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WORLD CHAMPIONS



1st Juniors, Norway: Harald Eide, Kristian Ellingsen, Tor Eivind Grude, Kristoffer Hegge, Kristian Stangeland, Lars Eide (npc), Lars Arthur Johansen (coach)



Another wonderful world championships has come to an end. And, of course, it was even more wonderful for the gold medallists.

In the Girls event, today France stayed comfortably ahead of China to win by 239.7 imps to 195.

Sweden Youngsters began the day only 18.5 imps in front of USA1, but a big first set saw that lead expand to 52.5 imps. The last session was exactly level, so Sweden captured the title.



1st Youngsters, Sweden: Ida Gronkvist, Mikael Rimstedt, Ola Rimstedt, Johan Safsten, Per Leandersson (npc), Tom Gards (coach)



The one close match was the Junior final between Norway and the defending champions, the Netherlands. The Dutch began the last session 9.5 imps in the lead, but Norway won that set by 63 imps to 10 to triumph by 203 imps to 159.5.

Many congratulations to all of the winners.

The Joan Gerard awards for being a role model for everyone have been given to:

Girls: Jessica Brake from Australia

Youngsters: Ida Gronkvist from Sweden

Juniors: the whole Botswana team



1st Girls, France: Jennifer Mourgues, Anne-Laure Huberschwiler, Jérôme Rombaut, Jessie de Tessières, Anaïs Leleu, Aurélie Thizy, Mathilde Thuillez





2nd Juniors, Netherlands: Tobias Polak, Joris Van Lankveld, Tom Van Overbeeke, Ernst Wackwitz, Chris Westerbeek, Ricardo Westerbeek, Wubbo De Boer (npc), Kees Tammens (coach), Agnes Snellers (team manager)



2nd Youngsters, USA1: Christopher Huber, Benjamin Kristensen, Nolan Chang, Cole Spencer, Barry Goren (npc), Oren Kriegel, Kevin Rosenberg, Phyllis Harris (coach)



2nd Girls, China: Guoqiang Zhang (npc), Xueming Fu (coach), Bo Fu, Li Chen, Hanxiao Li, Xinyi Li, Qihao Wu, Bing Zhao



3rd Juniors, Poland: Maciej Bielawski, Pawel Jassem, Michal Klukowski, Slawomir Nijjko, Piotr Tuczynski, Jakub Wojcieszek, Marek Markowski (npc), Stanislaw Golebiowski (coach)



3rd Youngsters, Norway: Christian Bakke, Espen Flaatt, Joakim Saether, Marcus Scheie, Lars Eide (npc), Lars Arthur Johansen (coach)



3rd Girls, Italy: Michela Salvato, Margherita Chavarria, Giorgia Botta, Magherita Costa, Federica Buttò, Caterina Burgio, Emanuela Capriata (coach)





WBF PRESIDENT FAREWELL

Mr. Kadir Topbaş, Mayor of Istanbul, Mr. Bilgen Bilgin, Dean of Students of Koç University, Mr. Temel Atay, Vice Chairman of Koç Holding, Mr. Yves Aubry, President of the European Bridge League, Mr. Nevzat Aydoğdu, President of the Turkish Bridge Federation, Mr. Ata Aydın, Chairman of WBF Youth Committee, Mrs. Sevinç Atay, WBF Executive, Authorities, distinguished guests, dear friends, dear young friends, good evening and welcome to the Closing Ceremony of the 15th World Youth Bridge Teams Championships.

It's an honour and a privilege for us to have here this evening the Mayor of Istanbul, Mr. Kadir Topbaş, and on behalf of the World Bridge Federation and personally I would like to express to him our depth gratitude for joining us. Dear Mr. Mayor, I want to assure you that all of us, going back home, will take with us an unforgettable memory of the wonderful Istanbul and its historical and artistic heritage, its beauties, colours, scents and flavours.

Dear Friends, the curtain falls, we come to the end of the Championships and I am delighted that it has proved to be so successful, even more successful than we dared hope or expect.

The WBF Youth Committee, under the leadership of its Chairman, Ata Aydın, and the Organising Committee, led by Ata himself with the able assistance of Sevinç Atay and Murat Molva, has done a sterling job in organizing and managing this event, which has gone very smoothly from all points of view.

