

# NATIONAL PAIRS FINAL 2024

## Online on RealBridge 13<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> April 2024

46 Pairs

## 1 Times of Play

Saturday	11:00 - 14:00	Session 1 – 24 boards
	14:45 – 17:45	Session 2 – 24 boards
Sunday	11:00 - 14:00	Session 3 – 24 boards
	14:45 – 17:00	Session 4 – 18 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/1403">https://www.ebu.co.uk/results/1403</a>.

#### 2 Introduction

The National Pairs is an 'all-play-all' competition. Twenty three tables (46 pairs) will play a full round robin of 45 x 2-board rounds – 90 boards in total.

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

## 3 Starting positions for each session

When you enter RealBridge each day, the platform should seat you.

There will be a random daw for round 1 on Saturday.

The links for the second day will be on the results page.

#### 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 £60.

#### 6 General

#### 6.1 RealBridge

Face-to-face alerting/announcing (no self-alerts, no screens), see RealBridge Instructions.

#### **6.2 Systems and conventions**

The National Pairs is a 'level 4' event.

If you have a system card online, you should make available to your opponents by loading the link to RealBridge at the start of the event or by posting a link in the table chat at the start of each round. If you do not have a system card, you should post a summary of your agreements in table chat at the start of each round.

This event is Level 4 you may not use WBF system cards.

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 (2023): David Norman & Peter Lee

Eastern Region Celia Oram & Derek Oram

Midlands Region Jason Hackett & John Sansom

Northern Region Robin Jepson & Alan Brosgill

South East Region Mark Benson & Steve Auchterlonie

South West Region Janet Smith & John Gardner

## **Entries**

Jason Hackett	John Sansom	Jo Brock	lan Lewis
Andy Cope	Adam Hickman	Geoff Smith	Glyn Meredith
Robin Jepson	Alan Brosgill		
Celia Oram	Derek Oram	Dinesh Nathwani	Gary Diamond
Janet Smith	John Gardner	Chris Stevens	Ann Sharples
Fred Hotchen	Steve Preston	Paul Cutler	Martin Aherne
Julian Mitchell	Peter Clinch	John Jenkins	Colin Lennox
Tony Yip	Pak-Hin Lee		
Peter Lee	David Norman	David Hudson	John Erdos
Stuart Clarke	Michael Fay	David Eddleston	Tugrul Kaban
lain Mackenzie	Marc Rivoira	Garry Towns	Evelyne Thomas
Kathy Talbot	Denis Talbot	Sandra Nicholson	Krys Kazmierczak
Jim Niblett	Michael Kaltz	Judi Coady	Nicholas Browne
Brian Senior	Clive Owen	Audrey Mcbride	Henry Mcbride
David Dawson	Christine Dyer	Ian Johns	John O'Sullivan
John Dagnall	Andrew Bannock	Simon Taylor	Steve Scott
Steve Bourton	Julia Brough	Ross Shine	Tony Verran
Miles Cowling	Derek Maggs	Chris Mallon	Michael Sabberton
Andrew Mason	Derek Marsh	John Hemington	John Amor
Tracy Sherman	Ian Walsh	Anthony Melbourne	Alick Fraser
Mervyn Scutter	Bryony Seppings	lan Grant	Julie Grant
Gilly Cardiff	Ed Scerri	David Pinder	Colin Bailey
George Leigh	Sally Leigh	Adrian Lis	David Dodd
<b>Graham Orsmond</b>	Jackie Fairclough	Jane Smith	Peter Ablett



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