



EBU Event Focus

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Dear EBU Member

As the days are getting longer and lockdown continues to ease, the coming weeks and months are still full of events for all standards of players. While we are still playing events online, we do hope to return to face-to-face play with our Summer Meeting in Eastbourne in August. Until then, we have plenty of online events happening, starting this weekend with the National Swiss Teams, more details below.

Play in the National Swiss Teams

There is still time to enter the [National Swiss Teams](#) taking place this weekend. The National Swiss Teams will this year be played online on BBO. The competition consists of fourteen 7-board matches using instant Swiss assignments based on results of the matches that are just completed. Scoring is by traditional Match Points. Hosts, Teammates & Partners, are available, please contact Darren Evetts Entry@nationalswissteams.co.uk.

Club and County Events in May and June

There are plenty of County events coming up over the next few weeks, many of them Green Pointed. Avon, East Anglia, Northamptonshire, Kent, Merseyside & Cheshire, Oxfordshire, Yorkshire, Berks & Bucks, Leicestershire and Dorset all have events taking place. Further details can be found below, or on the [EBU calendar](#). As these are county run events, please contact the counties directly for further information.

As always, if you have any queries about any of the events featured here then please don't hesitate to contact the Competitions Department on 01296 317203 or via comps@ebu.co.uk. Entries can be made by calling this number, or through My EBU, the members area of the website - www.ebu.co.uk/members

National Swiss Teams

15th - 16th May

BridgeBaseOnline

Formerly part of the National Teams Congress, the Swiss Teams competition is now its own congress, with fourteen matches across the two days.

The event is being run by Warwickshire CBA on behalf of the EBU. Please enter with WCBA directly. More details and an entry form can be found on their website -

www.nationalswissteams.co.uk

[More details](#)



British Summer Sim Pairs

26th - 29th July
Various Clubs

The next Sim Pairs event takes place in July. All clubs are welcome to participate, including clubs from Scotland and Wales.

Your club can enter direct via the club My EBU log in. For more details about entry and prizes, click the link below.

[More details](#)

Spring Bank Holiday Congress

29th - 31st May
RealBridge, Online

A relaxed congress held over the three-day holiday. The Championship Pairs is a four-session event with a two-session qualifying round on the Saturday, leading to a pair of two-session finals for the top 36 pairs on Sunday, split into two 18-pair finals. The format may change, depending on the number of entries. The non-qualifying players move in to the Swiss Pairs. Please note that the Swiss Pairs is now a one-day event on the Sunday. The Swiss Teams event is stratified and suits a whole range of players from Club Master to Grand Master.

[More details](#)

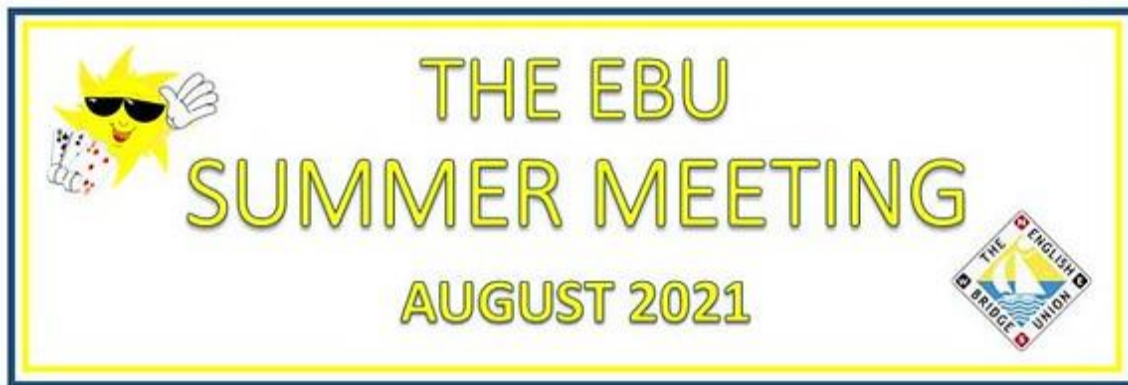
Virtual Seaside Summer Congress

2nd - 4th July
RealBridge

This event will take place online in 2021 and for this year only will be referred to as the "Virtual Seaside Summer Congress". This congress will be composed of the combined English Riviera Congress and Scarborough Summer Congress.

You can see full details clicking on the link below.

[More details](#)



Summer Seniors Congress

9th - 11th July
RealBridge

The Saturday Swiss Pairs is open to all players eliminated from the Championship Pairs on Friday, as well as new entrants joining the event at this stage. The Edith Kaplan Memorial Award provides a prize of £100: awarded to the winner of the Teams Championship, along with the Edith Kaplan Trophy.

To be eligible for the congress, players must have their 62nd birthday or beyond during the calendar year (January-December) of the event - i.e. entrants must be born in 1959 or earlier.

[More details](#)

Autumn Overseas Congress

6th - 13th October
Side, Turkey

Join us in the beautiful city of Side, on the southern Mediterranean coast of Turkey, close to Antalya, for the Overseas Congress sponsored by First for Bridge.

It will be held at the 5-star Sense De Luxe Hotel & Spa. Two fantastic excursions are included.

PCR tests will no longer be required from 15th April for entry into Turkey. UK citizens no longer require a visa to enter Turkey for holidays.

Most importantly your monies are fully protected by ABTA.

[More details](#)



Summer Meeting

6th - 15th August
Eastbourne

We are hopeful that this year's Summer Meeting will go ahead in Eastbourne as a face to face event. However, if booking early it is advisable for the moment to be able to cancel.

The Summer Meeting will still incorporate Weekend Challenges and One Day Events and the Really Easy Congress. All events are Level 4 except for the Really Easy Congress, which is Level 2.

[More details](#)

Other dates for your diary

[22 - 23 May](#)

[Avon GP Weekend](#)

[22 - 23 May](#)

[East Anglian GP Weekend](#)

<u>22 May</u>	<u>Northamptonshire GP Swiss Pairs</u>
<u>23 May</u>	<u>Kent GP Swiss Teams</u>
<u>23 May</u>	<u>Merseyside & Cheshire GP Swiss Pairs</u>
<u>12 - 13 Jun</u>	<u>Oxfordshire Congress</u>
<u>12 - 13 Jun</u>	<u>Yorkshire Congress GP an BP events</u>
<u>19 Jun</u>	<u>Leicestershire GP Swiss Pairs</u>
<u>26 - 27 Jun</u>	<u>Berks & Bucks GP Weekend</u>
<u>27 Jun</u>	<u>Dorset GP Swiss Teams</u>

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