

EBU Tournament Review

Event: Brighton Swiss Pairs

Venue: Hilton Metropole

TD's: Gordon Rainsford (i/c), Sarah Amos, Steve Foster, David Jones, Marilyn Jones, Christine MacFarlane, Jim Proctor, Kathy Williams. Scorers: Robin Barker, Mike Amos, James Vickers

Pre-Congress

	5	4	3	2	1
Advice, information ease of entry	69	33	11	1	0
Ease of booking accommodation	32	21	17	5	6

Congress

	Too early/short/few	Right	Too late/long/many
Start/Finish time	1	92	21
Session intervals	0	101	14
Number of boards	2	105	2

Tournament Directors

	5	4	3	2	1
Professionalism	66	33	11	3	1

Playing Conditions

	5	4	3	2	1
Space and Accessibility	47	50	11	4	3
Lighting	33	49	18	12	3
Temperature	29	54	13	6	9

Hotel/Congress Centre

	5	4	3	2	1
Accommodation	12	22	13	5	3
Catering	6	16	25	11	5
Value for money	7	15	13	15	17

Overall Congress

	5	4	3	2	1
Ambience	38	52	18	5	0
Value for money	12	33	39	18	8

Total Returns

115

Total Attendees

632

Comments

Overall very good	x7
Air-conditioning too cold	x7
Dark under the balcony	x7
Speedball chaotic and too slow - Swiss does not work	x4
£1 for a cup of coffee was good	x4
Did not like the TD shirts	x4
Improved signage needed for disabled lift	x4
Toilets very poor as usual	x3
Brighton is now too expensive: parking travel and accommodation - there are cheaper events to play in in Europe	x3
Current round assignments cause long tedious delays	x3
A shame the bulletin has been discontinued	x2
New timing would be good if actually started and finished on time	x2
The EBU staff are great	x2
Can we have another column in the score book for leads	x2
Prefer to have the evenings free for dinner as in Europe	x2
Parking impossible and expensive - cannot the EBU negotiate a better rate	x1
The high cost of the event is affecting the numbers	x1
Disappointing behaviour from some players	x1
TD very officious regarding time-keeping	x1
The debacle in the White section on Saturday was very bad	x1
Closer smoking area needed	x1
The Brighton Hub very good	x1
The Expert Seminars with Andrew Robson and David Burn were very good	x1
Scoring equipment should be tested before such an important event	x1
The cost per board is nearly twice that of a WBU event	x1
Bar service very slow - not enough staff during breaks	x1
Snack bar a good idea	x1