

BLESMA PAIRS

An open Men's Pairs competition for pairs comprised of members from the same or different affiliated clubs. Players must be subscribing members of affiliated clubs.

The "Elsie Blane" Challenge Trophy is a handsome silver cup presented by the Sutton and Cheam Branch of the British Limbless Ex-Services Association to our Association at the first AGM held on 5 December 1950.

Originally the cup was played for in a 15 ends Pairs competition, held annually during the first three Sundays in September.

It is recorded that 78 pairs took part in 1954. By 1955 the sum of £243 had been sent to the new BLESMA home in Southsea. The entry for 2002 was 116 pairs.

The memorial Cup for the Finalists was not presented until 1973. It is not known what it commemorates or who the presenter was. Unfortunately, the records are incomplete and therefore only a few of the unrewarded, pre 1973 Finalists are shown.



Year	Elsie Blane Trophy		Finalists (after 1972 The Memorial Cup)	
1951	J Dickinson & G Tutt	Malden & Coombe	J Blann & C Grimshaw	Cuddington
1952	E Stone & W Hayden	Rose Hill	A Jefferies & N Alais	Malden & Coombe
1953	W Roberts & W Jagger	Cuddington	L Russell & T Stevens	Worcester Park
1954	G Butler & J Torbett	Banstead Neville	H Dyason & A Thompson	Cuddington
1955	J Dunn & T Pratt	Cuddington	C Weston & G Patient	Cuddington
1956	G Ash & C Newbury	Sutton		
1957	A Allen & W Jagger	Cuddington		
1958	H Morris & L Sheldon	Rose Hill		
1959	A Webb & L Grace	Sutton		
1960	F Hutton & C Newbury	Sutton		
1961	F Stansfield & F Adams	Rose Hill		
1962	R Carroll & R Titt	Cheam Village		
1963	J Nixon & C Storey	Sutton Common		
1964	A Williams & S Stopher	Mitcham	S Newin & H Kasey	Mellows Park
1965	B Edwards & F Russell	Cuddington		
1966	Declared Void			
1967	H Dayson & J Weeks	Cuddington		
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1969	G Turner & D Benyon	Cuddington		
1970	C Archer & K Harvey	Cheam Village		
1971	G Bush & P Rapley	Cuddington		
1972	J Cross & G Evans	Ewell		
1973	R Jones & W Tickner	Ewell	E Slaughter & E Wheeler	Rose Hill
1974	D Moody & K McBean	Sutton NALGO	R Close & J Gosland	Malden & Coombe
1975	W Hawkins & P Rapley	Cuddington	R Wand & WE Mears	Cheam Village
1976	A Cross & J Dixon	Sutton Common	D Tully & P Wilkinson	Carshalton
1977	D Tully & P Wilkinson	Carshalton	D Moody & K McBean	Sutton NALGO
1978	A Cross & W Hawkins	Cuddington	G Jones & W Green	Epsom Court
1979	J Hughes & W Smith	Epsom Court	R Milsom & R Cooper	Cheam Fields
1980	J Scarborough & H Lish	Chipstead	G Bennett & B Edwards	Cuddington
1981	K Milsom & J Ward	Cheam Fields	S Moyce & S Quinnell	Chipstead
1982	N Bull & P Bull	Cuddington	F Rickman & G Cerie	Sutton Common
1983	D Wood & K Brennan	Supreme	N Bull & P Bull	Cuddington
1984	A Dyer & B Noland	Mitcham	L White & J Linskey	Epsom Court
1985	S Moyse & S Quinnell	Chipstead	L White & J Linskey	Epsom Court
1986	N Bull & P Bull	Cuddington	G Mannall & K Cheeseman	Cuddington

1987	N Bull & P Bull	Cuddington	R Shrimpton & R Norris	Chipstead
1988	L Browne & G Shrimpton	Rose Hill	A Harding & J Harding	Sutton Common
1989	J Gregory & R Moretti	Sutton	S Moyce & S Quinell	Chipstead
1990	I Ross & R Bennett	Wallington	R Watson & I Reid	Sutton
1991	M Harding & J Harding	Sutton Common	F Mannini & R Rolls	Sutton Common
1992	S Moyce & S Quinell	Chipstead	I Ross & R Bennett	Wallington
1993	R Climpson & B Shipton	Rose Hill	R Burgess & R Plumb	Cheam Village
1994	G Godbold & R Rolls	Sutton Common	R Clubb & W Ayling	Wallington
1995	D Wenham & S McPherson	Supreme	C Young & P Banfield	Cheam Village
1996	R Coles & E Nolan	Mitcham	P Furbear & Shaw	Banstead Neville
1997	J Parsons & A Park	Cheam	R Bennett & I Ross	Wallington
1998	N Aston & M McDonagh	Cheam	D Chadwick & J Orris	North Cheam
1999	J Parsons & A Park	Cheam	D Appleford & M Appleford	Cheam
2000	P Payne & M Matthews	Mitcham	P Pearce & L Owen	Epsom
2001	G Craig & D Jones	Cheam Fields	J Williams & R Gibson	Cheam Village
2002	B Oliver & T Sands	Chipstead	D Long & C Brown	Chessington
2003	L Harris & R Wharf	Purley	M Appleford & S Clarke	Cheam
2004	M & G McDonagh	Cheam	N Aston & T Buckland	Sutton
2005	M & G McDonagh	Cheam	M Blake & K Webbon	Epsom Park
2006	D Thomas & R O'Brien	Supreme	D Day & B Longland	Chipstead
2007	S Jellis & C Sewell	Cheam Fields	D Jones & R Coles	Cheam Fields
2008	D Jones & G Craig	Cheam Fields	C Sewell & S Jellis	Cheam Fields
2009	P Gammage & D Nightingale	Supreme	P Harwood & V Smith	Supreme
2010	D Pearce & E Batchelor	Chipstead	T Wood & J Smith	Sutton
2011	S Shanley & K Adams	Sutton	B Boniface & D Cabot	Cuddington
2012	M Devlin & D Clewley	Supreme	R Brookbank & D Thomas	Supreme
2013	M Devlin & D Clewley	Supreme	A. Blackwood & J. Seymour	Carshalton
2014	C. Jones & J. Cocorachio	Epsom Park & Purley	D. Hill & S. Nethersole	Supreme
2015	G. Collier & G. Varnish	Wallington	R. Heaney and G. Wildig	Carshalton Beeches
2016	C. Wilkins & S. Shanley	Sutton	G. Collier & G. Pumford	Wallington
2017	R. Brookbank & D. Thomas	Supreme	T. Wood & J. Smith	Sutton