



# goodmorning bridge

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Dear friends,

First let me introduce you to the winners of BAM teams: team **KOPEREK Kater Kozyra Ohrysko Olech** Congratulations! And the winners of Mixed pairs are: **Urlike Schreckenberger Michael Gromoeller!** Well done! The winners in mens' competition come from Hungary: Bravo! We like when players from different countries win different events, it makes the festival more international, and so far we had winners from: Bulgaria, Poland, Austria, Germany and Hungary. That's great!



The "less" important part of the tournament is over and we are facing the final events. Many players who are not able to take a whole week off, come just for these events. So welcome to all of them!

I forgot to mention two countries in my editorial in the first issue, so welcome to Belgium and welcome to

Canada. It is great to have you here! I invite representatives from these countries to come to the press room to take a little present we have for them.

Today and tomorrow we are playing open teams, my favorite event. In every round one table (not necessarily the first one, since we will try to present a lot of different players coming from various countries) will be broadcasted by BBO. So, tell your friends who stayed at home to switch on their computer and wait for you to appear on the screen.

It looks like that we succeeded in controlling temperature in the playing rooms so it is not as hot as it was before. Bridgemates are more-less working, but still please do not forget to compare scores you calculated with your teammates to the scores on the screen after every match. Sometimes it may happen that some of the results are not entered correctly into the bridgemates and in that case we need your assistance to score the match.

Yesterday was a free day with only evening tournament so most players went somewhere for a little trip. The day was lovely and we hope you had a chance to visit one of the beautiful places around. If you were too tired from previous playing days, you have another chance on Friday when again bridge is played only in the evening. Talking about free time, keep in mind that we will have a party after the victory ceremony on Saturday (in Kavarna in Istria – same as last year). So do not make any arrangements for that time, and prepare to stay till morning hours.

So even if you not going to receive prizes at victory ceremony you certainly have something to look forward at Saturday evening!

**Keep enjoying the festival!**

# Upcoming events

(by Sandra)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### OPEN TEAM

This article is easy to write. I have so many official information to give you that I need only a sentence or two and my page is done. It is also a start to a serious part of the festival. I always have impression that this first part is more relaxed and, let's say, unofficial. With open team and open pair everybody is more serious. We even have players who come only for this two events.

So I will be also very serious and I will skip my amateurs attempt to be funny. Let me just remind you on reasons why it is not possible to pass this tournament.

- opportunity to play very good bridge against very good opponents
- opportunity to earn some money and cups
- we will be on BBO – that is nice, isn't it? Knowing that people around the world are watching us
- even if you are not convinced that you have a chance to end in the first few best teams (and there is always a chance, I assure you) we have so many consolidation groups and categories (best mix, ladies, juniors, seniors etc.) so there is a big chance for everyone to win a price
- and last but not least – to have fun

### SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTEST

A team consist 4-6 players. 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> player can be added later. CTD can exceptionally allow a 7<sup>th</sup> player. The same player can not, in any circumstances, play for two teams. A team can change a player or a pair in the open room after half the boards of a round have been played. Top 4(5) tables use screens.

Special categories:

- a. mixed team = at least 2 female players
- b. women team = 1 player can be male
- c. junior team = players up to 25 years, one can be older
- d. senior team = player over 58 years, one can be younger
- e. foreign team = 1 player can be from Croatia

- f. Cro-international team = at least 2 players from Croatia and 2 foreign players
- g. international team = players from at least two different countries

During the tournament team can have Bye only once (Bye in the group does not count)

### FIRST SESSION

Before the tournament starts, the organizer determines 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> seeded. Then the draw forms groups of 4 teams. To all teams their competition numbers are given by draw. Round Robin is played 3 rounds of 8 boards, IMP/VP up to 12:0. In incomplete groups Bye is 8VPs and +7 IMPs.

After the RR the ranking in a group is determined considering:

1. total VPs
2. Vps of a direct match
3. total IMPs
4. IMPs of a direct match

### SECOND SESSION

A team that registered too late can join the tournament after RR with 12 VPs and -18 IMPs.

