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Fight for it

Welcome to the first qualification for a Major Alt event. We are so happy to see players from so many different countries. 2020 is a historic year also for bridge. All tournaments are cancelled and we have moved online to play. There are hundreds of tournaments every day, but for players who like to compete against the world top, possibilities are limited.

This is the reason the Alt Organisation created the qualification for our MontreAlt in the first week of August. We want to give all players the chance to enter while maintaining a high level at our main event. Which means you have to fight for it.

The first two will be invited to play in the MontreAlt free of charge. Teams placed 3-8 will be invited as well, but will have to pay entry fee. In case a team is not available, number 9 gets that spot and so on.

You will find all results on Bridgeresults.org. Enjoy the fight!

All players should enter BBO 10 minutes before the beginning of a match. TD Denis Dobrin will instruct you where to sit. All players must have their name in their BBO-profile. Private isn't allowed for the sake of opponents and kibitzers.

Today's Schedule

Monday July 20

10:00 EDT/16:00 CET Match 1 (14 boards)

12:30 EDT/18:30 CET Match 2 (14 boards)

15:00 EDT/21:00 CET Match 3 (14 boards)



Meet Your Opponents

by Christina Lund Madsen



When the Alt Organisation first decided to host a qualification, we expected mostly Dutch players to enter, because Jan van de Hoek (who is one of the Alt organisers and got the initial idea for this qualification) usually forces his friends to sign up.

Either Jan does not have as many friends as he claims or the tournament has stated its entitlement, because we have players from all over the world, and only a few are friends of Jan.

Firstly, we have junior teams from England, Netherlands and Norway. It is always a pleasure to have juniors in any event. They have a joyful spirit and their bidding ensures they are never boring to watch and that they always produce results that ruin the butler for others.

Anders Brogeland (Norway U21/U16) is one of our youngest participants only 14



years old. You might recognise his last name. As son of the Sheriff, he is the new deputy in town.

But we also have juniors on other teams. Harrison Luba (Amateurs) is the future of American (junior) bridge. He is teaming up with players who despite their team name are very experienced (read: older) American players with classic American names like Franco Baseggio, Alex Kolesnik and Ai-Tai Lo.

Bridge Too Far (Peter Barczy, Daniel Gulyas, Erez Hendelman, Gyorgy Kemeny, Balazs Kotanyi, Peter Trenka, Sam Amer) is another strong American/Hungarian team I will be keeping an eye on simply because I love their team name.

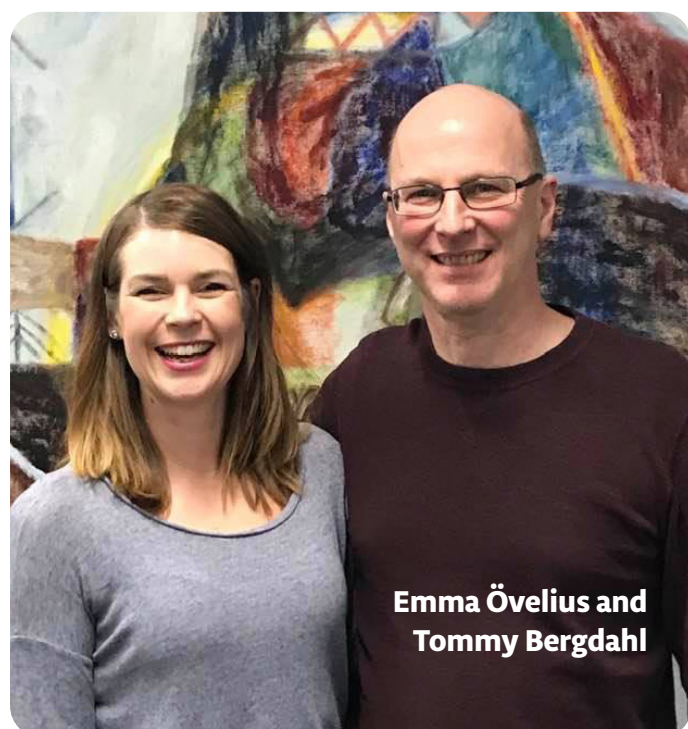
Because of Jan's friends we do have mostly Dutch teams, but also because the Dutch generally are very good at breeding bridge players. We have several former European junior champions. So look out for teams with incomprehensible and unpronounceable (team) names like Fruitvliegjes (Vincent de Pagter, Aarnout Helmich, Oscar Nijssen, Tim van de Pavard, Peter van Montfoort, Frank Van Wezel, Rob Vd bergh, Roefi Vilier, Kevin Vreeswijk, Ricardo Westerbeek).

Second most represented country is USA, mainly because all bridge players from New England registered, even with similarly creative team names: New England (Richard Binder, Geof Brod, Victor King, Peter Liebermann, George Sullivan, Alan Watson).

