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EVERYONE'S A WINNER



Philippe Vanhoutte & Patrick Grenthe France (Gold)
Jean Marie Py & Patrice Piganeau France (Silver)
Christo Drumev & Ivan Tanev Bonev Bulgaria (Bronze)



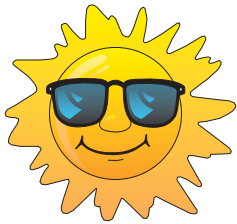
Bep Vriend & Carla Arnolds Netherlands (Gold)
Nevena Senior & Sandra Penfold England (Silver)
Gunn Helness & Siv Thoresen Norway (Bronze)



Victor Aronov & Julian Stefanov Bulgaria (Gold)
Nick Sandqvist & Artur Malinowski England (Silver)
Vladimir Marashev & Ivan Tsontchev Bulgaria (Bronze)



A Lot of Sun but no Vacation in Antalya



Technological improvements do not always make life easier. Before the cellular phone age nobody had to worry about the illegal transmission of data by using one. At this moment many players still don't understand why strict measures have to be taken to avoid such abuse. Before the bridgemate age, last boards in a session were entered the same way as previous ones, not forgotten. The number of participants also created headaches. It is not easy to play four sessions with 22 or even fewer pairs not playing barometer, as we did in the seniors.

And not many of us will be able to cope with 60 or so more pairs in a Mitchell qualification, who drop into the third out of four sessions when those pairs can't just play each other because they are so much stronger than the average in the event. So we had to merge them into existing lines, taking out other pairs and of course we didn't want pairs meeting each other twice. Try it, it appeared to be possible. The power cuts didn't help much either but we survived them, though I heard some cursing going around a couple of times.

The reason we could solve these problems is that the basic requirements were fulfilled. We played in beautiful playing rooms, had playing material of the highest quality and the expertise of our staff is outstanding. Some TD's were experts in movements, the duplication was done without any real mistake, the scoring staff, both for the teams and the pairs, handled the bridgemates, scoring stations and the scores themselves with great precision. There were Italians in almost every department who didn't need much instruction to exercise their jobs. And once again, well done the Turkish Federation, which had previously demonstrated that it understands what is needed to make such an event a great success. This time we cooperated also with Bentour, the tour operator who had a big task in the organization and fulfilled it in a flawless way. By experience my expectations working with hotels were low. I have to review that opinion: Kremlin and Topkapi were highly cooperative; no request was too much for them.

If this all sounds as if life was easy, it was not. You can't imagine how many unexpected things come up, how many split second decisions have to be taken, how many things have to be done in the normal development of such a championship. I am really proud to be part of such organization, which created a championship to be remembered as a delight.

And yes, we always can improve things, hopefully your opinions will help to do so. See you in two years time and bring your friends with you, we are ready for a bigger event.

Ton Kooijman

EBL Seniors Open Forum Friday, 29th June, 2007

Chair: Guido Resta (Italy)

Board: Nissan Rand (Isr), Goran Mattsson (Ger), Patrick Jourdain (Wales)

Technical adviser: Maurizio Di Sacco (Ita)

Secretary: Marina Madia

The Chairman said there was little time but the meeting was to present the EBL Seniors Committee thinking and give seniors a chance to express their own views.

These were the points the committee was supporting:

- A delay in increasing the age limit from 58 to 60 years to allow people born in 1950 and 1951 to become seniors earlier than if the limit was increased again in 2008 and 2009. Objective: Some new faces.

- Supporting the Seniors Congresses of European Federations not only with EBL Masterpoints but possibly with some title such as EBL Seniors Grand Prix. There was also a proposal being considered that the Italian BF Seniors Congress in Riccione in 2008 might become an EBL Open for Seniors. Such a Congress could include Mixed Senior Pairs, Ladies Senior Pairs, Open Senior Pairs etc. but nothing that would conflict with the national Senior Teams at the main European Championships.

- Points from Antalya: running a Senior Teams and Pairs in parallel with Open events five times the size was impractical. The amount of bridge and cost for Seniors should be reduced. If the Senior events were cut from nine days to six with the Senior Teams starting at the same time as the Open Pairs then Seniors would have the choice of coming for one week or of entering the Open teams with the option, if not reaching the knockouts, of playing in both the Senior Teams and Senior Pairs. (This same schedule could also apply to the Womens events.)

- Points from Verona to be advised to the WBF: (a) qualifying rounds in Senior Pairs should be a maximum of four sessions (possibly three) before a cut, with those missing the cut able to start something new; (b) all Senior events other than the knockouts should have at least one, preferably two, half-days free per week. This would increase enjoyment for those who had other things to do such as watch Viewgraph, hold meetings, or see the locale outside the venue.

Mrs Hiron made an impassioned plea against isolating Seniors into their own venues and events, not alongside Open and Women. This would, she believed, be against the long term interests of bridge. The Chairman assured Mrs. Hiron there was no intention of removing Senior events from any existing EBL event. The aim was to increase participation of Seniors, and give them more options when faced with the decision of whether to play Open or Senior.

Other proposals received general support from the meeting.

