Goodmorning Bridge

Pula Bridge Festival Online Bulletin

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Dear Pula Players,

Five days past and five more to go, we are at half mark of the festival!!

After all this fun events so far in front of us lies the big thing, main teams and main pairs. Last year for the teams we had ? teams and this year we are expecting even more, already 58 teams registered. Unfortunately last years winners wont be here to defend the title so tournament is up for grabs, before the start tomorrow everybody has the same chance to win. Or as one of our fellow sportsman said: "I am in it to win it".

Last year pairs event had 133 pairs and it will be close but we hope to top that this year since already we have 115 pairs registered.

Winners of BAM tournament are team Senator (Stanislaw Pajak, Mariusz Kowalski , Piotr Kucharski , Marek Pieczka , Krzysztof Kujawa , Przemysław Zawada), winners of Lara mixed pairs are Ewa Dziekanska—Krzysztof Dziekanski and winners of Lara non mixed pairs are Hristo Dunev—Georgi Georgiev.

That means that our list of countries from where winners come from has an addition—Bulgaria. We are still waiting for home country winners, go Cro!

As you probably noticed today we are also using another playing room which is in the ex-Casino. If you are playing there you can enter it from outside and from the inside of hotel Histria, but much easier is from the outside, just follow signs.

Registration for teams tournament will close few hours before the start tomorrow at noon so if you haven't registered yet please do so as soon as possible. Registration for pairs will close on Friday morning so you still have some time but also please don't wait for the last moment. It is easier for us to run everything smoothly if you register on time. Registrations will be available only online and if you don't know what to do, follow link in this bulletin or just ask any of our helpful staff. Pairs/teams who want to register later after the registration closes will be allowed to play only if it is convenient for the organizer. Please help us by registering in advance, and in case you decide to cancel your registration please inform us immediately at pulabridge@gmail.com so we

can organize the sections and maybe let someone else play. If you are looking for a partner or team-mates let us know.

If you need any other assistance with whatever you can think of feel free to ask any of our staff, we are here to help.



I know that you like to spend all your non bridge time just relaxing at the beach or maybe sipping some fancy cocktails in the shade but please if during any of the tournaments you notice an interesting hand, play, defense or just want to mention somebody, feel free to email me and we will put your story in bulletin.

We would also be happy to include a promotion of your tournament, happy birthday wishes to a friend or a love letter.

