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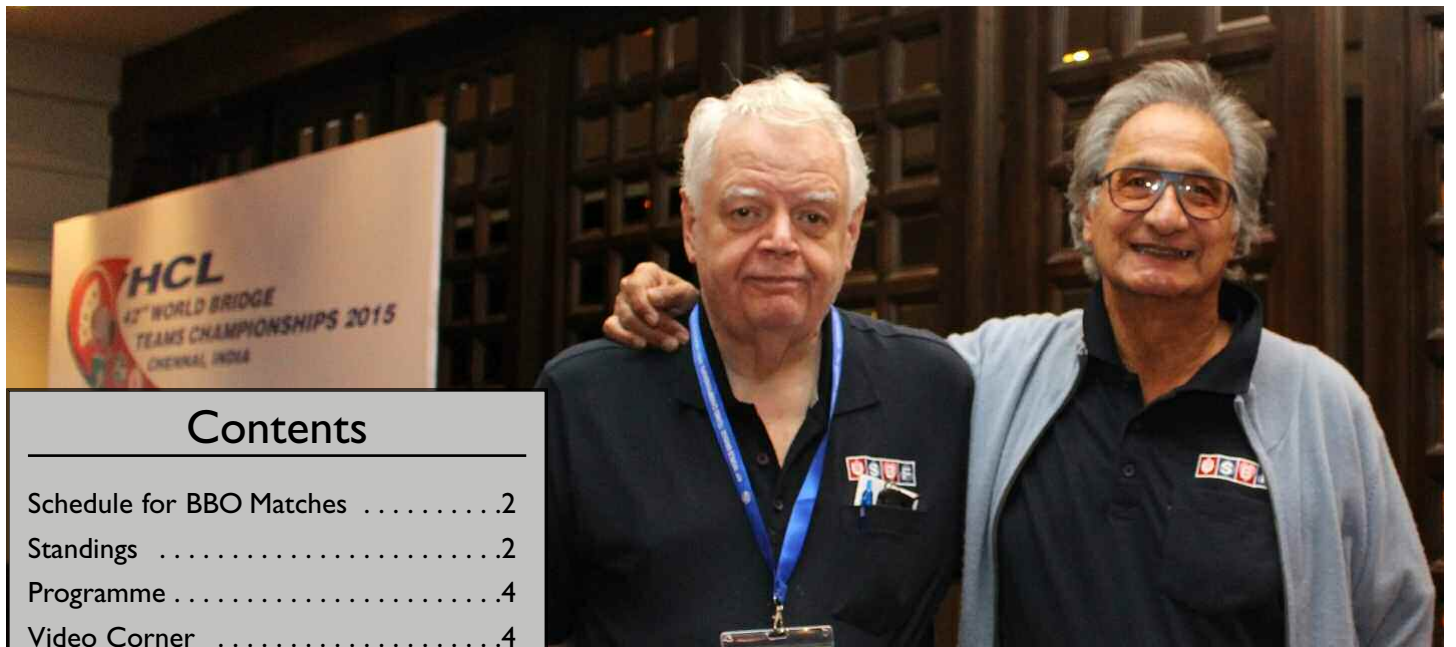
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Two champions:

Bob Hamman is the all-time leader in WBF placing points (for lifetime achievement). His former partner, Zia Mahmood, is the player with the most WBF masterpoints who is in Chennai.

More than halfway through the round robin qualifying for the Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup and d'Orsi Trophy, few teams are truly out of contention, and with 144 boards still to be played before qualifying ends on Saturday, there may be some surprises in the offing.

One thing is certain: with the exception of those in first place in their respective groups, every team is looking to move up. At the end of play Wednesday, Bulgaria is No. 1 in the Bermuda Bowl, USA 2 is tops in the Venice Cup and Australia is leading the field in the d'Orsi Trophy, Australia.

Once qualifiers are determined, the quarterfinal stage of the knockouts begins on Sunday.



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BBO and OURGAME SCHEDULE

*BBO 1 = VuGraph
BBO 6 is also OURGAME*

11:00

Australia v India	BBO 1
Brazil v Argentina	BBO 2
USA1 v England	BBO 3
USA1 v Indonesia (OT)	BBO 4
Netherlands v England (VC)	BBO 5
China v Bulgaria	BBO 6

14:30

France USA1	BBO 1
Japan v Bulgaria	BBO 2
Sweden v Australia	BBO 3
Austria v Norway (OT)	BBO 4
England v USA1 (VC)	BBO 5
Canada v China	BBO 6

17:20

Brazil v Sweden	BBO 1
Australia v France	BBO 2
USA2 v Argentina	BBO 3
Bulgaria v USA1 (OT)	BBO 4
France v USA2(VC)	BBO 5
South Africa v USA1	BBO 6



Bermuda Bowl

After Round 12

TEAM	VP
1 BULGARIA	156.33
2 USA1	155.43
3 CHINA	150.96
4 POLAND	148.54
5 FRANCE	148.54
6 SWEDEN	144.58
7 BRAZIL	141.47
8 ENGLAND	137.32
9 JAPAN	132.71
10 INDIA	127.67
11 DENMARK	126.64
12 USA2	126.24
13 SINGAPORE	117.50
14 AUSTRALIA	115.33
15 CANADA	104.69
16 EGYPT	98.46
17 NEW ZEALAND	97.00
18 SOUTH AFRICA	95.91
19 ARGENTINA	94.78
20 UNITED ARAB E	76.77
21 GUADELOUPE	70.17
22 JORDAN	65.46

Medical Help Desk

A team of paramedics will be on hand every day to deal with any medical problems you may have. Their desk is located on the first floor close to the escalators.



Venice Cup

After Round 12

TEAM	VP
1 USA2	186.23
2 USA1	170.24
3 DENMARK	167.04
4 ITALY	165.45
5 ENGLAND	164.81
6 NETHERLANDS	161.10
7 FRANCE	158.08
8 CHINA	154.64
9 POLAND	149.74
10 AUSTRALIA	126.01
11 CHINESE TAIPE	124.01
12 CANADA	123.85
13 JAPAN	119.82
14 BRAZIL	112.22
15 NEW ZEALAND	101.63
16 EGYPT	98.39
17 VENEZUELA	83.86
18 GUADELOUPE	70.18
19 SOUTH AFRICA	61.51
20 PAKISTAN	53.68
21 JORDAN	47.40
22 INDIA	36.11

d'Orsi Trophy

After Round 12

TEAM	VP
1 AUSTRALIA	163.86
2 USA1	160.90
3 AUSTRIA	158.72
4 NORWAY	154.93
5 ENGLAND	154.10
6 INDIA	145.70
7 IRELAND	145.19
8 USA2	144.04
9 POLAND	135.79
10 SWEDEN	129.52
11 JAPAN	127.51
12 CANADA	124.84
13 BULGARIA	121.45
14 INDONESIA	110.78
15 PAKISTAN	109.22
16 EGYPT	99.25
17 CHINA	90.31
18 GUADELOUPE	83.56
19 CHILE	81.98
20 NEW ZEALAND	73.91
21 TUNISIA	66.15
22 BRAZIL	50.29



Bermuda Bowl

Round 13 11:00 - 13:20

1	CHINA	BULGARIA
2	UAE	CANADA
3	NEW ZEALAND	EGYPT
4	SOUTH AFRICA	JORDAN
5	USA1	ENGLAND
6	DENMARK	JAPAN
7	USA2	GUADELOUPE
8	SINGAPORE	POLAND
9	BRAZIL	ARGENTINA
10	AUSTRALIA	INDIA
11	SWEDEN	FRANCE

Round 14 14:30 - 16:50

1	CANADA	CHINA
2	EGYPT	UAE
3	JORDAN	NEW ZEALAND
4	ENGLAND	SOUTH AFRICA
5	FRANCE	USA1
6	JAPAN	BULGARIA
7	GUADELOUPE	DENMARK
8	POLAND	USA2
9	ARGENTINA	SINGAPORE
10	INDIA	BRAZIL
11	SWEDEN	AUSTRALIA

Round 15 17:20 - 19:40

1	CHINA	EGYPT
2	UAE	JORDAN
3	NEW ZEALAND	ENGLAND
4	SOUTH AFRICA	USA1
5	CANADA	JAPAN
6	BULGARIA	GUADELOUPE
7	DENMARK	POLAND
8	USA2	ARGENTINA
9	SINGAPORE	INDIA
10	BRAZIL	SWEDEN
11	AUSTRALIA	FRANCE

Video Corner

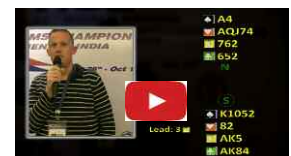


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with Simon Cope



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The Body in the Closed Room

IBPA member Anant Bhagwat has written a book that carries 36 bridge hands of varied interests and themes, with a murder mystery as the backdrop.

The book has been written in an Indian setting. His writings give some insight into the way Bridge tournaments are played and administered in India at the city and district levels.

The book titled "THE BODY IN THE CLOSED ROOM" is available at the IBPA Press Room for a price of INR 400 or 6 USD or 5 Euros. A team of six, that purchases six copies, ends up paying for only five (so you can get six copies for USD 30 / INR 2000 / 25 Euros).

Anant Bhagwat will be available in Chennai at the Championship Venue from Sept 30 until the end of the event.

