

# MONTHLY MIXED TEAMS



ONLINE BRIDGE EVENTS • [MMT.BRIDGERESULTS.ORG](http://MMT.BRIDGERESULTS.ORG)



## Juniors Seize the Day

We all love fairytales, and the Juniors United are playing their part. Four different pairs from four different countries were put together as a team and with a team effort they dominated the first day of the event. Above you see them showing their gratitude to our anonymous sponsor who ensured them a place in the March Mixed Teams.

In second we find SWUSA, who will play the juniors in the first match of today. In third is Koltodd followed by Jonsma.

Yesterday we faced our first ever breakdown when our server host experienced problems. We apologize to the many sitting patiently in front of the computer waiting for the results to come in. Yet we are happy it happened after the last match rather than the first! May the cards and the server be with us today.

**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

Tuesday March 23















**11:30 DST / 16:30 CET – Round 4 (16 boards)**

**14:00 DST / 19:00 CET – Round 5 (16 boards)**

**16:20 DST / 21:20 CET – Round 6 (16 boards)**

# Leaderboard

## Ranking after round 3

rk	team	VPs
1	 <b>JUNIORS UNITED</b> Sanna Clementsson, Lia Petelko, Koren Retter, Andreas Rolf-Larsen, Ella Rosthoj, Alexander Sandin, Gergana Teneva, Nikolay Yaninski	50.31
2	 <b>SWUSA</b> Per-Ola Cullin, Gary Donner, Kevin Dwyer, Marion Michielsen, Cecilia Rimstedt, Sandra Rimstedt	43.86
3	 <b>KOLTODD</b> Adam Grossack, Myra Kolton, Christian Lahrmann, Christina Lund Madsen, Neil Silverman, Katherine Todd	38.26
4	 <b>JONSMA</b> Peter Both, Jodi Edmonds, Hester Gast, Aida Jansma, Jan Jansma, Bas van Roosmalen, Mark Thiele, Renee Verdegaal	32.11
5	 <b>LAST MINUTE MIX</b> Bo Bilde, Lone Bilde, Jan Pedersen, Helle Rasmussen, Louise Selway, Florian Weiss	31.40
6	 <b>BOSTON MARATHON</b> Kim Gilman, Marina Polestra, James Rasmussen, Linda Robinson, Eric Schwartz	31.08
7	 <b>GONDWANALAND</b> Barbara Cunliffe, Barbara Greenspan, Bernie Greenspan, Ken Kranyak	27.63
8	 <b>HENNER</b> Jenni Carmichael, Tom Carmichael, Ishmael Del'Monte, Josh Donn, Christal Henner, Uday Ivatury, Roger Lee, Sylvia Moss, Sheri Winestock	27.49
9	 <b>AUSTERLITZ</b> Brigitte Aubonnet, Patrick Bogacki, Blandine Delestre, Daniel Delestre, Francois Joligeon, Georges Romanowski, Martine Rossard, Valerie Sauvage	27.20
10	 <b>HARRIS</b> Marusa Gold, Susanna Gross, Jonathan Harris, Steve Root, Todor Tiholov	25.59
11	 <b>TURKISH MIXED</b> Sedat Aluf, Tuna Aluf, Omer Kizilok, Namik Kokten, Basak Kutuk, Sirma Sanus, Nafiz Zorlu	23.39
12	 <b>SUSHI</b> David Douglas, Nathalie Hoff, Giles Ridger, Debbie Sandford, Nick Sandqvist, Nathalie Shashou, Kath Stynes	21.51
13	 <b>PENFOLD</b> Sandra Penfold, Kay Preddy, Norman Selway, Brian Senior, Jeremy Willans, Jon Cooke	20.57
14	 <b>ISRAMIX</b> Ilan Bareket, Ronnie Barr, Ilan Cohen, Ilan Herbst, Michal Nosatzki, Nathalie Saada, Dana Tal, Noga Tal, Yaniv Zack	19.60

**Results**

**Future events**  
**[mmt.bridgeresults.org](http://mmt.bridgeresults.org)**

## Draw Round 4

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 <u>JUNIORS UNITED</u>	 <u>SWUSA</u>
2	 <u>KOLTODD</u>	 <u>JONSMA</u>
3	 <u>LAST MINUTE MIX</u>	 <u>BOSTON MARATHON</u>
4	 <u>GONDWANALAND</u>	 <u>HENNER</u>
5	 <u>AUSTERLITZ</u>	 <u>HARRIS</u>
6	 <u>TURKISH MIXED</u>	 <u>ISRAMIX</u>
7	 <u>SUSHI</u>	 <u>PENFOLD</u>

## Monthly Mixed Teams in 2021

12 - 16 April      April Mixed Teams      Registration

17 - 21 May      May Mixed Teams

7 - 11 June      June Mixed Teams

More events are planned from August. How many will take place depend on the situation in the world and when live bridge will resume - and your feedback, so please let us know.

