



## Halfway Point in Round Robins for Open and Women Passed

Congratulations to both South African Teams who not only won all three matches today, but are heading the rankings as well.

In the Open Championships with 60% of the Round Robin matches played, South Africa have opened up daylight of 17 VPs between themselves and Egypt who are 8 VPs ahead of Tunisia. Then there is a gulf to the fourth place but Morocco and Reunion are having a tussle for that all important spot to give them the chance of going to Marrakesh.

In the Women Championship it is much tighter at the top with South Africa 3 VPs ahead of Egypt and Tunisia only 3 VPs behind. Morocco are a distant fourth. The first match today could have significant bearing on the result as it pits the top two against each other. That may well be match to watch.

Players are reminded of the rules surrounding an 'Undo' of a bid. The relevant Law 25 is printed in full at the end of this bulletin.

Open

R.R (03)		Match (05), 09H00			RR(03), Match (01), 12H30			Match (02), 15H15		
Date	Table No.	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team
WED 31	1	2 RSA	x	1 EGY	1 Team R 01	x	6 Team R 06	5 Team R 05	x	1 Team R 01
	2	6 KEN	x	3 MOR	2 Team R 02	x	5 Team R 05	6 Team R 06	x	4 Team R 04
	3	5 REU	x	4 TUN	3 Team R 03	x	4 Team R 04	2 Team R 02	x	3 Team R 03
R.R (03)		Match (05), 09H00			RR(03), Match (01), 12H30			Match (02), 15H15		
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WED 31	1	2 RSA	x	1 EGY	1 Team R 01	x	6 Team R 06	5 Team R 05	x	1 Team R 01
	2	6 BYE	x	3 MOR	2 Team R 02	x	5 Team R 05	6 Team R 06	x	4 Team R 04
	3	5 KEN	x	4 TUN	3 Team R 03	x	4 Team R 04	2 Team R 02	x	3 Team R 03





## Current Standings

### African Bridge Federation

ABF Trials 2021 - Open Teams

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RR 2	Team		Previous RRs		S. 01		S. 02		S. 03		S. 04		S. 05		Total		PEN.	R
			IMP	V/P	IMP	V/P	IMP	V/P	IMP	V/P	IMP	V/P	IMP	V/P	IMP	V/P		
	South Africa	RSA	118	74.17	13	<a href="#">13.52</a>	47	<a href="#">18.87</a>	13	<a href="#">13.52</a>	29	<a href="#">16.58</a>	0		220	<a href="#">136.66</a>		1
	Egypt	EGY	103	67.78	43	<a href="#">18.44</a>	20	<a href="#">15</a>	-56	<a href="#">0.31</a>	36	<a href="#">17.59</a>	0		146	<a href="#">119.12</a>		2
	Tunisia	TUN	13	57.15	13	<a href="#">13.52</a>	39	<a href="#">17.97</a>	56	<a href="#">19.69</a>	-29	<a href="#">3.42</a>	0		92	<a href="#">111.75</a>		3
	Morocco	MOR	3	48.97	-13	<a href="#">6.48</a>	-47	<a href="#">1.13</a>	88	<a href="#">20</a>	-36	<a href="#">2.41</a>	0		-5	<a href="#">78.99</a>		4
	Reunion	REU	-2	45.76	-13	<a href="#">6.48</a>	-20	<a href="#">5</a>	-88	<a href="#">0</a>	18	<a href="#">14.6</a>	0		-105	<a href="#">71.84</a>		5
	Kenya	KEN	-235	6.17	-43	<a href="#">1.56</a>	-39	<a href="#">2.03</a>	-13	<a href="#">6.48</a>	-18	<a href="#">5.4</a>	0		-348	<a href="#">21.64</a>		6

### African Bridge Federation

ABF Trials 2023 - Women Teams

Click the session score to see match details

RR 2	Team		Previous RRs		S. 01		S. 02		S. 03		S. 04		S. 05		Total		PEN.	R
			IMP	V/P	IMP	V/P	IMP	V/P	IMP	V/P	IMP	V/P	IMP	V/P	IMP	V/P		
	South Africa	RSA	37	<a href="#">51.37</a>	47	<a href="#">18.87</a>	35	<a href="#">17.45</a>	0	<a href="#">12.00</a>	10	<a href="#">12.80</a>	0.00		119	<a href="#">112.49</a>		1
	Egypt	EGY	35	<a href="#">62.40</a>	0	<a href="#">12.00</a>	23	<a href="#">15.56</a>	-21	<a href="#">4.81</a>	17	<a href="#">14.39</a>	0.00		58	<a href="#">109.16</a>		2
	Tunisia	TUN	6	<a href="#">60.47</a>	7	<a href="#">12.03</a>	0	<a href="#">12.00</a>	21	<a href="#">15.19</a>	-10	<a href="#">7.20</a>	0.00		13	<a href="#">106.39</a>	0.50	
	Morocco	MOR	-21	<a href="#">53.47</a>	-7	<a href="#">7.97</a>	-35	<a href="#">2.55</a>	58	<a href="#">19.69</a>	-17	<a href="#">5.61</a>	0.00		-63	<a href="#">89.29</a>		3
	Kenya	KEN	-57	<a href="#">32.29</a>	-47	<a href="#">1.13</a>	-23	<a href="#">4.44</a>	-58	<a href="#">0.31</a>	0	<a href="#">12.00</a>	0.00		-127	<a href="#">50.17</a>		4

All information can be found on the website:

[www.bridgewebs.com/abf/](http://www.bridgewebs.com/abf/)







## Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Giraud</i>	<i>Wan Hoi</i>	<i>Fick</i>	<i>Aouate</i>
–	–	Pass	1♣
Pass	1♠	2♦	Double
2♠*	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Two Spades was alerted as 'c raise' which I have failed to decipher. The lead of the ♣4 was covered by the ♣5 and North played his ♣7 and must have been pleasantly surprised when it held the trick.. He returned a spade which South took with the ace and continued the suit, dummy's queen taking the trick. A diamond to the king and a diamond back to the queen was allowed to hold. North took the third round and played a spade, whereupon declarer swiftly cashed the four winners in dummy coming down to doubleton king of hearts and the ace of clubs and so was able to establish a heart trick to go with the ace of clubs and come to a slightly improbable nine tricks. 13 IMPs to South Africa.

