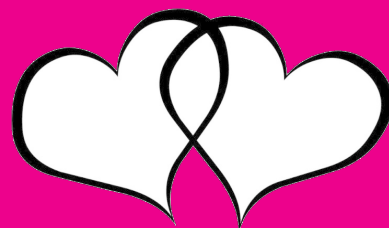


MONTHLY MIXED TEAMS



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What's in a Name?



Yesterday during the first match we received a text from a player.

"Hi, can someone please explain why we're playing two men in today's mixed tournament?"

Our poor TD Denis Dobrin did not have a good explanation for that, so he asked the team with the two male players. It turns out they were not aware this is a mixed event, though the title might have been a hint...

Now if this had happened on day 1, we might have been less surprised. Yet we accept the full blame. Though all pairs listed in the butler ranking are male/female, many names may seem foreign and not reveal the players' sex. And after checking our Conditions of Contest, we realized we actually do not state that players have to be of opposite sex (whatever that is these days).

The TD found an adequate solution to the problem and now we ask for your suggestions for a new name of the event to avoid misunderstandings in the future.

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

Wednesday April 1st





11:30 DST / 16:30 CET – Round 7 (16 boards)

14:00 DST / 19:00 CET – Round 8 (16 boards)

16:20 DST / 21:20 CET – Round 9 (16 boards)

Leaderboard

Ranking after round 6

rk	team	VPs
1	 SWUSA Per-Ola Cullin, Gary Donner, Kevin Dwyer, Marion Michielsen, Cecilia Rimstedt, Sandra Rimstedt	90.09
2	 JUNIORS UNITED Sanna Clementsson, Lia Petelko, Koren Retter, Andreas Rolf-Larsen, Ella Rosthoj, Alexander Sandin, Gergana Teneva, Nikolay Yaninski	80.75
3	 HENNER Jenni Carmichael, Tom Carmichael, Ishmael Del'Monte, Josh Donn, Christal Henner, Uday Ivatury, Roger Lee, Sylvia Moss, Sheri Winestock	69.80
4	 TURKISH MIXED Sedat Aluf, Tuna Aluf, Omer Kizilok, Namik Kokten, Basak Kutuk, Sima Sanus, Nafiz Zorlu	68.21
5	 LAST MINUTE MIX Bo Bilde, Lone Bilde, Jan Pedersen, Helle Rasmussen, Louise Selway, Florian Weiss	67.43
6	 JONSMa Peter Both, Jodi Edmonds, Hester Gast, Aida Jansma, Jan Jansma, Bas van Roosmalen, Mark Thiele, Renee Verdegaaal	60.48
7	 AUSTERLITZ Brigitte Aubonnet, Patrick Bogacki, Blandine Delestre, Daniel Delestre, Francois Joligeon, Georges Romanowski, Martine Rossard, Valerie Sauvage	59.66
8	 HARRIS Marusa Gold, Susanna Gross, Jonathan Harris, Steve Root, Todor Tiholov	57.89
9	 ISRAMIX Ilan Bareket, Ronnie Barr, Ilan Cohen, Ilan Herbst, Michal Nosatzki, Nathalie Saada, Dana Tal, Noga Tal, Yaniv Zack	55.73
10	 PENFOLD Sandra Penfold, Kay Preddy, Norman Selway, Brian Senior, Jeremy Willans, Jon Cooke	53.30
11	 KOLTODD Adam Grossack, Myra Kolton, Christian Lahrmann, Christina Lund Madsen, Neil Silverman, Katherine Todd	50.31
12	 BOSTON MARATHON Kim Gilman, Marina Polestra, James Rasmussen, Linda Robinson, Eric Schwartz	48.86
13	 SUSHI David Douglas, Nathalie Hoff, Giles Ridger, Debbie Sandford, Nick Sandqvist, Nathalie Shashou, Kath Stynes	41.34
14	 GONDWANALAND Barbara Cunliffe, Barbara Greenspan, Bernie Greenspan, Ken Kranyak	36.15

Results

Future events
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Draw Round 7

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

Meet the Juniors III

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 young Danish pair.