I think that you will all agree that the playing and staying conditions have been splendid and you will all have taken advantage of the services and facilities that were provided by Koç University. The Koç University and their representatives and operators welcomed and hosted us very warmly in this marvellous place, a perfect venue for such a great bridge event. Thank you Mr. Bilgin. We hope to have the opportunity to come back and to enjoy again your hospitality in the near future.

We must, of course, thank our sponsors-friends for their generosity in supporting the Championships. We owe a huge debt of thanks to Tupras, Grundig, Elektroser, Dempa and Setur for their generous sponsorship of this event, without which none of this would have been possible. And not forgetting of course the Turkish Bridge Federation.

I would like to thank the entire staff, both Turkish and those coming from all over the world, for working harmoniously together before and during these Championships, enabling their great success.

I will now call on the various departments of these Championships to please stand so that we can applaud them. I would like you all to know just how much we appreciate your efficiency, professionalism and dedication.

First of all I would like to thank all of the Turkish volunteers. You have done a truly wonderful job and made our stay here in Istanbul most memorable.

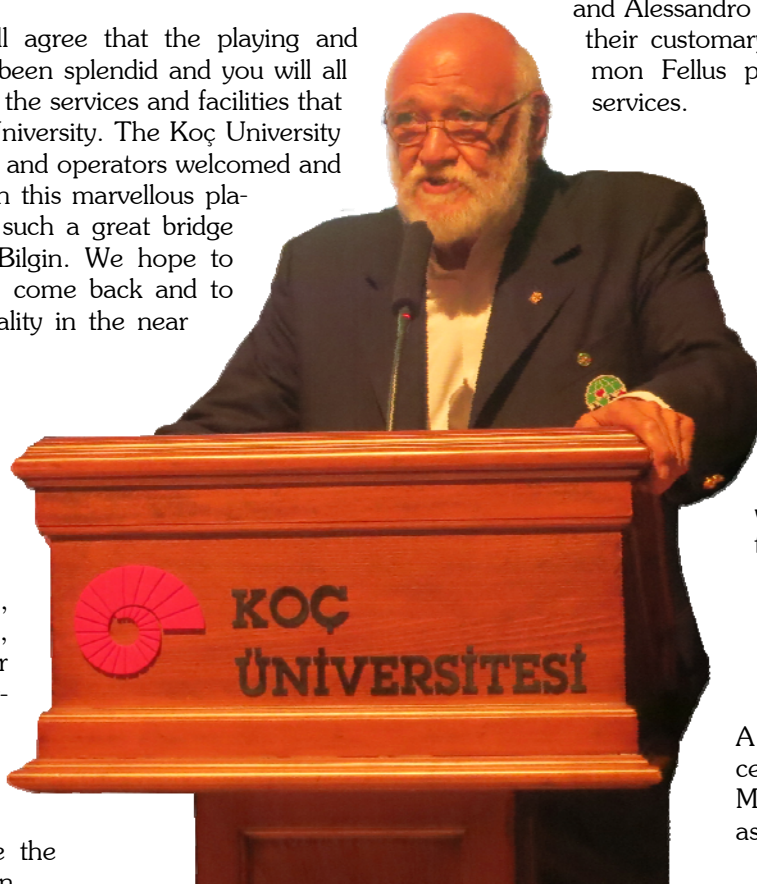
The Championship Manager, Maurizio Di Sacco, the On Site Organiser, Murat Molva, the Assistant Manager, Levent Özgül, and the Championship Secretary, Paolo Clair, proved once again their great competence and professionalism in coordinating and running the championships' very sophisticated machine.

The Tournament Directors who have worked unstintingly, headed by Dimitri Ballas and ably assisted by Mihaela Balint, Rahmi Iyilikci, Fahir Üzumcü and Zana Akay.

Bridgerama was done with the usual prowess by Barry Rigal, Micke Melander, David Stern and PO Sundelin, with Chicco Battistone who was responsible for the technical side, Giusy Di Dio and Giulio Crevato, who were the technological operators. Mario Chavarria and Alessandro Gandoglia did the video with their customary flair and together with Simon Fellus provided the communication services.