New Englanders (Mark Aquino, Selen Hotamisligil, Parul Jain, Xiaoqian Liu, Jim Rasmussen, Maxim Silin). They must be proud of their heritage.

Speaking of that, a team residing in Old England has discretely taken the team name of a major American city. Furthermore they smuggled in a couple of European Champions: Phoenix (Ali Ahmed, Jason Hackett, Justin Hackett, James Thrower).

We also have world champions lurking around like Emma Övelius from Sweden Mixed (Nils Ahlen, Tommy Bergdahl, Anders Eriksson, Daniel Eriksson, Eva Gunnarsson, Malin Helin, Fredrik Jarlvik, Emma Ovelius, Ylva Pyykko, Tatyana Trendafilova). Emma won the Venice Cup in Wuhan in October 2019 and rumours say that it was after the celebration of the Swedish women's victory the first cases of corona surfaced.



We scroll back to another American team Reynolds (Chris Barrere, Leo Bell, Bill Hall, Randy Howard, John Jones, Lance Kerr, Tom Reynolds, Rick Rorder, Joe Viola) who are only here to spy on the Alt Organisation since captain Tom Reynolds is organising his own team matches on BBO.

The last team I will be sure to follow is our team of excellent commentators, who play in the name of colleague and mentor Roland Wald, who passed away unexpectedly a few months ago.

Remembering Roland (Paul Barden, David Burn, Martin Cantor, Mike Graham, Mark Horton, Peter Lund, Claire Robinson, Pierre Schmidt, Henri Schweitzer, Marc Smith).

FINALLY we can comment on their play and bet on them to misguess queens and make fun of their (senior) bids. ☺

Teams / Players / Nicknames

AMATEURS

Hailong Ao	hl123
Franco Baseggio	baseggio
Ira Chorush	Chorush
Jiang Gu	Jiang_Gu
Alex Kolesnik	Kolesnik
Ai-Tai Lo	aitail
Harrison Luba	hilto37

BID72

Onno Eskes	Onno
Steve Green	bashgrove
Rob Helle	rhelle
Ed Hoogenkamp	altocampo
Peter Ijsselmuiden	drien
Gerard Sprinkhuizen	sprinsoet
Geon Steenbakkers	gaard
Jan van Cleeff	IMP_Jan
Marina Witvliet	donkeyM

BISHEL

John Bishel	rxguy2
Thomas Bishel	tobias31
Blaine Mullins	rblainemul
Charlie Seelbach	babushkka

BRIDGE TOO FAR

Peter Barczy	beno b
Daniel Gulyas	gulyas
Erez Hendelman	E11
Gyorgy Kemeny	kemeny
Balazs Kotanyi	Koti007
Peter Trenka	trp42
Sam Amer	Samer026

CHOSEN

Paul de Porte	Pdeporte
Kristian Ellingsen	Krisell
Maxim Faber	Innu
Thea Indebrø	Theali
Agnethe Kjensli	Mixmaster
Peter Marstrander	Pbmarstr
Yordi Schouten	Yordis
Sofie Sjødal	Sgs3
Christa Vermeulen	Christao

DUTCH JUNIORS

Luuk Alards	Luukala
Fleur Beekman	Fleurnl
Anouk Casparie	Anoukpc
Rick Emmers	Itstriker
Wisse Huvers	Wisse hu
Sven Overvelde	Svenover
Floris Tulner	Floristu
Tim van den Essen	Tvde1

ENGLAND U16

Bjorn Ahl	bjorn_16
Venetia Anoyrkatis	venetia_16
Charlotte Bedford	lottie_16
James Cater	james_16
Jamie Fegarty	jamie_16
Thomas Gardner	thomasg_16
Lucy Norman	lucy_16
Raphaella Sinclair	raffi_16

FRUITVLIEGJES

Vincent de Pagter	VincentdeP
Aarnout Helmich	Wild card
Oscar Nijssen	Oscar2000
Tim van de Pavverd	Tim_p



Jan van Cleeff was the editor of the first Alt bulletins, but he prefers to play instead.

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Peter van Montfoort
Frank Van Wezel
Rob Vd bergh
Roefi Vilier
Kevin Vreeswijk
Ricardo Westerbeek

pjvm1970
Oeps
Rvdb
Roefi
Kevinvrees
Ric4

HERRES!

