

Lady Milne Trial December 2022 – Supplementary Conditions of Contest

The trial for the Lady Milne Scotland and SBU teams in 2023 will take place on **Saturday Dec 3rd** and **Sunday Dec 4th 2022** at the **Melville Bridge Club in Edinburgh**.

It will be organised using a Barometer movement (everyone plays the same set of boards at the same time) that is recognised as being a balanced movement. The event will be played using screens. For anyone who has not played with screens before, there will be an opportunity to use them before play starts.

Fourteen pairs have entered and will play rounds of 8 boards against every other pair. If a withdrawal should occur leaving an odd number of pairs, there will be a sit-out at some point over the weekend. Play will start at 11.00 on the Saturday finishing at 21.00 and start at 10.30 on the Sunday finishing just after 18.00. There will be a break for lunch both days of 50 minutes. An exact timetable will be issued nearer the time.

The scores for each match will be in Ximps (with a cap appropriate to the number of pairs and boards played) and then converted into VPs.

The four pairs with the highest VP scores at the end of the weekend will be guaranteed selection for one or other of the two Lady Milne teams that Scotland is entitled to have as host of the event. The International Committee will select the two teams from these 4 pairs and two others, using evidence of both trial results and previous proven ability and results in international and other top events, and with a view to selecting the strongest possible Scotland team.

Convention cards – These should be in **WBF format** and labelled as follows – Surname 1_Surname 2_22-23 where Surname 1 is the name of one person in the pair and Surname 2 the name of their partner. They should be converted into a pdf before being submitted but keep a copy in Word in case you are required to make any changes. These should be submitted to Mike McGinley (mike.mcginley@zen.co.uk) by **November 1st 2022** at the latest so it can be checked by either Mike or Malcolm Cuthbertson to make sure all relevant information is included. They will then be posted on the SBU website. Those whose card has been used in International matches in the previous year or has been previously approved and not altered should let me know as I should have a copy available for posting.

The entry fee is £30 per person. When paying online, please use as a Reference LMsurname – payment will be due by November 20th 2022. The SBU bank account details are shown below – please make sure you use this one and not the old SBU account.

Scottish Bridge Union
Sort code 80-22-60
Account 22494862

Any questions, please contact me at perkins_anne@btinternet.com

Anne Perkins (International Committee)