Two teams with the best ranking from every group go to A group, and the rest to B group.

Three rounds of "Danish" are played, 8 boards each, IMP/VP up to 12:0.

Criteria for determining standings after first 2 rounds of sessions 2 and 3:

1. total VPs
2. total IMPs
3. lower competition number

Criteria for determining standings after the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of sessions 2 and 3:

1. total VPs
2. total IMPs
3. VP of the direct match (if more then one match, average of VPs)
4. IMP of the direct match (if more then one match, average of IMPs)
5. draw

### THIRD SESSION

After the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> session a certain number of teams (prearranged) play in group A (around 50% of the teams from the former group A and several top teams from the former group B), and the rest play in group B.

Three rounds of "Danish" are played, 8 boards each, IMP/VP up to 12:0.

*Bridge club "Dr.Jurica Tomljenović" – GOODMORNING BRIDGE*

FOURTH SESSION

After the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> session 2 main and n consolidation groups are formed.

A group = 8 top teams + 2 top teams from B

B group = all other teams from A + several best teams from B

n consolidation groups = 8 teams each

Three rounds of "Danish" are played, 8 boards each, IMP/VP up to 12:0.

Criteria for determining final standings

1. total VPs
2. total IMPs
3. VPs over last 3 rounds
4. IMPs over last 3 rounds
5. share the place and the prize

TDs, and monitor, will announce the exact session times but here is orientation time table to help you with your plans:

Wednesday, 10.9.

15:00 – 16:05 1st round (Round Robin)

16:20 – 17:25 2nd round (RR)

17:40 – 18:45 3rd round (RR)

21:00 – 22:05 4th round «A» i «B» section (Danish)

22:20 – 23:25 5th round (D)

23:40 – 00:45 6th round (D)

Thursday 11.9.

15:00 – 16:05 7th round «A» i «B» section (D)

16:20 – 17:25 8th round (D)

17:40 – 18:45 9th round (D)

21:00 – 22:05 10th round A», «B» & n consolidation sections\* (D)

22:20 – 23:25 11th round (D)

23:40 – 00:45 12th round (D)

The home team must register the result, signed by the both captains and solely on the official card, five minutes after the expiration of playing time at the latest. Visiting team is obligated to check the result.

Match played on the same lines will be registered 4:4 (each team will be punished by 2VP).

Let me introduce you winners from the past five years:

**2007**

[Poland seniors](#) - R.Kietczewski S.Kowalczyk  
P.Walerowicz J.Sucharkiewicz

[Waldi](#) - L.Brede W.Jaworski G.Narkiewicz Z.Ingielewicz  
P.Jurek L.Sztyrak

[Pyton](#) - B.Marina R.Gradinariu M.Stegarioiu M.Briciu  
D.Voinescu O.Mandruta



## 2006

Juls - J.Stefanov, R.Gunev, I.Nanev, V.Mihov  
Gdzie Oni Sa - M.Nowosadzki, T.Klukowski,  
P.Wiankowski, P.Ilczuk, D.Sawicka  
Terraneo - F.Terraneo, R.Franzel, T.Terraneo, J.Simon,  
G.Kriftoner

## 2005

Tesla - Tesla Tomić Borevković Zorić  
Batman - Stefanov Batov Popova Gunev  
Pacyfic - Kowalski Taciuc Narkiewicz Pilch

## 2004

Kamel - Pasternak Araskiewicz Zurakowski Cichocki  
Opty - Gierulski Narkiewicz Szttyrak Pilch  
Terraneo - Terraneo C. Terraneo F. Umshaus  
Lindermann Weigkricht

## 2003

Witas - Kowalski Vainikonis Miszevska Rawislak  
Olanski Krzeminski  
Astra - Ivanov Jochev Trendafilov Karaivanov  
Royston - Hajdu Hegedus Kelen Kemeny

At the end I have to mention unavoidable boring facts. We are hoping for over 100 teams. As you can see from the rules above it is quite complicated to define sections. So only possible way to be accurate is with your help. And that is - register on time. I know that some of you do not have team yet. Please come to the partnership desk or to the registration desk as soon as possible and we will help you to find one. Most of you already know with whom you will play. Come with some lucky name for the team, and money of course, and register as soon as possible. I do not wish to threat or to sound unfriendly, but there is a good possibility that those who are late will have opportunity to join tournament in second round with result of 4VPs and -6 IMPs.

