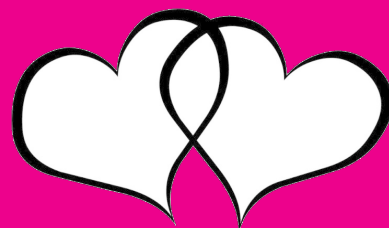


# MONTHLY MIXED TEAMS



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## A Week of Warmth

In many countries this is the darkest time of year. In most of Europe the lakes are frozen - a sight rare, dark, beautiful and dangerous. A blizzard hit the American East Coast and London saw snow for the first time in years. We might remain inside by our own choice for once.

While we wait for the light to return, we make a cup of tea and log on to BBO, play with and against friends and forsake Netflix for a while. And for a few hours we allow ourselves to forget how much we miss travelling and dancing. We welcome new teams as happily as regular and wish you all a week of warmth amid the cold and darkness.

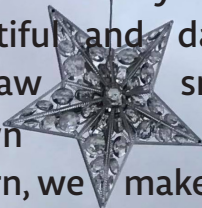


Photo from Norway by Jessica Larsson. We encourage all players to send us a photo of your surroundings - also if any are near beaches, sea and sun.

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 February 8

10:30 EST / 16:30 CET – Round 1 (16 boards)

12:50 EST / 18:50 CET – Round 2 (16 boards)

15:10 EST / 21:10 CET – Round 3 (16 boards)

## Today's Schedule

### Round 1

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
<u>1</u>	 <a href="#">WEST COAST VIKINGS</a>	 <a href="#">ALPERT</a>
<u>2</u>	 <a href="#">JJCarRodAA</a>	 <a href="#">JUST SPINNIN</a>
<u>3</u>	 <a href="#">SWEDEN MIXED</a>	 <a href="#">TULIPS PLUS</a>
<u>4</u>	 <a href="#">AUSTERLITZ</a>	 <a href="#">STRAWBERRIES</a>
<u>5</u>	 <a href="#">TURKISH NATIONAL MIX</a>	 <a href="#">NESHEALE</a>

### Round 2

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
<u>1</u>	 <a href="#">WEST COAST VIKINGS</a>	 <a href="#">JUST SPINNIN</a>
<u>2</u>	 <a href="#">ALPERT</a>	 <a href="#">SWEDEN MIXED</a>
<u>3</u>	 <a href="#">STRAWBERRIES</a>	 <a href="#">JJCarRodAA</a>
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### Round 3

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
<u>1</u>	 <a href="#">WEST COAST VIKINGS</a>	 <a href="#">JUST SPINNIN</a>
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# Meet your Opponents

by Christina Lund Madsen



The February Mixed Teams is a small, intimate event. Ten teams play a qualifying round robin and one-day semifinals and final. We have chosen to extend each session from 14 to 16 boards, yet we often wonder if that is what you as participants wish. We happily receive all feedback about your preferences (at least bridgewise).

The winning team of the January Mixed Teams, Alpert, is back in a slightly different line-up (Claire Alpert, Giorgia Botta, Leonardo Fruscoloni, Charlie Hoyos, Cenk Tuncok, Alfredo Versace), still with Master Versace and his apprentices.

Team Austerlitz has also become a regular participant with some very nice French couples (Brigitte Aubonnet, Patrick Bogacki, Christophe Carde, Blandine Delestre, Daniel Delestre, Francois Joligeon, Georges Romanowski, Martine Rossard, Valerie Sauvage) whose portraits the bulletin is still waiting for...

This is a polite reminder to all teams that we are happy if you can send us your favourite picture of your smiling face - or you risk the editor finds one you like less.

The Swingers from Sweden Mixed (Nils Ahlen, Dan Bylund, Daniel Eriksson, Lars Goldberg, UllaBritt Goldberg, Eva Gunnarsson, Malin Helin, Mikael Lemborn, Suzanne Lemborn, Helena Stromberg) is a group of nice couples who take turns playing bridge.



In January Allie Cappelletti, Mike Cappelletti, Kay Enfield, Greg Hinze and Patty Hinze were Just Sippin, which means in February they are Just Spinnin.

