

## Online Mixed-Teams Tournament

When?	(21./22. ) 23rd - 24th of May 2020
Where?	BBO
What?	Replacement for our cancelled mixed tournament in June in Frankfurt
How?	Registration in teams of 4-8 players. You can add unlimited players during the event. There must always be two mixed partnerships playing. The timetable is flexible. There are fixed sessions on Saturday and Sunday. Additionally, each team can play any number of optional rounds. Optional are the whole Friday, early morning, break and evening rounds.
Procedure:	Each team must submit its individual schedule by Wednesday (May 20th). Coordinate with your team members in advance. A subsequent change is very difficult to make and could lead to a bye for another team. We set up a timetable and make sure that all teams get roughly equally strong opponents and, of course, only play in rounds that they have previously selected. The fixed rounds on Saturday and all optional rounds are thus scheduled in advance. The fixed rounds on Sunday are played using the Swiss system. There will be a cut before the last round. Then the average of the VP achieved so far counts. At this point the extra points are calculated (*) --> see page 2! In the last round the teams 1-2 and 3-4 will play each other. (**) --> see page 2!
Implementation:	We have two professional tournament directors with EBL and WBF approval. Kuba Kasprzak (BBO-Nick: kubusiu), Jacob Duschek (BBO-Nick: duschek) Organizing team members are: Marie Eggeling (BBO-Nick: marabelle), Thomas Gotard (BBO-Nick: Tomi2)  Each team nominates a captain. You get access to Google documents where you can enter your team, find the matches, enter your results, find the current ranking and all relevant information. We play ten boards per round. Both teams submit their in the Google sheet On the homepage you can see the latest results. Should you have a tournament director case or need help setting up the matches write to one of the TLs or a member of the organization team.
Costs:	To allow four days of smooth running and to give the tournament a certain seriousness, we would like to charge an entry fee of 30€ from each team. This covers essentially the costs for the tournament leaders (expense allowance). Junior teams may play free of charge. Should we end up with more income than expenses, the winning team may name a charitable purpose to which the difference will be donated.
Prize money	In contrast to the tournament actually planned, there will be no prize money.
Details: Opponents (*)	Before the last round, we will check if you have an above average number of strong or weak opponents during the tournament. This can happen due to the movement. For every match you play against an opponent with a tournament average of over 12 VP, you receive "his average minus 12" VP bonus. For each match you play against an opponent with an average of less than 8 VP, you get "8 VP minus his average" VP deduction. For example, if you played a round against a team with a 13.5 VP tournament average, you will receive 1.5 bonus points. For example, if you played two rounds against a team with 7.5 VP tournament average, you receive $2 \times 0.5 = 1.0$ VP deduction.
Number of matches	There are 9 fixed rounds on Saturday and Sunday. If you cannot participate in all of them, it would also be possible to add another pair to your team or join an existing team. There are also a total of 27 optional rounds, in which those teams that like to play a lot can play against like-minded teams. 12-15 is the optimal number of matches in this period. Teams that would like to play might can have an advantage, because it can be easier to achieve a high average if you play fewer matches. For the teams with an average of more than 10 VP who have not played rounds 10, 11 and 12 will receive an artificial score of 10 VP for these matches. As a result, the average for these teams may fall slightly. Teams that want to play (significantly) more than 15 rounds will find it mathematically more difficult to maintain a high average. From the 16th match onwards, bonus points are therefore awarded: 0.1 VP for match 16; 0.2 VP for match 17, 0.3 VP for match 18 etc. <b>but limited to 1VP/match</b>

A team that plays all 37 rounds gets 17.5 VP bonus.

Bonus points

All positive bonus points and negative deductions are added before the last round and used to set up the last round.

Last round (\*\*)

Sunday at 18:30 the first placed teams will play for place 1-2. and 3-4.  
At these two tables the round counts double.  
At all other tables a normal last round is played.

Late changes to the playing schedule

During the tournament it is difficult to cancel a scheduled match.  
Up to four hours before the match, you can ask the tournament directors for a change. We will then try to find another opponent for the team without opponent.  
Your team will receive 8 VP for this round (or your average if it is <8).  
Unexcused non-appearance leads to a 12-0 score in favour of the innocent team. (AVE+)  
If one of your team members drops out at short notice, you can spontaneously name and set up a substitute player. The tournament directors may be able to find you someone.