Mentioning lucky names for the team I have to notice that giving a name to the team is very important, superstitious and delicate job. Me myself always have a problem to find a right name. It is very important to choose the name which will be short, sound nice, even funny and bring us good result. If we don't end well it is only because the name was wrong. Looking in this winners list I can write few smart observations. There are some players which are not superstitious in a way that their team should have the same name to have good result (like Kowalski, Stefanov or Gunev). They are able to play under any name. Probably it has to do something with their quality. But if your team name is Terraneo and since 2008 is even year there is good chance to be third on the tournament.

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## Your bridge stinks? Win prizes nevertheless!

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Aha. I want to announce a contest for the best article on the theme: **I met an interesting person(s) here.**

Article should contain 300-500 words, and you can use a computer in the Press room to type it. It can be a story from a bridge table, but it doesn't have to deal with bridge at all. You should just write what is so special about the person you met, and why you find him/her interesting. It can, but it does not need to, contain names.



Second contest is for those keen on photography. So, on the same topic you should take a photo, and bring it in electronic format to the Press room. Take a photo of a person or a group of new friends you met at the Festival.

Special secret committee of the editorial board of Goodmorning bridge will rate all articles and photos. In the last bulletin on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> we will announce the winners of both contests and they will receive a prize at the prize giving ceremony.

**Your friend / partner / relative  
Is celebrating a birthday or anniversary ?  
You want to thank a sponsor?**

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## Results

### Mini teams / first 20 out of 88

1	<b>KOPEREK</b> Kater Kozyra Ohrysko Olech	57	23
2	<b>ZDZISIU</b> Buras Jaworski Jurek Zmudzinski	57	20
3	<b>SHANURIN</b> Andreev Ershov Kuchanov Shanurin Tatarkin	55	19
4	<b>KUJAWA</b> Dolny Kujawa Maryniowski Michalowski	53	23
5	<b>OLIMP</b> Aleksandrov Dobrodolski Hristov Lsaeba	53	23
6	<b>KRASNICKI</b> Cieslak Krasnicki Owczarek Teleszynski	51	23
7	<b>DYK</b> Dyk Konopka Krzewski Seichert	51	22
8	<b>NEKAKO</b> Batov Brkljacic Petrovic Pilipovic	51	21
9	<b>MIHOV</b> Gunev Mihov Nanev Popova	51	20
10	<b>KOWALCZYK</b> Kowalczyk Kowalczyk Majdanski Sucharkiewicz	51	20
11	<b>GERO</b> Bartis Gero Jakab Marjai	50	23
11	<b>MEZEI</b> Gal Honti Mezei Riesz	50	23
13	<b>PRAHA</b> Bahnik Bahnikova Svoboda Svodova	50	22
14	<b>BATO</b> Browner Duricic Mikic Miskovic Parezanin	49	23
15	<b>CHACHABUM</b> Buckov Neubauer Schulz Stenneken	49	19
16	<b>NOCHASS</b> Mular Smeredevac Steiner Wernle	49	16
17	<b>SOPOCIANKI</b> Klimkiewicz Klimkiewicz Tyszkiewicz Tyszkiewicz	48	24
18	<b>BJKW</b> Jaworski Jaworski Klapper Wala	48	21
19	<b>BOLENYEK</b> Balint Ferge Reviczky Wellner	47	22
20	<b>BLINDE KUH</b> Gromoeller Petersen Schreckenberger Schueller	47	20

