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INTERNATIONAL WACHAU BRIDGE WEEK RELOADED

**Sunday 4 August
to
Saturday 10 August
2019**



Venue:
Römerhalle | 3512 Mautern

Dear bridge players,

the board of the Austrian Bridge Federation has set a number of ambitious goals for the 2019 **Wachau Bridge Week**. A newly adapted tournament and accompanying programme are expected to provide additional incentives for this event. Our objective is to convince our regular guests that the bridge holidays in Wachau are still worth while, and to bring back all those Austrian and foreign players who failed to show up at this traditional, Austria's largest international bridge festival in recent years. Of course, we also want to win over new fans for the Wachau event.

We plan to make this a tempting proposal, both to internationally accomplished and to less seasoned players:

- The redesign of the tournament programme and the playing times leaves enough time for excursion and restaurant visits.
- A massive increase in prize money, and additional prizes for category A, Club, Diamonds, and Junior players aim at making participation in the tournaments even more enticing.
- Those guests whose luck at cards doesn't smile on them can still win prizes in our grand tombola event.
- The charming ladies and gentlemen at the Hospitality Desk will do their best to read your every wish from your lips and advise and support you throughout the tournaments.
- In 2019, the Austrian Bridge Federation is celebrating its 90th anniversary and will use this occasion to present a few surprise prizes.
- A joint visit to the wonderful wine tavern, the "Schwaighofer Heuriger", on Thursday evening will help foster long-standing bridge friendships while sipping a glass of wonderful Wachau wine.
- Saturday evening will see a worthy finale to a beautiful week. We have a few surprises in store for you, and the marvellous band "A Legend's Tale" will put you in the right mood for the event.

We are looking forward to welcoming you as our guests in August 2019.

The Board of the ÖBV

Dear bridge players,
dear friends of the Wachau region,

as the mayor of the beautiful Roman town of Mautern, I would like to welcome you to our magnificent region.

In 2018, the **Wachau Bridge Week** celebrated its 50th anniversary, and in 2019 it will be staged in the Römerhalle for the seventh time. Many of you have been loyal to this long-established event for several years, and have chosen quite a few cultural or culinary highlights included in the programme. Yet you will also be embarking on this journey to reunite with your long-standing bridge friends and to celebrate the occasion with a good glass of Wachau wine.

Those of you participating in the **Wachau Bridge Week** for the first time will be delighted with the idyllic landscape, the vast culinary choices, and the international flair of the bridge festival.

I'm very much looking forward to seeing you in Mautern in 2019!

Yours sincerely, Mayor Heinrich Brustbauer

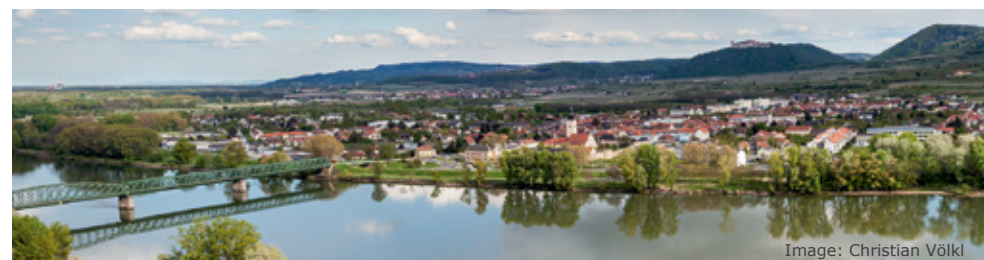



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THE 51st **INTERNATIONAL WACHAU BRIDGE WEEK** WILL BE ORGANIZED AND PROMOTED BY THE AUSTRIAN BRIDGE FEDERATION (ÖBV). THE LOWER AUSTRIAN BRIDGE FEDERATION (NÖBV) WHICH HOSTED THE FESTIVAL FOR 50 YEARS WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE WITH SUPPORT.

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Throughout the previous year, ÖBV obtained the opinions of several potential Austrian participants, and also took into account the wishes, suggestions, and complaints of foreign guests for the planning of next year's event.

A balanced timetable leaves enough time for outdoor activities and to enjoy the culinary diversity of the region during free evenings.

ROLL OF HONOUR

International Wachau Bridge Week - Venue: RÖMERHALLE

OVERALL WINNERS of the Bridge Week MISS and MISTER MAUTERN

2013 Susanne Bohnsack (D), Henning Bohnsack (D)
2014 Susanne Zach, Kurt Feichtinger
2015 Geta Mihai (RO), Radu Mihai (RO)
2016 Marie Eggeling (D), Paul Grünke (D)
2017 Waltraud Vogt (D), Kurt Feichtinger
2018 Linda Molle (NL), Siegi Lendwai

