

World Championships Computer Bridge

In 1996 the American Contract Bridge League established an official annual World Computer-Bridge Championship to be held at a major international bridge event. The first event was held at the 1997 summer North American Bridge Championships in Albuquerque. Following championships were hosted by World Bridge Federation World Championships, ACBL North American Championships and the EBL first European Open Championship.

After a real good debut, at the Olympiad in Maastricht (2000), in which Jack reached the semi-finals, Jack won the title in 2001 and successfully defended it until 2005 (World Champion in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004). It took until the final of 2005 before Jack's reign was broken by WBridge5. In 2006 Jack set things straight overpowering all other competitors recapturing the title. In 2007 and 2008 it was WBridge5 again. In 2009 it was Jack who reclaimed the title in a direct match against WBridge5, to successfully defend it again in 2010.

On this part of our website we want to provide you with background information on the world championships.

[History of the Championship](#)

[Bridge Programs](#)

Competitions

2012: [Lille \(France\), August 17-22, 2012](#)
2011: [Veldhoven \(Netherlands\), October 23-28, 2011](#)
2010: [Philadelphia, October 10-16, 2010](#)
2009: [Washington, July 26-31, 2009](#)
2008: [Las Vegas, July 20-25, 2008](#)
2007: [Shanghai \(China\), October 4-9, 2007](#)
2006: [Verona \(Italy\), June 17-22, 2006, Jack recaptures title](#)
2005: [Estoril \(Portugal\), October 25-30, 2005](#)
2004: [New York, Jack again](#)
2003: [Hattrick in Menton, Contestants](#)
2002: [Jack keeps title](#)
2001: Jack takes title in Toronto

1997-2000: ACBL World Championships

1989-1995: Computer Olympiads

World Championships 2012 - Lille

The 2012 [World Computer Bridge Championship](#) will be held from August 17-22 in Lille.

Over the years major [bridge programs](#) from all over the world have participated in the annual World Computer Bridge Championships. After its debut in 2000 Jack dominated the championship winning the title in 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2006, 2009 and 2010. In 2005 and 2008 Jack won the Round Robin but lost the final to WBridge5.

For the Championship the programs will play a round robin. The programs meet in 32 board matches with a 30 VP international scale. The four top finishers will then play in a knockout format starting with a 64-deal semi-final.

The [programs](#) competing are:

- Jack** - Hans Kuijf / Wim Heemskerk, The Netherlands
- WBridge5** - Yves Costel, France
- Shark Bridge** - Jonh Norris, Denmark
- Micro Bridge** - Tomio and Yumiko Uchida, Japan
- Bridge Baron** - Stephen Smith / Stephen Rosenfeld / Jonathan Gerth, United States
- Q-Plus Bridge** - Hans Leber, Germany
- RoboBridge** - Job Scheffers, The Netherlands
- Moose** - Pete Boton, USA

On the website of the organiser of the [WC computer bridge](#) you will be kept posted as the tournament progresses.

[Results final](#)

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Finals Results 2012 – Lille

Results semi finals

Semi finals	Carry over	Results				
		1 st set	2 nd set	3 rd set	4 th set	Total
Jack - Q-Plus Bridge	+22	44 - 23	48 - 34	43 - 38	32 - 21	189 - 116
Micro Bridge - WBridge5	+10	40 - 52	43 - 55	17 - 28	51 - 27	161 - 162

Results Final

Final	Carry over	Results				
		1 ^e set	2 ^e set	3 ^e set	4 ^e set	Totaal
Jack - WBridge5	+2	23 - 57	55 - 22	25 - 24	48 - 44	153 - 147