



## The Seniors and the Mixed Teams Round Robins Continue

As the halfway stage is reached or passed in the Mixed and Senior Championships those teams that are not in top spots will need to make a forward move if they wish to take part in the World Championships in Marrakesh

In the Seniors Championships **Egypt** won all three of their matches to put them one point ahead of **South Africa**, these two have opened up a large gap between them and the other two competitors of 40 VPs.

The Mixed Championships is a much closer affair and no team is yet out of the race but those trailing will need some good wins over the next couple of days to be in the hunt. **South Africa** have a five point lead over **Morocco** and **Egypt** is less than four points adrift and the fifth placed team is only twelve points behind them. As I said, all to play for.

### Today's Schedule for the Mixed and Seniors Team Championships

Mixed

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 24	1	2 TUN	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 RSA	x	4 REU	3 Team R 03	x	4 Team R 04	2 Team R 02	x	3 Team R 03

Seniors

RR (04)		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
WED 24	1	4 REU	x	1 MOR	1 MOR	x	3 RSA	2 EGY	x	1 MOR
	2	3 RSA	x	2 EGY	2 EGY	x	4 REU	4 REU	x	3 RSA

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## Mixed and Seniors Teams Current Standings

### African Bridge Federation

ABF Trials 2023 - Mixed 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	31	54.83	25	15.92	26	16.09	11	13.04	-28	3.58		0.00	65	103.46		1
	Morocco	MOR	-20	44.33	43	18.44	13	13.52	-11	6.96	29	16.58		0.00	54	99.83		2
	Egypt	EGY	-20	46.61	61	20.00	-26	3.91	44	18.55	-29	3.42		0.00	30	92.49		3
	Kenya	KEN	65	66.31	-61	0.00	-44	1.45	-9	7.45	28	16.42		0.00	-21	91.63		4
	Tunisia	TUN	-9	48.04	-25	4.08	-13	6.48	9	12.55	2	10.61		0.00	-36	81.76		5
	Reunion	REU	-47	39.88	-43	1.56	44	18.55	-44	1.45	-2	9.39		0.00	-92	70.83		6

### African Bridge Federation

ABF Trials 2023 - Senior Teams

[Click the session score to see match details](#)

RR 3	Team		Previous RRs		S. 01		S. 02		S. 03		Total		PEN.	R
			IMP	V'P	IMP	V'P	IMP	V'P	IMP	V'P	IMP	V'P		
	Egypt	EGY	58	66.92	8	12.29	33	17.17	50	19.16	149	115.54		1
	South Africa	RSA	76	75.79	-8	7.71	33	17.17	14	13.75	115	114.42		2
	Morocco	MOR	-42	58.76	14	13.75	-33	2.83	-50	0.84	-111	76.18		3
	Reunion	REU	-92	38.53	-14	6.25	-33	2.83	-14	6.25	-153	53.86		4





## Senior Championship Day 1

### Session 3 South Africa v Morocco

Following a small technical problem in the French countryside on Monday meant that a third session report on South Africa against Morocco in the Seniors vanished into the ether. A couple of deals caught my eye.

#### Board 25. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

♠ J3	♠ K987	♠ AQ1062
♥ K865	♥ AJ107	♥ Q93
♦ 8652	♦ Q974	♦ AKJ
♣ 974	♣ 10	♦ AJ
	♠ 54	
	♥ 42	
	♦ 103	
	♣ KQ86532	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Belkouch</i>	<i>Azzam</i>	<i>Dinia</i>	<i>OpenS</i>
–	Pass	2NT	All Pass

West had to decide whether to press on to game or rest in the part-core. The upside of a vulnerable game is considerable: +11 as opposed to -6 IMPs. I also find that if the game is going to fail it is not uncommon for even the part-score to fail. Declarer must have been please to be in the part-score after the lead of the king of clubs... until he saw the ♣10 fall from North, now he had a double club stop. In the fullness of time he garnered nine tricks without much difficulty.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Metwally</i>	<i>El Ghari</i>	<i>El-Bassuni</i>	<i>Kacimi</i>
–	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♠	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

After a Puppet Stayman enquiry and a response showing five spades the contract was set at 3NT. A frisson of worry must have passed through declarer at the lead but to him the sight of the ♣10 was a joy. A small spade to the jack saw North win with the king and return a diamond taken by the ace.