WINNERS MAIN PAIRS TOURNAMENT

2013 Diyan Danailov | Kollo Videv (BG)
2014 Doris Fischer | Björn Fallenius (A/S)
2015 Rosen Gunev | Ivan Nanev (BG)
2016 Claus Günther | Christian Schlicker (D)
2017 Eva Csibi | Daniel Vikor (H)
2018 Linda Molle | Marco Ter Laare (NL)

WINNERS INTERNATIONAL TEAM TOURNAMENT

2013 Team Clachfrax
(A. Meuer, C. Günther, C. Schlicker, F. Wrobel)
2014 Team Wien Salvador
(S.u.F. Terraneo, K. Feichtinger, W. Bieder, H. Stalzer, W. Semmelrath)
2015 Team Lili
(B. Lindinger, T. Weigkricht, E. Pichler, K. Lichtenegger)
2016 Team K1
(V. Aronov, D. Damianova, V. Mihov, I. Nanev)
2017 Team Raica
(C. Kemmer, R. Handel, C. Günther, C. Schlicker)
2018 Team Die Sportlichen
(A. Kofler, B. Spraider, M. Matejka, H. Stadler)



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BRIDGE PROGRAMME

4 - 10 August 2019

Sun	4 Aug.	12.30 hrs	Opening Tournament - 2x18 boards, € 30/player
Mon	5 Aug.	12.00 hrs	Mini-Team Tournament - 6x8 boards, € 120/team
Tue	6 Aug.	14.00 hrs	Individual Tournament - 26 boards, € 15/player
		19.30 hrs	Barometer Tournament - 32 boards, € 25/player
Wed	7 Aug.	17.00 hrs	Team Tournament - Day 1, 6x8 boards, € 240/team
Thu	8 Aug.	12.00 hrs	Team Tournament - Day 2, 6x8 boards
Fri	9 Aug.	13.30 hrs	Main Pairs Tournament - Day 1, at least 32 boards, €50/player
Sat	10 Aug.	13.30 hrs	Main Pairs Tournament - Day 2, at least 32 boards
		as off 21:30 hrs	Final Event with live music and dancing

Tournament Directors

Chief Tournament Director Robert Schuster, Austria
Tournament Director Barbara von Kleist, Germany
Tournament Director Hans Zeugner, Austria
Tournament Director Klaus Köpplinger, Austria
Tournament Director Dieter Schulz, Austria

Calculation

Hans Zeugner, Klaus Köpplinger, Dieter Schulz

The Federation reserves the right to make changes due to justified reasons and to reject players without stating any reason.

A completed convention card is obligatory.

Juniors will pay half the entry fee.

The 2017 international tournament bridge rules and the provisions of the Austrian competition rules (as amended), including the GDPR shall apply.

Mautern 2019 prize money in €

Ranking	Opening Tournament	Individual Tournament	Barometer Tournament	Mini-Team Tournament	Team Tournament				Main Pairs Tournament
					A	B	C-G	H	
1 st	600	150	400	680	1.200	400	320	240	1.000
2 nd	400	100	300	560	800	320			750
3 rd	300	80	200	440	600				500
4 th	250	50	150	360	500				350
5 th	200	40	100	320	440				250
6 th	150	30	70	280	380				150
7 th	100		70	240	320				150
8 th	100		60	200	240				150
9 th	100		60	160					150
10 th	100		60	140					150
	rank to 20, € 70 each								rank 11 to 15, € 120 each
category prizes	€ 150/ prizes in kind		€ 100/ prizes in kind	prizes in kind					€ 150/ prizes in kind
best Junior Pairs/ Team	60		50	120	120				100
									100**)

*) Money prizes as of three pairs per category

**) for best foreign, Lower Austrian, federal province pair

Mautern 2019 playing times

Start Time	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Start Time
11.00 hrs	Hospitality Desk	Hospitality Desk			Hospitality Desk			11.00 hrs
12.00 hrs								12.00 hrs
12.30 hrs						Hospitality Desk	Hospitality Desk	12.30 hrs
13.30 hrs			Hospitality Desk					13.30 hrs
14.00 hrs								14.00 hrs
15.00 hrs	Opening Tournament	Mini-Team Tournament	Individual Tournament		Team Tournament Day 2	Main Pairs Tournament Day 1	Main Pairs Tournament Day 2	15.00 hrs
16.00 hrs								16.00 hrs
16.30 hrs				Hospitality Desk				16.30 hrs
17.00 hrs								17.00 hrs
18.00 hrs	Hospitality Desk		Awards Ceremony					18.00 hrs
19.00 hrs	Awards Ceremony		Hospitality Desk					19.00 hrs
19.30 hrs		Hospitality Desk						19.30 hrs
20.00 hrs				Team Tournament Day 1	Hospitality Desk			20.00 hrs
21.00 hrs			Barometer Tournament					21.00 hrs
22.00 hrs					wine tavern "Schwaighofer Heuriger"			22.00 hrs
23.00 hrs							Final event and awards ceremony with live music open end	23.00 hrs
00.30 hrs								00.30 hrs



Hospitality Desk

The friendly ladies and gentlemen of the Hospitality Desk will support the organisation team in ensuring an efficient management of the tournament. They will welcome our guests and will provide them with all important information relating to the bridge festival.