We have five more days of bridge and fun in front of us, so just enjoy

RESULTS BAM TOURNAMENT

1 <u>Senator</u>	Stanislaw Pajak Piotr Kucharski Przemysław Zawada Mariusz Kowalski	58.20
2 Bridge24.pl	Grzegorz Narkiewicz Jacek Latomski Krzysztof Buras Wojciech Strzemecki Piotr Marcinowski	52.00
$3 \frac{\text{DOBBEL-}}{\text{SGANGER}}$	Clovis Dehaye Steven de Donder Renata Muller Marshall Lewis	49.00
4 E-European	Katalin Mezei László Honti Oleksandr Bielov Grigol Gogoberidze	49.00
5 <u>FICHO750</u>	Sandra Havliček Tomislav Sasek Georgi Hristov Kiril Marinovski	48.20
6 <u>Gaba</u>	Malgorzata Sawicka Magnus Bruun Larssen Piotr Walczak Janusz Kalida	48.00
7 <u>Apa Heili</u> <u>Downunder</u>	Axel Johannsson Karen McCallum Peter Gill Liz Sylvester	48.00
8 <u>JAMM</u>	May Sakr Allison Howard Michael Cappelletti Jacek Pszczola	48.00
9 GONZO	Ilona Bobko Aleksander Bobko Maciej Krzywka Jerzy Madera	48.00
10 <u>Roza - ma</u>	Malene Christensen Bas van Engelen Sandra Krekel Frank van Engelen Tim Verbeek	47.80
11 <u>FIFI</u>	Faruk Mašić Srđan Katušić Dražen Martinovic Igor Novosel	47.00
12 <u>Lisbeth</u>	John Helge Herland John Vaage Lisbeth Eide Torgeir Maanum	46.00
13 <u>Mattisse</u>	Silvana Rojko Aleksandra Jeseničnik Tina Drnovšek Milan PAVLIN Alfonz Šumer Tolja Orač	44.80
14 <u>Canada 139</u>	Andrzej Proczkowski Sylwester Cieślak Tadeusz Danczak Jerzy Góralczyk	44.80
15 Pobeda	hristo dunev georgi georgiev ivan mladenov valeri yovchev	44.00
16 <u>Klõun</u>	Albert Pedmanson Manglus Lember Riko Piirisild Martin Maasik	44.00
17 <u>LOLa</u>	Barbara Drinovec Drnovšek Bogdan Rašula Jože Sadar Tomaž Adamič	43.00
18 Oh Yes Joe!	Billy Ronan Patrick Cassidy Peter Stewart Joe Walsh	43.00
19 <u>RADO</u>		43.00
20 The Daltons	Yke Smit Jack Kranenburg Mark Thiele Renee Verdegaal	42.00
21 <u>Team Ples</u>	Janusz Kurdej Leszek Tarnogrodzki Aire Taube Leevi Dahl	42.00
22 <u>Krakow</u>	Grzegorz Superson Tomasz Paluchowski Andrzej Dudzik Krzysztof Kleinrok Marek Jaworski Marek Tekieli	41.00
	Alfredo Versace Francisco Bernal Claire Alpert Leonardo Fruscoloni	41.00
24 Mixed bag		41.00
25 <u>Zabamljači</u>	Vedran Zorić Ognjen Staničić Ivan Bilušić Mate Meštrić	40.00
26 <u>Poppeye</u>	Koen Poppe Cisca Vorselman Robbie de Koster Eva Poppe	39.00
27 <u>Clair&CO</u>	Paolo Clair Ugo Boscardin John Dakin Alan Maddock	39.00
28 Renate	Renate Adelsberger Heimo Adelsberger Milan Macura Adrians Imsa	39.00
29 Winnetou	Leszek Kawski Bohdan Pliszka Marek Kamelski Bartłomiej Kamelski	39.00
30 <u>Kalmaar</u>	Jyri Aava Marion Ryndal Ivar Kalma Mikk Mirme	38.00
31 Quick draw	Rob Jagroop Anneke van der Meer Oscar Nijssen Tim Van de Paverd	38.00
$32 \frac{\text{SZLEM DZI-}}{\text{ERZONIOW}}$	Krzysztof Dziekanski Ewa Dziekanska Wiesia Mirosław Mariusz Ilnicki Jarosław Grabek Stanislaw Wawszczyk	37.00
33 <u>T.A.E.N.I.A.++</u>		36.00
34 <u>Aurora</u>	Ksenija Čare Zoran Šimec Gorana Mitić Geir Engebretsen	36.00
35 <u>Juniori</u>		36.00
36 <u>LAM</u>	Marianne Linden Rein van Dijk Peter Dekker Anton Zegwaard	35.00
37 <u>Samson & Jens</u>	Tanana Walada wali Analami Oniyahi Carana wa Antao 74-ialam Cala IMi	32.00
38 <u>Pianpur</u>		32.00
39 <u>BAVARIA</u>	Brigitte Melzer-Lena Helmut Lena Roland Leutbecher Maria Leutbecher	31.00