Four rounds of spades ensued, North pitching a heart. South was given the lead with a club, North throwing another heart, and he exited with a diamond into declarer's tenace. Now a heart to the king saw an overtrick arrive as declarer's third heart became a trick. West's enterprise

#### Board 29. Dealer North. All Vul.

♠ 73	♠ 105	♦ Q842
♥ K75	♥ Q	♥ A432
♦ 8762	♦ KQ43	♦ A109
♣ J1086	♣ AK9432	♣ Q5
	♠ AKJ96	
	♥ J10986	
	♦ J5	
	♣ 7	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Belkouch</i>	<i>Azzam</i>	<i>Dinia</i>	<i>OpenS</i>
–	1♣	Double	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

On a diamond lead won in dummy, a heart towards the queen was ducked by the defence and now with the spade finessing generating five tricks declarer was assured of an overtrick but in the ending the defence made a small error and so two overtricks were made.





Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Metwally	El Ghari	El-Bassuni	Kacimi
–	1♣	Pass	2♥
All Pass			

From what I can gather from the convention card over 1♣ 2♥ or 2♠ shows 5-5 in the majors and there is handwritten adjustment which is unclear – the printed text says ‘>9’ but it appears someone has tried to insert a less than sign so I suspect it is supposed to mean 2♣ shows 5-5 with less than nine points and 2♠ 5-5 with more than nine points. This discussion is to highlight that you know your system, especially in areas that are not mainstream and occur infrequently. There was obviously a misunderstanding which cost 10 IMPs.

## Board 32. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

♠ QJ8  
♥ 742  
♦ K109876  
♣ 8

♠ A32  
♥ KQ1065  
♦ AQJ  
♣ J7

♠ K54  
♦ 93  
♦ 54  
♣ AKQ1053

♠ 10976  
♥ AJ8  
♦ 32  
♣ 9642

## Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Belkouch</i>	<i>Azzam</i>	<i>Dinia</i>	<i>OpenS</i>
1NT	2♣	2♠	All Pass

Two Clubs showed a single suited hand and here we have another occurrence of a system failure – 2♠ was an obvious transfer to clubs but taken as a weak bid by partner. Convention Card says after 1NT-2x use Lebensohl but many pairs do not use it over 1NT-2♣ preferring to have ‘system on’ with a Double of 2♣ being Stayman, whatever it is both partners need to be playing the same system.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Metwally</i>	<i>El Ghari</i>	<i>El-Bassuni</i>	<i>Kacimi</i>
1NT	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	All Pass

No interference no problem and after a diamond lead declarer rapidly wrapped up twelve tricks and another ten IMP gain. Egypt won comfortably recording a 20-0 VP victory over Morocco

## Local Time

All times quoted within the Bulletins are GMT:

Morocco and Tunisia are one hour ahead.

South Africa is two hours ahead.

Egypt and Kenya are three hours ahead and

Reunion is four hours ahead.

So at 2.00 p.m. it is 3.00 p.m. in Morocco and Tunisia, 4.00 p.m. in South Africa and Egypt, 5.00 p.m. in Kenya and 6.00 p.m. in Reunion.







## Mixed Championship Day 2

### Session 3 South Africa v Tunisia

At the start of the second Round Robin in the Mixed Championship South Africa faced Tunisia

#### Board 34. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ 1092		
♥ 1096432		
♦ 6		
♣ KQ3		
♠ KQJ76		♠ A83
♥ Q8		♥ J
♦ 87532		♦ AQj4
♣ 2		♣ J9765
	♠ 54	
	♥ AK75	
	♦ K109	
	♣ A1084	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wissem	Gower	Klibi	Gawron
–	–	1♦	Double
5♦	Pass	Pass	Double
Pass	5♥	All Pass	

I am not sure what South's course of action would have been if West had passed and partner bid 1♦. West's advanced pre-empt put the opposition to a guess and it looked as though it had paid off. Unfortunately not only did it put the opposition to the test it had the same effect on partner who having heard the bidding started with the ace of diamonds. Having won the trick he needed to decide what to play to trick two. Having little to guide him he continued diamonds and now declarer was home. He drew trumps and when he cashed the king and queen of clubs he could finesse against East's jack and so discard a second spade and so bring home his contract. Might the ♦8 at trick one from West given a small indication to partner as what to do?

