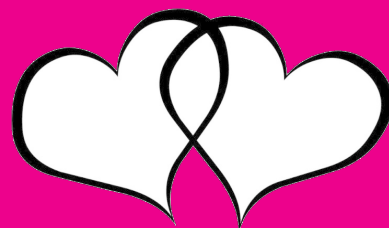


MONTHLY MIXED TEAMS



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International Women's Day

The slogan for the International Women's Day 2021 is "Choose to challenge."

Celebrate women's achievement. Raise awareness against bias. Take action for equality.

It can hardly be more appropriate that this week we have some of the best players in the world in the Monthly Mixed Teams - women who challenge the male dominance in the bridge world.

We also have some female Victims of the Day lined up for the upcoming bulletins to celebrate Girl Power-week, so there is much to look forward to.

We wish all participants (including the men) lots of fun and success.



Cecilia Rimstedt, Marion Michielsen and Per-Ola Cullin (Per-Ola may not be a woman but he is very feminine) Photo: EBL

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 March 8


10:30 EST / 16:30 CET – Round 1 (14 boards)

12:50 EST / 18:50 CET – Round 2 (14 boards)

15:10 EST / 21:10 CET – Round 3 (14 boards)

Today's Schedule


Round 1

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
<u>1</u>	 <u>ALL MIXED UP</u>	 <u>SWUSA</u>
<u>2</u>	 <u>KICK COVID</u>	 <u>TULIPS ++</u>
<u>3</u>	 <u>MAUBERQUEZ</u>	 <u>FRANCE SUD</u>
<u>4</u>	 <u>APRICOTS</u>	 <u>AUSTERLITZ</u>
<u>5</u>	 <u>MARLENKA</u>	 <u>SUSHI</u>
<u>6</u>	 <u>ALPERT</u>	 <u>PARKER</u>

Round 2

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
<u>1</u>	 <u>ALL MIXED UP</u>	 <u>TULIPS ++</u>
<u>2</u>	 <u>SWUSA</u>	 <u>MAUBERQUEZ</u>
<u>3</u>	 <u>AUSTERLITZ</u>	 <u>KICK COVID</u>
<u>4</u>	 <u>FRANCE SUD</u>	 <u>SUSHI</u>
<u>5</u>	 <u>APRICOTS</u>	 <u>PARKER</u>
<u>6</u>	 <u>MARLENKA</u>	 <u>ALPERT</u>

Round 3

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
<u>1</u>	 <u>ALL MIXED UP</u>	 <u>MAUBERQUEZ</u>
<u>2</u>	 <u>TULIPS ++</u>	 <u>AUSTERLITZ</u>
<u>3</u>	 <u>SUSHI</u>	 <u>SWUSA</u>
<u>4</u>	 <u>KICK COVID</u>	 <u>PARKER</u>
<u>5</u>	 <u>FRANCE SUD</u>	 <u>ALPERT</u>
<u>6</u>	 <u>APRICOTS</u>	 <u>MARLENKA</u>

Opponents Reunited

by Christina Lund Madsen



The Saint Louis Mixed Teams is invaded by French Teams. We have no less than four: Apricots, Austerlitz, France Sud and Mauberquez.

A rumour reports they thought they signed up for a live bridge tournament in Saint-Louis in Senegal, a nice city on the Atlantic coast of Africa.

All teams have played in the MMT before, but not all at once.

Nous sommes heureux de vous revoir.

England is also well represented by teams Marlenka and Sushi. While Marlenka hopes to strike Gold, Sushi adopted their team name after having seen the opponents they are up against.

Though we have American players on half the teams, we only have one All-American team, Kick Covid.

Among the other teams including Americans we find the winner of the January Mixed Teams Claire Alpert. Claire is our biggest and dearest supporter and she has now registered for all events until 2026.

Another regular is team Parker, as Alpert an American-Italian alliance, and we notice that Irene Baroni is cheating on Thomas Bessis with Giovanni Donati.



Christian Lahrman and Per-Ola Cullin in 2015. They are both a little bigger now.

Luckily Thomas has brought his maman to comfort him on team Apricots.

We are also happy to see the couples on Tulips ++ are still together, though the Jansmas as Baroni-Bessis have decided to split their partnership to continue their relationship during this event.

Yet the most endearing reunion is that of Christian Lahrman (All Mixed Up) and Per-Ola Cullin (Swusa). The two won two world class pro-am tournaments in a row before Christian became a teenager and while Per-Ola still looked like one. This week they are opponents and we cannot wait to see the sparkles they create.