Wishful Thinking Solution

Can West make Four Spades if he is allowed to give North and South the appropriate hands (consistent with the bidding...West opened One Spade, North overcalled One No-trump, and East ended the bidding with Four Spades).

North leads the diamond king.

Giorgi Uchava and Rati Burdiashvili of Georgia (apparently in cooperation) were drawn as winners among the correct solutions. They suggested:

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If this is the full deal East wins trick one, takes two heart finesses and two diamond ruffs. A heart to the ace is followed by a fourth diamond, ruffed with the trump seven.

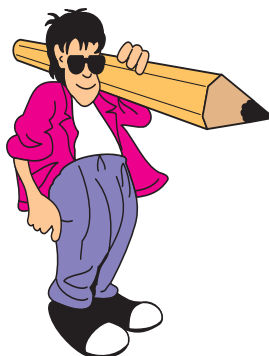
Finally the thirteenth heart is ruffed with the king, and West's fifth diamond allows dummy to make a trick with the spade ten either directly or later if North ruffs in with an honour.

Medical News



We have the latest news on Max Rebattu; he is in an induced coma to allow him plenty of time to rest and recover. He will be woken up on Wednesday when doctors will review his condition. If all goes according to plan he will be able to fly home at the weekend.

Championship Diary - Final Antalya Edition



Ron Tacchi's photographs were as brilliant as ever (make sure you look at the Internet version to really appreciate them) and he particularly enjoys it when French players win a medal thanks to the largesse of Le Bridgeur.

Our golfing correspondent, **Patrick Jourdain**, despite a disappointingly large number of setbacks, provided us with some excellent copy, especially on the Seniors.

Barry Professor Sploofus Rigal did a splendid job, not least in the proof reading department.

Peter Ventura produced a number of splendid articles, as did **Jan Van Cleeff** – who also made a number of excellent photos available.

P.O. Sundelin, multi tasking as a member of the Appeals Committee and VuGraph commentator contributed in his inimitable way as our bidding theorist *par excellence*. He even brought us an ice cream – but it melted on the way back!

George Hatzidakis was our outstanding Layout Editor, who gave life to our usual turgid prose.

Herman De Wael is not an official member of the team, but we have adopted him, and he is a mine of information, some of it useful! He claims to be the only player ever to have gone wrong in a one-card ending.

Mark Good morning Dr.Falcon Horton
Editor

People are in the Bulletin Office. They think it's all over. It is now.

Thank You!

On behalf of the journalists present in Antalya I would like to thank the European Bridge League and the Turkish Bridge Federation for the facilities offered in the Press Room at the 3rd EOC. We were impressed by the hospitality given and service rendered.

Jan Swaan, Press Room Manager

Some final boards – Session 4

by Peter Ventura

This Championship has come to an end, but there are still some boards to report from the final.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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West <i>Townsend</i>	North <i>Balicki</i>	East <i>Gold</i>	South <i>Zmudzinski</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣*	Pass
3♣**	3♥	3♠*	Dble
4♣	4♥	5♣	Pass
			All Pass

* Natural or strong
 ** 6-9 HCPs and clubs

Five Hearts would have been a good save for the Poles, and three pairs in the field indeed took the insurance. Balicki



David Gold

knew that it was likely that the save wouldn't cost too much, so he gave it a thought and then passed out Five Clubs, as he hoped to beat the club game instead. Balicki was not confident that Five Clubs would be defeated, so he refrained from doubling, and right he was. Zmudzinski led a heart, which gave David Gold the opportunity to draw trumps and then played the diamond king to Zmudzinski's ace, noticing the ten dropping from North. That was two bits of good news on the same trick. The king of spades was now guarded and if the defence don't cash their ace in this position a spade from dummy will disappear on a high diamond. N/S -600 was worth 84% for Gold/Townsend.

Three pairs took ten tricks in Three No-Trumps, recording -630 for a 96%-board.

How interesting can a stone cold grand slam be? Well, first and foremost you have to bid it, and that's not all – you might also have to pick the correct grand. David Gold – Tom Townsend bid without flourishes up to Seven Diamonds.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ Q 10 9 7 6 3 ♥ J 6 4 3 ♦ 3 ♣ 8 4	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠ A 8 4 ♥ 9 5 ♦ A Q 10 6 5 2 ♣ Q 7
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♠ 2 ♥ A K Q 8 2 ♦ K 9 7 4 ♣ A K 6	♠ K J 5 ♥ 10 7 ♦ J 8 ♣ J 10 9 5 3 2				

West <i>Townsend</i>	North <i>Balicki</i>	East <i>Gold</i>	South <i>Zmudzinski</i>
1♥	Pass	3♦*	Pass
4NT**	Pass	5♠***	Pass
7♦	All Pass		

* GF, natural and less than three hearts
 ** RKCB
 *** Two aces and the queen of diamonds

South led a club and Gold asked Balicki if there was a ruff. He shook his head, thus Gold could claim all the tricks; N/S -2140 but no gold for that as it was worth only 42% for E/W. Eight pairs bid Seven No-Trumps, and there was not much to the play. Alan and David Birman of Israel was one of the pairs. They reached the no-trump grand in this way:

West	North	East	South
<i>A. Birman</i>	<i>Starkowski</i>	<i>D. Birman</i>	<i>Golebiowski</i>
1♥	Pass	2♦	Dble
4NT*	Pass	5♠*	Pass
6♠*	Pass	7NT	All Pass

Over Blackwood East showed two aces and the diamond queen. When West had the strength to bid Six Spades, showing a singleton spade and good values, with an extra diamond it has to be 13 tricks, David Birman thought, and simply emptied his bidding-box. NS –2220 was worth 86% for E/W.

