

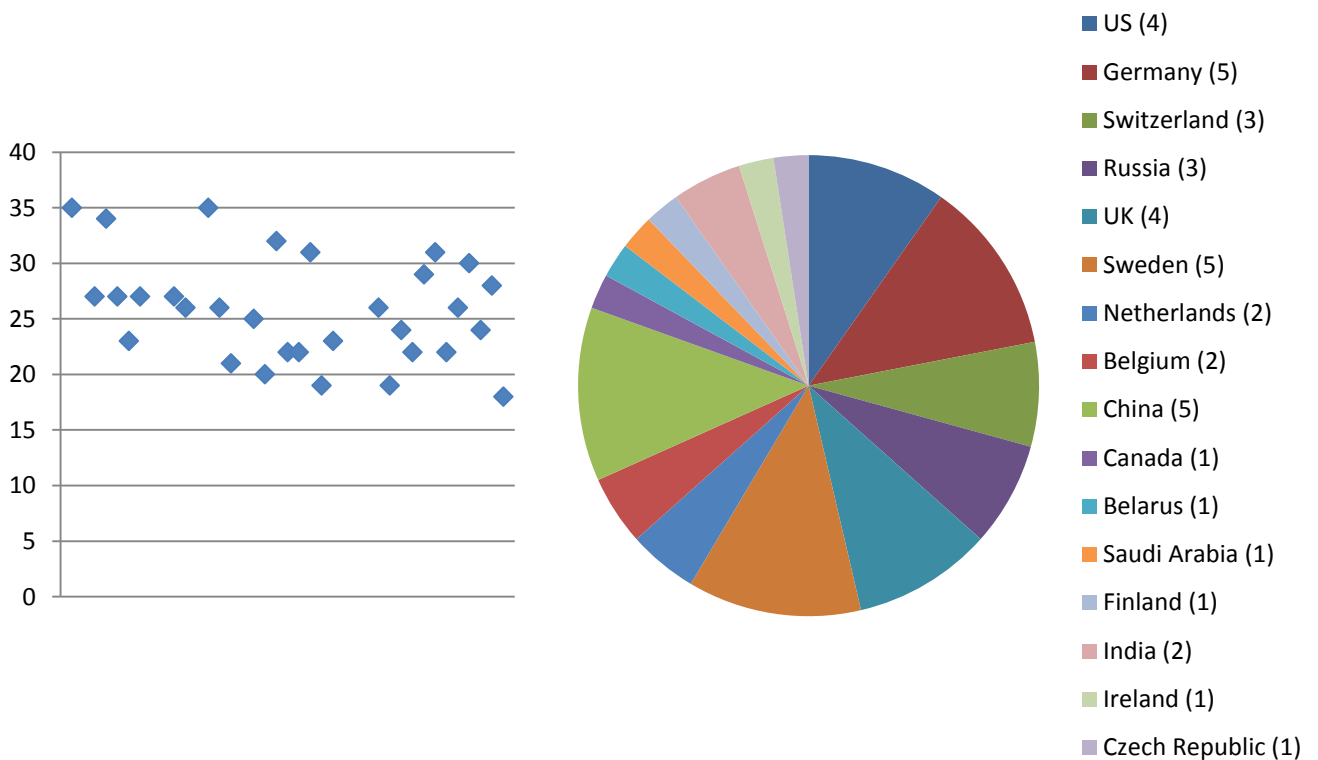
Well, well, well... it's high time for that (probably not 100% accurate) introduction of everyone. Have a good read and apologies in advance 😊/Annelie

First of all, thank you for choosing to attend; this camp wouldn't be possible without all of you!

It's pretty cool that we have 14 nationalities represented this third year. Wow! 😊

16 people are returning this year from previous camps, which is also a big WOW and it makes me so very happy to see! <3

Below you can see countries and ages, average age right now is 26,3 (coaches not included and still waiting for some forms to be filled in so the average age might be affected a bit)



Meet the participants!

