

## **TREASURER'S REPORT YCBA YEAR 2018-2019**

In presenting the accounts, my thanks go to David Cox of Brown Butler.

PTP (Universal Membership) – which still remains at 38p, is shown as £8122. I would suggest again that we should keep our contribution from the Clubs at 5p - this has not been increased since Universal Membership began. This year in the Accounts I have not netted off payments to the EBU for licences, as I feel it is better to show the amount we receive from Universal membership as a separate item. Licence figures are showing higher than last year, which is a timing issue. The licences for the 3 EBU Congresses are however netted off the Individual Congresses on spreadsheets produced for the Board.

We have successfully run 4 congresses again this year. The EBU Spring Festival was a great success at the Cairn – we appear to have the right format and staffing arrangements and are bringing in new people to host events in the future. Numbers have been up and down – some events have had less attendees but the Congress and Tournament Committee are continuing to monitor these, together with our own Yorkshire Competitions, to look at how we can improve and encourage people to enter. Some costs from the hotels have had to be absorbed, together with increases on EBU TD rates. There are 4 events which have been outsourced to our Clubs, the Nelson Rose Bowl, The Castle Swiss Pairs, The Peter Littlewood and the Fritch – which are proving to be a great success. The individual which was trialled as an outsource to Wakefield Bridge Club proved unsuccessful. The Nelson Rose bowl for ladies' teams however, which was down to 4 teams, this year had a full house at Harrogate Bridge Club.

Bridge Development – We have continued working with our Clubs to develop their marketing and advertising to attract more members and increase their teaching capacity. We have also supported prospective new teachers on their EBTA courses. We have held successful Bridge Seminars and our Members' Development Day held at the Hilton Hotel was a great success and will be repeated in the forthcoming year. We are offering technology grants to our Clubs during the next financial year which we will be funding from our Capital Account.

Turning to the Balance Sheet –

We are showing a Surplus for the year of £6800 with a closing balance of £56150. Fixed Assets are down due to depreciation. We have not had to replace any of our equipment this year but we may look further at this in the forthcoming year.

As I do every year – thank you to both Stuart Davies & all the Congress Committee for the wonderful work they have done in collecting all the monies and running the various competitions and leagues. I look forward to the next year being another healthy one.

**Lesley Millet**

YCBA Treasurer,  
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