

EBU Tournament Review

Event: Seniors Congress **Venue:** Daventry Court Hotel
TD's: Gordon Rainsford, John Pyner, Robin Barker, Martin Lee, Hugh Williams
 Rob Sassoon, John Haslegrave

Pre-Congress	5	4	3	2	1
Advice, information ease of entry	50	27	7	0	2
Ease of booking accommodation	33	21	6	1	1
Congress	Too early/short/few		Right	Too late/long/many	
Start/Finish time	0		58	40	
Session intervals	1		57	42	
Number of boards	1		96	4	
Tournament Directors	5	4	3	2	1
Professionalism	58	41	4	0	0
Playing Conditions	5	4	3	2	1
Space and Accessibility	38	48	11	1	0
Lighting	20	37	22	7	6
Temperature	11	24	23	28	16
Hotel/Congress Centre	5	4	3	2	1
Accommodation	8	38	11	1	1
Catering	4	23	23	10	11
Value for money	4	21	25	20	7
Overall Congress	5	4	3	2	1
Ambience	27	47	19	3	0
Value for money	6	28	36	19	9

Total Returns	111
Total Attendees	339

Yes	No
65	13

Is the one day Swiss Pairs event a good idea?

Comments

Thought that it was wrong not to have a carry forward from session 1 to session 2 of the Championship Pairs	x13
Very cold in the small playing room	x13
Tea and coffee very expensive, especially having to pay £2 for a paper cup	x9
The explanation of the new format was very confusing	x5
Lighting dim	x5
Surely a local pair could have been provided to avoid a sit-out	x5
Catering very poor, too few staff serving	x6
Two breaks are not necessary on the Sunday	x5
Session 1 boards were predominantly E/W	x4
Find the bridge too expensive compared to GP events	x4
Some players were crowing about their results - should not have % displayed on bridgemates - keeps the event friendlier	x3
11.00 start more suitable for the Swiss Teams	x4
Lots of grumbles about lack of incentive to play on Friday	x3
Friday evening finished too late	x2
No meals for non-residents and no information available regarding alternatives	x2
Would prefer the Saturday finals to start/finish earlier to be able to eat afterwards	
The numbers qualifying for the A and B seemed unbalanced	x1
Martin Lee excellent	x1

First time at this event - very enjoyable	x1
The hotel was full when trying to book four months ago	x1
Breakfast was luke-warm	x1
In seven years of attending the hotel have yet to get the reservation correct	x1
Like repechage idea for pairs	x1
Preferred the previous format	x1
Should poll those who have not attended about the format	x1