

EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE

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President

To : The Presidents of the EBL NBOs
EBL Executive Committee
EBL Youth Committee

15th April 2014

<p>12th EUROPEAN YOUTH BRIDGE PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS Organised by the European Bridge League In cooperation with the German Bridge Federation</p>
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Dear President and Friend,

Further to our previous letter dated 19/02/14, I am very pleased to confirm that the 12th European Youth Bridge Pairs Championships will be held at

**The historic Town Hall
Burghausen, Germany
12th to 19th July 2014**

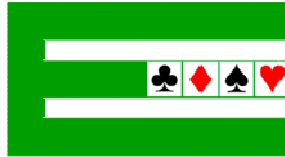
with the following programme:

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| • Opening Ceremony | 19.00 - Friday 11 th July |
| • Mixed competition | 10.00 - Saturday 12 th July |
| • Mixed competition | 10.00 - Sunday 13 th July |
| • Pairs qualification sessions | 10.00 - Monday 14 th July |
| • Pairs qualification sessions | 10.00 - Tuesday 15 th July |
| • Pairs final sessions | 10.00 - Wednesday 16 th July |
| • President Cup | 10.00 - Wednesday 16 th July |
| • Closing Ceremony & Prize Giving | 20.00 - Wednesday 16 th July |
| • Camp (EBL + DBV) | - Thursday 17 th to Tuesday 22 nd July |

Format of the Championships

There will be the Mixed Pairs competition and three series in the Youth Championship: Junior Open, Junior Girls and Youngsters. Mixed Pairs and all three series are for National Pairs (i.e. both players must come from the same NBO - transnational pairs are not permitted).

Mixed Pairs: at the end of the seven qualification rounds of 10 boards the 16 highest-ranked pairs will qualify for the Final which will be played using Barometer scoring and screens will be used.



Youth:

Final movement and qualification details will be posted when the number of participating pairs in each series is finalized.

It is anticipated that each series will consist of two phases: a two day qualification phase and a final one day phase in which all series will be played using Barometer scoring and screens will be used. Both phases will be round robin (all play all whenever possible depending on number of participants.)

There will be a carryover from the qualification phase to the final phase for the Final.

As in 2012, the pairs, not qualified for the final phase, will play in a transnational and trans-age event for the "President Cup".

Camp:

These Championships will be followed by a free six-day camp organised by the EBL (first 3 days) and the DBV (last 3 days) at which players of all abilities between the ages of 15 to 25 inclusive will be welcome. This camp will be located in the Jugendherberge and will include tournaments, lectures, sport activities and funny competitions in the evening.

There are no entry fees for this camp; the registration must be submitted via the EBL website (Registration's process will be opened very shortly and you will be informed by email).

Right of entry

Bridge players (registered members of EBL NBOs), in good standing with their Federation and born on 1st January 1989 or later (Junior Open & Girls) and on 1st January 1994 or later (Youngsters) are entitled to participate. There will be no restrictions on numbers of entries per NBO.

Each member NBO, being up to date with the payment of its dues (including the 2014 dues) to the EBL is authorized to enter pairs. Countries must have paid the entry fee and be up to date with the payment of the dues to the EBL before they can participate in the Championship.

In any case participants must be nominated by their NBO and all such nominations are subject to authorisation by the EBL Credentials Committee.

Registration of Pairs

The registrations of pairs for all the series **must be made by the Federation**. All entries to the Championships tournaments **must be submitted electronically, via the EBL website (not by email) at**

<http://www.eurobridge.org/Repository/competitions/14Burghausen/Microsite/Participants.htm>

from 15th April 2014 until 1st June 2014 the latest, (deadline to be respected imperatively).



Entry Fees

The entry fees are **100€** per pair for Mixed Pairs and **150€** per pair for Juniors, Girls and Youngsters Pairs. No entry fees for the President Cup.

The entry fees must **be paid by Bank Transfer before or on 1st June 2014** to

HSBC Bank
31 Chequer Street
St Albans AL1 3YN – UK -
Account : EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE
IBAN: GB82MIDL 4005 1571 2825 45
SWIFT/BIC: MIDLGB22
(to be mentioned)

Hotel Accommodation

Thanks to the German Bridge Federation, we have been able to arrange **full board accommodation** in various hotels (as per attached list):

To book, please contact:

EBL Secretariat – Catherine Vitry
Email: secretariat@europeanbridge.org - Tel.: +33(0)6 45 57 93 60
Website: <http://www.eurobridge.org/hotel-reservations.aspx>

Transfer airport/hotel

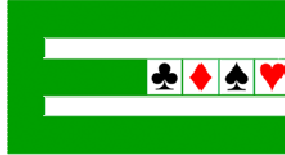
There will be a transfer by bus organised from/to the airports of Salzburg and Munich: the price of one way ticket is € 15/person. We would appreciate it if you could email in advance the flight details of your players to the EBL secretariat (E-Mail : secretariat@europeanbridge.org) in order to organize the frequencies.

Dress Code (except the camp)

Everyone entering the playing rooms is obliged to wear the official identification badge provided by the organization. In case of loss the organization will provide a duplicate badge at the cost of 5,00 €.

All players, captains and coaches are required to wear T-shirts, polo shirts, shirts or blouses containing their Federation's logo. If sweaters, cardigans and sweatshirts are used they must carry the Federation's logo. All players are expected to be respectably dressed and are also required to follow the instructions given by the TDs.

Any person not respecting the dress code into the playing area will receive a warning on the first occasion and a subsequent breach will result in that that person being prohibited from entering the playing area.



Further Information

For any further information, please contact:

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I look forward to the participation of your Federation in the 12th European Youth Bridge Pairs Championships in Burghausen.

Yours sincerely,

Yves Aubry