Gotthard/Dumbovich flopped on this board, as they stopped in Four Hearts. Well, that was a pessimistic view, but a blessing in disguise was that a grand slam in hearts would not make, as North has to win a trump trick...

Board 11. Dealer South. Non Vul.

♠ K 10 8 6 2 ♥ Q 8 3 ♦ A K Q ♣ Q 2	♠ Q J 5 4 3 ♥ 9 4 ♦ 8 5 ♣ A K 9 8	♠ A 7 ♥ K 5 ♦ J 10 7 6 4 2 ♣ 7 6 3	♠ 9 ♥ A J 10 7 6 2 ♦ 9 3 ♣ J 10 5 4
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West	North	East	South
Verhees	Bjarnarson	Jansma	Askgaard
			2♥
2♠	Dble	All Pass	

The Dutch pair Louk Jr Verhees – Jan Jansma hunted for a medal and on board 11 they took win against Greger



Cezary Balicki

Bjarnarson – Michael Askgaard of Denmark. North led the club ace and then shifted to a heart, covered by the king and won by the ace. South fired back clubs and after winning the club king North exited with another club, which declarer ruffed in hand. The diamond ace and the two red queens were cashed. Declarer ruffed a heart in dummy, North discarded a club (insignificant), and then cashed the trump ace. North was thrown in on a diamond, which he had to ruff since he only had trumps left. North should have another trump trick holding Q-J-5, but declarer two tricks holding K-10-8. N/S –470 was worth a useful 96% board.

As the cards lay the contract cannot be defeated. North just needs a slightly higher spade than the five. If I have worked it out correctly, the seven of spades in North's hand instead of the five would be the difference between heaven and hell, as it gives the defence the possibility to defeat the contract.

Eleven E/W-pairs managed to take nine tricks in No-trumps, one of them even got doubled, as the defence didn't find a way to take all four club tricks and the heart ace. Three No-trumps went down at only five tables.

Goodbye and Thank you

Zia Mahmood

I'd like first of all to say a warm (if you'll pardon the expression) thank you to the European Bridge League and the Turkish Bridge Federation, who have combined to make this a wonderful Championship. The organisation and the Turkish hospitality have been perfect, and although I didn't score as many Beko ranking points as I might have hoped, it was almost a pleasure to be beaten by the charming and courteous opponents against whom we played.

I'd also like to say another thank you – this one to the international bridge community. Last month, at a press conference in Karachi, the Citizens Foundation of Pakistan and the World Bridge Federation announced the opening of a school in the village of Mansehra in the north of the country. The school will educate children in the area devastated by the recent terrible earthquake in the region. It will be staffed by women teachers, encouraging girls to obtain an education, and will have about 180 pupils.

None of this would have been possible without the generosity of bridge players everywhere, who raised many thousands of dollars to build and equip the school that will be known as the World Bridge Campus. Some of you were part of this effort, and to you go my special thanks. At the official opening of the school, José Damiani unveiled a plaque that read:

This school was built with money raised by bridge players all over the world. We hope that the boys and girls who study here will fulfil their dreams, and replay the love shown to their fellow man by the international bridge community.

EBL President's Farewell

Dear Friends,

we are once again at the end of a marvelous bridge adventure. The curtain falls and we all are preparing to return to our houses, to our families, to our habits after having spent together fifteen intensive days. We are happy having lived a new experience, having met old friends and made many new ones.

It is time to draw the first balance of this event and I do hope that everyone has enjoyed participating. We have distributed a questionnaire and we will take into consideration your suggestions and your advice in order to further improve the standard of the Championship and make it more and more attractive.

On our side, we tried to do our best to manage and run it. We also had to face some technical problems due to some electrical and communication cuts of the whole region because of the high temperature. Unfortunately, with the coming of the new technologies, any minor inconvenience is reflected in the efficiency of our system. We are perfectly able to control whatever is in our domain, but unfortunately, we do not have a direct line with the Supernatural to intervene on the natural elements.

I want to thank World of Wonders who hosted us with friendship and warmth, inside and outside, and tried to satisfy all our different and various needs. I want to thank the Turkish Federation for the huge work done before and during the Championship and having provided our staff of many and very efficient collaborators, many of them being young enthusiastic bridge players who guarantee a future to their country. I want, once again, to thank the Organizing Committee and the local Authorities for the great support they gave us, which cannot be overlooked. I am pleased to invite to the podium Mr. Ata Aydin, President of the Turkish Bridge Federation, to award the Turkish Bridge Federation with the EBL Gold Medal, Mr. Allddin Yuksel, Governor of Antalya, Mr. Menderes Turel, Mayor of Antalya, Mr. Murat Molva, Vice-President of the Turkish Bridge Federation, Mr. Mehmet Akkasoglu of the Organizing Committee, Mr. Armagan Dayioglu and Mr. Oktar Zengin from Bentour Company to award them EBL plaques.