Bermuda Bowl Schedule

The booklet distributed to all players giving the detailed playing schedule contains a typographical error.

From Round 11 onwards 'Germany' should read 'France'.

Venice Cup

Round 13 11:00 - 13:20

21	DENMARK	EGYPT
22	USA I	NEW ZEALAND
23	NETHERLANDS	ENGLAND
24	PAKISTAN	AUSTRALIA
25	GUADELOUPE	CHINESE TAIPEI
26	SOUTH AFRICA	JAPAN
27	ITALY	INDIA
28	CHINA	JORDAN
29	FRANCE	CANADA
30	POLAND	VENEZUELA
31	USA2	BRAZIL

Round 14 14:30 - 16:50

21	NEW ZEALAND	DENMARK
22	ENGLAND	USA I
23	AUSTRALIA	NETHERLANDS
24	CHINESE TAIPEI	PAKISTAN
25	BRAZIL	GUADELOUPE
26	JAPAN	EGYPT
27	INDIA	SOUTH AFRICA
28	JORDAN	ITALY
29	CANADA	CHINA
30	VENEZUELA	FRANCE
31	USA2	POLAND

Round 15 17:20 - 19:40

21	DENMARK	ENGLAND
22	USA I	AUSTRALIA
23	NETHERLANDS	CHINESE TAIPEI
24	PAKISTAN	GUADELOUPE
25	NEW ZEALAND	JAPAN
26	EGYPT	INDIA
27	SOUTH AFRICA	JORDAN
28	ITALY	CANADA
29	CHINA	VENEZUELA
30	FRANCE	USA2
31	POLAND	BRAZIL

d'Orsi Trophy

Round 13 11:00 - 13:20

41	BULGARIA	CHINA
42	POLAND	INDIA
43	INDONESIA	USA I
44	GUADELOUPE	CANADA
45	AUSTRALIA	BRAZIL
46	USA2	EGYPT
47	NEW ZEALAND	PAKISTAN
48	SWEDEN	JAPAN
49	IRELAND	TUNISIA
50	NORWAY	ENGLAND
51	AUSTRIA	CHILE

Round 14 14:30 - 16:50

41	INDIA	BULGARIA
42	USA I	POLAND
43	CANADA	INDONESIA
44	BRAZIL	GUADELOUPE
45	CHILE	AUSTRALIA
46	EGYPT	CHINA
47	PAKISTAN	USA2
48	JAPAN	NEW ZEALAND
49	TUNISIA	SWEDEN
50	ENGLAND	IRELAND
51	AUSTRIA	NORWAY

Round 15 17:20 - 19:40

41	BULGARIA	USA I
42	POLAND	CANADA
43	INDONESIA	BRAZIL
44	GUADELOUPE	AUSTRALIA
45	INDIA	EGYPT
46	CHINA	PAKISTAN
47	USA2	JAPAN
48	NEW ZEALAND	TUNISIA
49	SWEDEN	ENGLAND
50	IRELAND	AUSTRIA
51	NORWAY	CHILE

Bermuda Bowl Round 6



Bulgaria v Egypt



By Brian Senior

Going into the final match of day two, Bulgaria lay third and Egypt twelfth in the Bermuda Bowl standings.

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ 9 8 ♥ Q 9 8 7 ♦ 9 8 5 4 3 ♣ K 10	<table style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 5 ♥ K J 3 2 ♦ A K 10 7 ♣ A 8 7 5	♠ A J 7 6 3 ♥ 10 4 ♦ J ♣ Q 9 6 4 2 ♠ K Q 10 4 2 ♥ A 6 5 ♦ Q 6 2 ♣ J 3
	N											
W		E										
	S											

West	North	East	South
Sadek	Stamatov	Nabil	Danailov
–	2♦	Dble	3♥
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
Gunev	Abdelfattah	Nanev	Bakly
–	Pass	1♦	1♠
Pass	4♠	Dble	Pass
5♦	All Pass		

For Bulgaria, Jerry Stamatov opened a multi 2♦ and Nabil doubled. Three Hearts was pass or correct and Stamatov did as requested. When 3♠ was passed out, the Bulgarians had won the bidding battle. There was little to the play and Stamatov soon had nine tricks stacked in front of him for +140.

Mahmoud Abdelfattah did not open the North hand, it not being to his taste for a weak two bid, reasonably enough. Ivan Nanev opened 1♦ as East, 10-15 but not necessarily with any diamonds, and Bakly overcalled. When Abdelfattah raised to 4♠, Nanev doubled for take-out and Rossen Gunev removed to 5♦ as his partner was now marked with a natural opening, ending the auction. Again, there was nothing to the play, there being three inevitable losers for down one; –50 but 3 IMPs to Bulgaria.

Egypt levelled it up at 3-3 on a partscore deal, then came the first major swing.

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ A ♥ A K 7 5 ♦ 10 6 ♣ K J 10 8 3 2	<table style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ J ♥ Q 9 4 2 ♦ A K Q J 4 3 ♣ 7 6 ♠ 10 9 8 7 6 ♥ 10 8 6 ♦ 9 7 ♣ 9 5 4	♠ K Q 5 4 3 2 ♥ J 3 ♦ 8 5 2 ♣ A Q
	N											
W		E										
	S											

West	North	East	South
Sadek	Stamatov	Nabil	Danailov
–	–	–	Pass
1♣	1♠	2♦	4♠
4NT	Pass	5♠	Pass
6♦	Dble	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
Gunev	Abdelfattah	Nanev	Bakly
–	–	–	Pass
1♣	1♠	2♦	3♠
Dble	Pass	4♦	Pass
5♣	Pass	6♦	Pass
Pass	Dble	Rdbl	Pass
Pass	6♠	Dble	All Pass

Superficially, the two auctions began in an identical fashion, but Gunev's 1♣ opening was Precision, 16+, so did not promise clubs, and Nanev's 2♦ promised only five or




Rossen Gunev, Bulgaria

more cards and 8+ HCP. Bakly raised to 3♠ with the South cards while Diyan Danailov went a level higher, trading on the favourable vulnerability.

Forced to make a decision at a very high level, Tarek Sadek chose 4NT, take-out, and Nabil committed to slam by cuebidding 5♠. However, when Sadek now chose 6♦, Stamatov doubled for a club lead. He did not get one, Danailov choosing a heart, but there was nowhere for the clubs to go away and Nabil eventually had to play the suit so was down one for -200.

Bakly's 3♠ raise left Gunev a little more room and he doubled for take-out then bid his long club suit over the 4♦ response. Nanev liked his hand now and jumped to the diamond slam, once again doubled by North. Nanev, however, redoubled, and now Abdelfattah lost his nerve and ran to 6♠, promptly doubled by Nanev. There were five unavoidable losers for down four; -800 and 14 IMPs to Bulgaria, ahead by 17-3.

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ 6 ♥ A 8 6 2 ♦ 9 6 5 3 ♣ A J 8 7		♠ 9 5 4 ♥ K Q 3 ♦ A 4 2 ♣ Q 5 4 3	♠ A K Q 8 2 ♥ 10 9 7 ♦ Q ♣ K 10 9 2
♠ J 10 7 3 ♥ J 5 4 ♦ K J 10 8 7 ♣ 6			

West	North	East	South
Sadek	Stamatov	Nabil	Danailov
Pass	1♦	1♠	Dble
Pass	INT	Pass	2♦
Pass	Pass	Dble	Pass
2♥	All Pass		


West	North	East	South
Gunev	Abdelfattah	Nanev	Bakly
Pass	Pass	1♠	Pass
INT	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Stamatov opened the empty 11-point North hand with a Precision 1♦ and rebid INT after Danailov's negative double. Danailov corrected to 2♦ and, when that ran around to Nabil he doubled. Sadek responded 2♥ and played there. Abdelfattah led the ace of diamonds followed by the three of hearts to Danailov's jack. Sadek ducked so Danailov continued with a low heart, again ducked. Now Stamatov switched to a spade. Sadek won and took two diamond discards on the spade winners then played king and another club. Danailov discarded a diamond so Sadek

won the ace and ruffed his last diamond then played a club. Danailov ruffed and led the ten of spades. When Sadek discarded his club loser, Stamatov threw his last diamond and now a diamond through promoted the king of hearts into the setting trick. Nicely defended for down one and -100.

Abdelfattah did not open the North hand so Nanev got to open 1♠ as East and Gunev responded INT. When Nanev now rebid 2♣, Gunev bid 2♥. Logically, from a passed hand this could not be long hearts so was presumably his way to show a good club raise. However, the auction rather got into a tangle after that and the dreadful 3NT was reached. Abdelfattah led the queen of hearts and continued with the king and, when that held, his third heart to the jack. Gunev won that, of course, and was on the club guess for his contract. He cashed the thirteenth heart, Abdelfattah pitching a spade, while dummy and Bakly threw diamonds. Now came the top spades and, when North showed out, discarding a club, I would have thought that he was the more likely to hold the club length. I was therefore surprised to see Gunev cash the king of clubs and play a second round. As the result, he was down two for -200 and 3 IMPs to Egypt; 6-17.

Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ A 7 6 2 ♥ Q ♦ J 7 6 4 2 ♣ Q 10 5		♠ 9 5 4 3 ♥ A 6 ♦ Q 9 8 ♣ A K 3 2	♠ Q J ♥ K J 10 9 3 ♦ A 10 5 3 ♣ 6 4
♠ K 10 8 ♥ 8 7 5 4 2 ♦ K ♣ J 9 8 7			

West	North	East	South
Sadek	Stamatov	Nabil	Danailov
Pass	1♦	1♥	Pass
Pass	Dble	Pass	1♠
All Pass			

West	North	East	South
Gunev	Abdelfattah	Nanev	Bakly
Pass	1♣	1♥	2♣
Dble	Pass	2♦	All Pass

Stamatov opened a Precision 1♦ and, when he next made a take-out double of 1♥, Danailov chose his three-card spade suit over the four-card clubs and was left to play there. Sadek led his heart. Danailov won dummy's ace and played a diamond and Nabil ducked, allowing the king to score. A club to the ace followed by the remaining low diamond saw East go in with the ace and Danailov ruff. The diamonds could not have gone much better for declarer,

who next crossed to the king of clubs to cash the queen of diamonds, pitching a club. Declarer had won the first six tricks and could not be prevented from making his contract. The play record ended here with him being credited with ten tricks, which looks slightly generous, for +170.



Ahmed Hussein Bakly, Egypt

Abdelfattah opened 1♣ and Bakly raised to 2♣. However, though N/S had found their best fit, Gunev's take-out double also meant that E/W found theirs. Bakly led a heart against 2♦. Abdelfattah won the ace and cashed his club winners then switched to a spade for the queen, king and ace. A diamond to the ace held the trump losers to one and Naney had nine tricks for +110 and 7 IMPs to Bulgaria; 24-6.

Board 25. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

	♠ K		
	♥ Q 9 3		
	♦ A J 9 5 3		
	♣ 10 8 6 3		
♠ Q J 10 7 4		♠ 5 3 2	
♥ A 8		♥ K J 7 6 4	
♦ K 10		♦ 8	
♣ A K J 9		♣ Q 7 5 4	
	♠ A 9 8 6		
	♥ 10 5 2		
	♦ Q 7 6 4 2		
	♣ 2		

West	North	East	South
Sadek	Stamatov	Nabil	Danailov
–	1♦	Pass	1♠
INT	Pass	2♦	Dble
Pass	Pass	2♥	Pass
Pass	3♦	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
Gunev	Abdelfattah	Naney	Bakly
–	Pass	Pass	Pass
1♣	1♦	Dble	5♦
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

Gunev opened a strong club in fourth seat and Abdelfattah overcalled 1♦. When Naney showed a semi-positive by doubling, Bakly just assumed that his opponents would probably have a game on their way and pre-empted all the way to 5♦, which was doubled to end the auction. Naney led a spade to the ten and king so declarer gave up a club. Gunev won that and played ace and another heart. Naney won, cashed the third heart winner and exited with a spade to dummy's ace. A successful trump finesse meant that Abdelfattah had the rest for down two and –300.

Stamatov opened the North hand with a Precision 1♦ and Danailov responded 1♠. Sadek overcalled a natural and strong INT and Nabil transferred to hearts. When Danailov doubled the transfer, Sadek passed to deny three hearts and Nabil bid 2♥ himself. Having heard his partner double 2♦, Stamatov could now compete with 3♦ and that was that. Nabil led a club. Sadek won and switched to ace and another heart and Nabil won and cashed the third heart then played a spade. Stamatov won in hand, ruffed a club and took the diamond finesse and had nine tricks for +110 and 9 IMPs to Bulgaria; 33-6.

Board 26. Dealer East. All Vul.

	♠ A K J 8 7 6		
	♥ A 4		
	♦ K Q		
	♣ A 8 5		
♠ Q 10 4 2		♠ –	
♥ Q 10 7		♥ J 9 8 5 3 2	
♦ 8		♦ A 10 9 7 4 3	
♣ K 9 6 3 2		♣ 4	
	♠ 9 5 3		
	♥ K 6		
	♦ J 6 5 2		
	♣ Q J 10 7		

West	North	East	South
Sadek	Stamatov	Nabil	Danailov
–	–	2♥	Pass
Pass	Dble	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

West	North	East	South
Gunev	Abdelfattah	Naney	Bakly
–	–	Pass	Pass
Pass	2♣	4♦	Pass
Pass	4♠	Pass	5♥
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

Nabil could open 2♥ to show five or more hearts plus a four-card or longer second suit in a weak hand so did so and this ran around to Stamatov. He doubled and Danailov bid 2NT, Lebensohl. However, Stamatov was far too strong to bid the requested 3♣ and instead showed his strong hand with long spades by bidding 3♠. Danailov raised to game and that was that. Nabil led a heart. Stamatov won in hand and cashed the ace of spades. On seeing the four-nil split, he tried the queen of diamonds and that slipped past Nabil. Stamatov continued with the king of diamonds. Nabil won and played a heart, so Stamatov won and led the nine of spades to the ten and jack. With no more quick entries to dummy, he had to give up a club to create an entry to pick up the spade so had 11 tricks for +650.



Ivan Nanev, Bulgaria

Nanev had only a natural weak two bid at his disposal and judged to pass for now and hope for a better opportunity to describe his hand. There were three passes to Abdelfattah, who opened a strong and artificial 2♣. Now Nanev overcalled 4♦, clearly showing diamonds with some kind of major-suit on the side to explain his failure to make an opening pre-empt. That went back to Abdelfattah, who bid 4♠. Does the South hand contain sufficient useful values to justify a move towards slam? Bakly thought so and cuebid 5♥, and that was enough to convince Abdelfattah to jump to 6♠.

The combination of two mildly optimistic actions led to a poor contract. Nanev led ace and another diamond and the contract was down immediately. Gunev ruffed and returned a low club and declarer had no choice but to run it, after which he could negotiate the rest for down one and -100; Bulgaria +13 IMPs and a 46-6 lead.

Things improved a little for Egypt from here – Abdelfattah/Bakly bid and made a thin 4♥ on Board 28 and Sadek/Nabil stayed out of a thin 4♠ that was going down on Board 29 to pick up 10 and 7 IMPs respectively – but Bulgaria ran out winners by 49-24 IMPs, 15.92-4.08 VPs.

Championship Diary

During the course of a day, we pose many problems to the assembled multitude, particularly with regard to bidding and opening leads.

I asked Herman what he would lead with this hand: ♠AK643 ♥102 ♦762 ♣Q92 after the bidding goes 1♣-(1♠)-3♦-Pass-3NT.

Herman went for the ♠A.

Jan van Cleeff had been listening in and he sided with Herman.

I was quick to point out that he had fallen into my trap, as in bridge related matters it well known that it is a generally a mistake to agree with Herman.

Partner has ♠QJ9 and declarer ♠10852, so a top spade blocks the suit.

Talking of mistake, Herman was proof reading and enquired as to the meaning of 'mistake' to which I replied - 'Don't eat this meat.'

Herman was now on a roll, and when I asked him how he was getting on in his capacity as Assistant Reviewer he pointed out that so far he had not had to deal with a single case. In the last four major championships, there were only four reviews, two of them emanating from cases where Herman had given the initial ruling in his capacity of Director.

By changing his role here in Chennai, it appears that (thus far) the number of reviews will at least be halved.

The Times of India features a daily report on the Championships. Yesterday's edition revealed that the English Women's team has a secret weapon - before the start of every match they dab themselves with a few drops of lavender oil to help them remain focused. For more details read the article!

VC R6 - Advantage, USA 2



USA 1 v USA 2



By Brent Manley

On day two of the Venice Cup qualifying, USA1 and USA2 sat down to play in the sixth round of the qualifying round robin. USA 2 sent Tobi Sokolow - Janice Seamon-Molson against Jenny Wolpert - Jill Levin in one room and Lynn Deas - Beth Palmer against Migry Zur-Campanile - Jill Meyers in the other.

USA 2 had the early advantage, leading 7-0 after the first two boards, then more than doubling the lead on the third deal.

Board 19. Dealer South. EW Vul.

<p>♠ A ♥ A K 7 5 ♦ 10 6 ♣ K J 10 8 3 2</p>	<div style="background-color: #4CAF50; color: white; padding: 10px; width: 60px; margin: 0 auto;"> N W E S </div>	<p>♠ J ♥ Q 9 4 2 ♦ A K Q J 4 3 ♣ 7 6</p>	<p>♠ K Q 5 4 3 2 ♥ J 3 ♦ 8 5 2 ♣ A Q</p>
<p>♠ 10 9 8 7 6 ♥ 10 8 6 ♦ 9 7 ♣ 9 5 4</p>			
<p>West <i>Levin</i></p> <p>1♣ Dbl</p>	<p>North <i>Sokolow</i></p> <p>1♠ 4♠</p>	<p>East <i>Wolpert</i></p> <p>2♦ 6♦</p>	<p>South <i>Seamon-Molson</i></p> <p>Pass 3♠ All Pass</p>

Wolpert needed luck – the missing club honors split between North and South – and a good guess. On the lie of the cards, a successful guess was not possible, so the contract was quickly one down, minus 100. At the other table:

<p>West <i>Palmer</i></p> <p>1♦ 4♥ 5♥</p>	<p>North <i>Zur-Campanile</i></p> <p>1♠ 4♠ All Pass</p>	<p>East <i>Deas</i></p> <p>Dbl 5♦</p>	<p>South <i>Meyers</i></p> <p>Pass 3♠ Pass</p>
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Palmer had to lose the same two club tricks, but she needed only 11 tricks. Those were easy and she scored plus 650 and 13 IMPs. USA 2 now had a 20-0 lead. USA 1 managed a 10-IMP swing on board 25 when Seamon-Molson found herself in 5♦ doubled, three down for minus 500 compared to plus 50 for their teammates, who

defended 4♦. That made the score 21-13 for USA 2.