At the Hospitality Desk, you can also buy tickets for our exciting tombola, find out about excursion opportunities and get tips for your culinary evenings. Moreover, you will receive answers to all your questions regarding our joint Heuriger evening and the grand final party.

WHAT WE OFFER

> Tombola

> Bulletins

Andreas Babsch, Hannes Bamberger, Max Buchmayer, Robert Franzel
Layout: Monika Kümmel

> Surprise prizes 90 years of ÖBV

> Hospitality Desk

> Prizes for Juniors

> Assistance in finding accommodation

> Heuriger (wine tavern) evening - Buffet fee € 12

> Miss and Mr. Mautern 2019

The most successful female and male player of the international Wachau Bridge Week 2019 will receive free admission to the entire Wachauer Bridge Week 2020 as well as gift baskets with products from the region.

For the overall standing, the main team and pair tournament are taken into account; the team competition counts 50 percent more than the pair event.



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Some 80 kilometres to the west of Vienna, an idyllic river landscape stretches along the Danube valley between Krems and Melk, which was already mentioned in documents dating back to the 9th century. The mild climate, with frequent sunny days and cool nights favours the cultivation of high-quality wines and fruits.

WORLD CULTURAL HERITAGE WACHAU

The **Wachau** region's outstanding cultural and natural landscape has a lot to offer for visitors:

- accommodations from simple B&Bs to 5-star hotels
- regional delicatessen in country inns and wine taverns ("Heuriger")
- award-winning, top catering
- internationally distinguished white wines and fine schnapps
- the town of Krems with its medieval flair and various shopping opportunities
- the Kuenringer town of Dürnstein and its numerous cultural monuments
- the abbeys of Melk and Göttweig, and the castle ruins of Aggstein and Dürnstein
- historic cultural heritage and contemporary arts and music
- numerous small villages with a lot to discover
- swimming in and shipping on the Danube river, and public swimming pools
- magnificent hiking and cycling routes
- well-kept golf courses and tennis courts



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RÖMERHALLE MAUTERN

The venue of event, the “Römerhalle” is situated at the end of the former Roman cultural trail and features a large, shady inner court. Guests will find several parking spaces directly at the venue, free of charge.

The catering team of the Römerhalle will offer non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages and snacks.

The surrounding villages and small towns offer accommodation for every taste: affordable B&Bs, apartments, houses, family inns, and 5-star hotels. We will be happy to support you with information regarding your booking possibilities.



Mautern!
TOURISMUSVEREIN
RÖMERSTADT MAUTERN



Foster contacts and friendships, eat and drink well, tell stories about unbelievable hands, and have a lot of fun together

Thursday 8 August, after the Team Tournament

The restaurant, an award-winning top Heuriger, is situated amidst vineyards on the outskirts of Mautern.

When the weather is nice, the terrace can seat up to 120 guests, and offers a magnificent view to Göttweig and Krems. In rain, the indoor area can comfortably accommodate an equal number of people, the absolute décor highlight being the chandelier suspended from the open roof truss, made of dozens of wine bottles. Mrs. Schwaighofer offers a cold buffet consisting of traditional Heuriger dishes and seasonal delicacies at 12 euros per person, all home-made. You can taste the restaurant's own wines at a special bridge price starting at 2 euros per glass. Friends of non-alcoholic beverages will get their fill with fruit juices made with produce from Schwaighofer's own orchards.



To facilitate the organisation and preparation for Mrs. Schwaighofer and her team, we require **your timely registration by the end of May 2019 at the latest!**

Accompanying persons who are not bridge players are very welcome!

Please send us an e-mail with the name(s) of the guest(s)!

wachauer-bridgewoche2019@bridgeaustria.at

You will receive more information on the address and route at the Hospitality Desk.

TOMBOLA

- Luck didn't smile at you at the tournament?
- That's bound to change at our tombola event!
- One in four tickets wins!!!
- A ticket costs only 1€!
- You can win several prizes with products from the region, and some great surprises!
- At least 10 major prizes!
- Luck is waiting for you at the Hospitality Desk!

FINAL EVENING

It's party time!

Let's celebrate, have fun, meet friends, listen to good music, dance, honour the winners, and drink a toast to a good game!

Saturday, 10 August 2019

Warmup as of 21.00 hours, main programme as of 22.00 hours, open end.

In fine weather: in the garden of the Römerhalle

In rain: in the large game room

- Award ceremony in stages
- Short film: The festival 30 years ago - Final evening in the Wachau in 1988
- Live music: „A Legend's Tale“ playing Simply Red, Joe Cocker, Johnny Cash, Billy Joel, Prince, Eric Clapton...
- Featuring Max Buchmayr – guest performance with „A Legend's Tale“
- In the early hours: DJ Jürgen



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