They know all about it:

These guys are part of the heart and soul of the camp, having been here every year. They are everything we want the camp to be; friendly, open minded, diverse, developing. The toughest of the toughest! 😊



Don't be fooled by this friendly face



You might think Bloostix/Jan is a super nice guy when you first meet him but behold, this one will beat you at table tennis, out-balance you on the slackline, eat more waffles than you at breakfast (probably), sit in the sauna longer than anyone and who knows what else. He was also in the winning team in the tournament last year... of course.

Here's another super focused guy:



I don't think Marc/A very kind guy ever does anything half-heartedly. And I can always count on him showing up for some beach volleyball in the afternoon. Kudos!

Don't bet any money if you're playing poker against this fella:



Anton/IHardlyCared, the professional poker player can teach you a trick or two if you want, don't hesitate to ask him.

Truth be told, he probably will need a break once in a while because he's offered to help out in the kitchen this year. When I think about it, he's probably only after the extra cookie dough. Sneaky!

A real people person:



If you are new to the camp, Keo/Kailah will probably be the one to show you around. I find that she does that so much better than any of us others. ❤️ Don't hesitate to ask her a bunch of question on you tour.

Winner of last year's fair play prize:



He tried to stay away this year but realized in the end that a summer without this awesome dota week is no real summer at all. ☺️ Meet PatchCable/Jack.

Very helpful on discord:



I think Robin/CurryNinjaRed has done a great job this year, answering a lot of questions from newcomers in our discord channel. And I'm not surprised; he's a very friendly person!

I want to take the opportunity to thank everyone for taking the time to answer questions in the channel. I think it is as much appreciated by those who get a quick answer as it is by me. I love it, it's such a big help for me! ❤️❤️❤️

The Dutch winner of the 2018 tournament



Stijn/Cassshhh won the tournament together with Bloostix and PatchCable. It's been said that "He's the one who looks Dutch" but also that he's not the one who looks Dutch. Anyway... he is Dutch, I'm pretty sure.

They are ALSO coming back for more:

It's one thing when people say they enjoyed the week. But to have them coming back the year after is when you know they really mean it. It's the best feeling!



The well-known Irish friendliness:



Hinduhamster/John – everything he says sounds so friendly and pleasant. It's a good thing no one can understand what he really says:

"you know how it works. Only the winners get the hot tub which is actually the warmed tears of those who lose"

The best of China:



Eddie came to our first camp and now he brings four more people with him to this camp. Welcome China!

Coming from India but living in Germany :



Avinash/Tom Marvolo Riddle was the first one to sign up for the 2019 camp. I have a feeling this camp is not going to be his last... Please Avinash, no talking about rhubarbs during the week, LOL.

Who is he?



Is this seriously the only picture we got of you Lars/Chillkroete???

Jaidon, don't let him get away a second time.. LOL

Looking forward to some good beach volley games this year too Lars.

One year wiser:



Still young, still purposeful. Watch out for Pablo/ FlyIn_ChICkeN, he's 100% focused!

A laid back guy:



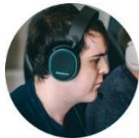
Raine/NoBreine is a very relaxed guy. And very brainy I would think, contradictory to his name. He's from Sweden, Gotland to be precise.

Also from Sweden:



The Swedish Jesus?! This guy is good at making new friends. Good to know perhaps since a lot of you come here with that in mind. He's real name is Jonathan, aka Bittermandel.

Once again leaving UK and ESL Birmingham behind:



I feel kinda bad for that maffew/Matt. But don't they know they have to check with me before deciding on the dates??

If you hear someone say "it's so green here" it's this guy:



Waleed is coming back from the first camp. He's not actively playing dota anymore but wanted to come back to hang out with friends. I doubt he's going into the lake though, coming from Saudi Arabia, he probably thinks we're crazy swimming in anything below 30°C. Don't worry Waleed, there's a hot tub this year.

Our new stars:



There is a lot of talk about people coming back but we are also very happy to meet these new people and make a bunch of new friends! It seems to me that everyone brings something new to the camp. New energy, new histories, new cultures. I can't wait to see what we can make of it all this year.

Behind every successful Russian...



... is a substantial amount of COFFEE. We welcome k1lly/Alexey – the coffee guy. And also from Russia we have Debronee/ Nikita, perhaps a coffee addict too? We'll see.