After that, there was not much action and no significant swings until this deal came along, USA 2 leading 22-13.

Board 28. Dealer West. NS Vul.

<p>♠ J 6 ♥ J 7 2 ♦ 9 7 4 3 ♣ A 10 8 3</p>	<div style="background-color: #4CAF50; color: white; padding: 10px; width: 60px; margin: 0 auto;"> N W E S </div>	<p>♠ A K ♥ 10 6 4 ♦ J 8 6 ♣ K J 7 6 4</p>	<p>♠ Q 10 8 4 3 ♥ K 3 ♦ A Q 2 ♣ 9 5 2</p>
<p>♠ 9 7 5 2 ♥ A Q 9 8 5 ♦ K 10 5 ♣ Q</p>			

<p>West <i>Levin</i></p> <p>Pass Pass Pass All Pass</p>	<p>North <i>Sokolow</i></p> <p>1♣ INT 2NT</p>	<p>East <i>Wolpert</i></p> <p>1♠ Pass Pass</p>	<p>South <i>Seamon-Molson</i></p> <p>Dbl 2♠ 3NT</p>
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Deducing that partner had little or no help in spades – West did have a chance to double South’s bid of 2♠ - Wolpert started with ♦A, continuing with the queen to declarer’s king. The ♣Q went to Levin’s ace and she continued with a diamond to declarer’s jack. Sokolow played the ♥10 from hand, playing low from dummy when East covered with the king. Wolpert continued with a heart and Sokolow could claim plus 630 with four hearts, two clubs, two diamonds and two spades. At the other table:

<p>West <i>Palmer</i></p> <p>Pass Pass</p>	<p>North <i>Zur-Campanile</i></p> <p>1♣ 2NT</p>	<p>East <i>Deas</i></p> <p>1♠ All Pass</p>	<p>South <i>Meyers</i></p> <p>2♥</p>
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Deas led a low spade to the jack and declarer’s ace. The ♥10 was covered by the king and ace. The ♣Q was won by Palmer with the ace, and she exited with a spade, clearing the suit. With no entry back to her hand, declarer cashed her two good clubs, then played a heart to dummy’s 9. Palmer won the ♥J, cashed the ♣10 and put her partner in with a diamond to the ace. When Deas was finished cashing her spades, declarer was two down for minus 200, good for 13 IMPs to USA 2, now ahead 35-13.

After three more pushes, the final board hit the table.

Board 32. Dealer West. EW Vul.

♠ 7 ♥ Q 8 3 2 ♦ 7 6 4 3 ♣ A Q 10 4	<table style="margin: auto; border: 1px solid black; background-color: #4F81BD; color: white;"> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠ J 8 6 3 2 ♥ J 10 ♦ K 10 9 5 ♣ 6 2	♠ K Q 10 5 ♥ 6 5 ♦ Q J ♣ K 9 7 5 3
N						
W E						
S						

West	North	East	South
<i>Levin</i>	<i>Sokolow</i>	<i>Wolpert</i>	<i>Seamon-Molson</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣	1♥
2♣	Dbf	3♣	4♣
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

Wolpert led the ♣3 to her partner's ace. A club went to Wolpert's king. She exited with the ♦Q, taken in dummy with the ace. Sokolow played a low spade from dummy to her 8, won by Wolpert with the 10. A low heart was taken by declarer with dummy's ace. The king was cashed and declarer ruffed a heart low. Wolpert overruffed and got out with the ♠K. After winning the ♠A, Sokolow played a diamond to her king, dropping the jack. She was still two down, however, for minus 100. At the other table:

West	North	East	South
<i>Palmer</i>	<i>Zur-Campanile</i>	<i>Deas</i>	<i>Meyers</i>
Pass	Pass	1♦	INT
Dbf	2♦	Pass	Pass
Dbf	All Pass		

Deas' 1♦ was Precision, possibly a doubleton. Declarer always has seven tricks if she guesses the diamond situation, but 2♦ was a playable contract. Deas started with the ♦Q to the king, Zur-Campanile ran the ♥J to West's queen, and West cashed the ♣A and ♣Q before shifting to the ♠7. Declarer won the ♠A, returned to hand with ♥10 and played a diamond. When the jack popped up, she had

In Nyström I trust

By Micke Melander

"In God We Trust" first appeared on coins in 1864 and has appeared on the American dollar bill since 1957. Johan Upmark might rephrase it into "in Nyström I trust" as a national bridge motto for Sweden. Just have a look at what happened in Sweden's match against USA I in the Bermuda Bowl from round 3 of the Round Robin.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

♠ K Q 10 8 2 ♥ 6 ♦ 10 7 ♣ A K 7 5 2	<table style="margin: auto; border: 1px solid black; background-color: #4F81BD; color: white;"> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠ 5 ♥ 10 9 8 ♦ A K 9 6 3 2 ♣ J 10 9	♠ A 9 6 4 3 ♥ 7 5 4 3 2 ♦ — ♣ Q 4 3
N						
W E						
S						

Open Room:

West	North	East	South
<i>Nyström</i>	<i>Rodwell</i>	<i>Upmark</i>	<i>Meckstroth</i>
	Pass	Pass	1♥
2♥	4♦	6♠	All Pass

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
<i>Levin</i>	<i>Warne</i>	<i>Weinstein</i>	<i>Bergdahl</i>
	Pass	Pass	1♥
2♥	4♦	4♥	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	5♦
Pass	Pass	5♥	Pass
5♠	All Pass		

That was 13 IMPs to Sweden.

Of course, Upmarks action was based on the certainty that his partner had a heart void. He didn't, but delivered everything else that Upmark could possibly have wanted.

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The Far Pavilions (VC R7)



Denmark v USA 2



By Mark Horton

The Far Pavilions is an epic novel of British-Indian history by M. M. Kaye, first published in 1978, which tells the story of an English officer during the British Raj. There are many parallels between this novel and Rudyard Kipling's 'Kim', which was published in 1900: the settings, the young English boy raised as a native by an Indian surrogate mother, the 'Great Game' as it was played by England and Russia. The novel, rooted deeply in the romantic epics of the 19th Century, has been hailed as a masterpiece of storytelling. It is based partly on biographical writings of the author's grandfather as well as her knowledge of and childhood experiences in India. It has sold millions of copies, caused travel agents to create tours that visited the locations in the book, and inspired a television adaptation and a musical play.

After many adventures, the hero and heroine set out in search of a paradise in the Himalayas – the far pavilions – free of prejudice where they can live out their lives in peace.

In this match from Round 7, the teams representing Denmark and USAII were hoping to take another significant step en route to the summit of the Venice Cup. The undefeated Danes had so far carried all before them, but this would be a good test of their credentials.

It proved to be an entertaining, albeit error-strewn encounter.

There were a number of transmission problems, so I apologise in advance for any misremembered auctions or plays.



Nadia Bekkouche, Denmark

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

<p>♠ 10 8 7 6 4 ♥ K Q 7 4 3 ♦ 6 3 2 ♣ —</p>	<div style="background-color: #4caf50; color: white; padding: 10px; width: 60px; margin: 0 auto;"> N W E S </div>	<p>♠ — ♥ A J 6 5 2 ♦ A K Q J 10 ♣ Q 9 5</p>	<p>♠ A J 9 3 2 ♥ 10 9 ♦ 5 ♣ K J 6 4 3</p>
<p>♠ K Q 5 ♥ 8 ♦ 9 8 7 4 ♣ A 10 8 7 2</p>			

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Deas</i>	<i>Bekkouche</i>	<i>Palmer</i>	<i>Rahelt</i>
	1♥	2♥*	Pass
4♠	All Pass		
2♥	Hearts and a minor		

This was not a triumph for N/S.

One way to improve matters would be for South to double 2♥. Then North would bid diamonds over 4♠ - how many is a matter for the individual conscience.

Another would be for North to take some action over 4♠ - perhaps bidding 4NT (perhaps too aggressive) intending to remove partner's possible 5♣ to 5♦, or simply bidding 5♦.

North led the ace of diamonds and the defenders took the red aces and two trumps, one down, -50.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bilde</i>	<i>Sokolow</i>	<i>Rasmussen</i>	<i>Seamon-Molson</i>
	1♥	2♥*	Dble*
4♠	5♦	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

West's optimistic double was no doubt predicated on the hope that East would lead a club and then have an entry to deliver a second ruff in the suit.

When East led the ace of spades, declarer ruffed, cashed the ace of hearts, ruffed a heart, pitched two clubs on the top spades and then tried to cash the ace of clubs. West ruffed and returned a trump, but declarer could cross-ruff her way to eleven tricks and +550.