Tulips Plus (Jan Jansma, Betty Levin, Mark Thiele, Yael Topiol, Renee Verdegaal, Hans Vergoed) was going to be receive the prize both for best team name and best BBO-name. However they changed their team name from Betty Dutchess (the team consists of five Dutch and one Betty) to the current name and thus have to settle for honourable mention and the prize for the editor's favourite BBO-nickname: Hans Vergoed (mrverygood). And yes, his wife and partner is a very happy woman.

Among our newcomers we are happy to see JJCarRodAA (less happy to write the team name...), a Latin-American team mix ready for dancing (Jim Fox, Judy Fox, Maria



Myllari, Carlos Pellegrini, Silvina Rocca, Rodrigo Garcia da Rosa, Alan Schwartz, Annie Schwartz).

Our third new team is Strawberries (Irene Baroni, Thomas Bessis, Pierre Franceschetti, Hilda Setton), and we are happy that should Thomas Bessis have an unlucky week, he will at least have luck in the bedroom.

Not sure if dancing is their thing, yet it is our pleasure to welcome team Nesheale of England (Simon Cope, David Gold, Diana Nettleton, Nicklas Sandqvist, Catherine Seale, Nathalie Shashou). Three formidable women with three adequate men.

West Coast Vikings (Debbie Benner, Arti Bhargava, Peter Boyd-Bowman, Ish Delmonte, Bjorgvin Kristinsson, Jessica Larsson, Jan Pedersen, Helle Rasmussen) all played in last month's event - but on four different teams. This event they join forces, so let's see if those forces will be with them.



Nathalie Shashou

On Turkish National Mix (Sedat Aluf, Tuna Aluf, Omer Kizilok, Namik Kokten, Basak Kutuk, Sirma Sanus, Nafiz Zorlu) we find our Victim of the Day for tomorrow, so remember to read the bulletin.

You can find all bulletins among the results and you can sign up to receive an email with a link to the bulletin.

## Monthly Mixed Teams in 2021

**22-24 February**

**February Mixed Pairs on RealBridge**

**8 - 12 March**

**St. Louis Mixed Teams**

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**22 - 26 March**

**March Mixed Teams**

[Registration](#)

**12 - 16 April**

**April Mixed Teams**

**17 - 21 May**

**May Mixed Teams**

**7 - 11 June**

**June Mixed Teams**

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## Teams / Players / Nicknames

### ALPERT

Claire Alpert	clairee2
Leonardo Fruscolini	Frusco
Carlos Hoyos	Charlie111
Alfredo Versace	nevaio
Cenk Tuncok	ctuncok
Giorgia Botta	gio 89

### AUSTERLITZ

Brigitte Aubonnet	hochette
Patrick Bogacki	reims2012
Blandine Delestre	bb75
Daniel Delestre	tkcpdd
François Joligeon	fjoligeon
Georges Romanowski	jrom
Martine Rossard	biglum
Valérie Sauvage	vals51
Christophe Carde	ccarde

### JJCarRodAA

Jim Fox	mmbridge
Judy Fox	jrfox
Maria Myllari	lucky 7
Carlos Pellegrini	carlosp
Silvina Rocca	malambo
Rodrigo Garcia da Rosa	rgdruru
Alan Schwartz	alansc
Annie Schwartz	anniesch

### JUST SPINNIN

Allie Cappelletti	sinica23
Mike Cappelletti	cappjr
Kay Enfield	cx107
Greg Hinze	ghinze
Patty Hinze	vincent

### NESHEALE

Simon Cope	copeyj
David Gold	dagold
Diana Nettleton	ettleton
Nicklas Sandqvist	nicksan
Catherine Seale	dedom
Nathalie Shashoua	tigger5

### STRAWBERRIES

Irene Baroni	princi
Thomas Bessis	malpaluche
Pierre Franceschetti	gewd
Hilda Setton	ldase

### SWEDEN MIXED

Nils Åhlén	ahlnil0
Dan Bylund	diaoff1
Daniel Eriksson	24659
Lars Goldberg	mrgold
Ulla-Britt Goldberg	ullan
Eva Gunnarsson	spaderdam1
Malin Helin	malhe
Michael Lemborn	fusen1
Suzanne Lemborn	karlstad
Helena Strömberg	strhel