Mr Snecko:



He's finally come out from the den, MrBeastimon/Charlie.

Belgium sends in their best:



Welcome Selle/CarbonKhan and Philippe/ Gryphon. Most people come on their own but these two know each other from before.

Committed to say the least:



Max/SQRL is a high MMR participant (ranked <200 in EU) who wants to develop and expand his network.

Also from Sweden is Madeleine/Bonnibel and Gabriel/ Gibbz.

The wonderful Swiss:



We have a lot of good experience with participants from Switzerland so we are very happy to see more Swiss dota people finding their way over here. Perhaps with a little help from Bloostix? Welcome Fizzzo42/Özhan and Jimmy Laynor/Tobias!

All the way from Canada:



Sichowbob/Olivier is an avid Smash player from Canada. Sounds like a fun contribution to the camp!

Probably won't understand a word of what he's saying either,



but I've a feeling Smegley/Adam is a SUPER nice guy. I'm almost at the point where I can only be disappointed from here on. LOL No I'm kidding, but you do sound like a nice guy who can bring a lot of good energy to the camp.

Yey, a new country:



I'm always happy when a new country is represented at the camp. An extra welcome to Terpsihora/Nadzeya from Belarus.

I'm happy to see that we have six women attending this year. It's a long way to 50/50 but it's a start!

Out and about:



eatmysax/Nirbheek is traveling from India, via a conference (in Norway), doing some sightseeing there and then topping it off with a dota week in Sweden. Way to go.

Far far away:



Four participants and two coaches come all the way from US. The two newcomers are Zelfh/Alexi and Trout/Gabe. Welcome! I hope you'll find it worth the long trip.

Not so far far away:



Soile/ Silvyrfir is coming from Finland. She's mainly coming to the camp to meet and find more people to play with so don't hesitate to reach out to her during the week.

Representing Czech Republic:



Kael-/ Karel is also contributing with a new nationality to the list. Awesome!

The dog wisperer:



We got some donations during the year and because we wanted to put the money to good use we decided to create a sponsored spot this year. The doggos got to choose the nominees and also the final winner of the spot and that's how Sheepsticked/Alexandra got her ticket to the camp. Perhaps sneak an extra treat to the dogs during the week? ☺

The motorcycle guy:



Slark Kent/Bastian is driving from Wolfsburg, Germany to Alvesta on his motorcycle. That can be a wonderful trip, or quite the opposite, depending on the weather I imagine. May the sun be with you Bastian!

Wow, that is a long list of participants. This task was so much easier the first year. 😊 But hopefully this gives you an idea of the people you'll hang out with during the week. And that's not all. Here are the coaches too:

Wagamama



He's always been the laid back (to an extreme) person in our family, who always has something nice to say to everyone. And he's always been the dogs' favorite. I remember one (heartbreaking) moment when I was to meet Flip, my dog, after a week away. We were running towards each other, very Hollywood style, when suddenly Niklas was coming into view and she completely forgot about me and turned to him instead. I haven't forgiven any of them for that...

HoviteY



All coaches got really high ratings from last year but this guy got fives from EVERYONE he coached. That is extraordinarily well done!

Stormstormer



A popular coach who also brings a lot of good energy to the camp in general. I'm not sure what the camp would be like without a Stormstormer?!

Eskillz



A frequent question we get is how much extra coaching you can get outside of training sessions. The coaches are always available to talk to. Eskillz will most likely give you more than you asked for though, fair warning... 😊 Probably why he was so appreciated by his group last year. (and you might wonder what I mean with "his group". All groups have their main coach one of the daily sessions, who follow them during the week. During the other session coaches rotate to give you maximum input)

Speed



Speed (Paul) is our new coach from US. The boring truth is that I don't have anything fun on him. Yet...

Jabbz



Is great at always sharing his point of view on a topic, and he is very social so he might also have knowledge on what other great players do or consider best in certain scenarios.

Ryan



Easygoing Ryan from US, winner of last year's fair play prize, is coming back to the camp for the third time, now as a coach. Ryan's made a great progress from the first camp and he's definitely deserved his place as coach this year.

Blazemon



He loves bon fires! If you want to get some extra dota talk out of this guy, just get the bon fire started and he'll be there faster than you can say "have anyone seen" ..