See the full calendar for 2021 at [mmt.bridgeresults.org](https://mmt.bridgeresults.org)

# Meet the Juniors II

by Christina Lund Madsen



An anonymous sponsor graciously offered a junior team a place in the March Mixed Teams. We are happy to present a team consisting of a combination of youngsters and world champions.

The Juniors United are:

Sanna Clementsson - Alexander Sandin (SE)  
Lia Petelko - Koren Retter (ISR)  
Gergana Teneva - Nikolay Yaninski (BUL)  
Andreas Rolf-Larsen - Ella Rosthøj (DEN)

We asked the juniors to present themselves, and today you are introduced to our ambitious Bulgarian juniors:



Gergana Teneva  
(Bulgaria)

*How old are you, where are you from and what do you do (school/work/education)?*

- My name is Gergana Teneva, but people usually call me Gerry. I'm 21 years old and I am from Bulgaria.  
Currently, I'm studying in the University and I'm working in two places (I swear I have some time for bridge :D).

*How long have you been playing bridge and how did you begin?*

- Funny story, during my momma's pregnancy I have been on a bridge tournament so I count this as the beginning of my bridge passion. I started learning bridge when I was 8 but I officially started competing at 14. My father was my teacher and one of my first (and favorite) partners.

*Which player would you like to play a tournament with if you can choose anyone?*

- Of course, I have my bridge idols - who doesn't dream of playing a hand with Meckstroth or Zia.

*Tell us something about yourself very few people know.*

- I carry a specifically chosen pink pen to every tournament I go to.

*What is your biggest dream (doesn't have to be bridge related)?*

- Even though it might sound cheesy I dream to make people happy and making them feel better. Nothing makes me more satisfied.  
Of course, an iced latte can help too.



**Nikolay Yaninski (Bulgaria) as a 13-year-old with his 101-year-old Australian partner**



*How old are you, where are you from and what do you do (school/work/education)?*

- My name is Nikolay Yaninski. I am 23 years old from Sofia. I am in my final year of studies towards a bachelor's in Computer Science. I am studying at the Faculty of Mathematics and Informatics in Sofia.

*How long have you been playing bridge and how did you begin?*

- I have been playing bridge since I was 11. My father has introduced me to the game.

*Which player would you like to play a tournament with if you can choose anyone?*

- That's a tough question! My pick would be Zia Mahmood. He is the most emblematic player in the world and one of

the most difficult players to play against regardless of his partner!

*Tell us something about yourself very few people know.*

- When I was 13, I went on a vacation to Australia. I had the opportunity to visit a bridge club in Sydney. I was there just in time before a tournament was about to start. Unfortunately, I did not have a partner. However, they managed to find me just the perfect one! It was a 101-year old lady and interestingly we had both started playing 2-3 years ago! We scored about 50%, not bad.

*What is your biggest dream (doesn't have to be bridge related)?*

- My biggest dream is to be able to take care of my family and be a good parent one day!

# A Blast from the Past

By Mark Horton



The other day one of the world's great bridge bibliophiles, Wolf Klewe, sent me a copy of leaflet from 1954 promoting a bidding competition organised by the British Bridge League.

It consisted of 12 problems set by International players and for an entrance fee of 2/6 you got the chance to 'be famous' by winning a Challenge Cup and a valuable prize. It also offered 'handsome prizes for 2nd, 3rd and 4th.

Naturally, all the problems were based on the use of the Acol system and the contestants were offered a myriad choice of bids from which they could make their selection. Then, as now, bidding was an important part of the game and it inspired me to present a problem from the opening round of the March Mixed Teams:

**Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.**

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

On the surface this does not appear to be too testing - NS have nine top tricks

in 3NT. However, as is so often the case, the devil is in the detail. Let's see how our stars coped:

## Isramix v Boston Marathon

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Gilman	Barr	Rasmussen	I Herbst
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♣	1♥	Pass
Pass	Dble	Pass	2♦
All Pass			

West led the ♥7 and declarer won in dummy, drew trumps and exited with a heart, finishing with ten tricks, +130. Given that South's 2♦ might have been based on a next to nothing there was no particular reason for North to bid over it.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Zack	Schwartz	Saada	Robinson
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♦	1♥	4♦
Pass	5♦	All Pass	

Declarer won the heart lead, cashed the ♦A and then took the ♣A, ruffed a club and exited with a heart, East winning and returning a heart. Declarer ruffed and fatally took a second round of trumps, which resulted in one down, -100 and a loss of 6 IMPs.

Having ruffed a heart, declarer must ruff a club, cross to dummy with a trump and ruff his last club. Now, cashing the ♠A leaves East in a pickle. Unblocking it avoids the impending endplay, but allows declarer to lead towards the ♠J.

### SWUSA v Sushi

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Ridger	Donner	Hoff	Rimstedt
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♣*	1♥	Pass*
Pass	Dble	2♥	3♦
All Pass			

1♣ Artificial, 16+  
Pass 0-7 or trap

Given that South had bid freely over 2♥ do you think North might have taken a stab at 3NT?

Declarer won the heart lead and played along the elimination lines I just mentioned for a well-played 11 tricks.

