

Rodborough Bridge Club – AGM, Monday 5th February

Chairman's Report

As this is my last report I would like to thank my Committee and all of you for your support over the past 10 years. We are now in a lovely venue with a healthy membership of 45 so I feel it is time for someone else to take over the Chairmanship.

This year 3 people have resigned. Anna MacBean, Penny Taylor and Hilary Whittenbury. We have 4 keen people on our waiting list but unfortunately, at the present time, we do not have room to accommodate more members. If everyone were to attend there would be 11 tables and a sit out which is just about comfortable. Our average is 9 tables and that feels pretty full. When we arrived at this venue our aim was to reduce our membership to a workable number. This would probably be 40 (without the pool table we could easily accommodate another 4 players).

At the moment, if a member needs a partner, and no other member is available, they may ask anyone on the waiting list.

On your behalf I would like to thank our Tournament Directors - David Mustarde, David Sturman, Robin Ewart and David Newman. It is disruptive for their own play so we appreciate their patience and dedication and we are very lucky to have them. Also our thanks go to Judith for transcribing many of the travellers and publishing the results so promptly.

I hope you all enjoyed the Christmas Session. Our thanks go to the Committee for supplying the snacks.

Again thank you to all our volunteers on the table rota and all those who help with the speedy clearing up at the end of the evening.

Just a small reminder.... if you are on lead please do so before writing up the contract on your score card. This all helps to speed up play and gives the declarer time to plan. Also for those who can please try to vary your seating orientation as this varies the opposition.

Angela Newman

Chairman