I want now to thank all the members of our great staff who enabled us to carry out this championship by offering

their enthusiasm, their professionalism and their dedication. I would like to name them all, one by one, but for all of them I will call their chiefs, inviting them all to stand, when I call them to receive our much deserved applause. The great manager Ton Kooijman, with his collaborators Murat Molva, Levent Ozgul and Gianni Bertotto; the Appeals Committee led by Bill Pencharz and Jens Auken and

Jean-Claude Beineix; the Tournament Directors led by Antonio Riccardi and Max Bavin; the Hospitality and Registration Team led by Silvia Valentini and Freddy Braque; our marvelous Master of Protocol Anna Maria Torlontano; the EBL Secretariat with Marina, Livia and Gildana; the Treasury with Marc de Pauw, Dirk and Federica; the Medical Commission presided over by Yves Aubry; the Main Office guided by Babbut Fulvio Colizzi with Bimbo Luc, uncle Alex, child Gianluca and relatives Albert and Yvette; the Communications Master Panos Gerontopoulos; the IBPA President Patrick Jourdain; the Press Room manager Ian Swaan and

his assistant Mine; the Rama Commentators Barry Rigal, Jan van Cleef and P.O. Sundelin; the Daily Bulletin coordinated by Mark Horton; the Duplication Team led by Monica Gorreri; the technological team led by Professor Gianni Baldi, Tomas Brenning and Fotis Skoularikis; the IT System manager Duccio Geronimi and his assistant Manolo; finally I want to thank the BBO led by Murat Molva and Swan led by Laila Leonardt for their magnificent broadcasting. Last but not least our housemother, my dear friend and colleague Sevinç Atay.

Now we are really at the end. Thank you dear friends for your patience at difficult moments, which helped us solve the problems we faced. Thank you, my dear friends, for your fair-play, behaviour, serenity who contributed to create a true atmosphere of friendship and to show the real values of bridge that overcomes all other considerations. Once again our motto Bridge for Peace won!

I hope you enjoyed your stay in Antalya and you have a safe journey home.

Thank you for attention

Un abbraccio to you all

Gianarrigo Rona



2007 European Open Championships Roll of Honour

Mixed Teams

Gold: Sandra Penfold & Brian Senior, Jeremy & Heather Dhondy (Eng), Lilo & Matilda Poplilov (Israel)

Silver: Andrei Gromov & Victoria Gromova, Tatiana Ponomareva & Alexander Dubinin (Russia)

Joint bronze: Juan Carlos Ventin, (Spain) Nathalie Frey, Michel Bessis, Daniele Allouche-Gaviard & Julien Gaviard (France)

Janet de Botton & Artur Malinowski, Nick Sandqvist & Nevena Senior (Eng)

Mixed Pairs

Gold: Rosen Gunev & Dessy Popova (Bulgaria)

Silver: Victor Aronov & Ahu Zobu (Bulgaria & Turkey)

Bronze: Dano de Falco & Gabriella Olivieri (Italy)

Open Teams

Gold: Michel Bessis, Thomas Bessis, Eldad Ginossar, Ron Pachtman (France & Israel)

Silver: Jyotindra Shah & Padmanabhan Sridharan, Krishna Kumar Kanningat & Gopal Venkatesh, Sumit Mukherjee & Badal Chandra Das (India)

Joint Bronze: Berry Westra, Bas Drijver, Sjoert Brink, Simon de Wijs, Bauke Muller, Vincent Ramondt (Netherlands)

Alon Apteker & Craig Gower (South Africa) Frederik Wrang & Ulf Nilsson (Sweden)

Womens Teams

Gold: Carla Arnolds & Bep Vriend, Jet Pasma & Anneke Simons, Marion Michielsen & Meike Wortel (Netherlands)

Silver: Sandra Penfold, Nicola Smith, Heather Dhondy, Nevena Senior, Matilda Poplilov (England & Israel)

Joint Bronze: Anna Sarniak, Grazyna Brewiak, Ewa Harasimowicz, Malgorzata Pasternak (Poland)

Maria Marit Rahelt, Helle Rasmussen, Stense Farholt, Anita Jensen (Denmark)

Senior Teams

Gold: Amos Kaminski & Yeshayu Levit, Sam Lev & Pinhas Romik, Rami Sheinman & Adrian Schwartz (USA & Israel)

Silver: Francois Stretz & Jean-Louis Stoppa, Philippe Vanhoutte & Patrick Grenthe, Jean Marie Py & Patrice Piganeau (France)

Joint Bronze: Victor Markowicz, Victor Melman (USA), Aleksander Jezioro, Julian Klukowski, Jerzy Zaremba (Poland), Shalom Zeligman (Israel)

Jostein Sorvoll, Erik Bolviken, Tormod Clemetsen, Harald Nordby (Norway)

Open Pairs

Gold: Victor Aronov & Julian Stefanov (Bulgaria)

Silver: Nick Sandqvist & Artur Malinowski (England)

Bronze: Jan Jansma & Louk Verhees (Netherlands)

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Marvellous Mari

by Patrick Jourdain

The Senior Pairs Final featured not only the current World Senior Champions but also several former World Open champions including Christian Mari. Here is a deal in which the field failed in Four Spades whilst Mari found a line that required accurate defence to prevent him making an over-trick!

