

## **Match Manager's Report**

### **The Junior Camrose and Peggy Bayer Trophies**

**16-18 February 2024**

#### **Officials**

Match Manager:	Helen Hall
Assistant Match Manger:	Anne Hassan
Director:	Fearghal O'Boyle
Assistant Director:	Ian Hamilton (Peggy Bayer)
Scorer:	Mairead Basquille

#### **Venue**

Northern Ireland hosted this event at La Mon Hotel and Country Club.

The Junior Camrose (JC) teams were accommodated on Floor 1 while the Peggy Bayer (PB) teams were based on the bottom floor. The playing rooms were spacious with good lighting. Having access to the playing rooms on the Thursday afternoon, gave me plenty of time in advance to set up tables, unpack bidding boxes, put up signage etc.

The players and NPC's were very appreciative of the venue with the hotel accommodating any special dietary requirements.

#### **Event Organisation**

The Chief Tournament Director was Fearghal O'Boyle assisted by Mairead Basquille. Ian Hamilton acted as Tournament Director for the Peggy Bayer. Fearghal's report is attached. As usual, it was a pleasure to work alongside Fearghal and Mairead.

The competition was played in an excellent spirit with all participants treating opponents, partners and officials with respect. To see all the young players mingle, have fun and probably romance was amazing. On the Saturday evening after dinner, Sandie Millership organised Speedball which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

#### **RealBridge Broadcasting**

Broadcasting via RealBridge was available for two matches/four tables over the weekend.

While a PC was set up in a Vugraph room, Captains and Players used their own laptops to view the matches.

#### **Overall**

Feedback from players and officials regarding match arrangements and hotel facilities has been most complimentary. The weekend emphasised to me how the JC and PB event is such an important 'face to face' fixture in the BGB calendar.

Helen Hall

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