

HONORARY TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT 2021-22

Our second full accounting year of lockdown, as a consequence of Covid-19, has ended. During that period, online bridge was the platform for all bridge but we can now hope for the return to face to face competitions. There is a cautious approach to this and it is likely another Autumn Congress will be held virtually this September. Many thanks to Ian Hamilton for organising the Inter Club and for his efforts in running online competitions and also to Diane, Sandie and all the Clubs who play bridge on BBO.

Our largest source of income is now from BBO (£5,700 for the year) with CBAI administering funds and remittance being received which in turn is distributed to the various clubs after an administration charge.

A number of Competitions were held virtually with the Congress having Net Income £1,194 and the NI Teams Net Income £329. Our thanks again to Ian Hamilton for running the Interclub with net income of £424. Expense for representative matches of £2,390 was incurred as some face to face bridge returned although both the Camrose and Junior bridge were online with consequent cost savings. Both the Lady Milne and Teltcher Trophy competitions were held in person since 31.03.22 with NIBU hosting the Teltcher.

A net surplus of £5,460 was incurred for the year with our reserves increasing from £60,463 to £65,923.

Affiliation fee to the IBU remained at £2,500 and to BGB £500.

Last year clubs encountered difficulties collecting fees from their members and it was decided that any amounts received would cover a two year period. Fees deferred of £4,192 are now included with £305 additional for new members. Unfortunately bridge in schools was not possible during 2021/22 but hopefully this will start again in the new season.

I would like to thank all those on the Management Committee who have assisted me throughout the year.

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