## Board 39. Dealer South. All Vul.

♠ AK10	♠ Q83	♠ J96
♥ 83	♥ K1092	♥ AJ654
♦ J7653	♦ K109	♦ AQ42
♣ A106	♣ K98	♣ 5

♠ 7542	♠ 7542
♥ Q7	♥ Q7
♦ 8	♦ 8
♣ QJ7432	♣ QJ7432

## Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Giraud</i>	<i>Donde</i>	<i>Hamel</i>	<i>Stephens</i>
–	–	–	Pass
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♠	Pass	3NT	All Pass
2♦	Game forcing		

North led the unbid suit, a club and declarer took the third round. A successful diamond, and then cashing the ♦A before exiting with a diamond to North. A heart was played and dummy went up with the ace and declarer took his final chance with the spade finesse but that failed and North could put

South in with a heart to cash two club tricks to take the contract three down.

## Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Giraud</i>	<i>Wan Hoi</i>	<i>Fick</i>	<i>Aouate</i>
–	–	–	Pass
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass
2♦	Game forcing		

North elected to lead the unbid major which led to an easy route to nine tricks for declarer, all he had to do was establish the diamond suit and then there were nine top tricks. 14 IMPs to South Africa

## Board 41. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

♠ AKQ	♠ J42	♠ 10965
♥ 874	♥ KQ106	♥ AJ5
♦ 103	♦ A8	♦ KQJ2
♣ KJ964	♣ A852	♣ Q3

♠ 873	♠ 873
♥ 932	♥ 932
♦ 97654	♦ 97654
♣ 107	♣ 107

## Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Giraud</i>	<i>Donde</i>	<i>Hamel</i>	<i>Stephens</i>
–	1NT*	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♥	All Pass	
1NT	14-16		

Having a non-forcing Stayman available South was able to not only probably find a better contract but also more likely to inhibit the opposition entering the auction. The play is not the thing on this hand and declarer peacefully drifted three off but was not afraid of a bad result.

## Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Giraud</i>	<i>Wan Hoi</i>	<i>Fick</i>	<i>Aouate</i>
–	1♣	Double	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

North obligingly led a small club to her partner's ♣10 and declarer's ♣J. Declarer played back a club and North took his ace and switched to the queen







of hearts which was allowed to hold the trick. When a small heart was next declarer put in the jack. A small diamond to the ♦10 held the trick and now with spades breaking 3-3 declarer had the rest of the tricks and 11 IMPs.

## Board 45. Dealer North. All Vul.

♠ KJ86		
♥ KQ62		
♦ 9		
♣ A943		
♠ 10432		♠ Q975
♥ J9		♥ A53
♦ Q65432		♦ A7
♣ K		♣ Q862
	♠ A	
	♥ 10874	
	♦ KJ108	
	♣ J1075	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Giraud</i>	<i>Donde</i>	<i>Hamel</i>	<i>Stephens</i>
–	2♦*	Pass	2♥
All Pass			
2♦	11-164414 short♦		

With a minimum there was no way North would go on. Declarer was held to nine tricks when the defence found their club ruff.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Giraud</i>	<i>Wan Hoi</i>	<i>Fick</i>	<i>Aouate</i>
–	1♣	Pass	1♥
Pass	2♥	Pass	2NT
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

A little pushy in the bidding but we all have been guilty of that before. West led a spade taken in hand and trumps were immediately tackled with East ducking the queen. The singleton diamond from dummy was taken by East's ace. East now played ace and another trump taken in hand.. Declarer's ♣J was covered by the king and won in dummy with the ace. A small club saw the ♣10 in hand take the trick. Declarer was down to her last resort and played king another diamond intending to run it if not covered but West played the queen and now declarer had ten tricks and the same number of IMPs to Reunion.

At the end of the match South Africa emerged winners by 13.52-6.48 VPs.

The first board in this session had a remarkable result in one room.

## Board 33. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ 103		
♥ KQ9854		
♦ 1073		
♣ Q5		
♠ –		♠ A987542
♥ AJ32		♥ 7
♦ QJ85		♦ 62
♣ K10987		♣ AJ6
	♠ KQJ6	
	♥ 106	
	♦ AK94	
	♣ 432	

West	North	East	South
–	2♥	2♠	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♠	Double
4NT	Pass	Pass	Double
All Pass			

Names are withheld to protect the guilty. North led the ♠10, ducked and then the ♠3, again ducked while discarding a heart and a diamond. South now switched to the ♥10, ducked and the declarer took the next heart with the ace. The ♣10 from hand saw no cover from North and so dummy's ace was played. Declarer cashed ace of spades before taking a losing club finesse and so giving the defence the rest of the tricks. Seven off, -1700, I think that is a record so far – if you know different please let me know.

Vanessa Armstrong of South Africa played in 3NT on the same board as West, see if you can see a difference in the results. North led the king of hearts which was ducked and a small heart continuation was taken by declarer's ♥J. A small club to dummy's ♣J held the trick and a diamond played towards hand saw the queen hold the trick.. A club to dummy's ace and when the suit broke kindly she had nine tricks. A difference of six tricks on the same hand, I think that is another record, unless of course you know better.





## Women Championship Day 3 Session 1 Egypt v Kenya

The very first session of Day Three of the Women Championship saw Egypt take on Kenya.

### Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ K108654	♠ Q9	♠ A7
♥ 2	♥ Q109654	♥ AK3
♦ 987	♦ 5	♦ AKJ62
♣ Q93	♣ KJ85	♣ 1042
	♠ J32	
	♥ J87	
	♦ Q1043	
	♣ A76	

### Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>P Shah</i>	<i>Homsy</i>	<i>B Shah</i>	<i>Moussa</i>
–	2♦*	Double	2♥
2♠	Pass	3♦	All Pass
2♦	multi		

South led a heart to the queen and ace. A small heart was ruffed and a losing trump finesse was taken. South now cashed the ace of clubs before continuing the suit for North to take the king and jack. With a trump trick still to come declarer was one off.

### Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Soliman</i>	<i>Samira</i>	<i>Dina</i>	<i>R Shah</i>
–	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♥	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♥	Pass	4♠	All Pass

West wisely insisted on the transfer as 3NT is probably three off. South did not find the best of leads when a small diamond hit the table, allowing dummy's ♦7 to take the trick. Declarer took two top trumps and four honours in the red suits, discarding a club from dummy and conceded two clubs and a trump but still had ten tricks and the same number of IMPs to Egypt.

### Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

♠ 1043	♠ J87	♠ A96
♥ J853	♥ Q74	♥ 62
♦ A865	♦ 107	♦ KQJ432
♣ 82	♣ KQJ104	♣ 96
		♠ KQ52
		♥ AK109
		♦ 9
		♣ A753

### Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>P Shah</i>	<i>Homsy</i>	<i>B Shah</i>	<i>Moussa</i>
–	–	Pass	1♣
Pass	3♣*	Pass	3♦*
Pass	4♣	Pass	5♣
All Pass			
3♣	8-10		
3♦	Forcing		

On a heart lead declarer drew trumps and lost the two outstanding aces and so soon had eleven tricks and his contract

### Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Soliman</i>	<i>Samira</i>	<i>Dina</i>	<i>R Shah</i>
–	–	Pass	1♣
Pass	1NT	2♦	All Pass

I feel South might perhaps have made a bid over 2♦, after all you hold the balance of points. The ace of hearts was followed by a slightly deceiving queen of spades taken by declarer's ace. Trumps were drawn in two rounds and declarer led toward the ♥J and South rose unnecessarily with the king. The ace of clubs was taken and another led for North to win and rather than lead a spade, believing perhaps Declarer had the king tried another club giving a ruff and discard. The ♥8 from dummy was ruffed, felling the ♥J and so an improbable overtrick was made. 11 IMPs to Egypt.





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## Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

♠ J3	♠ Q642	♠ A75
♥ 43	♥ AQJ98	♥ 5
♦ AQ	♦ 6	♦ K987532
♣ AKQJ987	♣ 532	♣ 64
	♠ K1098	
	♥ K10762	
	♦ J104	
	♣ 10	

### Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>P Shah</i>	<i>Homsy</i>	<i>B Shah</i>	<i>Moussa</i>
–	–	–	Pass
2♣*	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
5♣	All Pass		

When North led her singleton diamond declarer had fifteen tricks and so made two overtricks. A spade lead holds you to eleven tricks.

### Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Soliman</i>	<i>Samira</i>	<i>Dina</i>	<i>R Shah</i>
–	–	–	Pass
1♣	Pass	1♦	1♥
3♣	3♥	4♦	Pass
5♦	All Pass		

South found the only lead to beat the contract, namely a spade. Winning the with the ace spades declarer took her only chance that the trumps broke 2-2 but when the 3-1 split came to light there was nothing declarer could do to avoid going one down. 12 IMPs to Kenya.

## Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ AQ106	♠ 42	♠ J987
♥ AQ4	♥ –	♥ J9832
♦ A874	♦ 109632	♦ KQJ
♣ 76	♣ AK10852	♣ Q
	♠ K53	
	♥ K10765	
	♦ 5	
	♣ J943	

### Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>P Shah</i>	<i>Homsy</i>	<i>B Shah</i>	<i>Moussa</i>
1NT	Double*	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	2♠	Double
3♠	Pass	4♠	Double
All Pass			
Dble	Majors or strong minor		
2♦	transfer		

I fail to understand South's Doubles. South was lucky to escape with no overtricks. After the lead of a diamond, declarer took two rounds of trumps staying hand and lead a heart to the queen. A club from dummy saw North take his ace and play another which declarer ruffed. Declarer crossed to the ace of hearts and attempted to come to hand with a diamond but South ruffed and cashed the king of hearts to hold declarer to ten tricks.

### Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Soliman</i>	<i>Samira</i>	<i>Dina</i>	<i>R Shah</i>
1NT	2NT*	Pass*	All Pass
2NT	minors		

After East had passed she called the TD to ask for an 'undo'. The TD did not allow the undo citing part of Law 25 (CHANGE OF CALL). "The TDs allow undo for an obvious miss-click which is the unintended call in the Law book, but they don't allow the change of call when it might be based on a change of mind or loss of concentration or confusion". The full text of Law 25 is published at the end of this bulletin along with a simplified version and a comment from your Head TD. East's heart lead was taken by West who played back a spade which gave declarer the chance to run her seven tricks but no more and so one light.





## Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

♠ 63  
♥ QJ1084  
♦ 108  
♣ Q976

♠ J9872  
♥ K6  
♦ A932  
♣ K8

W N E S

♠ Q4  
♥ A7532  
♦ KQ6  
♣ J54

♠ AK105  
♥ 9  
♦ J754  
♣ A1032

## Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>P Shah</i>	<i>Homsy</i>	<i>B Shah</i>	<i>Moussa</i>
–	Pass	1♥	Double
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
2NT	All Pass		

With her minimum West was not going to accept any invitations. South's ♣2 was taken by North's king. After getting the news about the heart break after cashing two rounds (South discarding a diamond) declarer cashed four rounds of diamonds and played a spade to South's ace and played a club to North's queen who then cashed his three

winning hearts. South, perhaps taking a momentary nap kept the wrong card for the thirteenth trick and so declarer's ♣J scored the last trick and so made the contract

## Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Soliman</i>	<i>Samira</i>	<i>Dina</i>	<i>R Shah</i>
–	Pass	1♠	Double
Redble	All Pass		

The ace of clubs was led and then the king cashed, next the ace of clubs was taken, another club saw dummy win with the king. A diamond to hand allowed a club to be ruffed in dummy and another diamond to hand. A third diamond to dummy forced North to ruff and now declarer could not be prevented from making three more trump tricks and his contract for +790 and 12 IMPs to Egypt.

At the end of the match Egypt had outsourced Kenya 15.56-4.44 VPs.









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## Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Anis	Elsayyad	Ali	Adel
-	-	1NT	4NT
Double	5♦	Pass	Pass
Double	All Pass		

South decided to get his retaliation in early, unfortunately he did not choose the best time to do it. After the trump lead and continuation declarer had nowhere to go and finished four light for -1100. 15 IMPs to Tunisia.

## Board 27. Dealer South. None Vul.

♠ J865	♠ AQ1093	♠ 72
♥ 973	♥ AQ106	♥ KJ854
♦ Q1043	♦ K86	♦ J972
♣ J4	♣ A	♣ 93
	♠ K4	
	♥ 2	
	♦ A5	
	♣ KQ1087652	

## Open Room

West	North	East	South
Hussein	Meddeb	Fouda	Lasad
-	-	-	1♣
Pass	1♠	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♥	Double	3♠
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♥
Pass	7♠	All Pass	

We all know what the goto lead against a grand slam is don't we? Yes it is a trump. So poor East led a small trump and that solved the trump suit for declarer and so his slightly dubious grand slam came home.

## Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Anis	Elsayyad	Ali	Adel
-	-	-	1♣
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	5♣
Pass	6NT	All Pass	
2♦	Game forcing		

I am sure there are good scientific ways to reach the optimum contract of 7NT but I confess to not seeing them. Declarer of course made thirteen tricks but lost 10 IMPs to Tunisia.

## Board 30. Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ J954	♠ Q762
♥ 104	♥ AJ5
♦ 743	♦ AKQ82
♣ K1082	♣ 6
♠ AK108	
♥ KQ76	
♦ J95	
♣ 54	
	♠ 3
	♥ 9832
	♦ 106
	♣ AQJ973

## Open Room

West	North	East	South
Hussein	Meddeb	Fouda	Lasad
-	-	1♦	Pass
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♠	All Pass

Nicely bid to a good slam. Only one thing can beat it and that is ♠J9xx in the North hand. Sometimes one wonders why one plays bridge. A miserable result for good bidding.

## Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Anis	Elsayyad	Ali	Adel
-	-	1NT	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♠	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

East's off-centre no-trump opener seemed to have backfired when they did not reach slam. South led a heart and winning in hand declarer cashed three rounds of trumps and then two more rounds of hearts and when North did not ruff in a fourth round of hearts was played and the losing club went away so declarer actually made twelve tricks but 11 IMPs to Tunisia.

It was a bruising experience for Egypt as Tunisia had won by 19.69-0.31 VPs. Egypt will have days where fortune will favour them.





*Your Chief Tournament Director Waleed El Menyawi explains the important procedures to be observed during the Championships:*



## Play Links

Each category will have its own playing link ( Open teams link – Women teams link .. etc.  
Play links will be posted to the captains' WhatsApp group and will be also posted to the ABF website at the following link

[https://www.bridgewebs.com/cgi-bin/bwop/bw.cgi?club=abf&pid=display\\_page24](https://www.bridgewebs.com/cgi-bin/bwop/bw.cgi?club=abf&pid=display_page24)

Click the Match number, official start time or Session open time of your category to join the game. The game will be open to players 30 min before the official start time.

## 1. Open, Women & Mixed Categories.

For the Semi-final, Final and play-off sessions, It has been decided that:

- The team ranked higher after the RR stage will be the Home team in sessions 2 and 4 in the Semi-final match.
- The team ranked lower after the RR stage will be the Home team in sessions 1 and 3 in the Semi-Final match.
- The team ranked higher after the RR stage will be the Home team in session 2 in the Final or Play-off match.
- If Morocco team qualify to the final match in any category, there will be a 4 Segments play-off match between the semi-final losers to determine the team to qualify to Marrakesh.

## 2. All Africa Pairs tie-break procedure

If two pairs or more have the same cumulative score after the end of the 2nd session or 4th Session, the tie shall be broken as follows:

- A. The pair with the higher score in the 2nd / 4th session shall determine the final ranking.
- B. Mutual boards between the tied pairs - if applicable -

## 3. Teams Events ... Last RR

The last Round Robin for all categories shall be done according to the final ranking of the teams in the previous played rounds.

## 4. Click the link below for instructions

**[Alert Procedures - Undo Procedures - General Instructions](#)**

## 5. Play instructions and Schedule of play ...

- A. When you log on to the RealBridge game ( using the game link ), you will find your team name written in one of the Tables.
- B. All team members are required **to sit at their table ( all together )** in Pairs NS and EW, later on, when we start the session, the software will automatically move the EW pairs between the tables according to the schedule of play.





that the process had not been followed properly in some material way, the Reviewer will ask the Head TD to correct the failings and issue a new ruling.

## 8. Time delay and hesitation

- It is very important to know that the TDs have the tools to produce a board report which includes the time for each bid / play by each player, so please be bare that in mind when calling the TD for a possible hesitation or before denying it.
- It is also very important to know that the TDs also have the tools to produce a session time report which includes the exact time taken by each player in a session, in case of time delay, the penalty will be given according to this report.