### TULIPS PLUS

Jan Jansma	jan_jansma
Betty Levin	levin123
Mark Thiele	mrxxx
Yael Topiol	top_33
Renee Verdegaal	mrs_m
Hans Vergoed	mrverygood

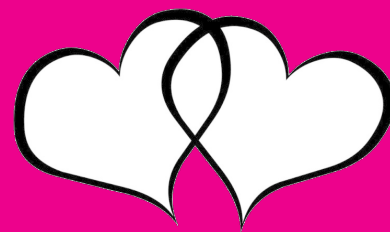
### TURKEY NATIONAL MIXED TEAM

Sedat Aluf	monk99
Tuna Aluf	tuna2
Omer Kizilok	gravity
Namik Kokten	naumoski
Basak Kutuk	basak
Sirma Sanus	lila_s
Nafiz Zorlu	begse

### WEST COAST VIKINGS

Debbie Benner	dlbfsa
Arti Bhargava	arti_b
Ish Delmonte	ishd
Bjorgvin Kristinsson	bosi2
Jessica Larsson	jela79
Jan Pedersen	gobochamp
Helle Rasmussen	helle_r
Peter Boyd-Bowman	pjbb

# MONTHLY MIXED PAIRS



**FEBRUARY 22-24 ON REALBRIDGE**

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## Introducing the Monthly Mixed Pairs on RealBridge

Due to popular demand the Monthly Mixed Teams will host our first Monthly Mixed Pairs.

- Dates: February 22-24
- Time: 11:00 Eastern time/17:00 CET - 3:00/21:00
- Format: Matchpoints. Two days of qualification followed by A- and B-finals.  
1/3 of the field will qualify for the A-final.
- Entry fee: 100 euro/120 dollars for three days of play (juniors half price)
- Boards 30-32 boards/day depending on number of participants. Either with a small break halfway through the event or enough time to go get a snack or coffee.
- Platform: RealBridge ([realbridge.online](https://realbridge.online))
- Registration: [mmt.bridgeresults.org](https://mmt.bridgeresults.org)

Beginners as well as world class players are equally welcome.  
We will have bulletins as you know them from the Monthly Mixed Teams, the same result software and a top EBL tournament director.

We have tested running events on RealBridge and would like to try this platform for the Monthly Mixed Pairs. We believe that though many like playing without shaving or doing their hair, meeting and chatting to so many opponents will add a social element. It is also possible to mute the audio and turn off the camera while getting coffee (or using the restroom as dummy) to limit the invasion of your privacy. We realize that many may not have not tried RealBridge before, but it is very easy and intuitive, and a profile is not even required. You simply log on via a link provided by us and play. The event will not be open to kibitzers.

If the tournament is a success, we plan to repeat the Monthly Mixed Pairs April 26-28 and perhaps a weekend, depending on your feedback in terms of format, times and wishes.

We are always happy to receive feedback, ideas and answer any questions you might have. You can write to [mmt@bridgeresults.org](mailto:mmt@bridgeresults.org).

## Conditions of Contest • February Mixed Teams

1. The 2021 February Mixed Teams will be hosted in Bridge Base Online from 8th to 12th of February, 2021.

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

All players are welcome to register, yet some can be refused at the discretion of the organizer.

Teams can consist of 4 – 10 players. If necessary, more players can be added during the event.

At the moment teams and/or players are registered, they automatically agree to play according to the conditions in this document.

Should a team be disqualified and/or withdraw by their own choice (before or during the event), there will be no refund of entry fees.

### 3. Schedule of play:

Monday 8 - Wednesday 10 February  
10:30 EST / 16:30 CET – RR (16 boards)  
12:50 EST / 18:50 CET – RR (16 boards)  
15:10 EST / 21:10 CET – RR (16 boards)

Thursday February 11 - Semifinals  
10:30 EST / 16:30 CET – SF 1/3 (16 boards)  
12:50 EST / 18:50 CET – SF 2/3 (16 boards)  
15:10 EST / 21:10 CET – SF 3/3 (16 boards)

Friday February 12 - Final  
10:30 EST / 16:30 CET – Final 1/3 (16 boards)  
10 minutes break – Final 2/3 (16 boards)  
10 minutes break – Final 3/3 (16 boards)

### 4. Qualifying Stage

The qualifying stage will be played in the form of a Round Robin and will consist of 144 boards played in 9 matches of 16 boards each.

