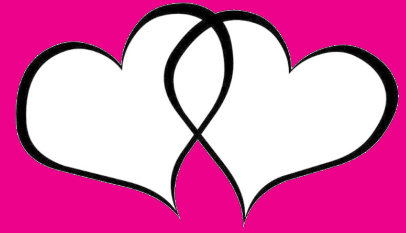


MONTHLY MIXED TEAMS



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England in the Lead

After the first day of our qualification, Harris is leading the field after three solid victories with Marlenka, also an English team, in second followed by Turnips in third.

Mark Horton is as always covering the play, usually choosing a few boards and reporting the action at each table. That means many of you are mentioned and we like to bring pictures of all of our participants, so once again we encourage you to send us a photo if you suspect we do not yet have one in our archives.

We would also be happy to receive summer pictures from around the world.

Best of luck 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





June 15

10:00 EDT / 16:00 CET – Round 4 (14 boards)

12:10 EDT / 18:10 CET – Round 5 (14 boards)

14:20 EDT / 20:20 CET – Round 6 (14 boards)

Draw Round 4

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	 <u>HARRIS</u>	 <u>MARLENKA</u>
2	 <u>TURNIPS</u>	 <u>WILSON</u>
3	 <u>SWUSA</u>	 <u>BAMSA</u>
4	 <u>SUMMER MIXED STARS</u>	 <u>TULIPS ++</u>
5	 <u>ALE</u>	 <u>BELHARA</u>
6	 <u>NYVASA</u>	 <u>PENFOLD</u>
7	 <u>CORONA-SURVIVORS</u>	 <u>MARENGO</u>
8	 <u>SILLA</u>	 <u>KODA</u>
9	 <u>Mrs. ROBINSON</u>	 <u>PARKER</u>

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Ranking



Jonathan Harris' team has taken the lead.

Next Monthly Mixed Teams

July 5 -8

August 9 - 12

Both summer events are only 4 days long and have a maximum of 32 boards/day.

Registration via mmt.bridgeresults.org

Ranking after round 3		
rk	team	VPs
1	 <u>HARRIS</u>	49.50
2	 <u>MARLENKA</u>	45.33
3	 <u>TURNIPS</u>	39.59
4	 <u>WILSON</u>	39.49
5	 <u>SWUSA</u>	38.30
6	 <u>BAMSA</u>	37.77
7	 <u>SUMMER MIXED STARS</u>	37.19
8	 <u>TULIPS ++</u>	32.75
9	 <u>ALE</u>	27.03
10	 <u>BELHARA</u>	26.41
11	 <u>NYVASA</u>	26.05
12	 <u>PENFOLD</u>	22.11
13	 <u>CORONA-SURVIVORS</u>	21.82
14	 <u>MARENGO</u>	21.68
15	 <u>SILLA</u>	20.82
16	 <u>KODA</u>	20.49
17	 <u>Mrs. ROBINSON</u>	20.20
18	 <u>PARKER</u>	13.47

The Ides of June

By Mark Horton



Despite the ongoing battle with the relentless virus, one can still enjoy the onset of the warmer months. In the run up to the start of the Summer Mixed we have been blessed with gloriously sunny days in the UK, but on Monday morning the sky was overcast and full of threatening clouds. Was it an omen? Take a look at these deals from Round 1:

Board 3. Dealer South. EW Vul.

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



Lise Blågestad

Would you like to be in a grand slam with these cards? You have 12 top tricks and various chances of securing the additional one required. If East knows West has four spades along with the ♠AK and the ♣A then it is a decent gamble.