Andreas Rolf-Larsen

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

- Hi, my name is Andreas, I'm 18 years old, and i live in a rather small town called Brøndby outside of Copenhagen in Denmark. I am currently in my senior year in High School.

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

- I have played bridge since I was around 7 or 8 years old. I primarily began because of my parents, who both play.

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

- I have always been a Dennis Bilde fanboy myself, so he is one I'd like to play with in a tournament one day, but besides from him it is probably Zia I dream most of playing with.

Tell us something about yourself very few people know.

- I've actually had surgery in both my eyes. Not for anything serious but the condition i had before made it so I couldn't see in 3D. When I was told that, it was an explanation of why I had always found 3D movies rather underwhelming.



Andreas Rolf-Larsen

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

- My biggest dream right now is to travel all around the world, not necessarily with bridge, but just experiencing as much of the Earth as possible. In bridge I would say my biggest dream is probably to win a medal at the Bermuda Bowl.

Ella Rosthøj

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

- I am 15 years old and come from Copenhagen, Denmark. Currently I am going to a boarding school, which I love incredibly much.

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

- I have always played a little bridge, based on my parents playing. An organization called "Danish School Bridge" (founded and run by Morten Bilde/ed.) started my interest in bridge by teaching me more of the basics, and then I got hooked. I usually say that I started playing seriously in the fall of 2019 ... which is a long time ago now.

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

- There are several bridge players I would LOVE to play with... however, I love and really appreciate playing with my dad.

Tell us something about yourself very few people know.



- There are not many things people do not know about me, people can read me like an open book and I answer the most questions. Whether it is good or bad is just that...

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

- I have many big dreams, which f.ex. bridge - I want to become a good and better player than I am today... otherwise I dream of becoming an engineer or programmer after high school sometime in the future....

Opposite Ends of the Spectrum

By Mark Horton



Many players are happy to face a quiet deal at the start of a session, allowing any butterflies to settle.

By the time the final deal arrives the emotions can be very different. Those who think they are ahead will be hoping for something dull, while those who feel they are in need of points will be hoping for a deal with swing potential.

Welcome to the final deal of Round 4:

Board 16. Dealer West. EW Vul.

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

This looked like an interesting deal - West is sure to open the bidding (I'll allow you time to debate the merits of 1♣ as opposed to 1♠) and North might jump to 4♥. Where the opening bid is 1♠ East raises to 4♠ and South probably goes quietly, although bidding 5♥ might see an overeager West advance to 5♠.

As to the play, assuming North leads a club against a spade contract, declarer must

take dummy's ace and will probably pitch a couple of diamonds on the top hearts before tackling trumps.

Let's see what transpired:

Juniors United v SWUSA

Open Room

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Donner	Rolf-Larsen	S Rimstedt	Rosthøj
1♠	4♥	4♠	All Pass

North led the ♣3 and declarer took dummy's ace, pitched two diamonds on the top hearts and then ran the ♠10. When it held she repeated the finesse and claimed 11 tricks, +650.

Closed Room

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Petelko	C Rimstedt	Retter	Dwyer
1♠	4♥	4♠	All Pass

The first three tricks were identical, but then declarer cashed the top spades and exited with a club. South won, cashed the ♦A and exited with a heart. Declarer ruffed and played a spade to the ten and queen, but South got off play with a diamond to dummy's king and the enforced play of a club allowed South to score a ruff with the ♠9.

'Strange, the player with the club length was the one who scored a ruff,' said Oscar the Owl.

If declarer plays a third round of trumps South wins and plays a heart, but declarer ruffs, draws the last trump and plays a club, breathing a sigh of relief when South has the ♦A.