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Cope	Hediasellami	Masojada	Ali
–	–	1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♦	Double
4♠	All Pass		

When North led his singleton diamond declarer could not amass ten tricks. If he drew trumps then he would lose two hearts and if he tried to ruff a heart in dummy the defence would get a diamond ruff, so one light and 12 IMPs to Egypt.

#### Board 37. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ KQ72		
♥ QJ105		
♦ Q2		
♣ QJ7		
♠ 9865		♠ AJ104
♥ 7		♥ 32
♦ A10		♦ K98743
♣ A108543		♣ K
	♠ 3	
	♥ AK9864	
	♦ J65	
	♣ 962	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wissem	Gower	Klibi	Gawron
–	1♣	1♦	1♥
Pass	2♥	Double	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

It seems that 4♠ was a good bid as my finessing friend tells me the contract can be made. The queen of hearts was led and the suit continued, declarer ruffing in hand. A small trump saw North not splitting his honours and so the ♠10 won. Declarer now made the astounding play of a small trump from dummy. North immediately won and pushed through another heart which declarer was forced to ruff in hand and was promptly one down. I suspect it was a misclick.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Cope	Hediasellami	Masojada	Ali
–	1♣	1♦	1♥
1♠	2♥	2♠	4♥
4♠	Double	All Pass	





South overtook North's heart lead to return a club taken in dummy with the singleton king. The jack of spades was won by North's king and a switch to the ♦Q was taken in hand with the ace. The ace of clubs dispatched dummy's losing heart and a diamond went to the king. A diamond was ruffed in hand with the ♠8, North discarding a heart rather than overruffing. The ♠9 held the next trick and another spade sealed North's fate and the rest of the tricks for declarer for a doubled overtrick and 12 IMPs to South Africa

## Board 38. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

♠ 93			
♥ KQ84			
♦ Q8754			
♣ 85			
♠ AJ10762	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">             N W   E S           </div>	♠ —	
♥ A2		♥ J653	
♦ J9		♦ AK1062	
♣ AQ7		♣ KJ92	
		♠ KQ854	
		♥ 1097	
		♦ 3	
		♣ 10643	

### Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wissem	Gower	Klibi	Gawron
—	—	1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

West was not tempted to do anything silly with his six-card spade suit as he knew partner was 1444 or 0454. The lead of a small heart was won in hand and two successful diamond finesses taken giving declare one spade, one heart, four diamonds and four clubs for an overtrick.

### Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Cope	Hediasellami	Masojada	Ali
—	—	1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♣	Pass	4♣	Pass
5♦	All Pass		

I am not a fan of the 2♦ rebid, I do not know if there were system constraints but it led to 3NT being bypassed. When South led a heart, that combined with the 5-1 trump split doomed the contract. Had South chosen any other lead then it is theoretically possible to make the contract but requires some deft card reading skills. 12 IMPs to Tunisia

## Board 48. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

		♠ KJ6	
		♥ 963	
		♦ 9876	
		♣ Q65	
♠ 432	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">             N W   E S           </div>	♠ 10	
♥ —		♥ AKJ854	
♦ AKQJ10543		♦ 2	
♣ 82		♣ AJ1094	
		♠ AQ9875	
		♥ Q1072	
		♦ —	
		♣ K73	

### Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wissem	Gower	Klibi	Gawron
3NT	Pass	5♣	Pass
5♦	All Pass		

A gambling 3NT from West saw East bid a Pass or Correct 5♣ (knowing full well it would diamonds) and so got to the best contract. Not that it mattered but North found the one card that would allow declarer to make an overtrick.

### Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Cope	Hediasellami	Masojada	Ali
3NT	Pass	4♦	4♠
5♦	Pass	6♥	Double
All Pass			

The same gambling 3nt opener here. Apparently 4♦ asked for shortage. I wonder if it had been discussed as to how to deal with intervention over the 4♦ bid. I think the 6♥ was a misclick for 6♦, it is the only logical conclusion I can reach. We will not intrude on private grief but that was 19 IMPs to Tunisia. South Africa had had the better of the second half and ran out winners 58-33 or 15.92-4.08 VPs.







## Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ A	♠ Q93	♠ J7
♥ 108654	♥ A7	♥ KQJ
♦ KJ	♦ Q6542	♦ A873
♣ AK864	♣ 1095	♣ J732

♠ K1086542
♥ 932
♦ 109
♣ Q

### Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Deen</i>	<i>Regine</i>	<i>Esmail</i>	<i>Lemarinell</i>
–	–	–	2♦*
2♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		
2♦	Multi		

West was definitely inconvenienced by the opening multi – the quality of his heart suit was not as robust as one would like in this position but fortunately partner's made up for his lack of honours. Only a club lead can defeat the heart slam and that might not be the easiest of leads to find. Declarer quickly has twelve tricks.

### Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bauquier</i>	<i>B Shah</i>	<i>Neulat</i>	<i>Haria</i>
–	–	–	2♠
4♣*	4♠	6♣	All Pass

Four Clubs announced a heart/club two suiter and with a double fit East was not shy of trying for twelve tricks. The slam succeeds when the clubs come in for no loser. Approximately 52%, so above average and on this occasion the slight shading of the odds worked in Reunion's favour, another 12 IMPs.

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

♠ 542	♠ Q963
♥ 7632	♥ KQ108
♦ Q763	♦ 985
♣ AKQ93	♣ 107

### ♣ J842

### Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Deen</i>	<i>Regine</i>	<i>Esmail</i>	<i>Lemarinell</i>
–	–	Pass	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♣	Pass
5♠	All Pass		

Leaping into Blackwood does seem to me to solve all your problems, after all if partner had ♠Qxxx ♥Axx ♦xxx ♣Jx, you can almost underwrite the grand slam. Declarer collected his twelve tricks with no effort.

### Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bauquier</i>	<i>B Shah</i>	<i>Neulat</i>	<i>Haria</i>
–	–	Pass	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT*	Pass	3♥	Pass
6♠	All Pass		
2NT	Game try		

When East admitted to a holding in hearts that was all West needed to convince herself that twelve tricks were available and she was right. Three slam swings to Reunion in five deals. Another 13 IMPs.







## Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

		♠ AK	
		♥ KJ3	
		♦ AJ10432	
		♣ Q2	
♠ 7653		♠ 94	
♥ Q98		♥ A1076542	
♦ K5		♦ Q6	
♣ K1043		♣ J7	
		♠ QJ1082	
		♥ —	
		♦ 987	
		♣ A9865	



### Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Deen</i>	<i>Regine</i>	<i>Esmail</i>	<i>Lemarinel</i>
—	—	Pass	2♠*
Pass	3NT	All Pass	
2♠	5♠ + 5 minor		

East led a seventh-highest ♥2 to the queen and king. Declarer unblocked the spade honours and crossed to the ace of clubs. Three rounds of spades followed on which East discarded her diamonds. It was now easy for declarer finesse against West's king of diamonds and so made an overtrick.

### Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bauquier</i>	<i>B Shah</i>	<i>Neulat</i>	<i>Haria</i>
—	—	Pass	Pass
Pass	1♦	1♥	1♠
2♥	3♦	All Pass	

It was a surprise to me that on neither table did East warrant the hand worth some form of weak opening. I would have tried 2NT on the North hand for my rebid. I suspect a Double would have shown three spades. 2NT is not perfect but it gets the sense of power over to partner. I can only assume that declarer took her eye off the ball as far as the play was concerned as in a comedy of errors the defence managed three trump tricks. 6♦ makes on a non club lead. !! IMPs to Reunion.

At the end of the match Reunion had won by 59-15 or 18.55- 1.45 VPs. Perhaps the boost that Reunion needed to move them up the leaderboard and into a position to fight for a berth on the caravan to Marrakesh.





