## WELSH CUP and CAMBRIA CUP 2025.

Entries are still open for these important Welsh Bridge Union events. The closing date is 14<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

Details of each event and entry forms can be found here:

Cambria Entry Form

Welsh Cup Entry Form

Both events are open to all WBU members and are for teams of four, five or six players.

## Further regulations:

In most rounds matches are played privately. To avoid excessive travelling the default except for the final is playing online; captains can agree to play matches face to face. The finals will by default be face to face on the first weekend of December 2025

As previously advertised, the events will be double elimination, so every team is guaranteed at least two matches. Green points are available for all rounds.

All results should be sent to : <a href="mailto:cambria@welshbridgeunion.org">cambria@welshbridgeunion.org</a> or <a href="mailto:welshbridgeunion.org">welshbridgeunion.org</a>

To ensure that the event runs to time and to make life easy for captains, the closing date for each round will be an 'on or before' date, in effect a default date. So if you do not wish to spend a lot of time arranging the matches, just make a note of the closing/default dates and ask the rest of your team members to do so. These will be on different days of the week so that you are unlikely to miss your regular club night more than once in the year.

The onus will be on any team not wishing to play on the default dates to contact the other team promptly offering alternative dates. Given that you can have up to six members in your team and that the default is playing online, it should rare for teams not to be able to play matches within the deadlines. In case of genuine difficulty in arranging a match, a team will be allowed to field a substitute, even if that means that more than six players have played in the team, the substitute being no higher standard than the player replaced.

Most rounds will be 32 board matches. The semi finals (the match between the last two undefeated teams and the match between the last two once defeated teams) will be 48 board matches. The final will be a match of at least 48 boards. If the previously undefeated team is behind after 48 boards then it has the right to extend the match to 64 boards.

Closing date for entries has been extended to Friday 14 March

Assuming that more than 8 but no more than 16 teams enter, the round closing dates (play on dates in the case of the finals) will be as follows:

## Welsh Cup Cambria Cup

Match 1 Monday 14 April Monday 28 April

Match 2 Tuesday 20 May Tuesday 3 June

Match 3 Wednesday 9 July Wednesday 16 July

Match 4 \* Friday 5 September Friday 12 September

Match 5 + Thursday 9 October Thursday 16 October

Match 6 \*+ Friday 7 November Friday 21 November

Final Saturday 6 December Sunday 7 December

If more than 16 teams enter, there will be an extra match with an August deadline.

- \* + In the undefeated groups, match 4 will be a semi final; the winner of those matches will not need to play matches 5 and 6.
- \* In the once defeated groups match 6 will be a semi final.

Best wishes
The Welsh Bridge Union