### Closed Room

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Michielsen	Sandqvist	Cullin	Shashou
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♣	2♥	Pass
Pass	Dble	Pass	2NT*
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

2NT 'Leb I think'

That was +600 and 10 IMPs.



Nathalie Shashou

### Turkish Mixed v Harris

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Gold Aluf	Harris	Sanus	Rimstedt
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♣	1♥	Pass
1♠	Dble	2♥	All Pass

South led the ♣4 and when declarer played dummy's ten North ducked. He also ducked the heart continuation, declarer finishing with nine tricks, +140.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Kizilok	Root	Kutuk	Gross
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♣*	1♥	Pass
Pass	Dble	2♥	3♦
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

1♣ 2+♣





**Bernie Greenspan**

One can understand why East bid 2♥, but it meant that when South decided to bid it showed enough for North to bid game and collect 12 IMPs.

### Henner v Austerlitz

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
B Delestre	Donn	Delestre	Winestock
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♣*	2♥	Pass*
Pass	Dble	Pass	3♦
All Pass			

1♣ 16+ any distribution  
Pass 0-5

Declarer did not follow the elimination line, but when East came in with a heart switching to the ♠K saw declarer score eleven tricks, +150.

### Closed Room

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Moss	Aubonnet	Lee	Joligeon
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♦	3♥	5♦
All Pass			

Declarer did not find the elimination, finishing one down and losing 6 IMPs.

### Jonsma v Gondwanaland

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Cunliffe	J Jansma	K Kranyak	Jansma
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♣*	1♥	Pass
Pass	1NT*	2♥	All Pass

1♣ Polish  
1NT 18-19 balanced

South led her club and North won with the ace, cashed the ♦Q and the switched to the ♥5, declarer taking eight tricks, +110.

### Closed Room

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Both	Greenspan	Gast	Greenspan
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♦	1♥	3♦*
Pass	Pass	3♥	Pass
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3♦ Weak

That meant a 12 IMP swing.



## Penfold v Juniors United

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Rosthøj	Senior	Rolf-Larsen	Penfold
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♣	1♥	Pass
1♠	Dble	2♥	All Pass

Do you think South should bid over 2♥?

South led the ♣5 but dummy's ten held and the heart continuation went to the five and king, +110.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Preddy	Petelko	Selway	Retter
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♦	1♥	3♦*
Pass	3♥*	Dble	Pass*
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3♦ 5+♦, weak  
 3♥ Heart stopper?  
 Pass 'I think no stopper'

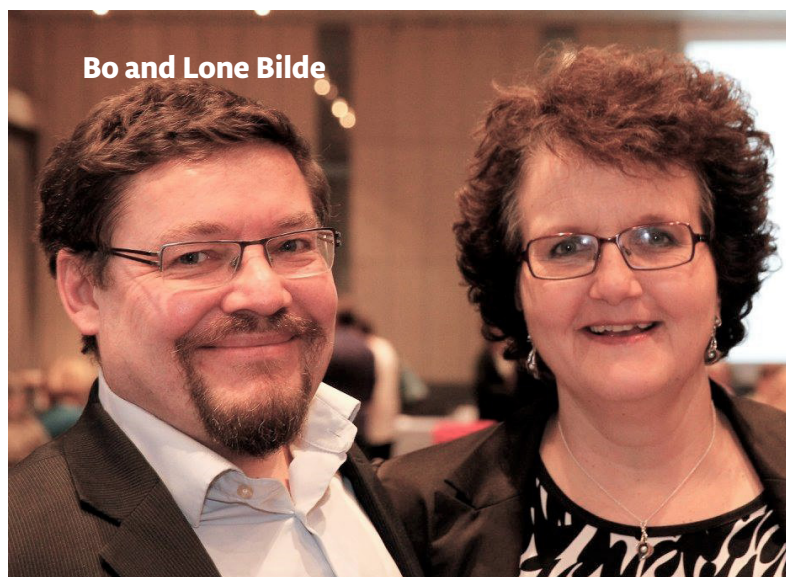
12 IMPs changed hands.

## Koltodd v Last Minute Mix

### Open Room

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Selway	A Grossack	Weiss	Kolton
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♦	1♥	3♦
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

+600.



### Closed Room

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lahrman	B Bilde	L. Madsen	L Bilde
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	1♣*	1♥	2♣*
Pass	3NT*	All Pass	

1♣ 2+♣, 5 cards in any suit possible if bal.  
 2♣ 5+♦, can be weak  
 3NT 'No agreement'

East led the ♥K and declarer won and cashed nine tricks. The discards were such that declarer was able to score a second spade for +630 and an IMP.

I'm not sure what conclusion one can draw from that, other than that only 6 of the 14 pairs bid 3NT.

No North defending 2♥ played partner for a club shortage. It looks easier to reach game after a 1♦ opening - as long as North is willing to bid 3NT over a weak raise.



Bridge Base  
O N L I N E

Free, unlimited bridge on BBO



Your online bridge club

Social play. ACBL Games. Tournaments. Solitaire.



Computer, tablet or mobile phone:  
Play on your favorite device!