



THE WORLD BRIDGE FEDERATION

Press Release

World Championships, November 2003

I am pleased to be able to inform you that the 2003 World Bridge Championships, comprising the Bermuda Bowl, the Venice Cup, the Seniors Bowl and the World Transnational Open Teams will be held under the auspices of the Société des Bains de Mer, of the Principality of Monaco and the Compagnie Monégasque de Banque. The bridge will be played at the Sporting d'Hiver.

Hotel	Detail	Single Room (Euro)	Double Room (Euro)
Hôtel de Paris	De Luxe hotel adjoining the playing area	230	260
Hermitage	De Luxe hotel adjoining the playing area	195	225
Mirabeau	4* hotel in walking distance from the playing area	150	165
Monte Carlo Beach Hôtel	4* hotel - shuttles will be arranged to and from the playing area	150	165

The rates will include buffet breakfast, taxes and service
Reservations must be made through the SBM

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Travel to Monte Carlo is simple, by flying to Nice Airport in France

The dates for the Championship will be **2nd – 15th November**, with the **Opening Ceremony** being in the evening of **2nd November** and the **Prize Giving** on the evening of **15th November**. The Bermuda Bowl, and Seniors Bowl will start on 3rd November and we are considering starting the Venice Cup on Tuesday 4th; the Round Robins for the Bermuda Bowl and Venice Cup will finish by Sunday 9th November, and the Seniors Bowl will end before the start of the World Transnational Open Teams.

The **World Transnational Open Teams** will start on **Tuesday 11th November (late afternoon)** and the Semi Final will be played on the evening of **14th November**, with the Final on **Saturday 15th November**. We ask you to encourage as many teams as possible to enter this prestigious and enjoyable event.

Players who are not qualified for the Knock Out Stages of the Bermuda Bowl and Venice Cup may participate in the Transnational Open Teams free of charge, as may any players from the Seniors Bowl which finishes before the start of the Transnational event.

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Please note that information will also be placed on the WBF Website at www.worldbridge.org and also on www.ecatsbridge.com, so please check these sites regularly for any updates, and also inform your players that details will be made available there.

WORLD TEAMS OLYMPIAD, 2004

In order to aid your future planning, please note that the contract has been signed with the Turkish Bridge Federation for 2004, and the World Teams Olympiad will be held in Istanbul from 25th October – 6th November 2004.