### Mixed pairs / first

1.	Urlike Schreckenberger Michael Gromoeller GER	67.40
2.	Nebojsa Bogdanovic Vesna Danilovic SRB	64.96
3.	Zsuzsanna Kerekes Laszlo Szilagyi HUN	64.02
4.	Boris Shusterman Marina Gerasimova UKR RUS	63.41
5.	Pasternak Zbigniew Sawicki POL	62.31
6.	Sanja Zagajsek Nenad Caklovic CRO	62.26
7.	Vasil Batov Marina Pilipovic BUL CRO	61.79
8.	Sandra Ruso Branislav Duricic CRO SRB	61.24
9.	Ewa Kater Piotr JurekPOL	61.15
10.	Anita Frisch Csaba Szabo HUN	60.53
11.	Steliana Ivanova Tony Rusev BUL	59.33
12.	Elena Mihova Ivan Nanev BUL	59.26
13.	Cvetlana Nalbatska Todor Kostadinov BUL	59.25
14.	Milojka Ambroz Bojan Ambroz SLO	58.93
15.	Tomljanovic Igor Tomljanovic CRO	58.82
16.	Renata Wajdowicz Andrzej Kusion POL	58.59
17.	Eva Bahnikova Petr Bahnik CZE	58.52
18.	Renata Muller Mario ZeljkoCRO	57.86
19.	Slavica Martinovic Tom Townsend CRO GBR	56.96
20.	Furmanek J FurmanekHOL POL	56.89

### Mens' pairs / first

1.	Andras Riesz Peter Gal HUN	63.75
2.	Gulyas B SzegediHUN	61.64
3.	Buczowski A Golygowski POL	60.96
4.	Zmudzinski Waldemar Jaworski POL	60.49
5.	Romanovich ProkopenkoBYR	60.41
6.	Lukasz Brede M TutkaPOL	59.79
7.	Peter Fred Gary Gottlieb SWE	59.04
9.	Vladimir Mihov DanailovBUL	58.59
10.	Zdzislaw Chrustowski ZoltanskiPOL	58.58
11.	Tvrtko Perkovic Predrag Caklovic CRO	58.50
12.	Mikic V MilutinovicAUT NZ	58.46
13.	Boguslaw Gierulski Leszek SzyrakPOL	57.98
14.	Zoltan Kovacs Stavrache HUNROM	57.30
15.	Grzegorz Czerwinski Andrzej KozakPOL	57.15
16.	Latos M GizaPOL	56.64
17.	Georgy Hristov Boril DobrodolskiBUL	56.41
18.	Klys A BachrachPOL	56.30
19.	Stefan Kowalczyk KowalczykPOL	55.28
20.	Ryszard Konopka Boguslaw DykPOL	55.07

## Half of the Mini teams winners.

## ACOL, universe and stuff

By SchTsch

During the years there were bloody wars on which bridge faction should gain status of the official faction and which one will stay an underground radical movement, banned and marginalized. This was the consequence of the rapid development of artificial bidding methods. Once people realized it is possible to bid six spades by bidding diamonds, hearts and then no trump all hell broke loose. A whole bunch of radical methods came out of the closet trying to take the throne of the superior bidding system. Carrot clubs, Pepper diamonds, Lettuce hearts, Incontinential spades and Tiny no trumps are just some of them. We should not forget Strong diamond, Fiko's club and Forcing pass also. All these systems had shown their superiority over other, more influential factions, and that was the main reason why the Supreme court of bridge religion declared these factions as heresies and banned them from the list of official factions. And that's not all. Supreme court even defined stigmatization colors that must be used to mark unwanted factions. There are four colors defined: green, blue, red and yellow. Each player has to put a band of his system color around his arm to define himself as a follower of either wanted or unwanted faction. Although only yellow systems are banned from the common events there is a certain amount of animosity between each system color. Green systems are the base of the bridge religion identifying themselves as the natural systems and they are trying to eradicate all other systems claiming that these

