



The Camrose Trophy 6-8 January 2023 Match Manager's Report

Officials

Match Manager:	Helen Hall
Assistant Match Manger:	Anne Hassan
Director:	Fearghal O'Boyle
Assistant Director:	Alan Hill
RealBridge Representatives:	Shireen Mohandes and Andy Bowles

Venue

The match was held at La Mon Hotel and Country Club which is situated in the County Down countryside south of Belfast. The venue has been used by the NIBU since 2013. The accommodation and playing areas were spacious and well-appointed. This is the first year that the playing areas were on the ground area with additional space for Team Tables. The players and management were very happy with this arrangement.

Event Organisation

The Tournament Director was Fearghal O'Boyle. He was assisted by Alan Hill. Comments on the weekend from Fearghal were received by email – these are attached. It is such a privilege to work alongside Fearghal who deals with any issues in an efficient and timely manner.

The competition was played in an excellent spirit with all participants treating opponents, partners and officials with respect.

RealBridge Broadcasting

Broadcasting via RealBridge was from all six tables for all matches over the weekend. 'Realtime' viewing of all six matches was available in the Vugraph Room on six individual laptops. Outside broadcasting was delayed by approximately 30 mins. The following commentators provided a commentary of the matches:

Liz McGowan, Iain Simie, Ben Norton, David Burn, Jon Cooke, Stefano Tommasini, Patrick Shields, Alan Mould, Paul Lamford, Simon Gottschalk and Peter Goodman.

It is estimated that approximately 1200 kibitzers viewed team play over the weekend.

Overall

Feedback from players and officials regarding match arrangements and hotel facilities has been most complimentary.

Helen Hall

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