Results

Future events
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Teams / Players / Nicknames

ALL MIXED UP

Cenk Tuncok	ctuncok
Hester Gast	hester02
David Gurvich	rabid
Christian Lahrman	christianl
Christina Lund Madsen	christinas
Rachael Moller	obliviator
Bas van Roosmalen	basvanr
Riva Salhon	limini
Gerald Sokol	enikou
Katherine Todd	kmtnyc

ALPERT

Claire Alpert	clairee2
Leonardo Fruscolini	Frusco
Zach Grossack	germs345
Alfredo Versace	nevaio
Giorgia Botta	gio 89

APRICOTS

Véronique Bessis	tomoliv
Thomas Bessis	malpaluche
Pierre Franceschetti	gewd
Hilda Setton	ldase



Alix Taylor and Peter Boyd-Bowman
(Kick Covid)

AUSTERLITZ

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

FRANCE SUD

Bernard Cabanes	tonel34
Eric Gautret	Truffe34
Catherine Mus	Musm34
Marc Mus	musmarc
Jean Jacques Palau	Grozny06
Nadia Payan	Manad
Phillippe Poizat	Taziop
Rokia Poizat	Coka2
Hélène Zuccarrelli	zuzuh

KICK COVID

Peter Boyd-Bowman	pjbb
Anne Brenner	brennera
Debbie Brenner	dbrenner
Dave Caprera	dendacl
Chris Compton	compton
Ish Del'Monte	ishd
Linda Elmore	lelmore
Alix Taylor	alixtay



Blandine & Daniel Delestre (Austerlitz)
Photo: Martine Rossard

MARLENKA

Catherine Draper
David Gold
Susanna Gross
Catherine Seale
Peter Taylor
Andrew Woodcock

sn00py27
dagold
sgross
dedom
pptaylor
rascalzee

MAUBERQUEZ

Danièle Avon
Édouard Beauvillain
David Harari
Donatella Halfon
Babeth Hugon
Erick Mauberquez
Dominique Maurin
Emmanuelle Monod
Michèle Vitetta
Jean-Michel Voldoire

ladyda
edou2704
sarroumane
atella
solea
mauber
domdomone
mafraise1
couli
jmvold

PARKER

Irene Baroni
Giovanni Donati
Adam Grossack
Chris Parker
Stew Rubenstein
Anam Tebha

princi
giova007
nevereast
cmp56
stewr
anamtebha



Adam Grossack (Parker)
Photo: Peg Kaplan

SUSHI

Paul Barden
India Leeming
Shahzaad Natt
Claire Robinson
Nick Sandqvist
Nathalie Shashou

aardv
nin_l
kurtgodel
geordiec
nicksan
tiger5

SWUSA

Per-Ola Cullin
Gary Donner
Kevin Dwyer
Marion Michielsen
Cecilia Rimstedt
Sandra Rimstedt

pocken
gdonnersc1
kdwyer
lady007
cillar
sandria

TULIPS ++

Jan Jansma
Betty Levin
Mark Thiele
Renee Verdegaal
Peter Both
Aida Jansma

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levin123
mrxxx
mrs_m
peterboth
aida_mk_nl



Cecilia Rimstedt and Gary Donner (Swusa)
Photo: Jonathan Steinberg

Conditions of Contest • St. Louis Mixed Teams

1. The St. Louis Mixed Teams will be hosted in Bridge Base Online from 8th to 12th of March, 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 March

10:30 EST / 16:30 CET – RR 1 (14 boards)

12:50 EST / 18:50 CET – RR 2 (14 boards)

15:10 EST / 21:10 CET – RR 3 (14 boards)

Tuesday and Wednesday March 9-10

10:30 EST / 16:30 CET – RR 4/7 (14 boards)

12:40 EST / 18:40 CET – RR 5/8 (14 boards)

14:50 EST / 20:50 CET – RR 6/9 (14 boards)

Thursday March 11 - RR + Semifinal 1/2

10:30 EST / 16:30 CET – RR 10 (14 boards)

12:40 EST / 18:40 CET – RR 11 (14 boards)

15:15 EST / 21:15 CET – Semi 1/2 (16 boards)

Friday March 12 - Final

10:00 EST / 16:00 CET – Semi 2/2 (16 boards)

12:30 EST / 18:30 CET – Final 1/2 (16 boards)

After a 10 min. break – Final 2/2 (16 boards)

4. Qualifying Stage

The qualifying stage will be played in the form of a Round Robin and will consist of 154 boards played in 11 matches of 14 boards each.

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

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 32 boards, 2 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).

Captains submit their line up without knowing the line-up of their opponents (“blind line-up”). The line-up will never be published before 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.

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.

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

Undo and claiming:
MMT encourages players to accept an opponent's request for undo in 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 or 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. We will not reveal your name as source.

Players are expected to finish 14 boards within 1 hour 50 minutes; 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 a 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

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 take ethical violations seriously and report to Eric Laurant from the WBF Investigation committee if our experts and statisticians find ground to suspect a pair/player is violating the rules of bridge through self-kibitzing or illegal communication with partner or teammates.



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