## 9. Home & Visiting teams

- When you log in to the RealBridge game ( using the game link ), you will find your team name written on one of the Tables.
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In order to minimize the noise in the venue as much as possible...

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determined a slightly different ruling would not be good reason for the ruling to be varied. In the event that the process had not been followed properly in some material way, the Reviewer will ask the Head TD to correct the failings and issue a new ruling.

## 8. Time delay and hesitation

- It is very important to know that the TDs have the tools to produce a board report which includes the time for each bid / play by each player, so please be bare that in mind when calling the TD for a possible hesitation or before denying it.

- It is also very important to know that the TDs also have the tools to produce a session time report which includes the exact time taken by each player in a session, in case of time delay, the penalty will be given according to this report.

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- At the RealBridge kibitzer website, you can find the live broadcasted matches and also all the other matches scheduled for broadcast.
- For security reasons, all broadcasted matches will be delayed by 30-45 min.

## 12. Smoking, Eating and Alcohol, Mobile and electronic devices

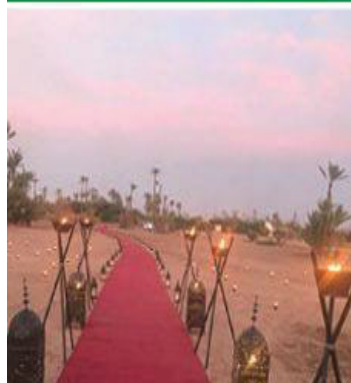
We must act as if we were playing these championships "live", therefore, the following is strictly forbidden during play:

- Mobile phones and any other electronic devices, Mobile phones will be collected and there will be a regular check each session by the monitor.
- Eating (even if only biscuits)
- Drinking Alcohol
- Smoking
- Going to the WC without permission
- Talking loudly during or at the end of any board if the player is unhappy about his/her partner's bid, hand play or defense.

## 46<sup>th</sup> WORLD BRIDGE TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS 13<sup>th</sup> WORLD TRANSNATIONAL OPEN TEAMS

Marrakech, Morocco • 20 August - 2 September 2023\*

*\*Registration and Opening Ceremony on 19 August*





## Roster - Open Teams

### Egypt

Captain

Ahmed Zayed

Wael Adel

Raafat El Sayyad

Ahmed Hussein

Motaz Fouda

Sherif Noshay

Moaz Hammam

### Kenya

Captain

Bhanumati Shah

Samina Ismail

Ramula Shah

Samina Esmail

Saleem Ud Deen

Aruna Shah

Chandrakant V Shah

### Morocco

Captain

Fatim Lahlou

Mohammed Adnane Ammor

Ismail Chamar

Stephane Dahan

Fatim Lahlou

Pierre Sibony

### Reunion

Captain

Patrick Hamel

Patrick Hamel

Christian Giraud

Gabriel Melin

Jean-Luc Neulat

Catherine Aouate

Régine Wan Hoi

### South Africa

Captain

Hennie Fick

Neville Eber

Hennie Fick

Alon Apteker

Craig Gower

Bernard Donde

Robert Stephens

### Tunisia

Captain

Hassouna Ben Abdelmalek

Skander Touil

Ahmed Meddeb

Anis Ghodhbane

Mohamed Ali Lakhdhar

Omar Meddeb

Lassad Jedidi





## 12<sup>th</sup> African Bridge Championships



**GMT TIME**

**Open Teams Schedule of play**

**Each Match = 16 Boards in 2H 15min**

R.R (01)		Match (01), 09H00			Match (02), 12H30			Match (03), 15H15		
Date	Table No.	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team
<b>SUN</b> <b>28</b>	<b>1</b>	1 EGY	x	6 KEN	5 REU	x	1 EGY	1 EGY	x	4 TUN
	<b>2</b>	2 RSA	x	5 REU	6 KEN	x	4 TUN	5 REU	x	3 MOR
	<b>3</b>	3 MOR	x	4 TUN	2 RSA	x	3 MOR	6 KEN	x	2 RSA
R.R (01)		Match (04), 09H00			Match (05), 12H30			RR(02) Match (01), 15H15		
Date	Table No.	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team
<b>MON</b> <b>29</b>	<b>1</b>	3 MOR	x	1 EGY	1 EGY	x	2 RSA	6 KEN	x	1 EGY
	<b>2</b>	4 TUN	x	2 RSA	3 MOR	x	6 KEN	5 REU	x	2 RSA
	<b>3</b>	5 REU	x	6 KEN	4 TUN	x	5 REU	4 TUN	x	3 MOR
R.R (02)		Match (02), 09H00			Match (03), 12H30			Match (04), 15H15		
Date	Table No.	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team
<b>TUE</b> <b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	1 EGY	x	5 REU	4 TUN	x	1 EGY	1 EGY	x	3 MOR
	<b>2</b>	4 TUN	x	6 KEN	3 MOR	x	5 REU	2 RSA	x	4 TUN
	<b>3</b>	3 MOR	x	2 RSA	2 RSA	x	6 KEN	6 KEN	x	5 REU
R.R (03)		Match (05), 09H00			RR(03), Match (01), 12H30			Match (02), 15H15		
Date	Table No.	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team
<b>WED</b> <b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	2 RSA	x	1 EGY	1 Team R 01	x	6 Team R 06	5 Team R 05	x	1 Team R 01
	<b>2</b>	6 KEN	x	3 MOR	2 Team R 02	x	5 Team R 05	6 Team R 06	x	4 Team R 04
	<b>3</b>	5 REU	x	4 TUN	3 Team R 03	x	4 Team R 04	2 Team R 02	x	3 Team R 03
R.R (03)		Match (03), 09H00			Match (04), 12H30			Match (05), 15H15		
Date	Table No.	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team
<b>THU</b> <b>01</b>	<b>1</b>	1 Team R 01	x	4 Team R 04	3 Team R 03	x	1 Team R 01	1 Team R 01	x	2 Team R 02
	<b>2</b>	5 Team R 05	x	3 Team R 03	4 Team R 04	x	2 Team R 02	3 Team R 03	x	6 Team R 06
	<b>3</b>	6 Team R 06	x	2 Team R 02	5 Team R 05	x	6 Team R 06	4 Team R 04	x	5 Team R 05

The Semi-final and Final schedule on Friday 2nd and Saturday 3rd of June will be published later.







