



## **THE 35th INTER-LIVERY BRIDGE PAIRS COMPETITION Monday 6 March 2017 at Drapers' Hall**

Each **Trophy** is held for one year before return for competition the following year. Prizes are retained by the winners.

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| 1. Champion pair (Highest placed)*                                                                                    | Winners Cup <b>Trophy</b> , plus Cut Glass Bowl Prize & The Master's Installation Cards (each), champagne |
| 2. The Company with the highest two Pairs*                                                                            | Thorpe Tankard <b>Trophy</b>                                                                              |
| 3. The Flich Competition for highest placed Married Couples*                                                          | The 'Actuaries' <b>Trophy</b><br>Engraved Glass Bowl                                                      |
| 4. Second pair overall*                                                                                               | Pair of Glass Whiskey Tumblers (each)                                                                     |
| 5. Third pair overall*                                                                                                | WCMPC Playing Cards prize champagne                                                                       |
| 6. Improvers' Prize for the pair whose Ranking moves up the most from the end of the first half to the end of play *† | WCMPC Playing Cards prize champagne                                                                       |
| 7. WCMPC Award, the highest pair from The Makers of Playing Cards Co.*                                                | The 'Maurice' Glass Prisms <b>Trophy</b> (Pair)                                                           |

\*All Winners will receive WCMPC Dated Company Bridge Packs of Playing Cards

† In the event of a tie, the highest ranking pair will win the prize.

### **Aide Memoire & Modus Operandi**

#### **FOR NEW COMPETITORS AND AN UPDATE FOR OLD FRIENDS.**

##### **Dress Code**

The dress code is lounge suits and company ties are preferred. Visiting Masters, Upper Bailiffs and Prime Wardens are asked to wear their badges.

**On arrival by 5:00pm (Prompt please as timing is crucial and the penalties under the rules will be applied to latecomers)**

### **Registration**

Please sign in at the table at the bottom of the stairs, receive your own personal badge, with Name and Company displayed and make a note of your starting position. Having completed the formalities please ascend the stairs and you will be greeted at the top by the Master Maker of Playing Cards. Coffee, tea and soft drinks will be served prior to the start of play.

### **Bidding Boxes**

Bidding boxes will again be used this year. PLEASE **close the boxes** at the conclusion of play to assist the Committee with packing them away.

### **Bridgemates**

“Bridgemates” for electronic scoring will again be used this year.

### **The Rooms of Play**

To the Right is the ***Drawing Room***. Straight ahead at the top of the stairs is the Court Room. Both of these rooms are colour coded outside their doors, these are the colours of the two separate sections therein.

Please go into the Court Dining Room to the left of the stairs where there are easels on which the starting places for each pair are displayed. These starting places show the colour of the room of play, your individual colour of the two alternatives in that room, the table number in that row and the orientation of your starting position. **Please establish your position as soon as possible.**

You will be called to your table at 5.20pm. Please then take your seats at your designated table, positioned in the correct orientation, ready for the Instructions from the TD before the start of play. Drinks are not permitted in either of the play rooms.

- (1) One member of each pair must **complete the team slip**. All parts should be completed. These details are needed by the TD for his computer entries and will be collected before or during play of the first hand.
- (2) At 5:30pm prompt the Tournament Director, Neil C Morley, will address the Players who will be seated at their tables. **Please listen very carefully to his instructions regarding the details of rotation and the mechanism of play.**
- (3) **If you and/or your partner arrive late and are unable to play either or both of the first two hands, then you will be awarded 40% and your opponent's 60%**

The hands have been dealt by computer and conform to the CHI test applied by the EBU.

## **Notes on Scoring and Play**

The player seated **N** has the responsibility to orientate the boards correctly and to ensure they are played in the correct order but all players should be watchful to ensure no errors.

- (1) Remove your own cards. Count the cards face down to ensure that you have 13.
- (2) After the hand is played, shuffle your cards and replace them in their slot in the board.
- (3) North should enter the contract and the result in the Bridgmate and then pass it to East to carefully check that it has been entered correctly before pressing the “confirm” button”.

## **PRIZE AWARDING CEREMONY**

At the end of play a stirrup cup will be served whilst the results are being finalised and the Prize Awarding ceremony will commence as soon as possible. The event will conclude no later than 10.30 pm.

The Company will request a member of the civic team to present the trophies, subject of course to availability.

Trophy Winners are asked to hand back their Trophy to The Clerk for immediate engraving of winner’s names to be arranged. Once engraved with the winner’s details they will be made available for collection at Drapers’ Hall or by arrangement.

Full results and details of tonight’s hands will be available at the end of the presentation of the prizes and trophies. They will also be posted on the Company’s web site [www.makersofplayingcards.co.uk](http://www.makersofplayingcards.co.uk).

A Member of the Inter-Livery Bridge Committee will be pleased to answer any questions. Contact the Clerk if you require assistance or clarification regarding the event.

### **Inter-Livery Bridge Committee**

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