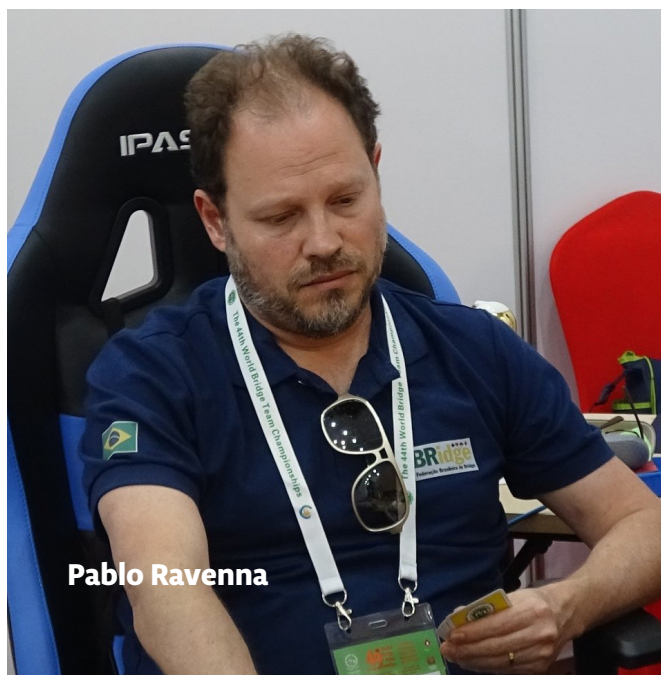
Swusa v Silla

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Blågestad	C Rimstedt	Eide	Dwyer
—	—	—	Pass
1♣*	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♥*	Pass	5NT*	Pass
6♥*	All Pass		

1♣ 3+♣ 2♦ Artificial game force
 4NT RKCB 5♥ 2 key cards
 5NT King ask 6♥ No minor king

South led the ♦5 and declarer won, drew trumps and played spades, +1460.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Cullin	Saelensminde	Michielsen	Fuglestad
—	—	—	Pass
1♦*	Pass	1♥	Pass
1NT	Pass	2NT*	Pass
3♣*	Pass	3♦*	Pass
3♠*	Pass	4♣*	Pass
4♠*	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♥	Pass	7♥	All Pass



Pablo Ravenna

That told East everything she needed to know, +2210.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Draper	B Delestre	Woodcock	D Delestre
—	—	—	Pass
1♣*	Pass	1♥	Pass
1NT*	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2♠*	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♥*	Pass	5NT*	Pass
6♠*	Pass	7♥	All Pass

1♦ 10-15, 1+♦
 2NT Forces 3♣
 3♣ Forced
 3♦ Game forcing 6+♥, no shortness
 3♠ Cue
 4♣ Cue
 4NT RKCB
 5♥ 2 key cards

1♣ 2+♣
 1NT 11-14
 2♦ Artificial game force
 2♠ 4♠
 4NT RKCB
 5♥ 2 key cards
 5NT Kings?
 6♠ ♠K

That was +2210 and 13 IMPs for SWUSA.

This was the only match where both teams reached 7♥.

Marlenka v Marengo

Koda v Ale

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
C de Bronac	Gold	P de Bronac	Seale
—	—	—	Pass
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♥*	Pass	5NT*	Pass
6♠*	Pass	7♥	All Pass

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Garafulic	Donn	Ravenna	Winestock
—	—	—	Pass
1♣*	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♥*	Pass	5NT*	Pass
6♠*	Pass	7♥	All Pass

4NT RKCB 5♥ '3041'
 5NT Kings? 6♠ ♠K

1♣ 2+♣ 2♦ Game forcing

A regulation sequence for +2210.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lee	David	Westheimer	Thoma
—	—	—	Pass
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2♠*	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♥*	Pass	5NT*	Pass
6♥	All Pass		

2♦ Game forcing

2♠ 4♠, not 3♥

4NT RKCB

5♥ 2 key cards

As we have seen before, if West does not admit to ownership of the ♠K then East cannot advance.

Wilson v Nyvasa

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
da Rosa	van Prooijen	Pepic	Wilson
—	—	—	Pass
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♥*	Pass	5NT*	Pass
6♥*	All Pass		

4NT RKCB

5♥ 2 key cards

6♥ 'No agreement here'

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Larsson	Schwartz	Kiljan	Schwartz
—	—	—	Pass
1♣*	Pass	1♥	Pass
1NT*	Pass	3♥*	Pass
3♠*	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♥*	Pass	5♠*	Pass
5NT*	Pass	6♥*	Pass
6♠	Pass	7♥	All Pass

1♣ '2+♣ (1♦ promises 5♦ or unbalanced)'

1NT 'Can have 4♠ if bal. (11) 12-14 NT'

3♥ Natural game force

3♠ 'Undiscussed, I think cue bid'

4NT RKCB

5♥ 2 key cards

5♠ 'Grand slam try'

5NT 'Undiscussed'

6♥ 'To play'

That was worth 13 IMPs.



Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

NS have the values for game, but how easy is it to bid one when West is active?

Parker v Tulips ++

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
J Jansma	A Grossack	Levin	Parker
4♥	Pass	Pass	Dble
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

From the comfort of my office it is easy for me to suggest that North should play for penalties on the basis that if you can take ten tricks in spades you will presumably collect 300/500 from 4♠ doubled.

East led the ♥Q and declarer won with dummy's ace, came to hand with a diamond and played a spade to the king. When that lost West cashed the ♥J and continued with the ♥3. East ruffed with the ♥J and returned the ♣6, West's ruff meaning the contract was two down, -100.

This was the only occasion West opened 4♥.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Tebha	Both	Rubenstein	A Jansma
1♥	Pass	Pass	Dble
2♥	2♠	All Pass	

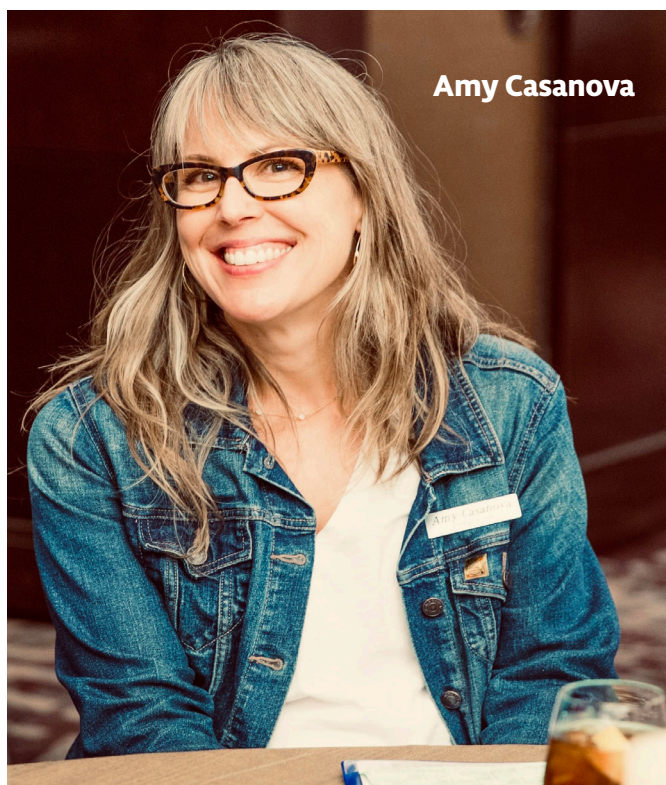
East led the ♥Q and declarer won with dummy's ace and played four rounds of diamonds pitching a heart as East ruffed. That resulted in nine tricks, +140 and 6 IMPs.

Koda v Ale

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Garafulic	Donn	Ravenna	Winestock
1♥	Pass	Pass	Dble
2♥	2♠	3♥	3♠
4♥	All Pass		

North led the ♦K and the defenders took three tricks in the suit, North switching to the ♠10. That looks like two down, but a trick got away, -50.





Amy Casanova

East's 2♣ worked well. North might have bid 2♠ over 2♥, but it's not a clear cut action.

North led the ♠4 and declarer won with the queen and played a heart for the queen and ace, soon claiming eight tricks, +110.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
M Gold	Beauchet	Tiholov	Herrera
1♥	Pass	Pass	Dble
2♥	2♠	All Pass	

East led the ♥Q and declarer won with dummy's ace and played four rounds of diamonds pitching dummy's remaining heart, West ruffing with the ♠6 and returning the ♥J. Declarer ruffed in dummy and continued with the ♣K which meant there were only eight tricks, +110 and 6 IMPs.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lee	David	Westheimer	Thoma
1♥	Pass	Pass	Dble
2♥	2♠	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

West led the ♥K and declarer won the second round, played the ♣J to dummy's ace and had enough entries to score four clubs and four diamonds, +400 and 8 IMPs. It was another solo performance by NS.