RESULTS Lara Mixed Pairs

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1	Ewa Dziekanska - Krzysztof Dziekanski	64.14%		Mirjana Barisić - Momčilo Ignjatović	47.51%
2	Malgorzata Sawicka - Magnus Larssen	63.85%		Patrick Bocken - Aleksandra Mierzwa	47.48%
3	Sanja Lazić - Igor Novosel	63.43%		Maaike Van Ommen - Arie Teeuw	47.33%
4	Tihana Brkljačić - Sibrand Van Oosten	63.37%		Marianne Linden - Rein van Dijk	47.21%
5	Cheryl van der Toorn - Tim Van de Paverd			May Sakr - Jacek Pszczola	47.16%
6	Loekie Ahrens - Frank Van Wezel	61.46%		Zsuzsa Hamori - Péter Hodosi	46.62%
7	Maria Krasowksa - Zbigniew Krzepkowski			Ksenija Čare - Jože Sadar	46.35%
8	Anneke van der Meer - Oscar Nijssen	59.50%		<u>Justyna Graniczny - Maciej Operlejn</u>	46.18%
9	Janka Jalsovszky - Máté Vági	58.94%		JASNA DORICIC - Zoran Kvajo	45.74%
10		58.58%		Maria Boczar - Jerzy Boczar	45.72%
11	<u>Jolanta Grabowska - Mariusz Grabowski</u>	58.19%		<u>Aleksandra Klupś - Adrian Foltyn</u>	45.42%
	Malene Christensen - Bas van Engelen	57.55%		<u>Tanja Gvozdenović - Nenad Skitarelić</u>	45.34%
	<u>Irena Furmanek - Janusz Furmanek</u>	56.98%		Olga Simić - Branislav Protega	45.20%
	Marianne Karmarkar - Rajeev Khandelwal			<u>Péter Gál - Kata Vass</u>	45.16%
15	Barbara Drinovec - Tomaž Adamič	56.57%	72	Jasminka Klanjscek - Kristian Sentić	44.87%
	Stefan Fuchs - Sabine Bogner	56.43%		Agnes Zalai - Balazs Kotanyi	44.63%
17	Elzbieta Waniurska - Piotr Waniurski	56.37%	74	Ben Handley-Pritchard - Alison Pritchard	44.19%
18	Danuta Krupnik - Andrzej Hycnar	56.26%	75	Sandra Krekel - Frank van Engelen	44.17%
19	Lars Goldberg - UllaBritt Goldberg	55.90%	76	Tamara Ravlić - Ognjen Škreblin	43.89%
	László Szilágyi - Hanka Lajos	55.73%	77	Júlia Hegedűs - Péter Talyigás	43.61%
21	Katalin Mezei - László Honti	55.69%	78	Emma de Ruiter - Gerbrand Hop	43.53%
	Wiesia Mirosław - Mariusz Ilnicki	54.52%		Aire Taube - Leevi Dahl	43.52%
	Małgorzata Rojkowicz - Robert Piechota	54.49%		Aleksandra Dujmović - Djuro Opačić	43.12%
	Laure Mommaerts - Steven de Donder	54.36%		Alfredo Versace - Claire Alpert	43.05%
	Bojan Ambrož - Tina Drnovšek	54.02%		Krzysztof Jordan - Elzbieta Kowalska	42.82%
	Barbara Tuma - Krzysztof Tuma	53.94%		Branka Hadžić - Vasil Nenchev	42.30%
	Marina Pilipović - Stefan Thorpe	53.67%		Cynthia Swezey - Gilbert Ramirez	41.86%
	Renata Muller - Marshall Lewis	53.61%		Bogdan Drobny - Maureen Kimbley	41.66%
	Jan Jansma - Aida Jansma	53.54%		Lovorka Gruic Grmusa - Odd Egil Skodje	41.58%
	Torgeir Maanum - Lisbeth Eide	52.73%		Axel Johannsson - Karen McCallum	41.21%
	Aleksandra Jeseničnik - Tolja Orač	52.67%		Eline Samson - Jens Jossaer	41.13%
	Brigitte Melzer-Lena - Helmut Lena	52.62%		Regina Wołek - Andrzej Szyc	41.13 %
	Dominique Stuyck - Sam Bahbout	52.56%		Gorana Mitić - Geir Engebretsen	40.71%
		51.75%			40.71%
	Tomasz Sielicki - Ewa Sobolewska Gerhard Dr. Hornischer - Astrid Kerbl			Andrew Clery - Eve Brenner Agata Cruickshank - Darko Jevremović	
		51.72%			38.01%
	Małgorzata Żychlińska - Paweł Kańduła	51.53%		Piotr Kardasinski - Liliana Suflida	37.95%
	Marion Ryndal - Ivar Kalma	51.37%	94	Marek Stefaniuk - Halina Swiech	37.05%
	Sanja Vištica - Davor Ruso	51.29%			
	Ines Meersman - Wouter Van den hove	51.15%			
	Sandra Havliček - Tomislav Sasek	51.05%			
	Eva Bahníková - Petr Bahník	51.01%			
	Margareta Piechotta - Marek Fradczyk	50.92%			
	Milan Macura - Michaela Macurova	50.89%			
	Ilona Bobko - Aleksander Bobko	50.81%			
	Maria Leutbecher - Roland Leutbecher	50.62%			
	Allison Howard - Michael Cappelletti	50.29%			
47	Toni Vidović - Matea Grgurić	50.26%			
	Peter Gill - Liz Sylvester	50.23%			
	Klára Makara - Tamás Fodor	49.77%			
	Jasmina Vignjević - Siniša Kuruzović	49.60%			
	Silvana Rojko - Jurica Carić	49.52%			
	Sanja Suman - Nebojša Terzić	49.47%			
53	Vesna Danilović - Nebojša Bogdanović	48.67%			
54	Paul Pugsley - Brenda Pugsley	48.66%			
	Maja Żabierek - Hubert Urban	47.98%			
	Anna Dworakowska - Marek Czaplinski	47.92%			
	Andrzej Kozikowski - Anna Gorska	47.91%			

