

AN INVITATION TO ALL BRIDGE PLAYERS

to enter the 22nd Worcestershire Charity Knock-out Rubber Bridge Competition (2011-2012)

Open to all bridge players of any standard who live in Worcestershire, South Shropshire, Dudley, Stourbridge, Halesowen, Warley and near-neighbours in adjoining counties. Beginners and lapsed bridge players are especially welcome. There is no entry fee, but we ask for a contribution to Charity. (Suggestion - **£14 per pair of players**, but less is acceptable, and more very welcome). This year we are supporting **Midlands Air Ambulance**.

This friendly competition for rubber bridge partners is sponsored by the Worcestershire Contract Bridge Association (WCBA) and is open to everyone who wishes to enter. It will run from September 2011 through to May 2012. Applicants will receive a communication by early September. The winners and runners up will receive Trophies presented at the County AGM in May 2012.

Each match will be over 24 hands using rubber bridge scoring. The "home" pair will arrange the venue but, should there be difficulties, it is hoped that all parties will exercise a degree of flexibility.

The intention of this competition is to provide good evenings of bridge for all and an opportunity to meet people with like-minded interests.

The first round will be a 'round robin' with three or four pairs each playing each other, and the winners (and some runners up) entering the knockout part of the competition. In the 'round robin' entries will be zoned, in order to minimise travelling distances and there will be approximately a month allotted to play each match. Each entrant will thus play at least two matches. If you wish to play in the 'round robin' with your friends or in your club, please include details in a covering letter. Or, if you are inexperienced, and would like to initially play with similar standard opponents, please ask and I will try to match you accordingly. Rules will be sent out to each participating pair along with the 'round robin' draw.

A donation/application form is provided for you below. Please tell your friends and ask them to join in as well. Forms are available from Dick Rutter (see below), as well as on the WCBA website.



Registered Charity No: 1001064

Application/Gift Aid Declaration

DONOR DETAILS	
Title:	
Forenames:	
Surname:	
Address:	
	Postcode:

DETAILS OF DONATION	
I enclose a donation of:	£ (Please make cheques payable to: Midlands Air Ambulance)
I am a UK taxpayer and I wish Midlands Air Ambulance to treat this donation and all donations I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise, as Gift Aid donations.	

Signed Date

PLAYERS DETAILS, for 22 nd Worcestershire Charity Knock-out Rubber Bridge Competition 2011-12)	
Player 1	
Player 2	
e-mail address	Telephone

Please complete and return this form to:

Dick Rutter, Bonscale House, 212a Henwick Road, Worcester WR2 5PF
e-mail rutter_richard@hotmail.com Tel: 01905 339389

Closing date for entries: Friday, 26th August, 2011. Please enter sooner rather than later. (See over for notes)

Notes

Using Gift Aid means that for every pound you give, Midlands Air Ambulance get an extra 25 pence from the Inland Revenue, helping your donation go further. This means that £100 can be turned into £125, just so long as donations are made through Gift Aid. Imagine what a difference that could make to Midlands Air Ambulance, and it doesn't cost you a thing!

So if you want your donation to go further, please complete this form. It's that simple!

1. You can cancel this declaration at any time by notifying the charity.
2. You must pay an amount of income tax and/or capital gains to at least equal to the tax that the charity reclaims on your donations in the tax year (currently 25p for each £1 you give).
3. If in the future your circumstances change and you no longer pay tax on your income and capital gains equal to the tax that the charity reclaims, you can cancel your declaration (see note 1).
4. If you pay tax at the higher rate you can claim further tax relief in your Self Assessment tax return.
5. If you are unsure whether your donations qualify for Gift Aid tax relief, ask the charity, or ask your local tax office for leaflet IR113 Gift Aid.
6. Please notify the charity (*The Fundraising Department, Midlands Air Ambulance Charity, Unit 16 Enterprise Trading Estate, Pedmore Road, Brierley Hill, West Midlands DY5 1TX*) if you change your name or address.
7. If you aren't a UK tax player, please delete the section on gift aid.