Senior "A" Final Session 3

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

<p>♠ A 8 6 3 ♥ A K 9 6 4 3 ♦ – ♣ J 9 7</p>	<table style="border: 2px solid green; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	<p>♠ 9 7 5 2 ♥ Q ♦ A 10 7 4 3 2 ♣ K 2</p>
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<p>♠ Q 10 ♥ 8 5 2 ♦ Q 9 6 5 ♣ A Q 8 6</p>					

West	North	East	South
Walter	Jourdain	Mari	Tedd
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

South, Mike Tedd, led a diamond. A club went from dummy and the king was beaten by the ace. Some declarers unblocked the queen of hearts and then played ace and another trump, but this led to one off when North could draw the third trump and play a club through the king. Mari, instead, after unblocking the heart, ruffed a diamond, and cashed two top hearts throwing his two clubs from hand. Next he ducked a trump.


As North 1 rose with the king and, to prevent declarer making eleven, was compelled to play the jack of diamonds, forcing another trump from dummy. Mari now cashed the ace of trumps and led a winning heart. North ruffed at once and played a club. But Mari ruffed in the East hand and played a fourth diamond. He was left with a trump and winning diamond at the end. Mari shared his top with one other declarer.

Last Chance Saloon

by Mark Horton

The Great Shuffler had decreed that the two pairs who had been fighting all day for the gold and silver medals would meet in Round 10 of the last session of the final.


Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ 6 ♥ J 9 4 2 ♦ K 10 6 ♣ A 9 5 3 2		♠ 4 3 ♥ A Q 10 7 ♦ A J 8 ♣ K Q 7 4
♠ Q J 10 7 5 2 ♥ K 8 6 3 ♦ 3 ♣ 10 8		

West	North	East	South
Aranov	Sandqvist	Stefanov	Malinowski
Pass	2♥*	Pass	2♦*
Pass	4♠	Dble	2♠
5♥	All Pass		Pass

Once North found his partner had spades he preempted to the hilt, but East was not to be denied. What is more, the Bulgarians were playing Five Hearts from the right side. North led the ace of spades and continued the suit. Declarer ruffed, ran the nine of hearts and then ran the jack of hearts. South won and returned a heart but declarer had the rest, +650 and 98% for East/West.

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ 7 6 3 ♥ Q 2 ♦ A J 9 8 5 ♣ K J 3		♠ K J 10 5 ♥ K J 9 5 ♦ 7 4 3 ♣ Q 6
♠ A 9 2 ♥ A 10 6 ♦ 10 6 2 ♣ A 8 5 2		

West	North	East	South
Aranov	Sandqvist	Stefanov	Malinowski
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
INT	All Pass		

North led the ten of clubs and South won and returned the two. Declarer won and played a spade to the ten. South took the ace and played a third club. Declarer won that, played a spade to the jack and a heart. South went up with the ace and played a diamond, but declarer put up the ace, unblocked the queen of hearts and played a spade. That was nine tricks, +150 and 80% - the Bulgarians were home and dry.

Awards

Open Awards

Andrei Gromov	3500
Victor Aronov	2500
Michel Bessis	1750
Alexander Dubinin	1250
Nicklas Sandqvist	1000
Louk Verhees Jr.	750
Thomas Bessis	750
Jan Jansma	750
Artur Malinowski	750
Daniela von Arnim	625
Roy Welland	625
Jan Carlos Ventin	500
Lilo Poplilov	500
Alain Levy	500
Victoria Gromova	500

Women Awards

Nevena Senior	2500
Heather Dhondy	1500
Carla Arnolds	1125
Bep Vriend	1125
Matilda Poplilov	750
Sandra Penfold	500
Anna Sarniak	500
Matilda Wortel	500
Victoria Gromova	500
Grazyna Brewiak	500

Senior Awards

Patrick Grenthe	1500
Philippe Vanhoutte	1000
Dano de Falco	750
Orhan Ekinci	500
Franco Baroni	500



Shanghai 2007

Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup & Seniors Bowl
World Transnational Open Teams Championships
From 29th September to 13th October

THE CHAMPIONSHIPS (Provisional Programme)

The Opening Ceremony will be on 29th September 2007, at the invitation of Chinese Bridge Association.

The Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup & Senior Bowl: Round Robin will start on Sunday 30th September and finish on Saturday 14th October, with the final knock-out stages starting on Sunday 7th.

In these 3 events the Quarter Final will end before the start of the **Transnational Open Teams** on Monday 8th October, allowing people who want to play this event to be free on time.

The Closing Ceremony, which will include the prize giving, followed by a victory banquet/or Cocktail will take place on Saturday 13th October.

In accordance with the provisional schedule, the play will start daily at 10.00/10.30 a.m. and finish at 7.30/8.30 p.m., except on Oct 8th when play will be extended to 11.00/11.30 p.m.

