

## July 2019 News Letter

### Defibrillator

My thanks to all those that were able to make a donation towards the purchase of the defibrillator. A total of £1430 was donated initially, but this has increased further since the last newsletter. The unit has been activated as instructed in the manual.

After a lot of discussion the unit, clearly marked, will be situated under the results notice board in the ground floor room. If it is ever used, it comes with an instruction booklet and audible instructions for use. I would ask that as many people as possible read the short instruction booklet.

### Competitions

- The county Venture Pairs on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June was a success with nine tables taking part. the results are on the SCCBA website and ours
- We are holding another heat at the club, as we did last year, of the GCH Fox competition on Tuesday August 6<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the EBU summer congress at Eastbourne. The table money is going to be £7. Please support the event as it saves going to Eastbourne playing in your friendly club environment.
- A second trial has been arranged for Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July where we will split participants for the Palmer Cup, upstairs, and Ricardo cup downstairs. Each section will play the same set of hands. This is being trialled, because of feedback, from less experienced players and who qualify for the Palmer cups, which are reluctant to play against the more experienced players at the same time. The outcome is being monitored to see if it is worth continuing. Again a poster is on the notice board for entries.
- Our next major event is the Hills Trophy in November start thinking about your team now ready for when the posters go up for entries.

### General

- CUP CAKE / MUFFIN DAY FOR THE ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY! TIME: Fantastic result final sum well advertised within the club.
- The next Mentoring sessions start again in September on the first and third Thursdays and the second Friday an email from Dick will remind those interested.
- We are looking for more volunteers to act as host on Monday evenings and Wednesday afternoons. Those interested should contact Eileen.
- The outside of the building has been repainted.
- We have delayed purchasing an online water heater to replace the current boiler. We are going to purchase four 3litre hot water thermos flasks to see if this helps relieve congestion on Wednesday afternoons. These are more flexible than a fixed unit.
- The building next door is going up rapidly. A conversation with the developer suggests that if the weather is kind then the protective boarding will come down early August.
- The computer has been updated to Windows 10 and subject to a few teething problems should be operating successfully by the time you read this. It does mean that the new printer is in use.
- The honours boards are up to date, names spelt correctly!!!. My apologies to the two recipients who have mistakes regarding their names on the actual trophies they received.
- It was agreed at the last committee meeting that the director's fees will be a minimum of £10/per session plus £1 for each table over 10tables. They will still need a day job or pension sorry for that!

Ernie