unnatural methods kill the beauty of the game. Of course, the loudest eradicators are the followers of the orthodox natural bridge belief. They despise everything that is not natural for four generations at least. The main faction representing this orthodox beliefs is ACOL. ACOL systems follow the doctrine that bidding of a suit shows at least four cards of the suit. It is based on a simple principle that you must have at least one four card suit in your hand. It's not ingenuity, it's necessity. In fact, ACOL is not even a bidding system. It is a rudimentary implementation of the natural bridge belief. Of course, ACOL uses weak notrump opening instead of strong one, but it's for marketing reasons only because you cannot sell something that looks like the ice age system. The main power of ACOL is definitely the simplicity of the methods combined with preemptive effect of the weak notrump. You can learn the basics of ACOL in forty seven seconds and not learn the entire system for your whole life. Because there is no system. Just bridge logic. Considering the fact that men and women have completely different logic and men always win logic battles, ACOL is perfect family system. It is quite popular with middle aged married couples as he will always yell at her that she messed up the bidding and she will nod her head knowing that arguments are useless.

Extended ACOL family pack includes even the babysitter to make your family pleasure complete. And they accept credit cards. Ruf mich an!

## Your hands

### WARREN THE EXPERT

By Srfa

*Adopted from one of previous years Goodmornings and modified.*

It's a lazy Sunday afternoon, and I'm going for some bridge on Bridge Base Online. Looking for a place to sit, I see there is a free player available, and his personal data claims expert level. Well, let's have a look... I sit across and inquire about system we will use. My expert partner, Warren, replies: "What do you mean?" I start to feel suspicious...

On first board, Warren declares four hearts, and he doesn't draw trumps before trick 10, Curiously, it turns out that this approach is adequate and we actually score some IMP's on this adventure. On next deal, our hands are:

Me	Warren
♠A x x	♠K J x
♥A K J T x x	♥x x
♦A x x	♦T x x
♣Q	♣K T 9 x x x

I open 1 heart, and when Warren thinks that his hand is adequate for 2 club response, slam starts to look more than appealing. Therefore, I jump to three hearts, and Warren rises to game. Well I do not learn much from this bid, so I simply jump to 6 hearts.

King of diamonds is led, and look to dummy is shocking. Well, at least partner is far away so I could mention some nasty words without risking that tournament director will penalize me. Well, game in hearts is thin, but slam is ridiculous ☹ Never mind, I take ace immediately, and play spade to the jack in dummy that holds. Now I try cheap trick of advancing club ten. Luckily, it works and I score my singleton queen. Good, there are some more experts around the table ☺ Now I bang down ace and king of hearts (maybe best chance not to loose on this board is that 4 hearts is going down if there is a trump loser), and queen appears from LHO. Cool. Now I play some more trumps, and it turns out that defenders are very keen to their cards in black suits, so they discard just a bit too many diamonds, and I am able to surrender same trick there to both defenders, and as they fight for it, one with jack, other with queen, I don't mind who wins because I have made my slam. But, Warren is not impressed. He objects to bidding slam without

checking for aces. I start to realize that his expert mind has concluded that I am a female (for those uninformed, Srfa is a guy) and his remarks are even hinting that he suspects a blond hair. For now, there is a not a bit of reason to tell him a truth.

Something like 20 IMP's up, we advance to the next deal. Here are our hands:

Warren	Me
♠K J x	♠x
♥A K Q x	♥x x
♦K Q x x	♦x x x
♣A x	♣K x x x x x x

Now to bidding adventures. Warren calmly passes as dealer! So does my RHO, and I seize opportunity for preemptive 3 clubs in third seat. Other opponent passes, and Warren bids 4 NT! He obviously does not feel that bidding Blackwood from passed hand against partner who is preempting is anything unusual.

Well, I am alarmed, but I will make no lie if i confess that i have no aces, so i bid 5 clubs. However, Warren is not finished, and he bids 6 clubs. Lead is a heart. Look to dummy is again exiting. And cards are obviously enjoying all this carneval, as clubs are 2-2, and diamond ace is onside, so yet another less than cold slam is coming home.