RESULTS Lara Non Mixed Pairs

1	hristo dunev - georgi georgiev	61.45%	31	Bernard Dehaye - Clovis Dehaye	49.30%
2	Adam Seichter - Eugeniusz Seichter	60.15%		Andrzej Osiński - Mirosław Giełczyński	49.11%
3	Milan PAVLIN - Alfonz Šumer	58.12%	33	Mate Meštrić - Vedran Zorić	48.61%
4	Brian Senior - Nigel Bird	57.92%	34	Ireneusz Jagielski - Jan Stańczak	48.39%
5	Rob Jagroop - Wim van Luijk	57.84%	35	Tadeusz Chmielowiec - Jacek Gasiorek	48.08%
6	Przemysław Zawada - Mariusz Kowalski	57.59%	36	Piotr Walczak - Janusz Kalida	47.98%
7	Alan Maddock - John Dakin	57.41%	37	Jacek Lesniczak - Bogdan Szulejewski	47.94%
8	Sebastian Grocholski - Jan Grocholski	56.86%	38	ivan mladenov - valeri yovchev	47.91%
9	Marek Witek - Jonas Drobulis	56.65%	39	Jan De Ruiter - Rijk van der Krol	47.89%
10	Bartłomiej Kamelski - Marek Kamelski	56.38%	40	Peter Dekker - Anton Zegwaard	47.74%
11	Stanislaw Wawszczyk - Jarosław Grabek	55.95%	41	Tomasz Paluchowski - Grzegorz Superson	47.33%
12	Ivan Brajković - Vuk Trnavac	55.94%	42	Martin Paćelat - Konstantin Kurygin	46.85%
13	Stanislaw Pajak - Piotr Kucharski	55.29%	42	John Vaage - John Helge Herland	46.85%
13	Janusz Hliwa - Andrzej Choniawko	55.29%	44	Károly Kelen - Bence Kertész	46.61%
15	Marek Pieczka - Krzysztof Kujawa	55.22%	45	Janusz Kobylarski - Tomasz Czekała	46.10%
16	Krzysztof Buras - Wojciech Strzemecki	54.69%	46	Jacek Stokowacki - Andrzej Bacik	45.95%
17	Oleksandr Bielov - Grigol Gogoberidze	54.54%	47	Djordje Poljak - milutin kremic	45.83%
18	Zdzislaw Gebal - Grzegorz Antosz	54.22%	48	<u>László Földesy - Máté Mráz</u>	45.66%
19	Grzegorz Deptuła - Mirosław Makatrewicz	54.01%	49	Wisse Huvers - Jack Kranenburg	45.62%
20	Bartosz Chmurski - Piotr Marcinowski	53.65%	50	Georgi Hristov - Kiril Marinovski	45.51%
21	Tomasz Kuś - Marcin Bartoszewski	52.75%	51	Janusz Kurdej - Leszek Tarnogrodzki	45.19%
22	Vuk Marković - Igor Mandalinić	51.96%	52	Zdzisław Baryła - Leszek Garbacik	44.98%
23	Filip Jelic - Dániel Gulyás	51.36%	53	Björn Wenneberg - Henrik Wegnelius	43.73%
24	Andrzej Dudzik - Krzysztof Kleinrok	51.29%	54	Richard Creamer - Graham Horscroft	42.57%
25	Borys Shusterman - Ihor Tseitlin	50.80%	55	Sylwester Cieślak - Ireneusz Głowacki	42.14%
26	Andrzej Odrobiński - Zbigniew Słaby	50.63%	56	Jyri Aava - Mikk Mirme	42.08%
27	Grzegorz Narkiewicz - Jacek Latomski	49.99%	57	Andrea Stanković - Nikola Badrov	41.74%
28	Walemar Szelka - Aleksander Poznysz	49.73%	58	Marek Tekieli - Marek Jaworski	41.24%
29	Leszek Kawski - Bohdan Pliszka	49.64%	59	Igor Požar - Rajko Čeh	38.28%
30	<u>Jerzy Stworzewicz - Lukasz Stworzewicz</u>	49.62%	60	Tamás Tétényi - Károly Albrecht	36.24%





UPCOMING EVENTS

OPEN TEAMS

Main Team event

Wednesday, noon

Thursday, noon

Friday, 11 a.m.

We continue our festival with another team event, open teams.

Open teams will be a three day with everybody playing for the first two days and then on Friday only A final will be played. At the beginning teams will be divided in group of four teams, and first three round will be round robin in your group. After that first two teams will go to A group and last two will go to B group. Next two sessions will be played as swiss within those two groups. After each session? teams will be promoted from B group to A and ? teams will be demoted from A to B. Fourth session groups will be closed and A group which will consist of eight teams will start to play round robin/swiss. Size of group B will be determined when registration closes, and from group C downwards groups will consist of four teams that again play round robin. Since every group winner gets a prize there is incentive to do your best until the very end.