Declarer missed a route to an overtrick. After ruffing the opening lead, a top trump confirms the suit is not 4-0. Trumps are drawn and then the queen of clubs leaves East with no good move.

If trumps turn out to be 4-0 declarer is still in no real danger.

With 11 IMPs under their belts (or should that be saris) the USA gave Denmark a chance to recover some ground on the next deal.

Board 2. Dealer East. NS Vul.

♠ A K 8 3 ♥ A 10 6 4 ♦ Q 5 ♣ A J 10	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠ 2 ♥ K J 9 7 2 ♦ A K J 8 7 4 2 ♣ —
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S					
♠ Q J 7 5 ♥ 8 5 ♦ 10 9 ♣ Q 5 4 3 2					
♠ 10 9 6 4 ♥ Q 3 ♦ 6 3 ♣ K 9 8 7 6					

Both teams played in diamonds.

In the Closed Room East was in 3♦ and could not be prevented from taking nine tricks, +110.

In the Open Room the bidding went 1♦-(Pass)-1♠-(INT)-3♥-(Pass)-3♠-(Pass)-4♦-All Pass. I think South led a low club and when North played the ten declarer ruffed and played the jack of hearts. If South had gone in with the queen, declarer would have had no real hope, but when she played low North had to win with the ace. When she played a trump declarer won and played the king of hearts. The appearance of the queen meant she could cash a top diamond and then give up a heart, +130 and an IMP.

Suppose declarer plays a low heart at trick two?

Now if South goes in with the queen and plays another club declarer ruffs and plays a top heart, subsequently ruffing a heart.

If South returns a trump declarer wins in dummy either on this round or the next (depending on North's play) and can run the eight of hearts.

An initial trump lead should defeat 4♦ - as long as North withholds the queen.

Board 3. Dealer South. EW Vul.

♠ A K 9 3 ♥ J 10 ♦ A Q J ♣ A K Q J	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠ 10 8 ♥ A Q 8 5 ♦ K 5 4 2 ♣ 10 7 6
N					
W E					
S					
♠ J 7 4 2 ♥ 9 7 6 ♦ 10 9 8 6 ♣ 8 4					
♠ Q 6 5 ♥ K 4 3 2 ♦ 7 3 ♣ 9 5 3 2					

Both N/S pairs played in 3NT.

In the Closed Room East led the six of clubs and declarer finished with 11 tricks, +460.

At the other table, declarer received a diamond lead.

She won with the queen, took four rounds of clubs and then ran the ten of hearts. When it held she turned her attention to the spade suit, cashing the ace, playing low to the queen and then back to the king. Had she finessed the nine, the last spade would have been too much for East, but now there seemed to be no chance of a twelfth trick.

This was the position when declarer played the jack of hearts:

♠ 9 ♥ J ♦ A J ♣ —	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠ — ♥ A Q ♦ K 5 ♣ —
N					
W E					
S					
♠ J ♥ 9 7 ♦ 10 ♣ —					
♠ — ♥ K 4 3 2 ♦ 7 ♣ —					

To hold declarer to eleven tricks East must take the ace of hearts and exit with a diamond, West collecting a spade at the end. When she played the queen declarer could win with dummy's king and exit with a heart, forcing a diamond return that put Denmark on the board to the tune of 1 IMP.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ A K 6 4 3 ♥ 10 2 ♦ 7 6 2 ♣ Q 9 2	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠ 7 ♥ Q 6 4 ♦ K Q J 8 5 4 3 ♣ A 8
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W E					
S					
♠ 10 8 5 2 ♥ A J 7 ♦ A 10 ♣ K 7 6 4					
♠ Q J 9 ♥ K 9 8 5 3 ♦ 9 ♣ J 10 5 3					

In the Closed Room West became declarer in 3NT.

North led a spade.

It was the ace.

With the spades blocked declarer scored ten tricks, +630.

In the Open Room, the bidding went 1♦*-(1♠)-2♦*-(2♠)-Pass-(Pass)-3♠-(Dble)-Pass-(Pass)-5♦ All Pass.

As you can see, there will usually be twelve tricks as South can be squeezed in hearts and clubs. They can only be prevented if West is declarer and North leads a heart, followed by a second heart when in with a spade, breaking up the squeeze.

System having dictated that West start with 1♦ North was

on lead and naturally looked no further than the spade suit. Declarer was on track for twelve tricks, but apparently went wrong in the ending, +600 handing Denmark their second IMP of the match.

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

	♠ 7 2		
	♥ J		
	♦ A 10 9 8 5 4 2		
	♣ A 10 9		
♠ A 10 3		♠ 9 6 4	
♥ Q 10 8 4 2		♥ K 5 3	
♦ K		♦ 7 3	
♣ K Q J 6		♣ 7 5 4 3 2	
	♠ K Q J 8 5		
	♥ A 9 7 6		
	♦ Q J 6		
	♣ 8		

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Deas	Bekkouche	Palmer	Rahelt
2♥	Dble	Pass	1♠
Pass	3♦	All Pass	2♠

I am informed that 3♦ was non-forcing, but even so South should have done something over it. +170.
In the other room the USA sailed into 5♦ to pick up 10 IMPs.

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

	♠ 10 4		
	♥ K Q 10 6 2		
	♦ A Q 10 6 4 3		
	♣ —		
♠ 9 6		♠ 8 7 2	
♥ A 9 5		♥ 8 7 4 3	
♦ 8 7		♦ K J 9	
♣ A Q 10 9 6 4		♣ J 7 5	
	♠ A K Q J 5 3		
	♥ J		
	♦ 5 2		
	♣ K 8 3 2		

In the Closed Room N/S stopped safely in 4♠ for +620.
Open Room

West	North	East	South
Deas	Bekkouche	Palmer	Rahelt
2♣	2♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	3♥	Pass	2♠
Pass	6♠	All Pass	4♠

N/S were playing an opening bid of 2♠ as constructive (10-13) so North was able to place her partner with a

decent hand and most probably solid spades.

Had South's king of clubs been a different colour, North's decision would have been vindicated almost immediately. West led the ace of hearts and then, incredible as it may seem, played the ace of clubs. Game over, +1430 and a welcome gift of 13 IMPs.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

	♠ 10 4		
	♥ 9 6		
	♦ J 6 5 4		
	♣ J 10 7 6 3		
♠ A K J 9 7 2		♠ 6 5	
♥ Q 4		♥ J 10 7 5 3 2	
♦ 9		♦ Q 10 7 2	
♣ A K Q 8		♣ 5	
	♠ Q 8 3		
	♥ A K 8		
	♦ A K 8 3		
	♣ 9 4 2		

Both teams reached 4♠.

To defeat it South needs to take three red winners and then play the eight of hearts, ensuring a trump trick. When this did not happen in the Open Room USAI picked up 10 IMPs.

Board 12. Dealer West. NS Vul.

	♠ J 10 7		
	♥ 5		
	♦ A 9 7 5 2		
	♣ A Q 10 3		
♠ A K 9 8 5 4 2		♠ Q 6 3	
♥ A K 4		♥ 10 9 8 6 2	
♦ 3		♦ 10 4	
♣ 7 6		♣ 8 5 4	
	♠ —		
	♥ Q J 7 3		
	♦ K Q J 8 6		
	♣ K J 9 2		

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Deas	Bekkouche	Palmer	Rahelt
1♣*	INT*	Pass	5♦
Dble	All Pass		
1♣ 17+			
INT Both minors			

Declarer was not hard pressed to score an overtrick, +950.

At this vulnerability South was surely bidding 5♦ in the hope that it would make. I think you could offer long odds that South will have a void and it can only be in spades. Had West bid 5♠, N/S would have been doing very well to go on to 6♦.

Two pairs reached the slam in the Venice Cup, three in the Bermuda Bowl and two in the d'Orsi Trophy. Where the slam was doubled NS racked up +1540.

I don't have the auction from the other table, but (and the reader may be ahead of me here) the contract was identical, so no swing.

If the bidding were to go 1♠-(Pass)-Pass-(Dble)-4♠-(4NT)-5♦ then it would be clear for West to let matters rest.

Board 15. Dealer South. None Vul.

	♠ 7 6 5		
	♥ Q J 9 7 2		
	♦ 2		
	♣ A 7 6 3		
♠ K 10 3 2		♠ Q	
♥ K 8 4		♥ A 10	
♦ A 9 7 6 5		♦ K Q 8 3	
♣ 4		♣ K Q 9 8 5 2	
	♠ A J 9 8 4		
	♥ 6 5 3		
	♦ J 10 4		
	♣ J 10		

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Deas	Bekkouche	Palmer	Rahelt
1♦	1♥	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	4♥*	Pass
5♦	Pass	6♦	All Pass

North led the five of spades and after South took the ace, the ace of clubs was the setting trick, +50.



Toby Sokolow, USA2

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Bilde	Sokolow	Rasmussen	Seamon-Molson
1♦	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♠*	Dble
3NT	Pass	4♣*	Pass
4♥*	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♣*	Pass	5♦	All Pass

EW were in the slam zone, but they stopped safely for 10 useful IMPs.

Board 16. Dealer West. EW Vul.