## Mixed Championship Day 3

### Session 2 South Africa v Morocco

In the third round of the second Round Robin in Mixed Championships South Africa faced Morocco

#### Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ J9	♠ K8753	♠ Q1042
♥ 762	♥ QJ5	♥ AK1093
♦ AKJ82	♦ Q104	♦ 976
♣ A86	♣ 42	♣ Q
	♠ A6	
	♥ 84	
	♦ 53	
	♣ KJ109753	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Sebti</i>	<i>Gower</i>	<i>Abderrahim</i>	<i>Gawron</i>
1♦	Pass	1♥	3♣
Double	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

The defence did not get off to the best of starts when South chose the ♥8. It did not take a lot of thought for East to finesse against North for the missing trump honour and so declarer had ten tricks.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Cope</i>	<i>G Cambournac</i>	<i>Masojada</i>	<i>C Cambournac</i>
1♦	1♠	2♥	3♣
3♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

After North's intervention it was easy for South to find the winning defence of ace and another spade. North won and played a third spade for South to ruff with the ♥8. When declarer played for the remaining trumps to be 2-2 she finished two light. 11 IMPs to Morocco.

#### Board 30. Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ J963	♠ 10
♥ J10853	♥ AKQ742
♠ J4	♦ A9753
♣ 96	♣ 7
♠ K52	♠ AQ874
♥ —	♥ 96
♦ K82	♦ Q106
♣ AKQ10842	♣ J53

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Sebti</i>	<i>Gower</i>	<i>Abderrahim</i>	<i>Gawron</i>
—	—	1♥	1♠
2♣	3♠	4♦	Pass
6♦	All Pass		

Six Diamonds seems a bit unilateral. My question is: If 6♦ makes then what are the chances that 6♣ succeeds? My answer is very high, secondly can you suggest hands where 6♣ makes but 6♦ fails. The answer is yes just look at the hand above. In the actual play South led the ace of spades and declarer could not avoid the loss of a trump trick. Had West been playing in clubs there are just twelve top tricks – easy peasy.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Cope</i>	<i>G Cambournac</i>	<i>Masojada</i>	<i>C Cambournac</i>
—	—	1♥	1♠
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♠	3♠	4♦	Pass
6NT	All Pass		

I like the 6NT bid, I think it was well reasoned, it protected the king of spades and did not need that many red suit winners opposite. This was the only table that bid it and it was worth 14 IMPs to South Africa.





	♠ 65	
	♥ 1094	
	♦ 107632	
	♣ K86	
♠ K10	N W E S	♠ AQJ93
♥ K53		♥ J86
♦ KQ98		♦ A
♣ 10542		♣ QJ97
	♠ 8742	
	♥ AQ72	
	♦ J54	
	♣ A3	

West	North	East	South
<i>Sebti</i>	<i>Gower</i>	<i>Abderrahim</i>	<i>Gawron</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♣	Pass
3♣	All Pass		

West	North	East	South
<i>Cope</i>	<i>G Cambournac</i>	<i>Masojada</i>	<i>C Cambournac</i>
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass
2* Artificial game force			
2NT Not 4♥, not 4♠			



*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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## 11. Kibitzers

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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

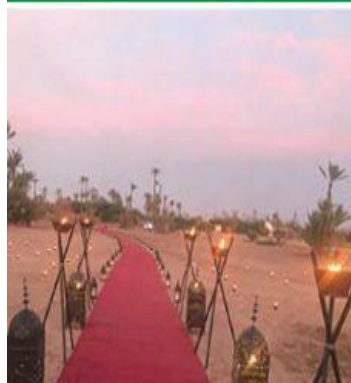
We must act as if we were playing these championships "live", therefore, the following is strictly forbidden during play:

- 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*





## GMT TIME

## Senior 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
SUN 21	1	1 MOR	x	4 REU	3 RSA	x	1 MOR	1 MOR	x	2 EGY
	2	2 EGY	x	3 RSA	4 REU	x	2 EGY	3 RSA	x	4 REU
R.R (02)		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
MON 22	1	4 REU	x	1 MOR	1 MOR	x	3 RSA	2 EGY	x	1 MOR
	2	3 RSA	x	2 EGY	2 EGY	x	4 REU	4 REU	x	3 RSA
R.R (03)		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
TUE 23	1	1 MOR	x	4 REU	3 RSA	x	1 MOR	1 MOR	x	2 EGY
	2	2 EGY	x	3 RSA	4 REU	x	2 EGY	3 RSA	x	4 REU
RR (04)		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
WED 24	1	4 REU	x	1 MOR	1 MOR	x	3 RSA	2 EGY	x	1 MOR
	2	3 RSA	x	2 EGY	2 EGY	x	4 REU	4 REU	x	3 RSA
R.R (05)		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
THU 25	1	1 MOR	x	4 REU	3 RSA	x	1 MOR	1 MOR	x	2 EGY
	2	2 EGY	x	3 RSA	4 REU	x	2 EGY	3 RSA	x	4 REU
R.R (06)		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
FRI 26	1	4 REU	x	1 MOR	1 MOR	x	3 RSA	2 EGY	x	1 MOR
	2	3 RSA	x	2 EGY	2 EGY	x	4 REU	4 REU	x	3 RSA
SAT, 27		FINAL								
		EGY +3	KEN +3	MOR +1	REU +4	RSA +2	TUN +1			
09H00 GMT =		12H00 PM	12H00 PM	10H00 AM	01H00 PM	11H00 AM	10H00 AM			
12H30 GMT =		03H30 PM	03H30 PM	01H30 PM	04H30 PM	02H30 PM	01H30 PM			
15H15 GMT =		06H15 PM	06H15 PM	04H15 PM	07H15 PM	05H15 PM	04H15 PM			







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



**GMT TIME**

**Mixed 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>21</b>	<b>1</b>	1 EGY	x	6 KEN		5 RSA	x	1 EGY		1 EGY	x	4 REU	
	<b>2</b>	2 TUN	x	5 RSA		6 KEN	x	4 REU		5 RSA	x	3 MOR	
	<b>3</b>	3 MOR	x	4 REU		2 TUN	x	3 MOR		6 KEN	x	2 TUN	
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>22</b>	<b>1</b>	3 MOR	x	1 EGY		1 EGY	x	2 TUN		6 KEN	x	1 EGY	
	<b>2</b>	4 REU	x	2 TUN		3 MOR	x	6 KEN		5 RSA	x	2 TUN	
	<b>3</b>	5 RSA	x	6 KEN		4 REU	x	5 RSA		4 REU	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>23</b>	<b>1</b>	1 EGY	BN/A	5 RSA		4 REU	x	1 EGY		1 EGY	x	3 MOR	
	<b>2</b>	4 REU	BN/A	6 KEN		3 MOR	x	5 RSA		2 TUN	x	4 REU	
	<b>3</b>	3 MOR	BN/A	2 TUN		2 TUN	x	6 KEN		6 KEN	x	5 RSA	
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>24</b>	<b>1</b>	2 TUN	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 RSA	x	4 REU		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>25</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 26th and Saturday 27th of May will be published later.





## 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.

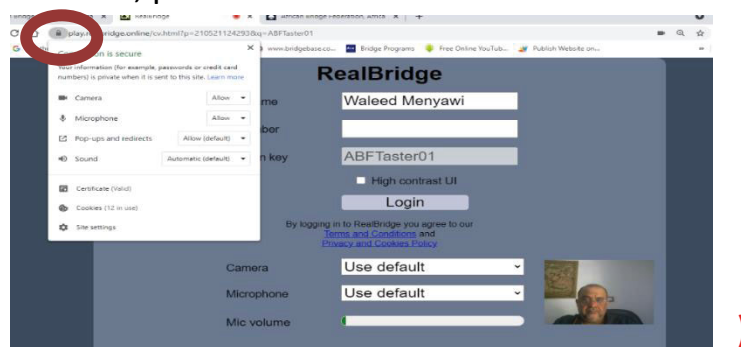
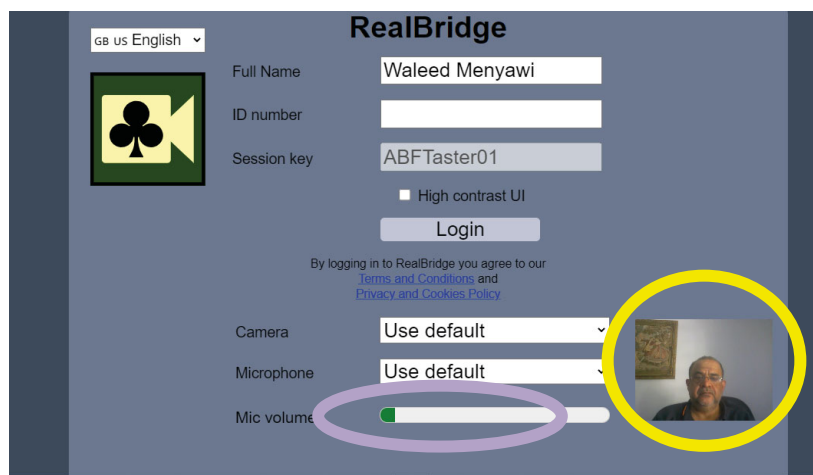
4. If you can't see your video then you need to allow your browser to use your cam and mic, do as follows to allow it