Warren finally seems happy and in facts he asks if i would merry him. I say that I will consider it if he explains why he passed as dealer. He says that he didn't know what to bid as he was strong, but lacking any 5-card suit for strong two bid. I inquire about merits of opening 2 NT, but he states that it does not make sense to bid notrump below game level, and he carefully points out that for game in no trump you need to bid three of them. Now thats why it's a gift to have a chance to play with and learn from experts...

Now i ask why he bid a slam, when he knew that two aces are missing. He calmly explains that you use Blackwood for bidding slams, and that real man bids slam ones he had decided so. Well, thats convincing, maybe I should merry him?

### IMPORTANT

- 1.REMEMBER WE ARE USING BRIDGE MATES!
- 2.CONVENTION CARDS ARE OBLIGATORY!  
You can get your copy at the Registration desk.
- 3.AT THE REGISTRATION DESK YOU CAN REGISTER FOR ALL TOURNAMENTS IN ADVANCE. PLEASE DO IT!
- 4.Entries for pairs tournaments are paid at the table.  
PLEASE PREPARE EXACT AMOUNT OF MONEY. Otherwise you will receive your change at the registration desk the next day.



## FESTIVAL RULES

- ♠ Always be on time!
- ♠ Make your registration in advance!
- ♠ For both pair and team games you should register at the Registration desk at least one hour before tournament starts, but please do it as soon as possible.
- ♠ Open pairs MP is limited to 350 pairs, so make your registration TODAY!
- ♠ For teams tournaments you should pay your entry fee at the Registration desk at the time of registration
- ♠ For pairs tournaments you should pay entry at the table in the first round (please prepare exact amount of money in advance). In case you do not put exact amount of money in the envelope we will return the change next day at the Registration desk.
- ♠ Slow play will not be tolerated
- ♠ Remain seated until the change is announced!
- ♠ Bridge mates will be used at all events except open pairs.
- ♠ The use of the stop card is obligatory!
- ♠ The convention card is obligatory! Please fill free to take a copy at the Registration desk.
- ♠ Make your opening leads faced down!
- ♠ Leave the boards, the bidding boxes and the score sheets on the table.
- ♠ Be nice to your partner, opponents, officials of the tournament and others...only together we can make this tournament friendly and convenient place for all.
- ♠ Follow the ALERT procedure!
- ♠ 1 NT opening bid, if not 15-18 balanced variety must be alerted!
- ♠ 1NT opening bid less then 10 Hcp is not allowed.
- ♠ 1NT opening bid tolerates singleton A/K.
- ♠ 1NT opening with small singleton (Q or lower) is not allowed unless it is part of the system in which case it should be alerted.
- ♠ HUM and brown stickers are not allowed (please check with TD if you are not sure about conventions you use).
- ♠ Do not alert after 3NT!
- ♠ Psychics in strong openings are not allowed!

### You won a tourney ?

**Come to Press room or you will not be winning again soon ☺ !**

**We invite the winners of all tournaments to visit us in Press room.**

**We will not force you to write if if don't want to but photos need to be taken.**

### You didn't win a tourney ? ?HOWCOME?

**...you must come to Press room and tell us all about it...**

*Dear Good Morning Bridge!*

*This is my first Bridge Festival... but I do not play bridge ;- ) I mean I can not! I thought I am going here to lie on the beach and have some sun before Polish autumn (my typical thinking – just relax ;- ) But look! It occurs that bridge can be interesting even for me. I am talking about the background. I am impressed organization of this everything (not talking about computer problems and hot room while playing first night ;- ) Many details should have been taken into consideration everything can run. For example presentation of the present results, caring about everything was fair played, logistics and so on, and so on. Bravo! I like your professionalism.*

*Aneta from Poland*

*P.S.*

*I am here with Maciej Esnekier (my partner – not bridge – life partner ;- ) and Adam Esnekier (his father). They love bridge! Oh, by the way! They won meeting tournament (Opening Mitchel). It was great thing for me! 19 pairs and their first place! Remember, my first Bridge Festival ;- ) But they told me: „Calm down Aneta. Tomorrow you will have almost 300 pair and we will see... “*

*So we will see ;- )*