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Micheal O'Briain

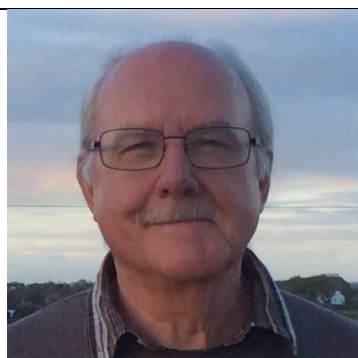
Micheal has retired after a career as an actuary in the insurance industry. He lives in Dublin with his wife Marie. Amongst other activities they mind their children's dogs and cat on a regular basis! He plays golf frequently but unfortunately not as well as he would like!

His first international cap was in the Junior European championships in Delft in 1972 partnering his brother Pdraig. He has since represented Ireland on many occasions at Junior, Open and more recently Senior levels in the Camrose, Teltcher, European and world events and has been part of winning teams in the Camrose and Teltcher. Bridge has brought him to many interesting places including Turku Finland, Beijing, Chennai India and Wuhan! He looks forward to going to Madeira when and if the 2020 Senior European Championship is eventually held!



Pdraig O'Briain

Pdraig is retired from half a lifetime wrestling with computers. His international bridge career began in 1972 when he played with his brother Micheal in the Junior European Championships in Delft. He played in a number of European Open Team championships with Tomas Roche and Peter Pigot as well as Micheal. He played with Micheal on the first Irish team to win the Camrose in 2005.



Ranald Milne

Originally from England, Ranald moved to Dublin for work reasons in the 1980s, and quickly established himself on the local bridge scene. His most notable partnerships have been with Joe MacHale initially, and BJ O'Brien latterly. Known for his calm table presence and an affable and courteous demeanour, Ranald has won all the major national competitions, and has represented Ireland at both Open and Senior levels, including at the D'Orsi Bowl (senior world championships) in China in 2019. He is also a very well-regarded bridge teacher, who has inspired great devotion and loyalty among his large body of students. He and Catherine recently left Dublin for the greener pastures of county Clare, but thus far he has retained his Leinster allegiances.



B J O'Brien

B.J. likes to play bridge

Since the lockdown he has found several new outlets where he can exercise his hobby.

The Gloucestershire league, the Welsh League, the Scottish League, the Northern Ireland League, and the Polish Seniors International.

He won the latest edition of the Scottish League with his Camrose partner Ranald and Welsh teammates.

It is terrific to have had BBO and even better now with Realbridge where you can see and talk to all at your table, almost like "the real thing"



Derek O'Gorman

Derek O'Gorman is a recently retired HR Director. He played with Hugh McGann in his early international career, and in many national and international events with Terry Walsh over the last 25 years. With Terry they have enjoyed many national event wins including playing in the European Open Championships a number of years ago. This is their third Camrose outing. You are as likely to see Derek in his role as NPC for the Irish Senior Team where they have played in several European and World Championships.



Terry Walsh

Terry, a career Civil Servant, worked as a systems analyst within the computer section of the Department of Finance before moving to the Public Expenditure division, working on Government budgets and Departmental expenditure. He is recently retired, living opposite Christchurch Cathedral and enjoying the amenities of Dublin city centre with his wife Bríd, also a keen bridge player.



Peter Goodman NPC

Peter is a former Camrose winner and current Irish senior team player.

Peter has won numerous Irish National titles and his other successes include Spring Fours, Crockfords, Tollemarche, Brighton 4* wins

Peter is delighted to look after the team that knocked the 2020 Gold cup winners out of the Irish trials.

Two of Peter's former international partners will be representing the Welsh team but expect no favours there!