



EVENTS FOCUS - Issue 11

Welcome to our August edition of **Events Focus**; keeping you up to date with forthcoming events and providing news on changes that we hope will improve your enjoyment of our varied calendar, with less travel for many, no hotel bills, earlier start and finish times. We'll be releasing this each month, so you can keep fully up-to-date with what's going on.

Lots of highly enjoyable events coming soon, including the Brighton Summer Congress, Telford Midweek Congress, and so much more!

Please don't forget to book your team in the Crockfords Cup. Deadline for entry is 5 September 2013. More information: <http://www.ebu.co.uk/competitions/crockfords>

In addition to the below events, we would like to take this opportunity to remind our readers about the **Accommodation Booking Service (ABS)**. The service is operated by Bridge Overseas. Please visit <http://www.ebu.co.uk/competitions/abs> for more information.

Please don't forget to take a look at our *diary changes* page, here: <http://tinyurl.com/czvuggg>

Finally, each edition of Events Focus will now include an article or two written especially for our tournament players. This month, we include an article by Ian Swanson from the recent Crockford's Plate Final. This can be viewed here: <http://www.ebu.co.uk/node/1042>

It's easy to enter any of the events below, or read all about the competitions, or choose the events you want to attend, by simply visiting <https://www.ebu.co.uk/members/> and booking online through your personal members' area. You can also contact Peter or Dawn during office hours on 01296 317203/219 or by emailing comps@ebu.co.uk to enter or get further information.

BRIGHTON SUMMER CONGRESS

9 - 18 August 2013

The Brighton Summer Congress will be an exciting ten days this year: bookings are significantly higher than this time last year; we expect lots of international bridge players to attend; more young bridge players are attending; plus there are lots of new events available to bridge players of all standards. The Congress has a wide range of bridge events to choose from - meaning that the congress is a very popular venue for all bridge players. Come and try it this year!

Building on 2012's innovations, the EBU has grouped events other than the two main weekend competitions under the umbrella title Brighton *Lite*. This means that you can play

as little or as much bridge as you like. Download our special Brighton *Lite* leaflet and full timetable at: <http://tinyurl.com/pak99vo>

Remember too that we have set up a Brighton Discussion Group so you can find a bridge partner; provide tips on where to park or stay; recommend your favourite restaurant; or tell everyone about your favourite Brighton event. Join us at: <http://tinyurl.com/a75rj2d> and help other players enjoy Brighton as much as they can.

Book here: <https://www.ebu.co.uk/members/>

TELFORD MIDWEEK CONGRESS

27 - 29 August 2013

A new event for 2013, with entry fees and prizes specially reduced. Our Telford Midweek Congress follows on from our successful recent mid-week congress near Oxford, and is a fully Green Pointed Tuesday to Thursday midweek congress featuring a 3 session 'all play through' Championship Pairs event and a one day Swiss Teams event Both events will be 'stratified' into three categories according to the actual entry, with Green Points and prizes being awarded based both on the overall ranking list and on the lower half of the field ranking list. Come and try our midweek congress!

More information: <http://www.ebu.co.uk/competitions/telford>

Book here: <https://www.ebu.co.uk/members/>

GUERNSEY CONGRESS

20 - 29 September 2013

The venue is set in the picturesque parish of St Martin which takes in many of the traditional Guernsey houses, quiet country lanes, as well as superb cliffs. Near to the hotel are a number of interesting and historic places including the Little Chapel, the Occupation Museum, St Martin's Church, and the Doyle Monument at Jerbourg. Swiss Pairs held over the first weekend and Swiss Teams over the second weekend. A variety of events midweek, including Seniors events.

More information: <http://www.ebu.co.uk/competitions/guernsey-congress>

Book here: <https://www.ebu.co.uk/members/>

EBU OVERSEAS MALTA CONGRESS

4 - 10 February 2014

The Spring Overseas Congress is sponsored by Bridge Overseas. Attendance at this congress is exclusive to delegates booking their package with Bridge Overseas. Please note that we are now running the Bridge England Sim Pairs instead of the Pre-Congress Pairs as printed in the Brochure.

Please contact Bridge Overseas to book the accommodation set out or to arrange a bespoke package.

Please contact Peter Jordan on 01296 317203 if you require any further information.

More information: <http://www.ebu.co.uk/competitions/malta-congress>

Book here: <https://www.ebu.co.uk/members/>

COMING SOON...

We have many more exciting and interesting bridge events coming up in the future.

Please have a look at our Competitions page for more information:

<http://www.ebu.co.uk/competitions>.

Until then, enjoy your bridge and we'll be here next month with another edition of Events Focus.

Best regards,

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