

Report of the Brunel Trophy Contract Bridge competition 2023

The Brunel Trophy competition as organised by the Civil Engineers' Club was held again on 6 October 2023, fittingly in the Brunel Room at the Institution of Civil Engineers.

The trophy has been contested every year since 1990. Seven teams entered this year and the Bridge was, as always, both friendly and competitive.



The Brunel Trophy

The winning team with 90 VPs consisted of John Bernard (captain) and Bill Linton, Liz Clery and Ken Barnett. The runners up were the team captained by John Beamish with Chris Gray, Mike Skelly and Hilary Stewart on 77 VPs.

Close behind with 74 VP's was the team of Tim Pelling and Miranda Fellows, Naomi Cohen and Andrew Clery.

At the finish the Civil Engineers' Club Contract Bridge Secretary Peter Richardson presented the Brunel Trophy cut glass rose bowl to the winning team captain John Bernard and glass tumbler to each member of the winning team.

For a photo of the winners with the Brunel Trophy and a summary of the results see below. For the full results visit the Bridgewebs website at:

https://www.bridgewebs.com/cgi-bin/bwoq/bw.cgi?pid=display_rank&event=20221007_4&club=mitch

Thanks are due yet again to Nicole Barclay the Tournament Director who oversaw proceedings throughout. She performed her task with her customary efficiency and good humour and kept the event going smoothly and to time.

Thanks are due also to all the players- everyone contributed to the day, playing as always in a friendly fashion throughout.

In the evening an enjoyable dinner was taken again in the nearby Bistro 1 restaurant in Soho. The restaurant has a wide selection and always makes us welcome.

Next year's event will be held on Friday 18 October 2024 again at the Institution of Civil Engineers, 1 Great George St, SW1P 3AA. If you are interested in playing, please contact me nearer the day even if you don't have a team or a partner- if you let me know soon enough I can often find others to make up a team.

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The winning team (left to right): Bill Linton, John Bernard, Liz Clery and Ken Barnett

BRUNEL RESULTS 2023		
Position	Team	VP's
1	John Bernard	90
	Bill Linton	
	Ken Barnett	
	Liz Clery	
2	John Beamish	77
	Chris Gray	
	Mike Skelly	
	Hilary Stewart	
3	Miranda Fellows	74
	Andrew Clery	
	Tim Pelling	
	Naomi Cohen	
4	Gitte Hecht-Johansen	66
	Szczepan Smoczynski	
	Mary Gordon-Smith	
	TBA	
5	Marina Chaning Pearce	53
	Terry Smith	
	Andrew Kiesel	
	David Glass	
6	Peter Richardson	36
	Cathy Macnaughton	
	Trevor Wilkinson	
	John Walker	
7	Amarjeet Singh	24
	Gurdeep Singh	
	Raz Hales	
	Ann Convery	