	♠ K 4 2		
	♥ K Q 6 5 3		
	♦ A 9 6 4		
	♣ 8		
♠ A J 9 7 5		♠ Q 10 8	
♥ 10 8 7		♥ A 4	
♦ J 10		♦ Q 5 3 2	
♣ 10 4 3		♣ A J 7 6	
	♠ 6 3		
	♥ J 9 2		
	♦ K 8 7		
	♣ K Q 9 5 2		

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Deas	Bekkouche	Palmer	Rahelt
Pass	1♥	Pass	3♣*
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

3♣ Invitational with three-card support

East led the three of diamonds for the seven, ten and ace and declarer played the eight of clubs. When East went in with the ace of clubs declarer was back in the game.

She took the diamond continuation with dummy's king and cashed the top clubs getting rid of the losing diamonds. It looks natural now to play a spade, but declarer continued with the five of clubs and when West ruffed with the eight of hearts, she overruffed and played a heart. East took the ace and tried the queen of diamonds, but declarer could overruff West's ten with the king, draw the outstanding trump and lose only to the well-placed ace of spades, +420.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Bilde	Sokolow	Rasmussen	Seamon-Molson
Pass	1♥	Pass	2♥
Pass	Pass	Dble	Rdbl
2♠	3♥	Pass	Pass
3♠	All Pass		

The defenders did nothing foolish and declarer could muster only seven tricks, -200, but 6 IMPs to Denmark.

The USA won 41-31 IMPs, 12.30-6.70 VP, becoming the first team to lower Denmark's colours.

BB R7 - Movin' on up



USA 1 v USA 2



By Brent Manley

At the start of play on Tuesday, USA 1 was undefeated in the Bermuda Bowl round robin qualifying and sitting comfortably in second place. Their opponents in round seven were USA 2, losers of their first four matches but lying 12th and still in contention for one of the eight qualifying spots thanks to two big wins in rounds five and six.

Both North-South pairs play a version of Precision: 1♣ is strong and forcing, a 1♦ opening can be made on a doubleton.

The expectation was for a close match, but it didn't work out that way. In baseball terms, USA 2 hit a home run on the first pitch.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ — ♥ A J 6 5 2 ♦ A K Q J 10 ♣ Q 9 5	<table style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ A J 9 3 2 ♥ 10 9 ♦ 5 ♣ K J 6 4 3
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	S										
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West	North	East	South
Wooldridge	Rodwell	Hurd	Meckstroth
	1♣*	1♠	2♣
5♠	6♣	All Pass	

Joel Wooldridge's aggressive jump to 5♠ put the pressure on Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell. On a normal trump split – even a 4-1 break – Rodwell would have had his chances in the slam on the lead he received. John Hurd started with the ♠A, one of two leads to let the slam through if clubs were 4-1. Rodwell ruffed the ♠A and advanced the ♣Q, covered by the king and ace. Had trumps been 4-1, Rodwell could have driven out the ♣J and still pulled trumps by playing the ♣10 from dummy. The 5-0 trump split could not be overcome, however, and Rodwell was soon conceding one down for minus 50.

West	North	East	South
Levin	Demuy	Weinstein	Kranyak
	1♣*	1♠	2♣
4♠	5♠	Pass	6♣
6♠	Dbl	All Pass	

Bobby Levin believed his opponents, so he took the save. Unfortunately, it was a phantom and minus 500 was costly. USA 2 was ahead 11-0 after one board.

This deal, the fourth of the set, was interesting from declarer's perspective.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ 10 8 5 2 ♥ A J 7 ♦ A 10 ♣ K 7 6 4	<table style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 7 ♥ Q 6 4 ♦ K Q J 8 5 4 3 ♣ A 8
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ Q J 9 ♥ K 9 8 5 3 ♦ 9 ♣ J 10 5 3										

At both tables, the contract was 5♦ by East. Against Weinstein, Kranyak led a low heart, which ran around to the queen. There was nothing more to the play and Weinstein chalked up plus 620. At the other table, the lead was the ♠Q. Hurd ruffed the spade continuation and started cashing diamonds. No matter what South discards on the diamonds, East can always take 12 tricks in a diamond contract. In practice, Meckstroth discarded a club at one point, so declarer could cash the ♣A, play a club to the king and ruff a club, establishing the long club in dummy.



Steve Weinstein, USA 1



Bobby Levin, USA 1

Declarer simply takes the heart finesse and claims, losing only a spade trick. If South doesn't discard a club, declarer can take the heart finesse, play a club to the ace, club to the king, club ruff, establishing dummy's ♣7 as a threat against South. Declarer then runs trumps, catching South in a club-heart squeeze.

After that push board, USA 2 scored again with clever defense by Hurd and Wooldridge.

Board 5. Dealer North. NS Vul.

	♠ K 10 6 5 2		
	♥ 5		
	♦ K J 10 8		
	♣ K J 6		
♠ Q J 4 3		♠ A 8 7	
♥ Q 10 8		♥ J 9 3	
♦ A 7 3		♦ Q 2	
♣ A 8 7		♣ Q 10 5 3 2	
	♠ 9		
	♥ A K 7 6 4 2		
	♦ 9 6 5 4		
	♣ 9 4		

The auction was the same at both tables.

West	North	East	South
Wooldridge	Rodwell	Hurd	Meckstroth
Levin	Demuy	Weinstein	Kranyak
	1♠	Pass	INT
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥
All Pass			

Wooldridge led a low spade, ducked in dummy. Hurd won the ♠A and continued with a low diamond from his doubleton queen. Wooldridge won the ♦A and continued the suit. Meckstroth put in dummy's jack, losing to the queen. A club to West's ace allowed him to play a third round of diamonds, ruffed by East for one down.

The opening lead at the other table was the ♠Q, covered

by the king and ace. Weinstein also returned his low diamond, but when Levin won he played a low club. Kranyak went up with dummy's king and played three rounds of trumps. When the suit split 3-3, Kranyak was home with eight tricks for plus 110. It was a 5-IMP gain for USA 2.

USA 2 collected another 6 IMPs when Hurd was allowed to play in 2♣ (making for plus 90) in the open room while Kranyak went plus 140 in 2♥ in the closed room.

More IMPs went to USA 2 on the next deal.

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

	♠ 7 2		
	♥ J		
	♦ A 10 9 8 5 4 2		
	♣ A 10 9		
♠ A 10 3		♠ 9 6 4	
♥ Q 10 8 4 2		♥ K 5 3	
♦ K		♦ 7 3	
♣ K Q J 6		♣ 7 5 4 3 2	
	♠ K Q J 8 5		
	♥ A 9 7 6		
	♦ Q J 6		
	♣ 8		

West	North	East	South
Wooldridge	Rodwell	Hurd	Meckstroth
			1♠
2♥	3♦	3♥	4♦
Pass	5♦	All Pass	

There was nothing to the play, with the singleton trump king in the slot. Plus 620 to USA 1. At the other table:

West	North	East	South
Levin	Demuy	Weinstein	Kranyak
			1♠
2♥	3♦	3♥	4♥
Pass	5♣	Pass	5♦
Pass	6♦	All Pass	

Plus 1370 meant 13 IMPs to USA 2, now leading 36-1. This board was unlucky for USA 1.

Board 9 Dealer North. EW Vul.

	♠ 10 3		
	♥ J 4		
	♦ 9 4		
	♣ K Q J 9 8 7 2		
♠ Q 4		♠ K 9	
♥ A Q 2		♥ K 7 6 3	
♦ A K 10 8 6 3 2		♦ J 5	
♣ 10		♣ A 6 5 4 3	
	♠ A J 8 7 6 5 2		
	♥ 10 9 8 5		
	♦ Q 7		
	♣ —		

West	North	East	South
Wooldridge	Rodwell	Hurd	Meckstroth
	3♣	Pass	3♦
3NT	All Pass		

It's not clear what Meckstroth's 3♦ was meant to convey, but a diamond lead suited Wooldridge just fine. He had an easy 12 tricks on Rodwell's lead of the ♣K. Plus 690.

West	North	East	South
Levin	Demuy	Weinstein	Kranyak
	3NT*	Pass	4♣
4♦	Pass	5♣	Pass
6♦	All Pass		

Demuy's 3NT opener obviously indicated a long minor suit. On the lead of the ♣K, Levin must have had a sense of impending doom. Indeed, Kranyak ruffed and cashed the ♠A for one down. As you can see, because of South's void in clubs and possession of the ♠A, 6NT is cold. That was 13 more IMPs for USA 2. The lead had grown to 49-1. The margin went to 60-1 on the next deal.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

	♠ 10 4		
	♥ 9 6		
	♦ J 6 5 4		
	♣ J 10 7 6 3		
♠ A K J 9 7 2		♠ 6 5	
♥ Q 4		♥ J 10 7 5 3 2	
♦ 9		♦ Q 10 7 2	
♣ A K Q 8		♣ 5	
	♠ Q 8 3		
	♥ A K 8		
	♦ A K 8 3		
	♣ 9 4 2		

West	North	East	South
Wooldridge	Rodwell	Hurd	Meckstroth
	2♣	2♥	INT
Dbl	Pass	4♠	Pass
3♠			All Pass

Rodwell led the ♣10 (Rusinow), taken by Wooldridge with the ace. He ruffed the ♣8 and played a spade to his jack. When that held and both followed to the ♠A, Wooldridge claimed plus 420. At the other table, Demuy and Kranyak found a way to defeat the contract.