The Secretariat and the Hospitality & Registration did a superb job of a very difficult task, and our sincere appreciation goes to Marina, Silvia, who is also our appreciated Master of Ceremonies, Gildana, Grazia and Carlotta. And let me remark on the marvellous support that we received from two extraordinary persons from Koç University, Mukaddes Gül and Evren Tanyel, who have been able to satisfy all of our needs.

A big thanks to the Main Office and Caddies, overseen by Master Gianni Bertotto, ably assisted by Alessandro Clair.





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A special thank you goes to Prof. Giovanni Capelli and Prof. Federico Bruno, who stayed here with us for some days to complete the questionnaire requested by the IOC, and with their colleagues on the WBF Medical Commission, they did and are doing a very important job to help bridge athletes in the very delicate matter of doping and health.

But above all, on behalf of the WBF and personally, I am pleased to congratulate and thank two very special persons, who did an extraordinary job with passion, enthusiasm and dedication, not only in organising and managing this event, but in their entire life, dedicating themselves to successfully organizing, administrating and developing our marvellous discipline in their Country and serving both the European Bridge League and the World Bridge Federation.

I am referring to my great and dear friends Sevinç Atay and Ata Aydin, and I am pleased to invite both of them to the stage to award them the WBF Gold Medal. I am also pleased to invite the EBL President and WBF Executive, Yves Aubry, to join us.

Last but not least, I am very pleased to congratulate you, the players, the true protagonists, and to express to all of you our gratitude. This year, with the introduction of the Kids Championship, we are especially happy and proud as Bridge shows even more that it is a sport for young people.

We are very proud because with your behaviour, creating an unforgettable atmosphere, you guaranteed the success of this event and showed, once again, fair play, friendship, harmony, solidarity, and rejection of any discrimination.



We are very proud because you, the youth, in conveying to us your enthusiasm, gave us the opportunity to enrich ourselves with an another extraordinary life experience.

We are very proud because, thanks to you, this was a great event and going back home all of us will retain the memory of it, of the old and new friends we met, of the exciting moments spent together.

Congratulations to the medallists, but perpetuating the tradition of the bridge youth events, I am very proud to say that even today, at the end of this championships, there are no losers: you all are winners!

Thank you, dear youth. Un abbraccio to you all.

MESSAGE FROM JOSE DAMIANI *President Emeritus of the World Bridge Federation*

I followed with great pleasure and attention, via the Internet, this marvellous World Youth Teams Championships, regretting once more my absence from Istanbul. Nevertheless, I am more than happy to congratulate all of the winners and medallists, and to extend my heartfelt appreciation to all of the players, team managers, staff and officials. Thanks to you all, it looks like bridge is in very good hands for the future.

*Best wishes
JoséDamiani*

Thank You



Producing out these Daily Bulletins has been a team effort. I would like to thank the contributors Micke Melander, Barry Rigal (who also did some very helpful proof-reading), Maurizio Di Sacco, Murat Molva and, from England via the Internet, Mark Horton and Brian Senior. David Stern put in some sterling work obtaining team profiles.

But by far the biggest Thank You goes to Francesca Canali for her fantastic layout work. She worked tirelessly very long hours every day to make these bulletins look so beautiful.

And now I wish all of you a safe journey home. Let's get together again (unless then too old!) in Salsomaggiore in 2016.

Phillip Alder



MORE ABOUT THE WORLD CHAMPION JUNIORS

Tor Eivind Grude



Tor Eivind is 23 and lives in Trondheim. He is studying to become a mathematics teacher, although he secretly hopes to be a bridge professional. He learned bridge when nine or ten years old with his family. He likes to work out at the gym and, like his teammates, he is single.

Tor Eivind is already a Norwegian national champion, having won the open mixed teams.

He says that he has an excellent general understanding of the game, but that occasionally he will drop a trick by playing too quickly.

Tor Eivind's partner on the team is ...

Kristoffer Hegge

He is 24 and lives in Snasa. He learned the game when 12 from his father and grandparents. He played primarily online at the beginning. He won the Board-a-Match teams in Opatija in 2011.



He works in computers for a local high school and would like to start playing in the American National Championships. His teammates say that when at the top of his game, he is the "trick machine".

