



6th NBO Officers' Seminar

EBL UPCOMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

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- ♥ EBL CHAMPIONSHIPS Open – Women – Senior
 - European Team Championships in even years
 - ❖ Ostend 2010 – Dublin 2012 – 2014 ?
 - ❖ About 90 teams – National teams -12 days
 - Open European Championships in odd years
 - ❖ Poznan 2011 – Sanremo 2013 (*to be confirmed*) – 2015 (Norway?)
 - ❖ About 750 pairs and 250 teams (with mixed event)
 - ❖ Transnational Event - 15 days
 - To be candidate for 2014 and 2015 (or later!)
 - ❖ EBL requirements



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♥ EBL Youth Championships

- European Youth Team Championships odd years
 - ❖ 3 categories Junior, Girls, Youngsters
 - ❖ Albena 2011 – Stargard 2013 – Orebro 2015 ?
 - ❖ About 50 teams – National teams – 12 days (9?)
- EBL Youth Pairs Championships in even years
 - ❖ Opatija 2010 – Vejle 2012 – Hungary 2014 ?
 - ❖ About 150 pairs - 6 days (in place of 4)
 - ❖ New format in 2012 with mixed event
- To be candidate for 2014 and 2015
 - ❖ EBL requirements



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♥ EBL Champion's Cup

- Every year in November
 - ❖ 2nd full WE of November
 - ❖ Bad Honnef 2011 – Eilat 2012 – 2013? – 2014?
 - ❖ 12 teams representing 10 to 12 countries – 4 days
 - Top ten countries of the last European team championships (*Dublin for 2012 and 2013*)
 - Hosting country (*Israel in 2012*)
 - Last winning country (*Italy in 2012*)
 - ❖ Participants are winners of the most important team event played in each country

- To be candidate for 2013, 2014 and 2015
 - ❖ EBL requirements



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♥ EBL Small Federations Games

- Every year in September
 - 4th edition in 2011 in San Marino
 - 16 Teams - 15 countries
- Countries under 500 members
- Organization by Jean-Charles Allavena



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♥ 2012 EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

DUBLIN (Ireland)

Irish Bridge Union



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♥ 2012 EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

➤ Open Teams

❖ First Round Robin

- Wednesday 13th June to Tuesday 19th June
- 2 groups – 38 teams in 2010
- Matches of 20 boards – 3 by days (2)
- 9 teams qualified in each group

❖ Second Round Robin

- Wednesday 20th to Saturday 23rd
- Carry over of the VP against the 8 other teams
- 9 matches against teams of the other group

❖ 6 Teams qualified for Bermuda Bowl

- Bali September 2013

❖ 10 First countries

- Qualification of 1 team for EBL Champion's Cup



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♥ 2012 EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

➤ Women Teams

❖ Complete round Robin

- Wednesday 13th June to Saturday 23rd
- 1 group – 28 teams in 2010
- Matches of 20 boards – 3 by days (2)
- 1 day off ?

❖ 6 Teams qualified for Venice Cup

- ❖ Bali September 2013

➤ Senior Teams

❖ Complete round Robin

- Saturday 16th June to Saturday 23rd
- 1 group – 23 teams in 2010
- Format can be change if more than 24 teams (23 in Ostend)

❖ 6 Teams qualified for D'Orsi Cup

- ❖ Bali September 2013



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♥ 2012 EBL YOUTH PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS

VEJLE (Denmark)

Danmarks Bridgeforbund



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♥ 2012 EBL YOUTH PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS

➤ Vejle – Denmark (*Airport = Billund*)

❖ Sunday 1st July – Friday 6th July

- Opening Ceremony Sunday 1st
- Closing Ceremony Friday 6th

❖ New Format

- 6 days with a new competition : Mixed Pairs
- Segments of 10 boards
- No final B but a President Cup (transnational, transcategories)

❖ Mixed

- Qualification Monday and Tuesday morning
- Final – Barometer Tuesday afternoon

❖ Juniors – Girls - Youngsters

- ❖ Qualification Wednesday 5X10
- ❖ Semi- Final Thursday 5X10
- ❖ Final – Barometer Friday
- ❖ President Cup - Friday



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♥ 2012 Summer Events

➤ 6th World University Teams Championships

❖ Reims (*France*) – FISU – July 9th to 15th

- Opening Monday 9th – Closing Sunday 15th
- Play Tuesday 10th to Sunday 15th

➤ 14th World Youth Team Championships

❖ Tai Can City (*China*) – WBF – July 24th to August 4th

- Opening Wednesday 25th – Closing Saturday 4th
- 3 Categories Juniors Girls and Youngsters
- New WBF rules about age limit
- Qualified for Europe
 - Junior(6): Israel Italy Denmark Bulgaria France Netherlands (*Croatia*)
 - Girls (5): Poland Netherlands France Italy Sweden (*Hungary*)
 - Youngsters (6): Poland Israel Sweden England Norway Italy (*France*)



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♥ 2012 Summer Events

- 2nd World Mind Sport Games - IMSA
 - ❖ Cardiff (Wales) – August 7th to 20th
 - ❖ Or Strasbourg (France) – August 9th to 23rd
 - ❖ Decision before February 20th ...



