

WORLD BRIDGE FEDERATION

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To all WBF Zones To all National Bridge Organizations

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Dear Mr President and Fellow Bridge Administrator

1st World Junior Individual Championship / 6th World Junior Camp 14-16 & 17-24 July 2004 / New York, USA

I am pleased to be writing in order to advise you of a new event for young people the World Bridge Federation is launching, and ask for your support.

The **World Junior Individual Championship** aims at bringing all Junior players together in a competition where the full cooperation between the participants is a must. This, not only helps the promotion of our sport among young people, but also enhances our image to the outside world as our motto *'Bridge for Peace'* finds full application here. The **World Junior Camp** will follow immediately afterwards, providing an excellent opportunity for further social contact and competition.

We would like to thank the *American Contract Bridge League* for their cooperation in ensuring that the best possible conditions will be available to the young players at a minimum cost.

We all know how important Junior bridge is for the future of our sport. We can show that we mean what we say by promoting the new event in our area and providing the strongest possible support to the young players who wish to attend it. I am glad that some zones will be supporting their NBOs.

The WBF Youth Committee will release the details soon. Let us all try to make this event a great success. I shall be present in New York to congratulate the winners, and so will be most of my colleagues. In this way we can show to the young people how much we care.

Thank you very much in advance for your support in this matter, and I look forward to seeing you sometime soon - maybe, in New York!

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