THE WORLD TRANSNATIONAL OPEN TEAMS

The 6th World Transnational Open Teams Championships is a prestigious and most enjoyable event. Being Transnational, it

is open to teams composed of players coming from different countries, nominated by their National Bridge Organisation and approved by the WBF Credentials Committee.

It is a great opportunity for players to participate in a wonderful bridge tournament while at the same time having a unique opportunity to experience all the atmosphere and excitement of the final stages of the Bermuda Bowl and Venice Cup and watch some of the greatest players in the world on the first class vugraph presentation. Players wishing to compete in this Championship should contact their NBO and request nomination by the end of July 2007. There is no quota, and NBOs may nominate as many teams as they wish to compete in this great tournament.

Players eliminated from the Round Robin of the Bermuda Bowl & Venice Cup, as well as those from the Seniors Bowl will be able to enter the World Transnational Open Teams Championship free of charge if they enter as a complete team. If they join players who are coming to Shanghai just to play in this event, then a substantial discount on the entry fee is offered.

The World Transnational Open Teams will take place during the second week, starting in the late afternoon on Monday 8th October. The format will be Swiss Teams. It is normally played as 10-board matches (3, 4 or 5 per day) for 15 qualifying rounds (150 boards). The Quarter Final will start on Thursday late afternoon, the Semi Final will be played on Friday 12th October and the Final will end on Saturday 13th October.

REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION OF TEAMS

- Bermuda Bowl / Venice Cup 15th June
- Seniors Bowl 15th June
- World Transnational Open Teams 15th June

REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS NAMES

- Bermuda Bowl / Venice Cup / Seniors Bowl 1st July
- Seniors Bowl 1st July
- World Transnational Open Teams 15th September

PAYMENT OF ENTRY FEES

- Bermuda Bowl / Venice Cup US\$ 3,500 1st July
- Seniors Bowl US\$ 3,500 1st July
- World Transnational Open Teams US\$ 1,000 15th September (4 or 6 new players)

Players & NPCs (but not coaches) from the Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup & Seniors Bowl may participate in the World Transnational Open Teams free of charge if they enter as a complete team of such players. This applies even if they are from different countries or series.

If players from the main Championship events join players coming to Shanghai to participate in the WTOTC the following discounts on the entry fees will be offered:

- For teams containing 1 player /NPC who participated in the Championship events: \$850
- For teams with 2 such players: \$750
- For teams with 3 such players: \$500
- For teams with 4 such players: \$350
- For teams with 5 such players: \$200

REGISTRATION OF SYSTEMS

- Bermuda Bowl & Venice Cup & Senior Bowl 10th August

ENTRIES must be sent to:

The World Bridge Federation
40, rue François 1^{er}
75008 Paris - France
cfrancin@worldbridgefed.com

SYSTEMS

For **Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup & Senior Bowl**, the conditions of contest will give full details of systems regulations and registration, but players should note that it will be a requirement that all systems are registered in advance via e mail to Anna Gudge: anna@ecats.co.uk

No HUM, or Brown Sticker conventions will be permitted at any stage of the Round Robin in either the Bermuda Bowl or Venice Cup nor will they be permitted at any stage of the Senior Bowl.

Pairs wishing to register Brown Sticker systems for use in the KO phase must register these, together with the relevant BS forms, by 10th August 2007. No extension to this deadline will be accepted.

THE VENUE

Shanghai is situated on the estuary of Yangtze River of China. It is the largest industrial city in China.

Originally, Shanghai was a seaside village and in time its gradual development led to it being granted County status during the Yuan Dynasty (13th Century). Today's Shanghai is a multi cultural metropolis with both modern and traditional Chinese features. Modern Shanghai has three key areas of interest to the visitor:

- sightseeing
- it is a shopper's paradise
- a wide variety of cuisines can be found in the city.

The play will take place at the Shanghai International Convention centre (<http://www.shicc.net/en/briefing.htm>) a truly wonderful venue for this important championship. It is a luxury 5-star convention centre and hotel facing the historic Bund of Huangpu river.

The main hotel will be: Oriental Riverside Hotel and other hotels nearby will also be available at a variety of prices.

The participants can make the hotel booking through Mr. Pan Zhong Long Email: xujianguo188@163.com
Fax: 00 86 21 64396295
Tel: 00 86 13701656108



HOTEL INFORMATION

Hotels	Number of rooms	Distance to venue	Time to the venue by car	Quotation for the stay From Sep. 29 to Oct. 14 <small>Dollar price conversion as at 14/6/06</small>	Quotation only for the stay World Transnational Open Team <small>Dollar price conversion as at 14/6/06</small>
**** Oriental Riverside Hotel	limited	Next door	0	\$185	Contact Mr Pan Zhong Long
**** Intercontinental Pudong Shanghai	200 rooms	1.5 km	10 min	1200 RMB (\$150)	1320 RMB (\$165)
**** Purple Mountain Hotel	230 rooms	1.5 km	10 min	1000 RMB (\$125)	1100 RMB (\$140)
**** Courtyard Marriot Shanghai - Pudong	200 rooms	1.5 km	10 min	870 RMB (\$110)	950 RMB (\$120)
*** Shanghai Changhang - Merrylin Hotel	100 rooms	1.5 km	10 min	500 RMB (\$65)	550 RMB (\$70)