Karen Arens
Mark de Meer
Marijn Huber
Peter Van den Brink
Martin van der Starre
Rob Wijman
Erwin Witteveen

Karenar
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Marijnhu
Goofy_pete
Martin001
RobWijman
erwinw

HUNGARY - GALIM

Csaba Czimer
Péter Gál
Gábor Macskásy
Péter Marjai
Csaba Szabó
Tamás Szalka

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ISRAEL

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Rami Porat
Oren Toledano
Aran Warszawski
Assaf Yekutieli
Ami Zamir

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LOMBARD

Bert Geens
Rens Philipsen
Jamilla Spangenberg
Dennis Stuurman
Wouter van den Hove
Ruud Von Seida
Chris Westerbeek
Dafydd Williams
Jasper Williams

Bert1986
RensPh
Jamilla
Uni_dennis
Woutte
Boedhy
ChrisWes
Dafyddwill
Wjwilliams

MACAVITY

Kees Bakker
Pim Coppens
Dennis Dewit
John Lesmeister
Gert-Jan Ros
Emile Schols
Michel Schols
Niels van Bijsterveldt
Tim van den Bos
Emiel Vandewiele

Keesbak
pimcop
Hyperon
Jlesme
rosgjw
Mkgnao
Futuralis
nielsvbij
Timvdb
blink128

MG

Imre Andrazj
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Heinrich Berger
Hester Gast
Davies Guttman
Sándor Jakab
Dimo Jeliakov
Gyo Rasony
Biswajit Sen
Yordan Valkanov

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wuzi5
hester02
daviesG
kopakopa
Boro Boro
grasso
dannysen
danco68

NETBRIDGE

Kees Bouwen
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Roderik Oranje
Victor Oranje
Kees Rentes
Arjan Roelofs
Jan van den Hoek
Marco Zomer

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winjan
roranje
VictorNL
7slaper
arjanNL
janonline
marcozomer

NEW ENGLAND

Richard Binder
Geof Brod
Victor King
Peter Liebermann
George Sullivan
Alan Watson

rlb78
jake33
goodenergy
plieber
sulpaco
WAOZ

Teams / Players / Nicknames

NEW ENGLANDERS

Mark Aquino	shark621
Selen Hotamisliligil	selenh
Parul Jain	paruljain6
Xiaoqian Liu	qiqi
Jim Rassmusen	jrr
Maxim Silin	bigmax

NORWAY U21/U16

Marius Dalemark Austad	marius03
Kaja Brekke	kajabrek
Anders Brogeland	anders05
Nicolai Heiberg Evenstad	nicolaiHE
Ida Marie Oberg	ida marie
Magnus Saetre	elektro200

PHOENIX

Ali Ahmed	sheikohear
Jason Hackett	mutton
Justin Hackett	ronaldo007
James Thrower	realdeal

REMEMBERING ROLAND

Paul Barden	aardv
David Burn	Dburn
Martin Cantor	cantorm
Mike Graham	mdgraham
Mark Horton	Chessmaster
Peter Lund	pelu
Claire Robinson	GeordieC
Pierre Schmidt	chmittty
Henri Schweitzer	ritong
Marc Smith	MarcSmith

REYNOLDS

Chris Barrere	Crispinb
Leo Bell	leobell711
Bill Hall	bhall
Randy Howard	Howardrl1
John Jones	john jones
Lance Kerr	Lkerr
Tom Reynolds	tomreynold
Rick Rorder	RickRock
Joe Viola	JaViola3

SWEDEN MIXED

Nils Åhlen	ahlni10
Tommy Bergdahl	lingonback
Anders Eriksson	wew
Daniel Eriksson	24659
Eva Gunnarsson	spaderdam1
Malin Helin	malhe
Fredrik Jarlvik	freddy6
Emma Övelius	emma sj
Ylva Pyykkö	ylvur
Tatyana Trendafilova	tuti

THE DALTONS

Mark Thiele	Mrxxx
Stefan Thorpe	Steffff
Yael Topiol	Top_33
Sibrand van Oosten	sibrand
Renée Verdegaal	Mrs_m
Hans Vergoed	MrVeryGood

TRANSNATIONALS

Martins Balodis	MartinsLAT
Kevin Gotink	Kefman23
Ilze Mikelsons	Mikjelsone
Maria Mylläri	lucky 7
Selena Pepic	Selena96
Louise Selway	joloiyse
Florian Weiss	Floon
Jovana Zoranovic	jovana_jjz

How to kibitz MontreAlt Q on BBO

The MontreAlt Qualification is open for kibitzers.

If you want to cheer for your favourites, you simply search for your the player's nickname and join his or her table. See you on BBO!

Conditions of Contest • MontreAlt Qualification

1. The MontreAltQ will be hosted in Bridge Base Online from 20th to 23rd of July, 2020.

2. All participants are bound by the regulations contained within this document.

Invitations for this event will be issued to teams of 4 – 10 players.

Regarding invites the ALT will follow the advice of the CAT (Credentials Advisory Team). The organizing committee reserves the right not to invite any player without giving a reason.

3. Schedule of play:

12 rounds of swiss from Monday, July 20 to Thursday, July 23 2020 at the following start times:

10:00 EDT / 16:00 CET – Round 1
(14 boards)

12:30 EDT / 18:30 CET – Round 2
(14 boards)

15:00 EDT / 21:00 CET – Round 3
(14 boards)

4. Format

The event will be played as a single stage competition in the form of a “Swiss”: 12 rounds of 14 boards.

