

EBU Tournament Review

Event: Summer Seniors Congress **Venue:** Winter Gardens, Eastbourne
TD's: Eddie Williams (i/c), Kathy Williams, Martin Lee, Phil Green, Steve Foster
 Matt Johnson

	5	4	3	2	1
Pre-Congress					
Advice, information ease of entry	82	42	14	4	4
Ease of booking accommodation	73	39	12	1	1
Congress	Too early/short/few		Right	Too late/long/many	
Start/Finish time	8		72	68	
Session intervals	44		75	27	
Number of boards	2		126	30	
Tournament Directors	5	4	3	2	1
Professionalism	98	61	5	3	0
Playing Conditions	5	4	3	2	1
Space and Accessibility	87	62	13	0	0
Lighting	18	39	56	35	25
Temperature	31	78	39	12	7
Hotel/Congress Centre	5	4	3	2	1
Accommodation	21	39	18	4	0
Catering	10	25	35	17	4
Value for money	4	38	39	10	5
Overall Congress	5	4	3	2	1
Ambience	61	95	13	2	0
Value for money	13	59	65	18	6

Total Returns

178

Total Attendees

370

48%

Do you approve of the new congress timings?

Yes	No
47	102

Evening meal break not long enough (especially if going back to hotel to eat)	x27
Don't like the 2/5 round split should be 3/4 rounds	x24
40 board session much too long	x17
Should be 2.00 (or earlier) start on Friday	x18
We should have been advised of the change in timings	x15
Prefer 7-board matches	x6
Playing area hot, stuffy and lighting poor	x8
Sunday start should be 11.00	x14
TD's should encourage slow players to speed up or remove boards	x4
Timings should stay as publicised in the diary	x5
Bidding boxes and cards dirty - unhygienic	x3
A shortage of hand records for the first session	x3
If the sessions started and finished promptly then the timings of the breaks would not be such an issue	x3
Good idea to synchronise the timings of the different finals - but why not play same boards	x7
Why were the results not posted on the venue door as usual	x4
Much prefer the timings of the Riviera Congress	x6
Seemed to be lots of argumentative opponents at this event, one lady in particular rude to both TS's and opponents - BB@B?	x3
Tea breaks not necessary, especially after just 2 rounds	x4
Saturday evening finished to early at 10.00	x2
All entrants should be sent a confirmation complete with all the timings of the event	x1
Only one results list posted - resulting in a scrum	x1

Saturday evening resart delayed by 15 minutes without consultation	x1
Toilets needed cleaning mid session	x1
Tea shop should be open in the evenings	x1
Tea and coffee should be included in the price	x2
If there is a choice between entering conflicting EBU/SBU/WBU events then the EBU is least appealing as entry fees too high and you do not listen to your members	x1
Fined for entering an incorrect board numbers - TD a Jobsworth!	x1
Please bear in mind Seniors can't rush!	x1
Excellent venue, parking etc - let down by the EBU	x1
Please don't clash with Wimbledon finals	x1
The Tournament Committee should realise that only a small number of players with issues with compete these forms	x1