All the fees above including breakfast, the hotels will charge service fees. The service charge is thought to be 15%

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Hazırlayan: Murat Molva



15 gündür devam etmekte olan Avrupa Şampiyonalarını sağ salim bitirdik. Briç masasındaki şahsi başarısızlıklarımızı bir yana bırakacak olursak, uzun ve oldukça zor bir organizasyonun altından alnımızın akı ile çıktık. Bu şampiyonada ev sahipliği yapanların listesi:

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| 1 ATA AYDIN | TBF BAŞKANI |
| 2 SEVİNÇ ATAY | EBL YK KRL ÜYESİ |
| 3 MURAT MOLVA | TBF YK ÜYESİ |
| 4 LEVENT ÖZGUL | TBF YK ÜYESİ |
| 5 FETHİYE TAGA | TBF YK ÜYESİ |
| 6 FÜSUN ÖZLER | TBF YK ÜYESİ |
| 7 ŞEMSETTİN GÜNAL | GENEL SEKRETER |
| 8 FATMA ÖZ | MUTEMET |
| 9 M. NURİ ÜNVER | TBF ÇALIŞANI |
| 10 ÖZGE ATALAY | EBL BAŞKAN SEKR. |
| 11 MİNE ERSÖZLÜ | BASIN ODASI ASİST. |
| 12 SİNAN TAGA | TBF ASİSTANI |
| 13 METE TOPPARE | KAYIT MASASI |
| 14 EBRU ATEŞ YILMAZ | KAYIT MASASI |
| 15 TULİN GÜNAY | MISAFIR İLİSKİLERİ |
| 16 DENİZ GÜNAY | MISAFIR İLİSKİLERİ |
| 17 CİHAN GÖKSU | BBO OPERATORÜ |
| 18 KORAY GÜLCÜ | BBO OPERATORÜ |
| 19 SERHAT PAKSOY | BBO OPERATORÜ |
| 20 MUSTAFA KAYA | BBO OPERATORÜ |
| 21 OLGUN AŞÇI | BBO OPERATORÜ |

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| 23 DURMUŞ ÇALIŞKAN | BBO OPERATORÜ |
| 24 ANIL YUCEL | BBO OPERATORÜ |
| 25 AKIN KOÇLAR | BBO OPERATORÜ |
| 26 EMRE KAYA | BBO OPERATORÜ |
| 27 ÖVÜNÇ YILMAZ | BBO OPERATORÜ |
| 28 MELİH SİNER | TEKNIK SERVİS |
| 29 BARAN ÇETİN | CADDY ŞEF |
| 30 MELİKE KADAN | CADDY |
| 31 AYŞENUR ERİŞ | CADDY |
| 32 MERVE ERİŞ | CADDY |
| 33 BİLGEHAN ARIK | CADDY |
| 34 BÜNYAMIN BULAK | CADDY |
| 35 AYKUTALP ATAÇ | CADDY |
| 36 KEMAL BASLAR | CADDY |
| 37 MERVE BULAK | CADDY |
| 38 HANDE DAĞTAŞOĞLU | CADDY |
| 39 İRFAN İLGİN | CADDY |
| 40 ALİ UÇAR | CADDY |
| 41 ŞEHMUS ERCAN | CADDY |

Koşuşturma yoğunluğu nedeni ile tüm çalışanları bir araya getirip resim çekme imkanımız olmadı maalesef.

Ayrıca, yukarıdaki listede bizlerle birlikte çalışmış olmalarına rağmen ismini yazmayı unutmuş olduğum arkadaşlar var varsa affola. Herkese mutlu günler saadetler diliyoruz...

OPEN PAIRS - FINAL A (provisional)

