

## EBU Tournament Review

**Event:** Spring Bank Holiday      **Date:** 28.05.16      **Venue:** Holiday Inn, Stratford  
**TD's:** Gordon Rainsford, Gary Conrad, Steve Foster, Jonathan Lillycrop, John Pyner, David Stevenson

**Did you enjoy the event?**

**Very much**       **Yes**       **No**

**In principle how likely are you to enter this event again (assuming same format etc)**

**Definitely would**       **Probably**       **Unlikely**       **Not**

**Reasons for would not:**

**Please mark only the aspect of the event which were 'excellent' and those which 'require improvement'**

Excellent		Improvement
<input type="text" value="58"/>	<b>Venue</b>	<input type="text" value="5"/>
<input type="text" value="59"/>	<b>Playing conditions</b>	<input type="text" value="4"/>
<input type="text" value="32"/>	<b>Schedule</b>	<input type="text" value="27"/>
<input type="text" value="49"/>	<b>Competition format</b>	<input type="text" value="2"/>
<input type="text" value="56"/>	<b>Directors/Organisation</b>	<input type="text" value="7"/>
<input type="text" value="23"/>	<b>Catering/refreshments</b>	<input type="text" value="26"/>
<input type="text" value="56"/>	<b>Pre-congress service</b>	<input type="text" value="4"/>

**Would you have preferred (choose any which apply):**

**Earlier start**       **Earlier finish**       **Longer intervals**

**Later start**       **Later finish**       **Shorter intervals**

**Total Returns**   
**Number of attendees**

### Comments

10.45 finish is too late - start earlier x5  
 Would like earlier start/finish on Sunday x4  
 Prefer the format with earlier start and dinner after play finishes x3  
 More catering staff required at busy times x4  
 Refreshments are expensive (£3.95 for mug of soup!) x4  
 Hotel should be able to provide refreshments a lot quicker and cheaper x3  
 Entry fees are expensive for Swiss Pairs x3  
 Loud music outside playing area on Saturday does not aid concentration x3  
 Swiss Pairs seems to be classed as a 'losers' event - not enough masterpoints offered x2  
 Need teas and coffees in playing area - suggest £1.50 per cup x2  
 Prizes seem to be lower than previously offered x2  
 Shorter dinner breaks needed x2  
 Play too slow x2  
 PA system poor x2  
 Hotel rooms in need of a refurbishment - not great at the price x2  
 Play more bridge x1  
 Would prefer not to play two events in Stratford in a month, especially as bank holiday is expensive - why not swap Stratford for Peterborough and play here in Autumn instead x1  
*[We are often constrained by availability of venues G Rainsford]*

First session of Champ Pairs slow and poorly supervised	x1
Timing clock was all over the place - very off-putting	x1
TD should not hold loud conversations next to the table	x1
An expensive venue but charming	x1
The car park was full on arrival on Sunday	x1
It is difficult to get trains after a late finish	x1
3-board rounds are better for a pairs event	x1