West	North	East	South
Levin	Demuy	Weinstein	Kranyak
	Pass	2♥	INT
Dbl	Pass	4♠	Pass
3♠			Dbl
All Pass			

Demuy found the killing lead of his doubleton heart. Kranyak won the ♥K, cashed a high diamond, then followed with the ♥A and a third heart. With the ♠10 in the North

hand, there was nothing Levin could do. He had to lose a trump trick for minus 100. USA 2 had 11 more IMPs in the bank.

USA 1 finally managed a useful swing on this deal:

Board 13 Dealer North. All Vul.

	♠ 7 3		
	♥ J 8 7 6		
	♦ —		
	♣ A K Q 7 5 4 3		
♠ 5 4		♠ A Q J 10 6	
♥ A 10		♥ Q 9 4	
♦ Q 10 7 6 4 2		♦ J 8 5	
♣ J 10 6		♣ 9 2	
	♠ K 9 8 2		
	♥ K 5 3 2		
	♦ A K 9 3		
	♣ 8		

The contract at both tables was 4♥ by South. When Meckstroth was declarer, West led the ♠5 to East's ace. The ♠Q continuation was won by the king. At trick three, Meckstroth led a low heart to the 10, jack and queen. The ♠J was ruffed in dummy, and Meckstroth played a low heart from dummy, playing low from his hand. The trump ace was the last trick for the defense. On a club switch, Meckstroth can just run the suit, overruffing if East ruffs in, with a late entry via dummy's fourth trump.

At the other table, Demuy got a diamond lead, which he took in hand, pitching a spade from dummy. He cashed the other high diamond for another spade pitch, then played a club to the ace, pitched a diamond on the ♣K and played a spade to his king and Levin's ace. Kranyak ruffed in dummy when Levin returned the ♦Q, following with the ♥8 to Levin's 10. Kranyak ruffed the spade return with dummy's last trump and tried the ♣Q. Weinstein ruffed with the master trump and cashed the ♠A for one down and 12 IMPs.

Except for a 3-IMP swing to USA 2 on the final board, that was it for the scoring. The surprising outcome was 63-13 for USA 2, good for 19.16 victory points to 0.84 for USA 1. The big win helped USA 2 to move up to 11th in the round robin standings with 12 more matches to play.



Jeff Meckstroth, Donna Compton (NPC) and Eric Rodwell, USA 1

Venice Cup Round 8



USAI v France



By Brian Senior

I had planned a detailed match report but, when BBO crashes deep into the session and you have other duties so that you have not watched every board as it happened, the lost data causes something of a problem.

USAI won the match by 46-14 IMPs, 17.03-2.97 VPs, with the bulk of the points coming on three deals in what was otherwise a very quiet and low-scoring set. On the first deal, the French E/W pair went for -1400 in a six-one fit in 5♦ doubled. Their N/S pair managed +480 in their heart game but that was worth 14 IMPs to USAI. The score had moved on only to 22-14 in favour of USAI after 13 deals, but the Americans had two big gains still to come.

Board 30. Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ A K Q 4 ♥ A Q 9 8 7 ♦ K J 8 ♣ 2	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ J 10 ♥ J ♦ 10 6 5 ♣ A K J 10 8 7 3	♠ 8 7 6 3 ♥ 4 3 2 ♦ A Q 9 7 ♣ 9 4
	N											
W		E										
	S											

West	North	East	South
Levin	Cronier	Wolpert	Willard
-	-	Pass	Pass
1♥	2♣	2♥	Pass
2♠	3♣	Pass	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♦	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♦	Pass
5♥	All Pass		

In the other room, the French West went one down in 4♥. Here, Jill Levin saw a free raise from Jenny Wolpert and also a diamond cuebid (and was East's pass over 3♣ also encouraging, given that her partner had committed the partnership to at least the three level!), and that was sufficient to persuade her to ask for key cards, quickly signing off on finding only one.

Benedicte Cronier kicked off with two rounds of clubs so Levin ruffed the second round with the heart nine, cashed the ace of hearts, then crossed to dummy by overtaking the jack of diamonds with the queen to lead a heart to her seven. This was a good news-bad news situation, in that the

heart held but the four-one split came to light, putting the contract in considerable jeopardy. With a third round of clubs due to force her when she played another round of trumps, Levin had to find a layout that would allow her to make. She cashed three rounds of spades, being pleased to see South follow three times, then played king of diamonds followed by her last diamond to the ace. When that suit too broke favourably, she was home. Levin played the thirteenth diamond and South was powerless to take more than one more trick; +450 and 11 IMPs to USAI.

Board 32. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

♠ K 7 6 4 ♥ 9 2 ♦ Q 6 4 3 ♣ Q 9 2	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 9 5 3 2 ♥ K ♦ A K 9 ♣ A J 8 4 3	♠ A Q J ♥ A J 8 7 4 ♦ J 10 ♣ K 10 7
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W		E										
	S											

West	North	East	South
Levin	Cronier	Wolpert	Willard
INT	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♥	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♦	Pass
4♥	Pass	6♣	All Pass

The French E/W pair explored slam possibilities but stopped in 5♣, making 12 tricks for +620. Wolpert started with Stayman then bid a natural and forcing 3♣. Levin showed the fifth heart and, appreciating that her partner must have some slam interest to follow this route, went on with 4♣ over 3NT. After an exchange of cuebids, Wolpert trusted that her partner must have spade control to have gone on so jumped to the club slam.

Sylvie Willard led the seven of diamonds to the ten, queen and ace. Wolpert followed the odds, leading a low club to the king then running the ten. That meant no trump loser and, though the spade was offside, she had a discard for the fourth spade on the heart ace even had the ten not fallen on the second round. USAI scored +1370 and gained 13 IMPs to complete a very useful win against another major challenger.

The Squeeze That Worked and Not

By Micke Melander

When Japan played Sweden in Round 8 of the Bermuda Bowl 29 IMPs were shared on two boards, all coming from squeezes.

Board 28. Dealer West. NS Vul.

<p>♠ 4 ♥ Q 9 8 7 4 3 ♦ 10 9 8 5 ♣ J 5</p>	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	<p>♠ A 3 ♥ A J 6 5 ♦ J 7 2 ♣ A 9 6 2</p>	<p>♠ K 9 8 6 5 ♥ 10 2 ♦ Q 4 ♣ 10 8 7 4</p>
N						
W E						
S						
<p>♠ Q J 10 7 2 ♥ K ♦ A K 6 3 ♣ K Q 3</p>						

Open Room:

West	North	East	South
<i>Sylvan</i>	<i>Tanaka</i>	<i>Wrang</i>	<i>Yokoi</i>
2♦	Dble	Rdbl	Pass
2♥	Pass	Pass	3♥
Pass	3NT	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

Despite the 5-1 trump split declarer was not hard pressed to record eleven tricks, +450.

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Warne</i>	<i>Furuta</i>	<i>Bergdahl</i>
3♥	3NT	Pass	4♦*
Pass	4♠	Pass	6NT
All Pass			

Furuta led the ten of hearts, which was taken by dummy's king. With plenty to think about Warne considered the possibility of developing a squeeze against East. After a spade to the ace and a spade to the queen, West discarding a heart, declarer continued with the jack of spades, West and declarer pitching hearts as East won with the king.

Declarer took the spade return in dummy as he and West again discarded hearts. When he continued with the ace and king of diamonds and the queen appeared we can guess that it was a happy declarer who crossed to his hand in diamonds and cashed the ace of hearts, squeezing East in clubs and spades. When East discarded a club, the remaining spade went from dummy and declarer could cash four club tricks, giving Sweden 13 IMPs.

It won't help East to duck the jack of spades. As long as declarer cashes the ace and king of diamonds, East will be squeezed when declarer later cashes the ace of hearts when discarding a spade allows declarer to enter dummy

with a club to set up another trick in spades.

Board 32. Dealer West. EW Vul.

<p>♠ A Q J ♥ A J 8 7 4 ♦ J 10 ♣ K 10 7</p>	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	<p>♠ K 7 6 4 ♥ 9 2 ♦ Q 6 4 3 ♣ Q 9 2</p>	<p>♠ 9 5 3 2 ♥ K ♦ A K 9 ♣ A J 8 4 3</p>
N						
W E						
S						
<p>♠ 10 8 ♥ Q 10 6 5 3 ♦ 8 7 5 2 ♣ 6 5</p>						

Open Room:

West	North	East	South
<i>Sylvan</i>	<i>Tanaka</i>	<i>Wrang</i>	<i>Yokoi</i>
INT	Pass	2♥*	Pass
2♠	Pass	2NT*	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♦	Pass
4♥	Pass	6♣	All Pass
INT	14-16, (semi) BAL	15-17 vul	
2♥	4+♠	may have 5-card M	

It seems that 2NT started some sort of relay sequence, but astonishingly the section of the convention card headed subsequent auction contains no information.

Declarer received a spade lead that went to the two, eight and his queen. He crossed to dummy's king of hearts and finessed the ten of clubs, which lost to North's queen whereupon he got a club return, which he won with the king in hand. After ruffing a heart declarer cashed the two top diamonds, ruffed a diamond and ruffed a second heart before drawing the last trump in the hope of catching South in a show-up squeeze with the king of spades and the queen of hearts. When that wasn't the case he had to concede one down.