Koltodd v Jonsma

Open Room

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
J Jansma	L. Madsen	Edmonds	Silverman
1♠	4♥	4♠	All Pass

North led the ♣3 and declarer took dummy's ace, discarded diamonds on the top hearts, cashed two spade and played a club, going one down on the defence just described.

Closed Room

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Todd	Both	Lahrman	A Jansma
1♠	4♥	4♠	All Pass

North led the ♦Q and the defenders played three rounds of the suit, declarer winning with the eight and cashing the top spades. That meant two more losers, no swing. The winning line is not easy - declarer must play a club to the ace at trick four and continue with the ♠10. Assuming South covers declarer wins and now exits with a club. As soon as dummy regains the lead declarer takes a second spade finesse.



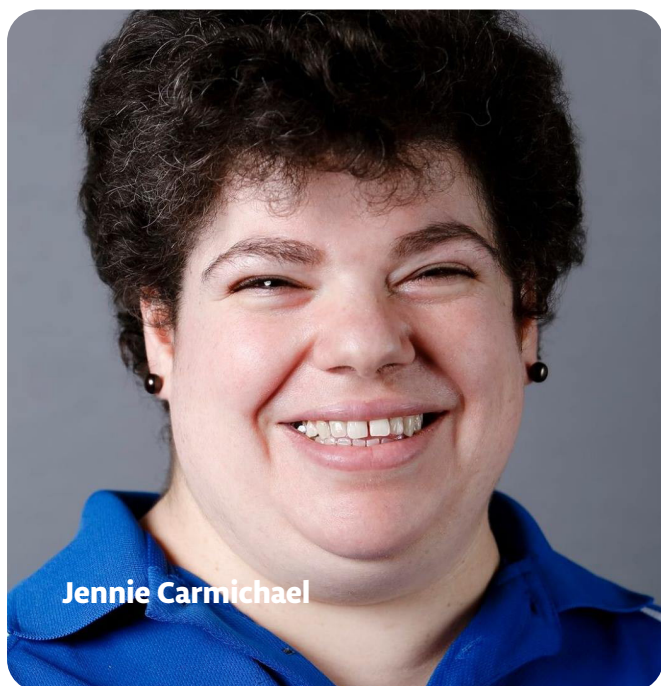
Last Minute Mix v Boston Marathon

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Gilman	Weiss	Rasmussen	Selway
1♠	4♥	4♠	All Pass

After a club lead and two rounds of hearts declarer cashed the top spades and then played a third spade to dummy's ten and South's queen. South cashed the ♣K and the ♦A, declarer claiming the rest, +620.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
B Bilde	Schwartz	L Bilde	Robinson
1♠	4♥	5♥*	Pass
5♠	All Pass		

5♥ 'Only way to invite for slam'



Jennie Carmichael

After what might be described as the traditional first three tricks declarer played the ♠10 covered by the queen and ace. Declarer continued with the ♠K, but when North discarded declarer could not avoid the loss of three tricks and 12 IMPs changed hands.

The winning line (not easy) is to play South for four trumps, declarer exiting with a club after the first round of spades. South wins, but declarer will soon be in dummy to take a spade finesse.

Gondwanaland v Henner

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
J Carmichael	Cunliffe	Carmichael	K Kranyak
1♠	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2♥*	Pass	3NT*	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

- 2♦ Limit raise+(3+♠)
- 2♥ Minimum
- 3NT Choice of games

Here the club lead was followed by the top hearts and the top spades, declarer then playing a club. South won, but exited with the ♦2, declarer winning with dummy's king and playing the ♠10 for 11 tricks.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Greenspan	Del'Monte	Greenspan	Moss
1♠	4♥	4♠	All Pass

North led the ♦Q and three rounds of the suit saw declarer win with the nine and continue with the ♠J. South won with the queen, exited with a heart and waited for the club trick that was worth 13 IMPs.