The results of each match shall be converted into Victory Points in accordance with the appropriate WBF IMP/VP scales (see p. 10 below).

A team will receive 12 VP for any match that is a BYE.

In order to determine the grouping for the knockout stage, a tie between two teams will be broken by the result of the match between those two teams. If there should still be a tie, then the IMP quotient of all matches will be taken into consideration to break the tie.

The top 4 teams from the qualifying stage will advance to the knockout stage.

### 5. Knockout Stage

The team placed 1st in the Round Robin gets to choose the opponent for the semifinal from the teams placed 3th – 4th in the Round Robin.

Both semifinal and final will be played over 48 boards, 3 separate segments of 16 boards each.

There will be the following carry over:

- In the semifinal no. 1 – 2 get a carry over of 10.1 – 6.1 IMP respectively;
- In the final the higher ranked teams in the Round Robin get a carry over of 0.1 IMP as a tiebreaker.

### 6. Line-Up and Seating Rights

All matches of the Round Robin qualifying stage will be played without change of the line-up; unless there is a valid reason for a change, to be decided by the TD.

In semifinal and final change of the line-up is possible after each 16 boards with no restriction (separate segments).

In the Round Robin qualifying stage the captains submit their line up without knowing the line-up of their opponents ("blind line-up"). The line-up in the Round Robin qualifying stage will not be published until the start of the round.

In the Round Robin qualifying stage 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.

In semifinal and final the higher ranked teams in the Round Robin may select any of the three segments in which to have seating rights and the opponents then have seating rights in the other two segments OR they may pass this right over; in other words, let the opponents take first choice of one segment leaving them with the remaining two segments.

In semifinal and final teams without seating rights submit their line-up within 10 minutes (5 minutes in the final) after the previous round has ended, and the opposing team within 5 minutes thereafter.

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

### 7. 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 must have their official name on their BBO profile. Private isn't allowed. 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 for each match for each player without official name on BBO profile.

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).

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.



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

Undo and claiming: MMT encourages the players to accept the opponent's undo in the obvious misclick situations during the bidding as well as play. In case such undo is refused a player gets one "challenge" whereby the TD can be summoned to the table. Play must be shut down till the TD arrives. The TD will assess the situation, and if he believes the undo is justified by an obvious misclick that no reasonable player should refuse, the undo has to be accepted by the opponents.

Players alert their own bids. Bids must be alerted before entering the bids. If you don't alert before making your bid, your opponent may think that your bid is natural, make his/her bid, then see the Alert and legitimately ask for an undo in case the information changes his/her perspectives.

If players explain bids via chat they should set the recipients to Opponents, not Table, so that only opponents see the explanation not partner. The best way is to explain the bids via the BBO alert mechanism.

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

The gravest possible offence is for a partnership to exchange information through non-public communication or (individual) players self-kibitzing.

If players experience highly suspicious plays, we encourage you to send a report to the organizers at [mmt@bridgeresults.org](mailto:mmt@bridgeresults.org). We will not reveal your name as source.

Players are expected to finish 16 boards within 2 hours. 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.

### 8. Request of the TD ruling

The Mixed Team strongly encourages participants to play in the most respectful way. Any player can summon the Director to the table in case of irregularities.

The time for a request for a TD ruling expires 30 minutes after the end of the match. All requests will be decided by a qualified Director (if appropriate - in consultation with other directors and/or world class players); no further appeal will be possible after the TD's decision.

To submit protests, you should send email to: [mmt@bridgeresults.org](mailto:mmt@bridgeresults.org)

### 9.

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

Although the MMT are not aligned with any bridge organization, we will cooperate with all authorities and provide all information necessary to detect and prevent cheating.



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If you wish to watch the players whenever they are online, you search for your chosen one (fx Cecilia Rimstedt "Cillar", click on the name and choose 'follow' instead of neutral. Any time you see her online, you can click on her and take a seat at her table. See you on BBO!