Lizzard



A very busy guy but still takes the time to drop by the camp a couple of days to give us the best of the best, both in dota and on the beach volley court!

Maxi - health coach



This year we wanted to add something new to the camp and since both me and Waga like to exercise (I especially like the feeling after though) we decided to bring in a health coach. There will be daily workouts for those who want to join us. And for those who won't, well it really doesn't matter, we're all here to enjoy ourselves, and you know best what you want to do. You will probably play tons of dota instead. 😊

As for the rest of us:

Jaidon the photograpfer:



Jaidon did an amazing job with the photos and videos last year so I think we can expect some excellent craftsmanship this year too. The photos will be shared with you after the camp. If you don't want to be in the video or photos, let him know beforehand. I couldn't find a photo of him but he's the one with the camera, obviously...

IT and all that:



He'll work from early morning to long past midnight with all the wiring and whatnot on the 31st. Expect him to be a little tired (grumpy even?) the first day or so 😊 After that he's probably good to go again and if you need to run in to town or something you only need to ask. Oh, and his name is Gert, not the easiest name to pronounce but it's something like [Jert]



Mattias will also be there on the 31st to help set it all up. He's the master mind behind the planning of networks and electricity usage to cover 50+ computers, kitchen etc. Well done!



New this year is that a couple of guys from Gameeffect will be present on the 31st too, to deliver the computers, chairs etc. and help us get going even quicker.

Flattery gets you everywhere in our kitchen:



It's true, you can get anything from our kitchen with a bit of flattery. Our mom, Tina, comes to the camp with an intense performance anxiety, never thinking she'll be able to feed so many people. I mean, I completely understand, since she rarely put any energy into the cooking during our whole upbringing. Waga knows what I'm talking about. Some leftover fish fingers today perhaps?? ;) But we all know she can cook great food if she WANTS to. And the baking, and tomato bread, and waffles... ♥ And it's probably good to know that it's no fancy food. We try to find dishes that everyone can like, we are not trying to win a culinary contest. Enough about the food already...

Sauna, hottub, dishes – Rolf's got it all under control:



Rolf is our number one handy man. And he's super nice (although it can be good to know he is not a night person). Ask him whenever you need help with the sauna, hot tub, the canoes or starting a bonfire.

The best dog ever- Flip:



Flip – the beach volley dog. She knows the game better than anyone. She will happily keep fetching the ball for you for hours. And then there is that time when she just stops and stares at you. That’s when you know you’ve done it SO bad, she thinks you should fetch the ball yourself. It’s not the best feeling but it can happen to anyone. 😊

She also loves her Frisbee. It’s good to know though that she’s 10 years old so even if she says you should through the Frisbee that 100th time, it’s probably a good idea not to by then.

The circus dog – Bizz:



Unfortunately, Bizz has grown up in the shadow of THE BEST DOG EVER. In response, she has learned the most amazing tricks so she can be the center of attention. These tricks include walking on her front paws, skipping, climbing trees, etc. She quite often barks at people (remember, she’s not the BEST dog ever) but don’t worry about it, she’s harmless.

Flip is the one with brown eye brows, while Bizz is completely black and white, as a way of telling who’s who...

The landlord – Gitten:



Pleeeeeaaase don’t upset her in any way! 😊

It’s important that you know you’re not allowed to bring any alcohol onto the premises and it’s strictly prohibited to smoke indoors. Thank you, in advance, for respecting these rules. She comes and goes during the week.

And then there’s me, Annelie:



I just love to see how happy this week makes everyone. It’s such an energy boost in itself. It started out like a fun project and now I’ve realized that there’s no going back. Curryninja, Bloostix, IHardlyCared and the others would surely haunt me down, demanding a new camp. 😊

During the week you’ll either see me running back and forth, doing “stuff” and trying to look important (that’s not as easy as it looks, mind you) or help out in the kitchen or relax by the jigsaw puzzle. And I’m of course always up for a beach volley ball game! Any concerns you may have during the week, you can always come to me. I’m pretty good at solving things, being the boss for the week and all. Kinda like bossing everyone around. ;)
