bidding, such as psychic bids.

A list of permitted conventions is provided; you may choose to play any of them - or none.

*Nothing that could worry a club player will be allowed*

**You may enter either event without a partner and we shall attempt to match you up with someone suitable.**

## Timing

*Because they play at different speeds the two events play different boards*

The “NO FEAR” will play about 24 boards, at a rate of around 6 boards an hour.

The “NEXT STEP” aims higher, at 26-30 boards, at a rate of around 8 boards an hour.

Play will finish around 6.30 pm. Scoring is by computer and the results will be announced almost immediately.

At the end of play you will be presented with a copy of the hands with a commentary by Liz McGowan. There may be some expert players around to discuss the hands while you wait for the results.

The Entry Fee of £7 per player includes table money but does not include refreshments, which will be available for purchase during the afternoon.

There will be a Raffle in aid of the development of Junior Bridge in the District.

## ENTRY FORM

**I/We wish to play in:**

The “NO FEAR” / “NEXT STEP” Pairs  
(delete as appropriate)

**Name:** .....

**Address** .....

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**Post Code** .....

**Telephone** .....

**Email** .....

**Partners Name** .....

**Or Please find me someone suitable to play with.**

**Entry Fees of £7 per player enclosed**

(cheques payable to “SBU East District”)

**Entries/Enquiries to:**

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