# Roster - Women Teams

## Egypt

Captain

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Nada Wattar

Catherine Pascal

Hoda Soliman

Hoda Soliman

Marguerite Homsy

Nada Moussa

## Kenya

Captain

Bijal Shah

Bijal Shah

Punam Shah

Samira Dedhia Soni

Rupal shah

Sejal Shah

Vimla Virjee

## Morocco

Captain

Hayat Hachimi

Hayat Hachimi

Leila Kabbaj

Samira Teber

Grazellia Nabil

Leila Benmlih

Khadija Marrakchi

## South Africa

Captain

Roz Bernstein

Roz Bernstein

Sharon Lang

Vanessa Armstrong

Carol Stanton

Nicky Bateman

Tas Nestoridis

## Tunisia

Captain

Mohamed Rebai

Ferdaous Trabelsi

Maissa Farhani

Hedia Sellami

Jalila Ghodhbane

Meriem Daldoul

Aicha Daldoul





## 12<sup>th</sup> African Bridge Championships

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SUN <b>28</b>	1	1 EGY	x	6 BYE	5 KEN	x	1 EGY	1 EGY	x	4 TUN
	2	2 RSA	x	5 KEN	6 BYE	x	4 TUN	5 KEN	x	3 MOR
	3	3 MOR	x	4 TUN	2 RSA	x	3 MOR	6 BYE	x	2 RSA
R.R (01)		Match (04), 09H00			Match (05), 12H30			RR(02) Match (01), 15H15		
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MON <b>29</b>	1	3 MOR	x	1 EGY	1 EGY	x	2 RSA	6 BYE	x	1 EGY
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	3	5 KEN	x	6 BYE	4 TUN	x	5 KEN	4 TUN	x	3 MOR
R.R (02)		Match (02), 09H00			Match (03), 12H30			Match (04), 15H15		
Date	Table No.	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team
TUE <b>30</b>	1	1 EGY	x	5 KEN	4 TUN	x	1 EGY	1 EGY	x	3 MOR
	2	4 TUN	x	6 BYE	3 MOR	x	5 KEN	2 RSA	x	4 TUN
	3	3 MOR	x	2 RSA	2 RSA	x	6 BYE	6 BYE	x	5 KEN
R.R (03)		Match (05), 09H00			RR(03), Match (01), 12H30			Match (02), 15H15		
Date	Table No.	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team	Home Team	X	Visiting Team
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## RealBridge Playing Instructions

### First : Log in , Lobby, at the table and Settings

1. To join any RealBridge game you will need a **LINK**

2. All the play links will be available on ABF website

[https://www.bridgewebs.com/cgi-bin/bwop/bw.cgi?club=abf&pid=display\\_page24](https://www.bridgewebs.com/cgi-bin/bwop/bw.cgi?club=abf&pid=display_page24)

**AND** you might also receive it by mail.

3. Click the link and you will be redirected to the log on page of our game which looks like the next figure ...

Notice that your video should appear in the right bottom corner of the page and mic volume showing that it works.

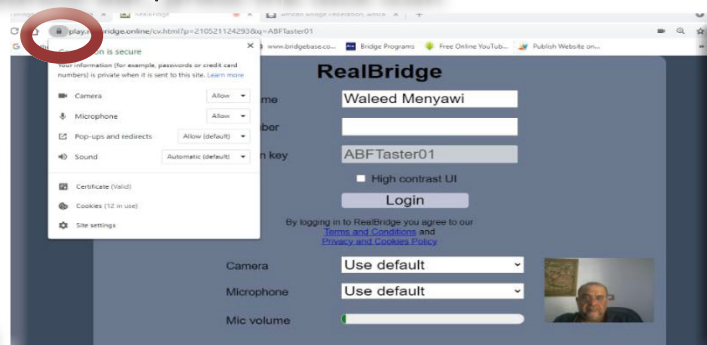
4. If you can't see your video then you need to allow your browser to use your cam and mic, do as follows to allow it

5. From Goggle Chrome and just before the address bar, press the lock icon

6. Allow cam and allow mic.

7. Write your name in the required field and press login – nothing else is to be done- **NO ID number will be used, ( leave it blank )**

8. When you logged in you will see the lobby which almost looks like the following figure ( **but this figure includes extra buttons for TDs** )



Notice the lobby chat window to the right.

**Keep an eye to the Lobby chat ....**

**- For important announcements**





# 12<sup>th</sup> African Bridge Championships



9. Each table labeled with a team name, find your table and chose where to sit ( Sit N, Sit S, Sit E or Sit W )
10. Get familiar with the buttons at your table and call the TD using the button for help.

Volume control for your partner.

Volume control for left-hand opponent. You have a separate volume control for each player. This only affects what you hear.

Private chat with left-hand opponent. You can chat privately only with the opponents, not partner

Volume control for right-hand opponent.

Private chat with right-hand opponent.

Disable/enable your video.

Disable / enable your microphone. Use this when you're on the phone!

Hide / unhide the other players' videos. Use this if you have a poor connection.

Redial. Restarts audio and video connections. Use it if the connection fails, or if your video or audio gets out of sync.