Harris v Corona-Survivors

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Casanova	Root	Montgomery	Gross
1♥	Pass	Pass	1NT*
Pass	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♥	All Pass		

1NT 11-16

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ J 5 4
♥ A 9
♦ 8 4
♣ K Q J 8 7 5

♠ A K Q 10 8 2
♥ Q 5
♦ K 6 3
♣ 6 2

♠ 7 6
♥ K J 10 6 4
♦ A 7 5
♣ 9 4 3

♠ 9 3
♥ 8 7 3 2
♦ Q J 10 9 2
♣ A 10

4♠ is an excellent spot for EW - how to reach it?

Swusa v Silla

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Blågestad	C Rimstedt	Eide	Dwyer
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♠	2♣	2♥	3♣
3♠	All Pass		

The defenders took two clubs and then switched to diamonds, declarer winning in hand, drawing trumps and playing hearts, +170.

Is there a case for West to rebid 4♠? Would that imply some sort of fit for hearts? You can also consider what the meaning of a double of 3♣ or a bid of 3♦ should mean.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Cullin	Saelensminde	Michielsen	Fuglestad
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♠	2♣	2♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Here it was clear for East to advance to game, +420 and 6 IMPs.

Belhara v Penfold

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Rosen	Tartarin	Selway	Renou
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♠	2♣	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	Pass	3♣
3♥	All Pass		



Per-Ola Cullin

South led the ♣A and switched to a diamond, declarer winning in dummy and playing the ♥Q. North won, cashed the ♣K but then went back to diamonds, so there were ten tricks, 170.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Uszynski	Senior	Waksman	Penfold
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♠	3♣	3♥	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

That simple sequence was worth 6 IMPs.



Rodrigo Garcia da Rosa

Again we see how much easier it is when 3♠ is a jump bid.

Harris v Corona-Survivors

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Casanova	Root	Montgomery	Gross
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♠	3♣	Pass	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Here the defenders tried three rounds of clubs, but there was no trump promotion, +420.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
M Gold	Beauchet	Tiholov	Herrera
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♠	2♣	2♥	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

Wilson v Nyvasa

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
da Rosa	van Prooijen	Pepic	Wilson
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♠	3♣	Dble*	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

After two rounds of clubs and a diamond switch that was a rapid +420.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Larsson	Schwartz	Kiljan	Schwartz
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♠	2♣	Dble	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

I like the 4♠ bid - don't you?

I was going to conclude by revealing what happened at the Editor's table, but noblesse oblige it must remain unreported.



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28 June: Benefits of bridge as a sport

Welcome: World Bridge Federation President

[1A] Mindsports in Academia & Society

13:00 (BST UK) / 14:00 (CEST) / 08:00 (EDT)

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16:30 (BST UK) / 17:30 (CEST) / 11:30 (EDT)

Keynote: Prof Martin Seligman (USA)

Book launch: *Bridge at the Top* (Jill Levin & Chip Martel)

30 June: How can bridge be more inclusive?

[3A] Bridging Generations

10:00 (BST UK) / 11:00 (CEST) / 05:00 (EDT)

[3B] Gender, Sexism & Bridge

15:00 (BST UK) / 16:00 (CEST) / 10:00 (EDT)

Panel 1 Women's Bridge: Pros & Cons

Panel 2 Sexism within the Game: Solutions?

29 June: The future hybrid of live & online bridge

[2A] Impact of a Global Pandemic on Bridge

11:30 (BST UK) / 12:30 (CEST) / 06:30 (EDT)

[2B] Digital Bridge & Cheating

19:30 (BST UK) / 20:30 (CEST) / 14:30 (EDT)

Panel: Jan Kamras (EBL), Eric Laurant (WBF)

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1 July: How to transform the image of bridge?

[4A] New Approaches to Teaching & Recruitment

13:00 (BST UK) / 14:00 (CEST) / 08:00 (EDT)

Panel 1 Teaching & Retaining Learners

Panel 2 How to get more Bridge into Schools

[4B] Marketing Bridge

16:30 (BST UK) / 17:30 (CEST) / 11:30 (EDT)

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