Rank	Names	Percentage			
1	STEFANOV - ARONOV	58,80	27	STARKOWSKI - GOLEBIEWSKI	50,87
2	SANDQVIST - MALINOWSKI	55,97	28	VOLHEJN - KOPECKY	50,83
3	MARASHEV - TSONTCHEV	55,13	29	BESSIS - BESSIS	50,81
4	JANSMA - VERHEES JR	55,03	30	BIRMAN - BIRMAN	50,80
5	DUBININ - GROMOV	54,48	31	WINKLER - HOMONNAY	50,04
6	AHMADI - SADEK	54,39	32	IONITA - COLDEA	49,91
7	BOMPIS - QUANTIN	53,89	33	YAVUZ - ERCAN	49,76
8	RAMONDT - WESTRA	53,81	34	AKGUL - YUKSEL	49,73
9	KWIECIEN - JAGNIEWSKI	53,78	35	SOLHEIM - ANFINSEN	49,35
10	JASSEM - MARTENS	52,80	36	BALICKI - ZMUDZINSKI	49,28
11	FORRESTER - BAKHSHI	52,78	37	BJARNARSON - ASKGAARD	49,26
12	PIEKAREK - SMIRNOV	52,75	38	KHAZANOV - LEBEDEVA	49,14
13	MARSTRANDER - ANDERSSEN	52,52	39	ERBIL - UYSAL	49,03
14	SEN - SENGULER	52,37	40	WIJS - MULLER	48,88
15	SKRZYPCZAK - GIERULSKI	52,24	41	DI BELLO - DI BELLO	48,87
16	JAWORSKI - NARKIEWICZ	52,15	42	CAMCI - OZCIKAN	48,66
17	YADLIN - YADLIN	52,11	43	VASSILEV - NANEV	48,04
18	CHMURSKI - GAWRYS	52,04	44	ZIMMERMANN - MULTON	47,97
19	FALLENIIUS - SCHIFKO	51,96	45	TISLEVOLL - BERSET	47,91
20	GIROLLET - FLEURY	51,93	46	MACSKASY - LAKATOS	47,51
21	TOWNSEND - GOLD	51,66	47	BARBOSA - SA	47,48
22	KOWALSKI - ARASZKIEWICZ	51,30	48	VAINIKONIS - PSZCZOLA	46,80
23	HOILAND - KVANGRAVEN	51,29	49	MINTZ - LIMOR	46,33
23	KHIOUPPENEN - KHOLOMEEV	51,29	50	YILANKIRAN - SIRIKLIOGLU	46,23
25	MUZZIO - ANGELERI	51,07	51	ZARA - ELIAN	46,02
26	KARAKOLEV - ZAHARIEV	51,03	52	GOTTHARD - DUMBOVICH	43,72

WOMEN PAIRS - FINAL A (provisional)

Rank	Names	Percentage			
1	Bep VRIEND - Carla ARNOLDS	56,26	14	Martine ROSSARD - Johanna RACZYNSKA	51,16
2	N. SENIOR-DELEVA - Sandra PENFOLD	55,10	15	Anneke SIMONS - Jet PASMANN	50,82
3	Gunn HELNESS - Siv THORESEN	54,03	16	Meike WORTEL - Marion MICHIELSEN	50,44
4	Giulia POZZI - Annalisa ROSETTA	53,27	17	Migry ZUR-CAMPANILE-ALBU - M.VARENNE	49,89
5	Grazyna BREWIAK - Anna SARNIAK	53,26	18	Y De Morant Claudia POMARES - V.TORIELLI	49,41
6	Maria Marit RAHELT - Stense FARHOLT	52,60	19	Matilda POPLILOV - Daniela BIRMAN	49,27
7	Chantal HAMMERLI - Maria ERHART	52,05	20	Simonetta GROSSI - Katia PIGNATTI	48,78
8	Nikica SVER - Marina PILIPOVIC	51,98	21	Renate HANSEN - Filiz Uygan ERDOGAN	47,70
9	Miriana MITOVSKA - Valya YANEVA	51,69	22	Giusy BERNABEY - Clara LAUS	47,27
10	Belis ATALAY - Guler VAHABOGLU	51,56	23	Ipek SAGTEKIN - Karen McCALLUM	47,15
11	Heather DHONDY - Nicola SMITH-GARDENER	51,53	24	Phoebe LIN - Faith MAYER	47,12
12	Tatiana PONOMAREVA - Victoria GROMOVA	51,46	25	Ilaria SACCAVINI - Simonetta PAOLUZI	46,94
12	Nathalie FREY - Veronique BESSIS	51,46	26	Elena KHONICHEVA - Alexandra NIKITINA	46,32

SENIOR PAIRS - FINAL A (provisional)

Rank	Names	Percentage			
1	Patrick GRENTHE - P. VANHOUTTE	57,73	13	Guido RESTA - Dano DE FALCO	50,37
2	Jean Marie PY - Patrice PIGANEAU	57,19	14	Janusz RADECKI - Andrzej BEREZECKI	50,29
3	Christo DRUMEV - Ivan Tanev BONEV	55,05	15	Roger JACKSON - Anthony N GORDON	49,46
4	Nico KLAVER - Roald RAMER	54,04	16	Julian FRYDRICH - Mordechay (Moti) GELBARD	49,06
5	Stanley WALTER - Christian MARI	53,11	17	Giampiero BETTINETTI - Leonardo MARINO	49,05
6	Rami SHEINMAN - Adrian SCHWARTZ	52,50	18	Andrew THOMPSON - Anthony CLARK	48,60
7	Francois STRETZ - Jean-Louis STOPPA	52,07	19	Nico DOREMANS - Jaap TROUWBORST	48,59
8	Ergun KORKUT - Orhan EKINCI	51,65	20	Mike TEDD - Patrick JOURDAIN	47,88
9	Jozef POCHRON - Jacek LEW	51,50	21	Krzysztof LASOCKI - Jerzy RUSSYAN	47,82
10	Leszek KWIATKOWSKI - Kazimierz OMERNIK	50,92	22	Kath NELSON - Alan NELSON	47,58
11	Bill PENCHARZ - Irving GORDON	50,83	23	Rhona GOLDENFIELD - B. GOLDENFIELD	46,33
12	Christopher DIXON - Peter CZERNIEWSKI	50,77	24	Paul D HACKETT - Ross HARPER	45,65