## **CBC Bridge Weekend 2022 Report**

For the fifth year, a very successful bridge weekend took place from 25th - 27th February at the Olde Barn Hotel in Grantham. After a virtual bridge weekend last year, it was wonderful to see everyone face to face. We started with a lively welcome drink, having to catch up on 2 years' worth of conversation. The conversation continued at the sit-down dinner.

We had our bridge sessions in a much bigger room than prior years. It was brighter and better lit. We had our own large dance floor. "Someone" suggested prior to the start of our first session that if a contract was not made, 10 press-ups for the men and 10 sit-ups for the women would be done for each trick down!! That was quickly vetoed!!

The bridge sessions went on without any problems. Having 9 full tables, there was plenty of competition. All 3 duplicate sessions were won by different pairs. Instead of the typical bottle of Champagne for the winners, the prizes had an Olympic theme. Each winning pair received a bottle of red & white wine from one of the continents symbolised on the Olympic flag.

It was a memorable weekend. Regrettably the hotel had a gas supply issue. It caused several inconveniences including changing to cold meals and people having to move to different rooms. We had to check out of the hotel after lunch on Sunday. We did manage to get 4 out of 5 sessions completed. Thanks to everyone who attended for their patience and understanding.

All results are available on the website at cambridgebridgeclub.org/results.

I will be stepping down as the main organiser for the bridge weekend. It has been a great pleasure for me. Thanks to all of you for your support over the years to make the bridge weekends a success. Fred Langford has readily agreed to take over. Good luck to Fred and I look forward to attending next year's bridge weekend which is scheduled for 24<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

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