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 )**

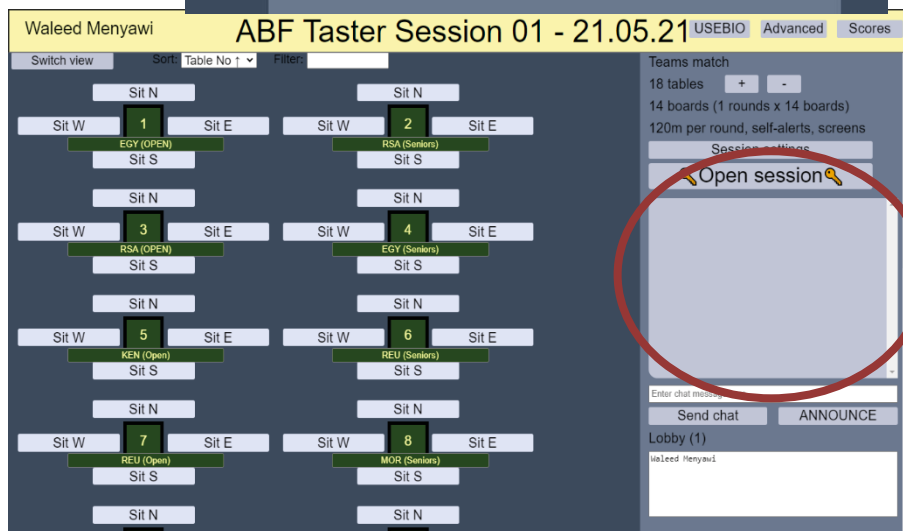
8. When you logged in you will see the lobby which almost looks like the following figure ( **but this figure includes extra buttons for TDs** )



Notice the lobby chat window to the right.

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

**- For important announcements**





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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

Table 1  
Rd 1 / 3

6m

WEST

12

E

Lyn

4

5 NT 5♠ 5♥ 5♦

6 NT 6♠ 6♥ 6♦ 6♣

7 NT 7♠ 7♥ 7♦ 7♣

PASS

Stephen Peterkin

Sam Punch

Private chat with right-hand opponent.

Alert

Last trick

Undo

Auction

Director

Claim

Leave

Andy Bowles

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

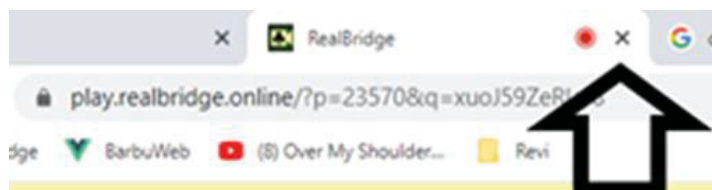
Cancel





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>exactly</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**