Last year we had? teams, and we also expect around that number this year, tournament starting at noon. If you haven't registered already please do so registration closes tomorrow morning, but you can only do it online. If for some reason you are unable to register but would like to play please send us email to pulabridge@gmail.com. We will try to see if we can squeeze you in. Please do not forget to unregister if you decide not to play. If you cancel within 24 hours before the start of the tournament, also inform us by e-mail.

I know I am repeating myself a lot but please remember:

For all the tournaments you will pay at the table. Please prepare exact amount of money. For open teams entry is 200 euro/team(? per junior team—junior team consist of ? juniors).

You are responsible for entering the correct result into BridgeMate. If you, however, somehow miss-score, there is only very short time available to make corrections: one hour after the tournament. We cannot accept later complains so please, just check the result after every board. Soon after the tournament unofficial results will be published and you will have one hour to

report an error. You have to do it by sending email to pulabridge@gmail.com.

Please arrive to the playing room 15 minutes before the start (11.45 a.m. for this tournament) and find your table. Positions will be displayed online one hour before the start (11 a.m.), again, at pulabridgefestival.com.

We will play 2 sessions per day, 3 matches each session, 8 hands per round. One round is 60 minutes and there is a small break between rounds.

It is the best to leave your mobile phone in your room, but if you take it with you it should be shut down, and left in an visible place near you. Be warned that having a mobile phone that is not openly displayed at the table is illegal, and so is looking at it at any point. Tournament directors will not be happy if they see you looking at your phone, and it could again cost you, guess what: VPs. If there is a real need for you to use a phone during the tournament you should ask TD and he/she will help.



Open Teams Winners 2021: 08SQ Simon Hult, Kamil Nowak, Ola Rimstedt, Mikael Rimsted from Sweden and Poland

We encourage you strongly to be friendly towards your partner, opponents, officials, bartenders, animals, plants and all other beings you encounter. Remember how lucky we all are that we can be all together here again and for a week worry only about IMPs and MPs.

BRK Open pairs

Friday, 4 p.m. & Saturday, 1 p.m.

BRK open pairs is the main pairs event that will be played over two days, two sessions in which we will play mini sessions of ten boards. Please, since everybody will be playing same boards, during mini session do not leave playing area and do not discuss boards that you have already played. After each mini session there will be a small break and then you can shout about how you made 3NTXX on double squeeze.

Last year we had 133 pairs so it took real skill to win and we expect the same this year.

Registration for this tournament closes on Friday morning please register before if you wish to play.

If you have any problem finding a pair/partner to play with, please post a massage at the tournament registration page or just e-mail Tihana at tihana@pilar.hr.

I wish you all good luck, lot of success and even more fun!



BRK Open pairs Winners 2021: Hanka Lajosand Peter Hodosi

All you need to know

Registrations

All players have to be registered for the festival.

For each event, the registration deadline is 24 hours before the start of that contest. After that time, registrations will be possible only if it is convenient for organization. Starting positions will only be displayed online at pulabridgefestival.com -- no later than one hour before the start of the event. If you are looking for a partner or teammates, you can post your request online at the specific event, or contact the organizers (tihana@pilar.hr).

IMPORTANT: If you register for a tournament and later decide not to play - it is crucial to delete your names from the list of registered pairs/ teams. If you decide not to play less than 24 hours before the start of the tournament please inform us immediately (pulabridge@gmail.com).

Venue

The venue is the Congress Center of Park Plaza Histria (same as in previous years). If we reach over 150 pairs or 70 teams, we have additional playing space in the casino of hotel Histria, which is only one minute walk from the Congress Center.

Entries/Prizes

requested to put the entries in the envelopes on the as good as possible. tables before the start of the tournament. Juniors (born 1996 or later) get a discount in all pairs tournaments, and in team tournaments as long as there is no more than one adult on the team. Around 60% of the collected entries goes to the prizes for the best 10%-15% overall in a given event, and to the best in "special categories" (e.g. Mixed). Right after the entries are collected, prize amounts will be displayed at pulabridgefestival.com. Prizes should be collected the next day at the venue, right after Mission the end of that day's event - please bring an ID card. Cups will be awarded at the Victory Ceremony on September 17th.

Rules

We are playing this festival by The Laws of Duplicate Bridge 2017, as long as they do not interfere Please do not ruin our effort by placing your killer with common decency and gentlemanship. Chief instinct above a pleasant atmosphere -- we are TD is Mr. Adam Magyar. Convention cards sure you can win without making others miserable. are not obligatory, but it is highly recommended for Here, we are in a business of making memories -your protection. Slow play cannot be tolerated since we have been doing so for the last 60 years, and as we have to follow a strict timetable – the official always, I am expecting and gratefully counting tempo allows 15 minutes per two boards at pairs, on your full support. 65 minutes per 8 boards at teams, 50 minutes per 6

boards in BAM). Mobile phones MUST be switched off during the course of play in all events, otherwise automatic penalties apply. You are responsible for all results entered in the Bridgemate at your table. You should check all your results (online), and report any error, NO LATER THAN one hour after the end of every match (teams) or session (pairs). Later (but NOT more than 12 hours) complaints will be considered only was the organizers' fault.