## Settings

"Detailed cards" shows pictures of cards; "Simplified cards" are schematic and have larger symbols

The orientation of dummy's cards when you are defending.

The orientation of dummy's cards when you are declaring.

Choose the way you make bids and plays. With "Two taps", the first tap selects the card, then the second tap confirms. "Double click" means that you make two fast clicks.

Display style

- ☒ Detailed cards
- ☐ Simplified cards

As defender, see dummy

- ☐ Facing declarer
- ☒ Facing me

As declarer, see dummy as

- ☐ Vertical suits (facing declarer)
- ☒ Horizontal hand

Input style

- ☒ One click or tap
- ☐ Two taps (tablet)
- ☐ Double click (mouse)

Deal animation

Slide

Animation duration

This controls how a new hand arrives at the beginning of each deal. Choose an effect, or set to "None" to have the hand simply appear.

If you have an animation enabled, use the slider to control how long the animation lasts.

OK Cancel

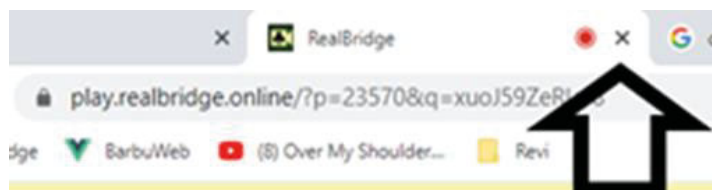






11. After we play all boards



Leave RealBridge, close the tab. See the small X? just click it.



12. Can Use and Can't use

Can Use	Can't use
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Windows laptop</li> <li>Windows desktop</li> <li>MacBook or another Apple laptop</li> <li>iMac or another Apple desktop</li> <li>Chromebook</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Smartphone</li> <li>Old iPads, older than 2018.</li> </ul>

You must use one of these web browsers (you probably are using one of them!):

Can Use ü	Can't use û
<p>Edge, Chrome, Firefox, Safari. The logo must look like one of these – <b><u>exactly</u></b> as below. If it looks different, you are using an out-of-date version. <i><u>If you are choosing amongst your browsers, we advise that you chose something other than Firefox.</u></i></p>	<p>Internet Explorer (notice the gold band)  The old EDGE (see shape of the e)</p>
	

## Second : Bidding, Play, Alert and System

13. **At the start** of any session, All the team members are required to be seated at the same table ( Table with the **team name label** ), the system will automatically move the EW pairs to the opponents table when we start the session **and will send them back to their home table when both tables finish playing the boards.**

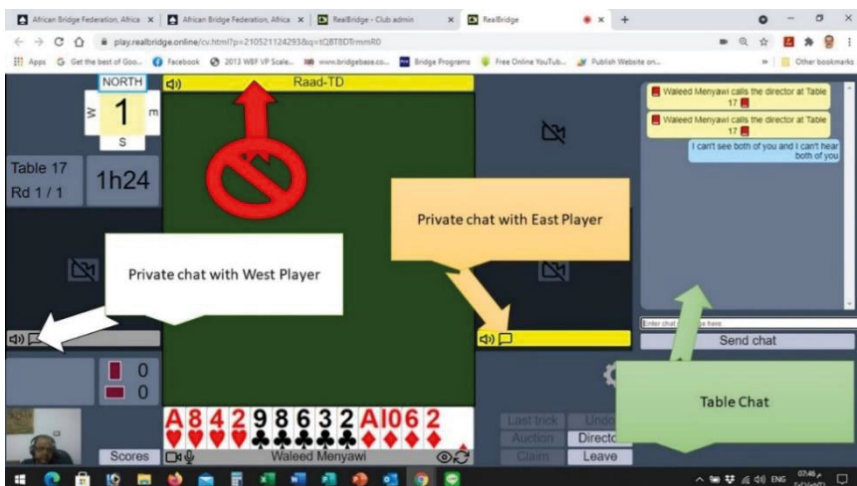
14. **Private chat and Table chat**

- It is strongly recommended to use the chat rather than the vocal chat; the TDs will not take into consideration any vocal explanation if you have any case.
- I will show you now, 2 figures and will appoint to you where to find the table chat (where the 4 players can see your chat) and where to find the private chat where you can chat privately with one of your opponents ( not your partner of-course 😊 ).





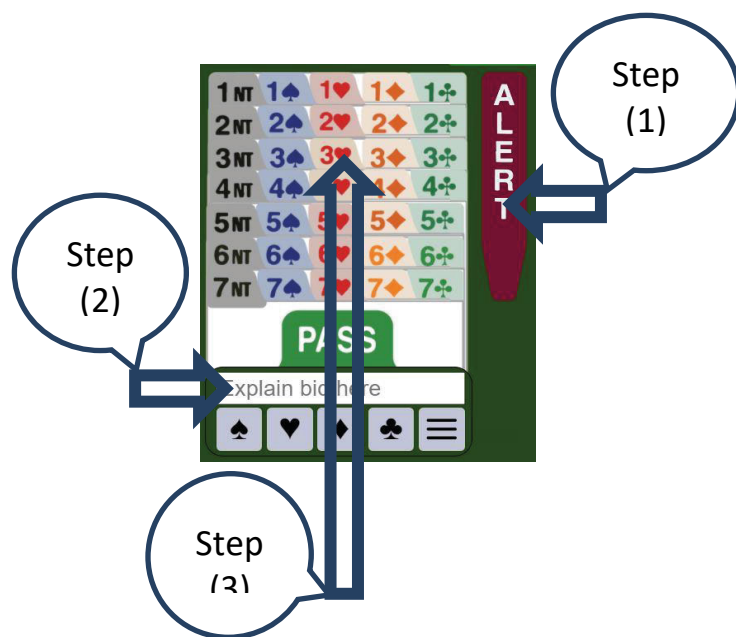
When you are at Full Screen mode



When you are at normal view ( NOT Full Screen mode

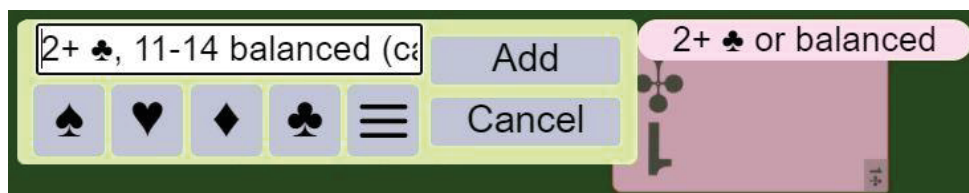
## 15. Self-alert and self-explanation proper procedure:

1. Click alert (if required)
2. Write / Put in explanation
3. Make bid

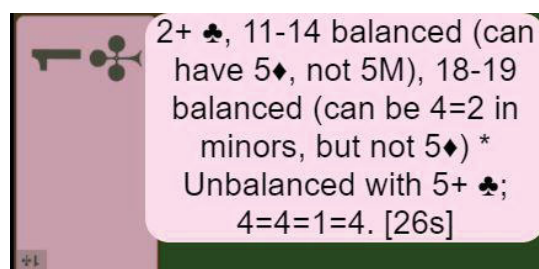




If you make a **mistake** or need to **explain your bid further** after you have bid, you can click on the bid and add more text.

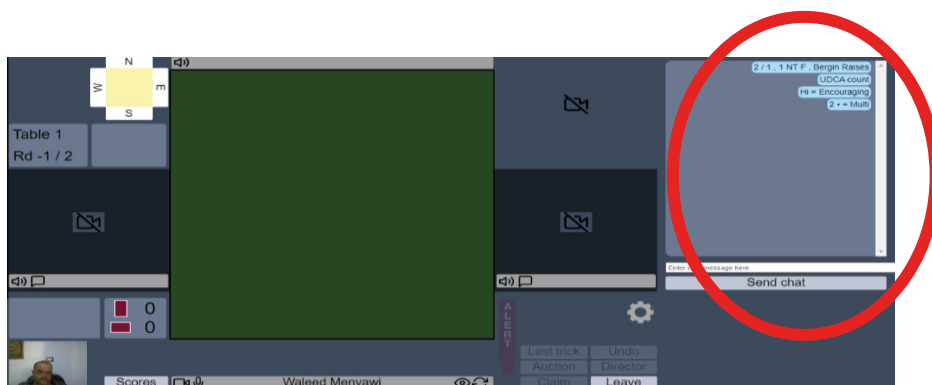


The added text will appear after an asterisk \*. The time in seconds between when the bid was **made** and the added explanation was **submitted** is presented after the added text in the square brackets, for this example, 26 seconds. The character limit on explanations is 200 characters.



## 16. System

All teams are required to write a brief about their system at the table chat box before the start of first board in each match.





## LAW 25 - LEGAL AND ILLEGAL CHANGES OF CALL

### A. Unintended Call

1. If a player discovers that he has not made the call he intended to make, he may, until his partner makes a call, substitute the call intended for the unintended call. The second (intended) call stands and is subject to the appropriate Law, but the lead restrictions in Law 26 do not apply.
2. If the player's original intent was to make the call selected or voiced, that call stands. A change of call may be allowed because of a mechanical error or a slip of the tongue, but not because of a loss of concentration regarding the intent of the action.
3. A player is allowed to replace an unintended call if the conditions described in A1 above are met, no matter how he may have become aware of his error.
4. No substitution of call may be made when his partner has made a subsequent call.
5. If the auction ends before it reaches the player's partner no substitution may occur after the end of the auction period (see Law 17D).
6. If a substitution is allowed the LHO may withdraw any call he made over the first call. Information from the withdrawn call is authorized to his side and unauthorized to the opponents.

### B. Call Intended

1. A substituted call not permitted by A may be accepted by the offender's LHO. (It is accepted if LHO calls intentionally over it.) The first call is then withdrawn, the second call stands and the auction continues (Law 26 may apply).
2. Except as in B1, a substitution not permitted by A is cancelled. The original call stands and the auction continues (Law 26 may apply).
3. Law 16C applies to any call withdrawn or cancelled.

## LAW 25 - Simplified Version

Bridge Laws simplified by David Stevenson ( we called it Yellow book ) English Bridge Union

### CHANGE OF CALL [LAW 25]

(A) A slip of the tongue, or the wrong card taken from the box using Bidding Boxes, may be changed (so long as Partner has not called subsequently, nor the opening lead faced). Once the player notices his mistake (however he becomes aware of it) then he may change his call and the second call is legal (LHO may withdraw without penalty any call he made after the first call) and the bidding continues normally without penalty.

(B) If it was a change of mind or he lost concentration and made the call he intended despite it not being correct in general terms, then the call may not be changed. If he does change it in this case then the next player may accept the change, otherwise it reverts to the original call and there may be Lead Penalties.

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Here is an example of Law 25 and it was written to the European Bridge League lectures to the TDs. Unintended call: without ever having had the intention to make that call. Some say: a mechanical error, meaning that thinking had nothing to do with it.

A pass after a splinter from partner most probably is not an unintended call. The player was thinking of making an effort to go to slam and decided not to do so, but he forgot that even game wasn't reached yet. This Pass should be stand and the TD should not allow the change, because it is simply a loss concentration and not an unintended call.

**TD decisions regarding these irregularities are not easy to make. How to know what this brain of somebody else did think of? Whether he lost concentration or not? Whether he was confused or not? It is a Worldwide standard for any good TD that, the TD has to be very severe, only if he is sure beyond any small doubts and it was clear that the call was really unintended, he can allow the change.**

Waleed El Menyawi