The results of each match shall be converted into Victory Points in accordance with the appropriate WBF IMP/VP scales.

Any errors in assigning opponents shall not invalidate the result of that, or any other, match.

In case of an odd number of teams the bye team will receive 12 VPs.

5. Line-Up

All matches will be played without change of the line-up; unless there is a serious reason for that, to be decided by the TD.

The teams are expected to submit their line-up as soon as practical but in any case not later than 30 minutes before the start of the round.

Teams who infringe this regulation will be subject to VP penalties according to this scale:

1st occasion – warning;
2nd and any subsequent occasion – 0.5 VP penalty.

The line-up must be submitted through the line-up web utility. All captains will be provided with the respective link and the password.

It is possible to change the submitted line-up but not later than 30 minutes before the start of the round.

The line-up is completely blind and will not be published before the start of the round.

6. Running the matches

All players involved must be online and logged in to Bridge Base Online 10 minutes before the start of the round at the latest.

Players should have their official name on BBO profile. Private isn't allowed.

The Tournament Director will create the tables and send invitations to the players in accordance with the submitted line-ups. Players are requested to accept the invitation immediately upon receipt.

All tables will play duplicated boards (same boards for every team).

The table settings will allow kibitzers but forbid communication between players and kibitzers.

Barometer scoring will be OFF. The scores are only visible (for the players) after the last board has been played. Kibitzers can see the scores during the match.

Undo and claiming according to the BBO-guidelines: all players have the right to reject an undo or claim request for any reason. They are not required to explain why they have rejected such a request.

If players explain bids during the bidding via chat, then this is not communicated to "the table", but only to "the opponents". This way their partner cannot see the explanation, similar to explaining the bids via the BBO alert mechanism.

Players alert their own bids.

Players may not consult their own system card and use any aids to their memory, calculation or technique between the commencement of the auction period and the end of play.

The gravest possible offence is for a partnership to exchange information through prearranged methods of communication other than those sanctioned by the Laws of Bridge or self-kibitzing.

The time limit will be announced when the exact format of the event is defined. The Tournament Director may remove unplayed boards if in his opinion a delay in finishing the match in the allotted time would interfere with the smooth running of the competition.

7. Request of the TD ruling

This tournament will of course be played in the most respectful way possible. Fun and good bridge are paramount. Netbridge relies on reluctance and restraint to call the Director.

Should a team find a serious cause for demanding a ruling, then this will only be dealt with if the captain of the team announces this via email within 45 minutes after the last board played (with an explanation and a request for a specific adjustment of the score).

Netbridge will inform the other team and give that team the opportunity (through its captain) to respond via an email within 45 minutes after being informed. The protest will be decided by a qualified director or world class player; no further appeal will be possible after his/her decision.

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To submit protests, you should send an email to: info@netbridge.online

8. These Regulations may be amended and augmented at the discretion of the organizing committee if circumstances so warrant so as to ensure a smooth, efficient and enjoyable running of the tournament.

Although this tournament isn't aligned with any bridge federation we will cooperate and provide them with all the information necessary to detect and prevent cheating.

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10. The WBF Victory Points scale for 14 boards:

IMP	VP		IMP	VP	
0	10.00	10.00	29	16.88	3.12
1	10.33	9.67	30	17.04	2.96
2	10.66	9.34	31	17.19	2.81
3	10.97	9.03	32	17.34	2.66
4	11.28	8.72	33	17.49	2.51
5	11.58	8.42	34	17.63	2.37
6	11.87	8.13	35	17.77	2.23
7	12.16	7.84	36	17.91	2.09
8	12.44	7.56	37	18.04	1.96
9	12.71	7.29	38	18.17	1.83
10	12.97	7.03	39	18.29	1.71
11	13.23	6.77	40	18.41	1.59
12	13.48	6.52	41	18.53	1.47
13	13.72	6.28	42	18.65	1.35
14	13.96	6.04	43	18.76	1.24
15	14.19	5.81	44	18.87	1.13
16	14.42	5.58	45	18.98	1.02
17	14.64	5.36	46	19.08	0.92
18	14.85	5.15	47	19.18	0.82
19	15.06	4.94	48	19.28	0.72
20	15.26	4.74	49	19.38	0.62
21	15.46	4.54	50	19.47	0.53
22	15.66	4.34	51	19.56	0.44
23	15.85	4.15	52	19.65	0.35
24	16.03	3.97	53	19.74	0.26
25	16.21	3.79	54	19.83	0.17
26	16.38	3.62	55	19.91	0.09
27	16.55	3.45	56	19.99	0.01
28	16.72	3.28	57	20.00	0.00



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