Although the Pula Bridge Festival is very proud of our international TD team, we also still believe Appeals Committees composed of players. If you think that a ruling was not right, you are entitled to appeal (you should inform the TD right after the match). Appeal tax is 50 euro and it will be returned unless the Appeal is judged by the AC to be "without merit".

Systems, Alerts, styles

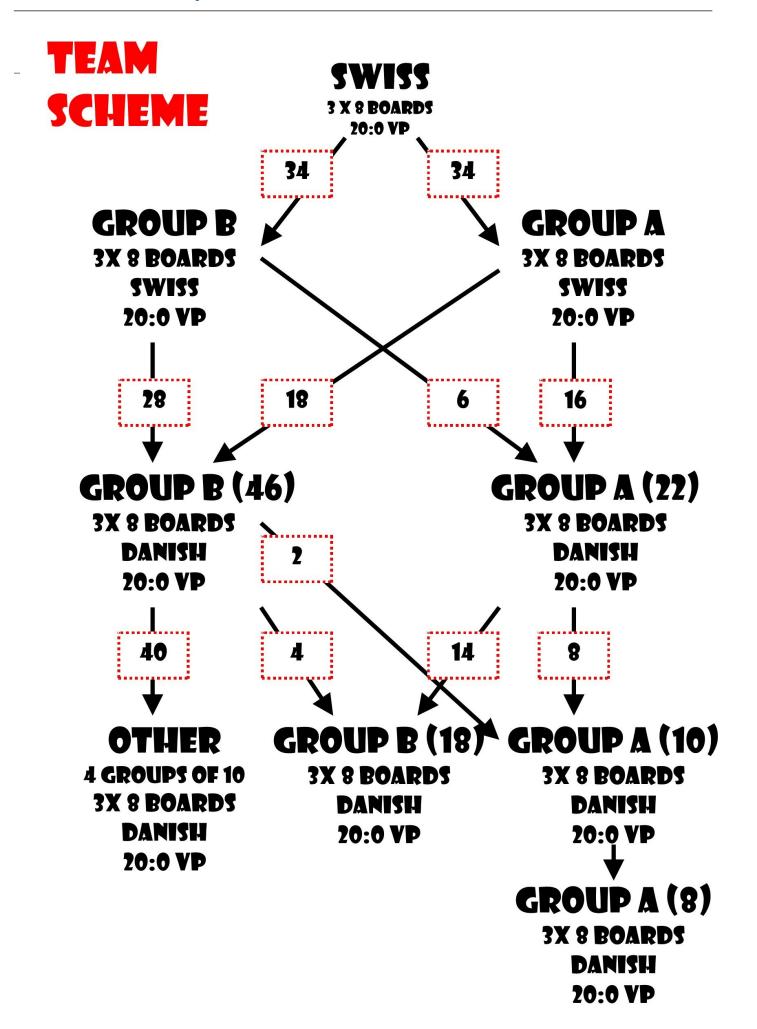
HUM and most of Brown stickers are not allowed except in finals A of the Open Teams. Please check with TD if you are in doubt. 1 club opening should be alerted if it doesn't promise at least 2 cards. 1NT needs to be alerted if it is not in the range of 14-18, balanced or semi balanced.

The entries are 25 euro/play/day for all main Please use STOP cards for your own protection. events. (e.g. BAM teams 100 euro per team, Mixed Keep in mind this is a very international tournament pairs 25 euro per player, and Open teams 200 eu- (30+ countries) and opponents may not be familiar ro/team - since it is a 2-3 day event). You are kindly with your methods and "standards" - try to explain

Dress code

PLEASE do not dress as you go to the beach. Any casual or smart casual will do -- for example Tshirts are perfectly fine. Please don't be barefoot or bare-belly. We are happy that you love your body, and that you are fully relaxed in Pula, but these firm rules set by the we must follow them.

Please keep in mind that although many competitive, even world-class players gather in Pula, this is primarily a festival, a celebration, and not a battlefield. We nurture Pula as a venue for international, friendly games that every participant will enjoy.



KARAOKE PARTY

We had wild karaoke night on Monday. The party started with traditional Maddhatter Team Challenges. Six teams entered the competition and bravely executed three tasks: blind drinking, hatting and balooning. In a close finish team Ficho 750 won the competition. Congratulations!