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Warne</i>	<i>Furuta</i>	<i>Bergdahl</i>
INT	Pass	2♣*	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♦*	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	4NT	Pass
6♣	All Pass		
2♣	Stayman, might not have a major		

The immaculately completed convention card of the Japanese pair contains this line:

INT-2♣-2♥-2♠=ask length of ♠ & strength: Reverse minor showing

So one can infer that 3♦ showed clubs.

South kicked off with the ten of spades, which declarer comfortably covered with the jack and North won with the king and returned a heart. But it was all over now, since declarer won with the king and had now three spades, two hearts, two diamonds and just had to make the correct guess in clubs to score five club tricks and make his contract. When he continued with a club to the king and finessed North for the queen it was a 16 IMP swing to Japan who won the match 50-38 IMPs.

**Bid Bold,
Take The Percentage Play**
By Jan van Cleeff

USA1 v. Brazil, Bermuda Bowl, Round 5

Board 2 Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ K 7 5 ♥ A 8 4 3 2 ♦ A 9 4 ♣ K Q	<table style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 9 ♥ 10 7 6 ♦ K J 6 2 ♣ A J 9 6 4 ♠ A Q J 8 4 ♥ Q J 9 5 ♦ Q 3 ♣ 8 2	♠ 10 6 3 2 ♥ K ♦ 10 8 7 5 ♣ 10 7 5 3
	N											
W		E										
	S											

West	North	East	South
<i>Salomao</i>	<i>Levin</i>	<i>Brum</i>	<i>Weinstein</i>
		1♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♥	Pass
6♠	All Pass		

The slam is all about handling the heart suit. Having said that, South led a club to the ace and North returned the suit. Declarer drew four rounds of trumps, advanced the ♥J and later finessed the nine, being the percentage play due to the 4-1 trump break. Well done, Paulo Roberto Brum. The board delivered Brazil 11 IMPs when Nickell and Katz made 4♥ with an overtrick in the other room.

Virtually every pair who reached slam played 6♥ - and there was no reason to guess trumps, since the spade break had not come to light.

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RESULTS

Venice Cup

Round 10

Match		IMPs		VPs	
21	CHINA DENMARK	45	25	15.00	5.00
22	ITALY USAI	53	38	13.97	6.03
23	SOUTH AFRICA NETHERLANDS	16	31	6.03	13.97
24	EGYPT PAKISTAN	32	24	12.29	7.71
25	NEW ZEALAND GUADELOUPE	46	23	15.56	4.44
26	ENGLAND CHINESE TAIPEI	60	19	18.21	0.79
27	BRAZIL AUSTRALIA	22	41	5.20	14.80
28	JAPAN FRANCE	44	8	17.59	2.41
29	INDIA POLAND	5	52	1.13	18.87
30	JORDAN USA2	12	43	3.12	16.88
31	CANADA VENEZUELA	49	21	16.42	2.58

Round 11

Match		IMPs		VPs	
21	DENMARK ITALY	10	67	0.23	19.77
22	USAI SOUTH AFRICA	69	21	18.97	1.03
23	NETHERLANDS EGYPT	40	19	15.19	4.81
24	PAKISTAN NEW ZEALAND	13	43	3.27	16.73
25	GUADELOUPE ENGLAND	1	74	0.00	20.00
26	CHINESE TAIPEI AUSTRALIA	25	40	6.03	13.97
27	CHINA JAPAN	56	3	19.43	0.57
28	FRANCE INDIA	98	11	20.00	0.00
29	POLAND JORDAN	47	9	17.85	2.15
30	USA2 CANADA	49	21	16.42	3.58
31	VENEZUELA BRAZIL	31	32	9.69	10.31

Round 12

Match		IMPs		VPs	
21	SOUTH AFRICA DENMARK	7	55	1.03	18.97
22	EGYPT USAI	20	94	0.00	20.00
23	NEW ZEALAND NETHERLANDS	18	19	9.69	10.31
24	ENGLAND PAKISTAN	86	2	20.00	0.00
25	AUSTRALIA GUADELOUPE	45	33	13.28	6.72
26	BRAZIL CHINESE TAIPEI	17	61	1.45	18.55
27	JAPAN ITALY	21	50	3.42	16.58
28	INDIA CHINA	16	54	2.15	17.85
29	JORDAN FRANCE	8	86	0.00	20.00
30	CANADA POLAND	32	26	11.76	8.24
31	VENEZUELA USA2	21	90	0.00	20.00

d'Orsi Trophy

Round 10

Match		IMPs		VPs	
41	SWEDEN BULGARIA	45	16	16.58	3.42
42	NEW ZEALAND POLAND	21	56	2.55	17.45
43	USA2 INDONESIA	45	39	11.76	8.24
44	CHINA GUADELOUPE	39	41	8.39	10.11
45	INDIA AUSTRALIA	19	30	6.96	13.04
46	USAI BRAZIL	94	13	20.00	0.00
47	CHILE CANADA	0	81	0.00	20.00
48	EGYPT IRELAND	49	25	15.74	4.26
49	PAKISTAN NORWAY	34	36	9.39	10.61
50	JAPAN AUSTRIA	50	22	16.42	3.58
51	TUNISIA ENGLAND	4	71	0.00	20.00

Round 11

Match		IMPs		VPs	
41	BULGARIA NEW ZEALAND	27	39	6.72	13.28
42	POLAND USA2	11	13	9.39	10.61
43	INDONESIA CHINA	18	50	2.97	17.03
44	GUADELOUPE INDIA	14	36	4.62	15.38
45	AUSTRALIA USAI	34	31	10.91	9.09
46	BRAZIL CANADA	41	69	3.58	16.42
47	SWEDEN EGYPT	34	28	11.76	8.24
48	IRELAND PAKISTAN	42	43	9.69	10.31
49	NORWAY JAPAN	40	37	10.91	9.09
50	AUSTRIA TUNISIA	57	49	12.29	7.71
51	ENGLAND CHILE	43	42	10.31	9.69

Round 12

Match		IMPs		VPs	
41	USA2 BULGARIA	14	22	7.71	12.29
42	CHINA POLAND	17	61	1.45	18.55
43	INDIA INDONESIA	21	32	6.96	13.04
44	USAI GUADELOUPE	68	23	18.66	1.34
45	CANADA AUSTRALIA	13	52	2.03	17.97
46	CHILE BRAZIL	32	33	9.69	10.31
47	EGYPT NEW ZEALAND	33	27	11.76	8.24
48	PAKISTAN SWEDEN	18	78	0.00	20.00
49	JAPAN IRELAND	34	51	5.61	14.39
50	TUNISIA NORWAY	30	56	3.91	16.09
51	ENGLAND AUSTRIA	2	41	2.03	17.97

Bermuda Bowl

Round 10

Match		IMPs		VPs	
1	SINGAPORE CHINA	33	32	10.31	9.69
2	USA2 UAE	45	53	7.71	12.29
3	DENMARK NEW ZEALAND	44	13	16.88	3.12
4	BULGARIA SOUTH AFRICA	48	23	15.92	4.08
5	CANADA USA1	13	23	7.20	12.80
6	EGYPT ENGLAND	13	17	8.80	11.20
7	FRANCE JORDAN	35	12	15.56	3.44
8	JAPAN BRAZIL	60	22	17.85	2.15
9	GUADELOUPE AUSTRALIA	38	16	15.38	4.62
10	POLAND SWEDEN	21	0	15.19	4.81
11	ARGENTINA INDIA	27	38	6.96	13.04

Round 12

Match		IMPs		VPs	
1	DENMARK CHINA	51	41	12.80	7.20
2	BULGARIA UAE	72	20	19.34	0.66
3	CANADA NEW ZEALAND	12	40	3.58	16.42
4	EGYPT SOUTH AFRICA	18	59	1.79	18.21
5	JORDAN USA1	15	57	1.67	18.33
6	FRANCE ENGLAND	14	70	0.31	19.69
7	JAPAN USA2	7	57	0.84	19.16
8	GUADELOUPE SINGAPORE	23	45	4.62	15.38
9	POLAND BRAZIL	19	1	14.60	5.40
10	ARGENTINA AUSTRALIA	50	24	16.09	3.91
11	INDIA SWEDEN	18	64	1.23	18.77

Round 11

Match		IMPs		VPs	
1	CHINA USA2	59	12	18.87	1.13
2	UAE DENMARK	25	56	3.12	16.88
3	NEW ZEALAND BULGARIA	49	47	10.61	9.39
4	SOUTH AFRICA CANADA	30	34	8.80	11.20
5	USA1 EGYPT	30	19	13.04	6.96
6	ENGLAND JORDAN	54	10	18.55	1.45
7	SINGAPORE JAPAN	20	44	4.26	15.74
8	BRAZIL GUADELOUPE	26	25	10.31	9.69
9	AUSTRALIA POLAND	4	44	1.91	18.09
10	SWEDEN ARGENTINA	53	7	18.77	1.23
11	INDIA FRANCE	34	30	11.20	8.80

Electronic Surveillance Equipment



In order to access the playing rooms you will have to pass through an electronic screening device.

Unnecessary delays can be avoided by ensuring that you are not carrying anything that will activate the equipment.



No smoking or drinking policy

Please be reminded that smoking and drinking are prohibited at any time and in any place during sessions.



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