



8TH WORLD YOUTH TRANSNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

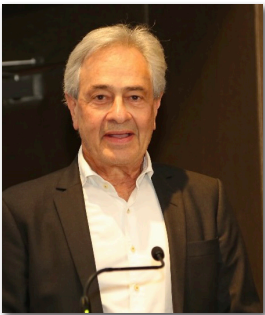
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Welcome Message from the WBF President



Dear participants, dear friends

Welcome to the World Transnational Youth Championships in Wroclaw, a city which has already hosted several world and European championships. You have met up here in record numbers, which is great to see and gives me hope for the future.

These championships are truly transnational - one team is made up of 6 players from 6 different countries!

While doing well is important and the competition will be fierce, this is also an opportunity to make new friends from all corners of the world.

I am grateful to the Polish Bridge Union for agreeing to host yet another championship and I am sure they, together with our excellent WBF staff, will make this a great event executed to the highest standard.

I wish you all a fantastic championship and that you will achieve whatever goals you have set for yourselves. Not everyone can win, but everyone can have a memorable experience.

Jan Kamras

WBF President

Welcome Message from the PBU President



Dear Guests, Dear Friends!

On behalf of the Polish Bridge Union and the Organizing Committee, it is my great honor to congratulate the European Youth Team Championships winners and welcome the new players of the World Youth Transnational Championships. It is at the same time an incredible satisfaction that we meet in Poland, in the beautiful city Wroclaw.

Holding such important events would not be possible, of course, without the support of the Polish state, the city, the region and other partners. Thank you very much for the funds, provided by the City of Wroclaw, the Ministry of Sport and Tourism, Lower Silesia Tourism Organization to keep the organization of the event at the appropriate level.

Thank you also for the trust of the European Bridge League and its President, Mr. Eric Laurant and World Bridge Federation, and its President, Mr. Jan Kamras.

So I wish everyone a good game, and after leaving the tables - nice, unforgettable moments in one of our most beautiful cities. And may the best win!

Good luck, to everyone!

Marek Michałowski

PBU President

Format & Schedule

U26, U21, U31

Qualification (**Saturday and Sunday**): 10 rounds of 10 boards, Swiss movement.

Final (**Monday**): Top 4 teams play a Round Robin (3x16 boards). There will be a carryover of respectively 3, 2, 1, 0 VPs.

The rest will play BAM (2 Sessions x 16 boards) together with the other categories.

U16

The same as above, but 10 rounds of 8 boards Swiss qualification and 3x14 Final

The rest will play an U16 BAM

U26 W

Qualification: 9 rounds of 10 boards, Round Robin.

Final: Same as U26, U21, U31

Times

Qualification

10.00 - 11.25

11.50 - 13.15

Lunch

14.30 - 15.55

16.20 - 17.45

18.10 - 19.35

Final and BAM

10.00 - 12.15

Lunch

13.30 - 15.45

16.15 - 18.30

The Joan Gerard Youth Awards

The **Joan Gerard Youth Awards** will aim at rewarding **aptitude, fair play, good sportsmanship** and a **friendly international spirit**, rejecting any discrimination.

Each of the attending players, NPCs, coaches, WBF championship officials and members of the staff can nominate one player from each category to receive the Joan Gerard Youth Award. No one can nominate players from his own country.

The final selection will be made by a Commission composed of the members of the Championship Committee and chaired by the Master of Protocol & Ceremony.

The result will be announced and the Joan Gerard Youth Awards presented at the Prize-giving Ceremony

Help!

We would very much like to make these bulletins the best that they can be, but there are only two of us and, sadly, we are not even in Wroclaw. Inevitably, we will be watching the wrong table when you or your partner produces a brilliancy, so we need you to tell us about it.

If you think that something that happens at your table is newsworthy, please let us know.

The easiest way is by email to: **bsenior@hotmail.com**

We don't need the hand diagram, or even the auction, as those are both recorded, but we do need explanations for any bids we are unlikely to be able to work out for ourselves. Otherwise, the round and board number, plus details of the play, please.

Of course, you are more than welcome to completely write up the deal yourself if you prefer, in which case the article will appear under your byline.

Championship specials

The new **dealing machines** used to duplicate the boards during these championships are sold for **€2650**. **Playing cards** (not used) are **€0.85/deck** in conjunction with a purchase of a machine; otherwise €1.25/deck.



The offer is on so long as supply lasts, but no longer than July 18.
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