Karaoke started about midnight and lasted for three hours. Thanks to Madhatter all participants received Madhatter's hats. There were singers from all over the world, all well prepared for the show. It is obvious now that bridge players train whole year for this event, and some organize their holidays around it. Almost all survived the night, but still seven pairs canceled their participation at mixed/non-mixed pairs on the next day due party consequences. I would gladly write more, but somehow my memory is fuzzy.





I am an idiot

By Herman De Wael

Three weeks ago, I was in Wroclaw at the World Championships. My official function there (assistant reviewer) does not require 24 hours a day of work (just being present), so I do a number of other jobs, like reporter for the Daily Bulletin.

Mark (Horton, the editor) had asked me to cover a few deals from the start of the Open Pairs qualifica- 1—Majors tion. I walked into the room at the start of the first 2—Invitational or better with spades session, looking for interesting people to follow. The only pair I briefly considered were Carić -Marinovski of Croatia, but I decided against it, as I did not want to follow a pair just because they are my friends. And then they won tht first session with a score of over 70%!. When I told Mark that I had missed following the winners of the first session,

he used some choice adjectives not suited for publication (idiot being the least offensive).

So I could now start following the second session, not behind my friends, but behind the current leaders of the event.

Jurica Carić is the president of the Croatian Bridge Federation. He recently celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of representing his country, and he was still active on the Croatian national team in Madeira in June. Kiril Marinovski is a Bulgarian who has lived in Croatia for as along as I've gone there for the Pula festival. I have to please my Croatian friends by urging you to go to (one of) the best festival(s) in Europe.

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	WEST		EAST
	▲ 107		♠ A2
	v 10432		y 87
	108652		◆ Q943
	. 86		♣ AKQ74
		SOUTH	
		♠ KQJ64	
		♥ AQ965	
		♦ K	
		♣ J2	

West	North	East	South
Carić	Piocki	Marinovski	Sakowicz
-	pass	1NT	2 ♣ ¹
pass	3 ♦ ²	pass	4♠

all pass



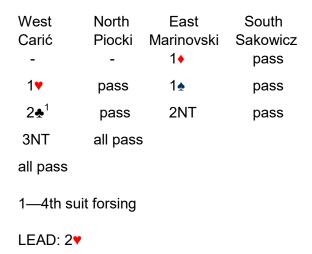
Kiril Marinovski

LEAD: 8♣

West found the correct lead of a club, and Kiril took the King, the Ace and returned the ♣7 for the uppercut. The trump ace was the setting trick.. A score of 96% is the reward

Bd.	18 E NS	NORTH ♠ K10976 ▼ 1075 ◆ 943 ♣ 84	
	WEST ♠ A52 ♥ KQ93 • K7 ♣ K752		EAST
		SOUTH ♣ J ♥ A842 ♦ J862 ♣ AJ93	

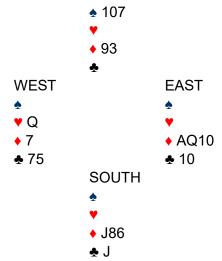
Jurica Carić



Kiril took the heart lead with the Jack and immediately returned the suit, eventually setting up a third trick in it. In with ♥A, South returned the ♣J, which was taken by North, who returned the ♣9. When South discarded a heart on this, declarer was

pretty certain that South had a 4441 distribution. He played the ♣Q, which South took. He tried a diamond next, but Kiril took the King, cashed three more winners on the table (♣K, ♠A and ♥ Q).

This was the situation before the ♥ Q:



Kiril had no more need for the €10, and South was squeezed. He threw a diamond and declarer made three more diamond tricks. Nicely done!

The overtrick turned a 51% score into 82%.

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				West	North	East	South
Bd.	19	NORTH		Marinovski	T. Bakkeren	Carić	F. Bakkeren
		▲ KQ9		-	-	-	pass
	S EW	✓ KJ10975✓ K◆ Q84	5	pass 4 ♦	1 ♥ all pass	2♦	3 ♥ ¹
	WEST • 108654 ▼ A3		EAST ♠ J3 ♥ 2	1—weak			
	J974♣ K5		◆ A108632 ◆ AJ96	LEAD: 6♥			
		SOUTH ♠ A72 ♥ Q864 • Q5 ♣ 10732		made, and the four-leve I shall end i	84% because	of the b	ump queen. Just orave support to e to say that our inal.