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♥ 2012 Internet Events

- 3rd online World University Team Bridge Championships
 - ❖ organized by FISU and WBF
 - ❖ 61 teams (22 from Europe – 15 countries)
 - ❖ February to July
 - ❖ Final during FISU Championships in Reims
- WBF Women's Bridge Festival Online
 - ❖ Organized by WBF Women's Committee (Anna Maria Torlontano, Sevinç Atay and Anna Gudge)
 - ❖ With the support of EBL
 - Link on EBL website
 - ❖ April 16th to 22nd



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♥ 2012 Small Federations Games

- Tallin (Estonia)
 - ❖ September 24th to 27th
 - ❖ Before the Festival 28th to 30th



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♥ 2012 EBL Champions' Cup

- Eilat Israel
 - ❖ organized by IBF and EBL
 - ❖ 12 Teams
 - ❖ February to July
 - ❖ November 15th to 18th
 - ❖ Contract to be signed next week in Tel Aviv



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♥ 2013 Open European Championships

- Sanremo (Italy)
 - ❖ June 15th to 29th
 - ❖ Palafiori and Casino
 - ❖ Organized by EBL
 - ❖ Contract to be finalized in March
 - ❖ And to be signed before May 15th



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♥ 2013 European Youth Team Championships

- Stargard Szczecinski (Poland)
 - ❖ July 12th to 20th
 - ❖ Same venue 2001 World Pairs Championships
 - ❖ Organized by EBL and PBU
 - ❖ Contract to be finalized in May
 - ❖ And to be signed in June in Dublin



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♥ 2013 Small Federations Games

- Kosice (Slovakia)
 - ❖ European Cultural Capital in 2013
 - ❖ In September

♥ 2013 EUSA (European University Team Championships)

- Göttingen (Germany)
 - ❖ End of summer



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♥ 2013 EBL Champions' Cup

No candidate for the moment



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♥ 2013 WBF World Team Championships

- Bali (Indonesia)
 - ❖ September 12th to 20th
 - ❖ Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup, D'orsi Senior Bowl
 - ❖ For Europe (Zone 1)
 - 6 qualified in Open Women and Seniors



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♥ 2014 EBL Events

- EUROPEAN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS
 - Albena (Bulgaria) ?
 - Other ?
- EUROPEAN YOUTH PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS
 - Hungary ?
 - With Camp ?
- EBL Small Feds Games
 - ?????
 - Several candidates
- EBL Champion's Cup
 - ?????



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♥ 2015 EBL Events

- OPEN EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS
 - Norway ?
- EUROPEAN YOUTH TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS
 - Orebro (Sweden) ?



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♥ PROBLEMS AND FUTURE



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♥ SCHEDULE AND FORMAT

- EUROPEAN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS
 - 12 days
 - 1 week for Senior event
 - 1st round robin Wednesday to Tuesday

- EUROPEAN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS
 - 15 days
 - Schedule Mixed /OWS
 - Women event
 - Senior event



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♥ SCHEDULE AND FORMAT

- EUROPEAN YOUTH TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS
 - 9 days in place of 12
 - 16 boards in place of 20
 - Eligibility Age
 - EBL Odd years / WBF Even Years

- EUROPEAN YOUTH PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS
 - 6 days in place of 4
 - National / Transnational
 - Youth Camp ?



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♥ COST ENTRIES FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

- Teams
- Pairs

♥ COST CEREMONIES and VARIOUS

- Ceremonies
- Opening and Closing
- Others
 - EBL President dinner
 - Host President dinner
 - Staff Party
 - Journalist trip and lunch
 - Executive meetings



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♥ ELIGIBILITY

- EBL Eligibility Rules
 - With Bona Fide Residence Requirements
- New WBF Eligibility Code
 - Different of EBL
 - Harmonization
- Youth
 - Different policies



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♥ EBL INTERNET EVENTS IN THE FUTURE?

- As WBF and FISU?
- Different?
- For Youth?



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