

1st EUROPEAN OPEN **CHAMPIONSHIPS**

MENTON, FRANCE, 14th - 28th JUNE 2003

The EBL is very proud to announce the 1st EUROPEAN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS to be held from 14th to 28th June 2003. The venue for the Championships will be the Palais de l'Europe in the marvellous town of Menton on the French Riviera.

The championships will include:

- Mixed Pairs and Teams
- Open, Women's and Senior Teams
- Open, Women's and Senior Pairs

All events will be TRANSNATIONAL and bridge players from all WBF zones, in good standing with their Federation, are entitled to participate. There will be no restrictions on numbers of entries per NBO.

The schedule of events will be as follows:

Saturday 14th - Opening Ceremony

- Mixed Teams (Qualifying round)

Sunday 15th - Mixed Teams (Qualifying round)

Monday 16th - Mixed Teams (16- & 8 - Final / Consolation Swiss)

Tuesday 17th

Mixed Teams (4- & Semifinal)
 Mixed Pairs (Qualifying 1st & 2nd Sessions)

Wednesday 18th - Mixed Teams (Final)

- Mixed Pairs (Qualifying 3rd & Final 1st Sessions)

- Mixed Pairs (Final 2nd & 3rd Sessions) Thursday 19th - Men, Women & Senior Teams (Qualifying Sessions) Friday 20th Saturday 21st - Men, Women & Senior Teams (Qualifying Sessions) Sunday 22nd - Men, Women & Senior Teams (Qualifying Sessions) Monday 23rd - Men, Women & Senior Teams (16- & 8- Final / Consolation Swiss) Tuesday 24th - Men. Women & Senior Teams (4- & Semifinal) - Men, Women & Senior Pairs (1st & 2nd Qualifying Sessions) Wednesday 25th - Men, Women & Senior Teams (Final) - Men, Women & Senior Pairs (3rd Qual. & 1st Semif.) - Men, Women & Senior Pairs (2nd & 3rd Semifinal)
- Men, Women & Senior Pairs (1st & 2nd Final & Consolation) Thursday 26th Friday 27th - Men, Women & Senior Pairs (3rd Final Session) Saturday 28th - Closing Ceremony & Prize-Giving at 7.30 p.m. followed by

Victory Banquet

Play will start at 10/10.30 a.m. and finish at 8/8.30 p.m. each day, except for Saturday 14th June, when play will start in the afternoon after the Opening Ceremony.

Detailed information on hotel accommodation, social events, entry fees, etc., will be made available through the usual channels.

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We look forward to seeing you in Menton!