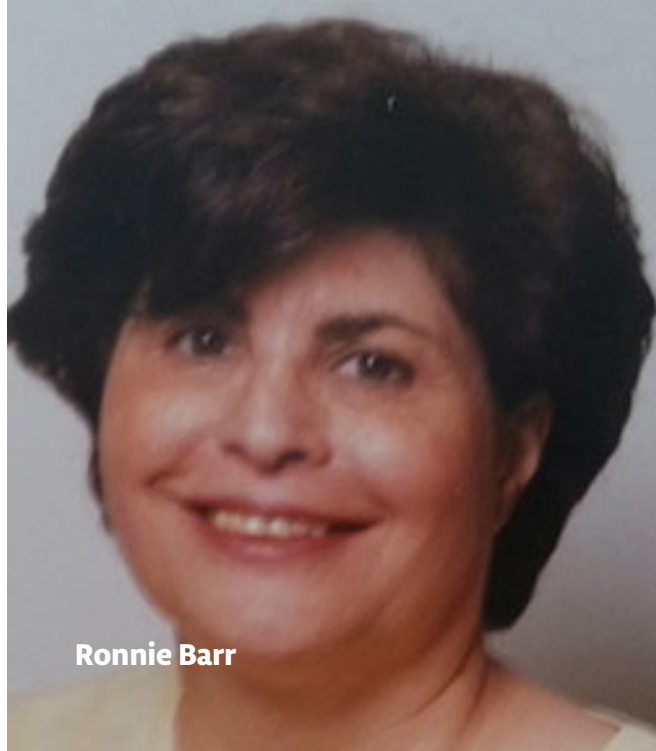
Austerlitz v Harris

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Gold	Aubonnet	Tiholov	Joligeon
1♠	4♥	4♠	Pass
Pass	5♥	Dble	All Pass

East cashed the top hearts and switched to the ♠2, West winning with the jack and returning a club. East's ace was the last trick for the defence, -300.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Rossard	Root	Romanowski	Gross
2♠	Pass	4♠	Pass
Pass	5♥	Dble	All Pass

After an identical start West played a diamond at trick four, but declarer could not establish the ♣K for a diamond discard so no swing.



Ronnie Barr

What to make of North's 3♦ bid? Was it a mouse click, or something more imaginative?

North led the ♣3 and declarer took dummy's ace, cashed the top hearts and played the ♠10 for the queen and ace. When North discarded on the king declarer exited with a club and was two down, no swing.

Sushi v Penfold

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Preddy	Sandqvist	Selway	Shashou
1♠	4♥	4♠	All Pass

East does best to switch to a spade at trick two. If West wins and switched to a diamond the defenders have the tempo to establish a diamond trick for -500.

Turkish Mix v Isramix

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
D Tal	Sanus	Cohen	Aluf
1♠	4♥	4♠	5♥
5♠	All Pass		

North found the killing lead of the ♦Q and after the defenders had taken two tricks in the suit North switched to the ♣3. Declarer took dummy's ace and played the ♠10 for the queen and ace, cashed the king and exited with a club, soon claiming nine tricks, -200.

North led the ♦Q and three rounds of the suit saw declarer win with the eight and play a club for the jack and king. The diamond return saw declarer ruff in dummy and run the ♠10. When it held the repeat finesse meant +620.

If North had ruffed the four diamond with the ♠5 forcing dummy's ten declarer would have needed to play South for all the missing spades.

If North's 4♥ indicated an eight-card suit his shape had to be 0832 or 1831, so South might have found the club return.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Ridger	Senior	Hoff	Penfold
1♠	4♥	4♠	5♥
5♠	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Aluf	Barr	Kokten	I Herbst
1♠	3♦	4♦*	5♦
Pass	Pass	Dble	Pass
5♠	Pass	6♠	All Pass

North led the ♣3 and declarer took dummy's ace, pitched diamonds on the hearts but then played a spade to the jack. That meant the loss of a spade, diamond and a club, so -200 and a 13 IMP swing.

4♦ 'Better than 4♠ bid'



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