

# NATIONAL PAIRS FINAL 2023

Online on RealBridge 15<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Revised Programme – 24 tables

## 1 Times of Play

Saturday 11:00am – 2:00pm Session 1 – 24 boards

2:45pm – 5:45pm Session 2 – 24 boards

Sunday 11:00am – 2:00pm Session 3 – 24 boards

2:45pm – 5:30pm Session 4 – 22 boards

Final results will be available soon after the end of play and will be displayed on the EBU website <a href="https://www.ebu.co.uk/results/1137">https://www.ebu.co.uk/results/1137</a>.

### 2 Introduction

The National Pairs is an 'all-play-all' competition. Twenty four tables (48 pairs) will play a full round robin of 47 x 2-board rounds — 94 boards in total.

The tournament as a whole consists of four sessions of up to 24 boards.

# 3 Starting positions for each session

When entering session 1 on RealBridge, please sit any where as a pair – there will be a random daw for round 1.

The links for the second day will be on the results page. When you enter RealBridge on Sunday, the platform should seat you.

#### 4 Master Points

All points quoted are Green Points per player, and will be direct credited. Awards to the top half of the field: 1<sup>st</sup>: 12.00 Green Points, minimum award 2.00 Green Points.

Awards for intermediate places are in accordance with the standard EBU tournament formula.

#### 5 Prizes

All prizes are quoted in terms of £ per pair and will be automatically credited to the member's EBU account, and may be redeemed at any time on application to the EBU.

Prizes to third place as follows: 1st £200, 2nd £100, 3rd £40.

#### 6 General

#### 6.1 RealBridge

See EBU RealBridge Instructions.

#### 6.2 Systems and conventions

The National Pairs is a 'level 4' event.

You are required to have a system card online that should make available to your opponents at the start of each round, by posting a link in the table chat. Since this event is Level 4 you must use EBU system card (you may not use WBF system cards, which are only permitted in EBU Level 5 events).

You can use any existing link to your system card. Otherwise, system cards can be upload to My EBU > Utilities > System Cards.

#### 6.3 Best Behaviour at Bridge

Please be nice to your partner, be pleasant to your opponents and be polite to the Tournament Directors. Otherwise you may well be given a Disciplinary Penalty!

#### 6.4 Telephones and other electrical communication

Mobile phones and other electronic communication devices may not be used during play, except in an emergency.

## 6.5 Split ties

A tie will be split only for the purpose of establishing the actual trophy winner. Tied places share equally any Master Points or prizes due, even if the tie has been split for some other purpose.

## 7 National Pairs holders, and regional winners

Holders (2022): Miles Cowling & David S Jones

Northern Region David Fletcher & Arthur Hughes

Midlands Region Robert Miller & Tim Durdin

Eastern Region Ivan Leung & Paul Lee

South East Region David Dawson & Christine Dyer

South West Region Miles Cowling & David S Jones



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