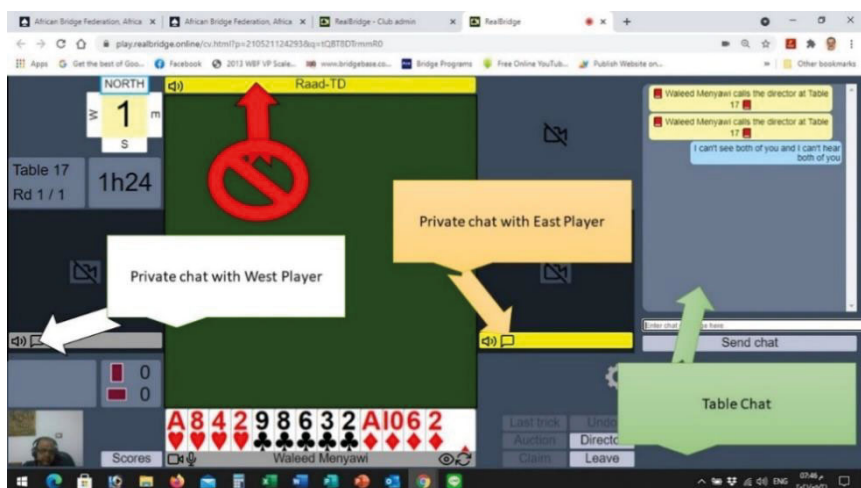
- It is strongly recommended to use the chat rather than the vocal chat; the TDs will not take into consideration any vocal explanation if you have any case.
- I will show you now, 2 figures and will appoint to you where to find the table chat (where the 4 players can see your chat) and where to find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







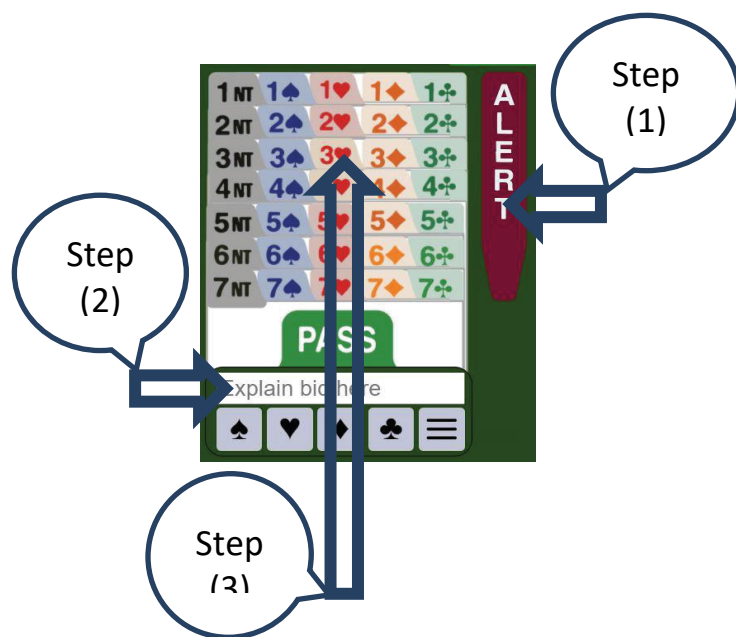
When you are at Full Screen mode



When you are at normal view ( NOT Full Screen mode

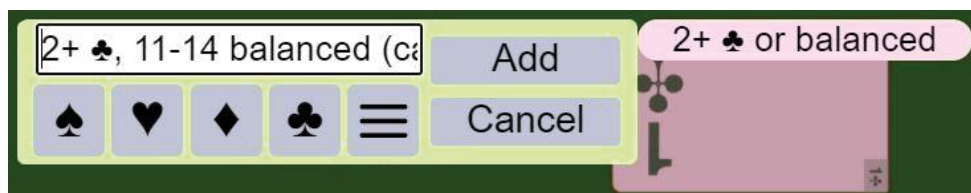
## 15. Self-alert and self-explanation proper procedure:

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

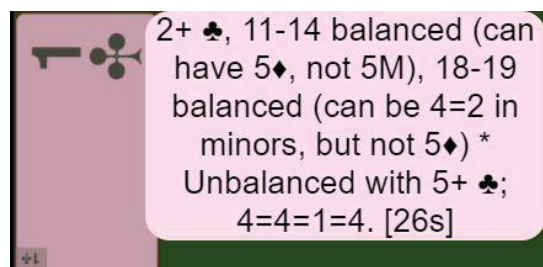




If you make a **mistake** or need to **explain your bid further** after you have bid, you can click on the bid and add more text.



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.

