






WORLD BRIDGE SERIES





OPEN PAIRS




The event was instituted in 1962, when the first World Pairs Championship took place in Cannes, France. Pierre Jais and Roger Trézel of France were the first champions.

The World Bridge Series takes place in even-numbered years other than leap years, that is, 1990, 1994 and so on.



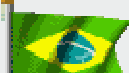

1962 - CANNES (France) - 78 pairs		
1. FRANCE		Pierre Jais - Roger Trézel
2. GREAT BRITAIN		Terence Reese - Boris Schapiro
3. FRANCE		René Bacherich - Pierre Ghestem





1966 - AMSTERDAM (Netherlands) - 106 pairs		
1. NETHER- LANDS		Cornelius Slavenburg - Hans Kreijns
2. USA		John Fisher - Jim Jacoby
3. USA		B.J. Becker - Dorothy Hayden (Truscott)
23. GERMANY		Dr. John Pressburger – Dr. Klaus Thaldorf





1970 - STOCKHOLM (Sweden) - 158 pairs		
1. AUSTRIA		Fritz Babsch - Peter Manhardt
2. ITALY		Benito Garozzo - Federico Mayer
3. ITALY		William Saulino - Italo Zanasi
66. GERMANY		Detlef von Gynz – Dirk Schroeder





1974 - LAS PALMAS – CANARY ISLANDS (Spain) - 192 pairs		
1. USA		Robert Hamman - Bobby Wolff
2. ITALY		Leandro Burgay - Adriano Abate
3. ITALY		Federico de Paula - Italo Zanasi





1978 - NEW ORLEANS (Louisiana - U.S.A.) - 194 pairs		
1. BRAZIL		Marcelo Branco - Gabino Cintra
2. CANADA		Eric Kokish - Peter Nagy
3. USA		Roger Bates - John Mohan
19. GERMANY		Helmut Häusler – Peter Splettstößer

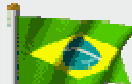
1982 - BIARRITZ (France) - 360 pairs		
1. USA		Chip Martel - Lew Stansby
2. NETHERLANDS		Anton Maas - Max Rebattu
3. BRAZIL		Gabriel Chagas - Roberto de Mello
38. GERMANY		Hans Frerichs – Ulrich Wenning

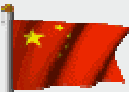



1986 - BAL HARBOUR - MIAMI BEACH (Florida - U.S.A.) - 330 pairs		
1. USA		Jeff Meckstroth - Eric Rodwell
2. AUSTRIA		Wolfgang Meini - Heinrich Berger
3. AUSTRALIA		Stephen Burgess - Paul Marston
28. GERMANY		Helmut Häusler – Peter Splettstößer

1990 - GENEVE (Switzerland) - 538 pairs		
1. BRAZIL		Marcelo Branco - Gabriel Chagas
2. USA		Peter Nagy - Ralf Katz
3. POLAND		Cezary Balicki - Adam Żmudziński
49. GERMANY		Hans-Herman Gwinner – Dr. Andreas Pawlik

1994 - ALBUQUERQUE (New Mexico - USA) - 396 pairs		
1. POLAND		Marek Szymanowski - Marcin Lesniewski
2. USA		Bob Hamman - Michael Rosenberg
3. NETHERLANDS		Anton Maas - Erik Kirchhoff
46. GERMANY		Andrea Rauscheid-Reim – Robert Maybach

1998 - LILLE (France) - 628 pairs		
1. POLAND		Michał Kwiecień - Jacek Pszczola
2. USA		David Berkowitz - Larry Cohen
3. SWEDEN		Magnus Lindkvist - Peter Fredin
57. GERMANY		Tomasz Gotard – Andreas Holowski





2002 - MONTREAL (Canada) - 328 pairs		
1. ITALY		Fulvio Fantoni - Claudio Nunes
2. USA		Zia Mahmood - Michael Rosenberg
3. BRAZIL		Gabriel Chagas - Diego Brenner
27. GERMANY		Tomasz Gotard – Josef Piekarek

2006 - VERONA (Italy) - 336 pairs		
1. CHINA		Zhong FU- Jie ZHAO
2. USA		Bobby Levin - Steve Weinstein
3. ITALY		Fulvio Fantoni - Claudio Nunes
25. GERMANY		Tomasz Gotard – Josef Piekarek

2010 - Philadelphia (USA) - 246 pairs		
1. USA		Bobby Levin - Steve Weinstein
2. SWEDEN		Björn Fallenius - Peter Fredin
3. GERMANY		Alexander Smirnov - Josef Piekarek

2014 (10- 25 October) - SANYA (China) – 256 pairs		
1. ISRAEL		Ehud Friedlander – Inon Liran
2. POLAND		Jacek Kalita – Michał Nowosadzki
3. FRANCE		Thomas Bessis – Cedric Lorenzini
15. GERMANY		Alexander Smirnov – Josef Piekarek




2018 (21 Sept – 6 Oct) - ORLANDO (USA) - 238 pairs

1. SWEDEN		Mikael Rimstedt – Ola Rimstedt
2. USA		Joe Grue – Brad Moss
3. LITHUANIA		Bogusław Gierulski – Jerzy Skrzypczak
38. GERMANY		Sabine Auken - Roy Welland



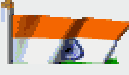
WORLD BRIDGE GAMES

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In connection to the first Bermuda Bowl 1950, the Mid Atlantic Open Pairs Championships were organized with 40 pairs from the teams participating. After a qualifying round 28 pairs played in the final.

1950 (19 november) – HAMILTON (Bermuda) – 40 pairs		
1. USA		George Rapee – John Crawford
2. SWEDEN		Dr. Einar Werner – Rudolf "Putte" Kock
3. SWEDEN		Nils-Olof Lilliehök – Jan Wohlin

For the first time 2016 players eliminated from the Team Championships in the Round of 16 and the Quarter-finals may drop-in into the Pairs Championships, in the national appropriate category.

2016 (3 – 17 september) – WROCLAW (Poland) – 210 pairs		
1./2. GERMANY NEW ZEALAND	 	Sabine Auken – Roy Welland Ashley Bach – Michael Cornell
3. INDIA		Keyzad Anklesaria – Sunit Chokshi