Jurica Carić i Kiril Marinovski in Wroclaw

60 PULA BRIDGE FESTIVAL

FRI, SEPT 9TH 4 P.M. WELCOME PAIRS: single session: 24-26 boards

SAT, SEPT 10TH 4 P.M. IMP PAIRS: single session: 26-30 boards

SUN, SEPT 11TH 12 P.M. MIXED & NON-MIXED TEAMS: 3 rounds of 8 boards

4 P.M. MIXED & NON-MIXED TEAMS: 3 rounds of 8 boards

MON, SEPT 12TH 12 P.M. BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS: 4 rounds of 6 boards

4 P.M. BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS: 3 rounds of 6 boards

10 P.M. MADHATTER'S MIDNIGHT KARAOKE PARTY

TUE, SEPT 13TH 4 P.M. LARA MIXED & NON-MIXED PAIRS

single sesssion: 26-30 boards

WED, SEPT 14TH 12 P.M. OPEN TEAMS - QUALIFIER: 3 rounds of 8 boards

4 P.M. OPEN TEAMS - A & B GROUPS: 3 rounds of 8 boards

THU, SEPT 15TH 12 P.M. OPEN TEAMS - A & B GROUPS: 3 rounds of 8 boards

4 P.M. OPEN TEAMS - MORE GROUPS: 3 rounds of 8 boards

FRI, SEPT 16TH 11 A.M. OPEN TEAMS - FINALS GROUP A: 3 rounds of 8 boards

FRI, SEPT 16TH 4 P.M. BRK OPEN PAIRS - 3 SESSIONS of 10 boards

SAT, SEPT 17TH 1 P.M. BRK OPEN PAIRS - 3 SESSIONS of 10 boards

SAT, SEPT 17TH 9 P.M. VICTORY CEREMONY

SAT, SEPT 17TH PARTY

SEPT, 18TH -21ST 5 P.M. DAILY ADDITIONAL PAIRS

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- 1 euro is cca 7.6 Kn



Restaurant Boschetto

Very nice, friendly place near the tennis courts, 500 meters from the venue. Decent food and reasonable prices. This restaurant will host us for Madhatter's Karaoke Party. They will stay open every day until there are guests (2 a.m.). So this is the place to go after the tournaments for dinner or drinks. Most of other places around close at 11 or 12. They accept only cash!

Restaurant Yacht Club

Only about 100 meters from the venue, down on the sea shore, one of Croatia best fish restaurants with breath-taking views. During the day you can also have a snack or just a cocktail and enjoy.

Reasonably priced for a restaurant of this level. For a bigger groups (especially in the evenings, booking is recommended.





Restaurant Kuglana

The closest restaurant to the venue, maybe 50 meters, between Histria and Park Plaza Verudela, right across the Histria Wing hotel. Lot of various dishes, from as simple as ham and eggs and pizza to Istrian and Croatian specialities. It is not expensive and you can get a decent dish for 100-150 Kn (15-20 euro). They usually do not take bookings as it is always crowded anyway. They also serve breakfast.

Ribarska koliba

This is a famous fish restaurant about 20 minutes walk from the venue, in marina. You can see Ribarska koliba from windows of the main playing. It is rather expensive and booking is usually required. Michelin Guide's Point Of View: This restaurant in the Ribarska Koliba Resort is situated near the Marina Veruda which can be admired through the large picture windows or from the restaurant's attractive terrace. Delicious Mediterranean cuisine takes pride of place on the menu, ranging from pasta-based starters to fish and seafood dishes made from the freshest ingredients, although a few meat-based specialities also feature.

Reminders:

- Please register on time;
- Find your position for every tournament it will be published online at the tournament webpage, one hour before the start of the tournament;
- Come to the venue 15 minutes before the start and find your table;
- All entries are paid at the table: Please prepare the exact amount of money or even better put the money for the whole team in one envelope.
- Switch off your mobile phone during the tournaments (you can turn it on between team matches);
- Respect the time (15 minutes per two boards in pairs tournaments, about 60 minutes for 8 boards in teams):
- Carefully check results in bridgemates;
- Once the session/match is over check the results (published online). Report any error immediately at pulabridge@gmail.com (you have one hour after the first results are published);
- Official results will be published approximately 12 hours after the tournament. If you won a prize you should collect it the next day at the venue, right after the end of that day's event;
- If you win a tournament, please either stay at the venue until we find you to take a photo, or take a photo yourself and send us.

Thank you,

The Crew

PULA BRIDGE FESTIVAL DECLARATION

Hereby I declare
While it may sound unconventional
That *Pula Bridge Festival*Turns invitational.

Please accept my apologizes
I am just too old for surprises.

To receive your invitation Proceed with registration You will get confirmation Upon verification.

But, I sustain the right to send you home If you are suffering from a cheating syndrome.

It's nothing personal
Just stay away.
Yes, we are all mad here
But mad in a good way

February, 2019