Harald Eide



A 22-year-old from Hamar, he started to play bridge when in kindergarten. This sounds amazing, but you must remember that his parents and three older brothers are well-known players.

He works with people who have learning disabilities and is studying to become a learning disabilities nurse. He likes to play and watch football (soccer).

His teammates think he has great potential, but at the moment his only ambition in the game is to win the final here in Istanbul.

All three of those players, which is no surprise given that they come from Norway, admire Geir Helgemo.

Harald's partner has occasionally been Mats Eide, but is usually ...



Kristian Barstad Ellingsen



He is 25 and lives in Sortland. His grandfather, father and uncles play bridge, so he grew up around card games, but did not start bridge until he took a beginners' course when 14 years old.

Away from bridge, he likes many sports, training at the gym, fishing, and spending time with family and friends. He is proud of winning the 2011 B-a-M in Opatija and the 2014 White House Juniors in Amsterdam. He admires Boye Brogeland and Terje Aa.

His teammates comment that sometimes grass grows quicker than he plays, but that he does occasionally make the right decisions!

Mats Eide



He is 24 and lives in both Hamar and Oslo. He partners Harald Eide and Ellinger on the team. He was forced to learn bridge while in kindergarten by his bridge-crazy parents and three brothers. He admires Boye Brogeland.

Mats writes songs and scripts for television that, he claims, are never used, but he is studying more about drama and theatre, and sometimes acts in plays and movies. He even has aspirations to become a stand-up comedian.

Lars Eide



Keeping it in the family, the non-playing captain is Lars Eide. He has arranged 16 summer junior bridge camps in Norway and captained the Norwegian under-28 team to success in Beijing in 2008.

The Norwegian Bridge Federation asked him to be the npc for all junior teams in 2009 and says he has really enjoyed the experience. All four of his sons have played junior international bridge for Norway.

Lars Arthur Johansen



He is the coach of the team, having been asked by Lars Eide to fulfill that role.

The team was selected based on international experience. Apart from a few training weekends, the pairs mostly practised on BBO because some live far away from each other. We also make sure that the players are physically healthy. We did find it very hot here at first, but we are acclimated now.

Were there any difficult moments? No; we have great team spirit and we are good at motivating each other.



MORE ABOUT THE WORLD CHAMPION YOUNGSTERS

All four of the players are 19 years old. Along with Adam Stokka, they won last year's European Youth Teams Championship. Adam played in the Junior team this year.



Ida Gronkvist

She lives in Orebro and learned to play bridge when 11. She and her brother were taught by her parents during a holiday. When they got back home, they started to play a lot, competed against other juniors, and were hooked.

So far, she is most proud of winning the Nordic Junior Championships.

She is at Law School in Stockholm and loves to play the piano and sing. She must also be an expert at multi-tasking because she says, "I love to read, I watch far too many movies, and I listen to music constantly."

Ida mentions that she is the oldest on the team and the organiser. She knows what time it is, where they are supposed to be, and when -- "Trust me, our teams needs one of those players."

Mikael Rimstedt

His sisters taught him to play in 2000, and now he plays every day.

He has just finished high school and is studying economics. He enjoys playing golf, but believes his future will revolve around his family, work and bridge. He particularly admires Peter Bertheau.

His teammates say he is a star player.



Ola Rimstedt



Like his brother, he lives in Halmstad, which is in the southwest corner of Sweden.

He learned at the same time as Mikael and now plays perhaps once a week in a bridge club and many times online.

Interestingly, he thinks his best result was finishing sixth in the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams, which is one of the Big Three team events in the United States.

He works out regularly at the gym, would like to play bridge full time, and his favourite players apart from his teammates are Fantoni and Nunes.

His teammates say that he is very caring, but takes an absurd length of time to get going in the morning.

Johan Safsten



He comes from Uppsala and learned the game seven years ago, he and his mother taking it up together.

He also liked the Reisinger result. He spends his time on bridge, but he does like sports, in particular ice hockey.

Still in high school, he is not sure of his future, but he hopes that bridge figures prominently. And his favourite played is Fredrik Nystrom.

When asked, his teammates agreed that he is a fish!

Per Leandersson



The non-playing captain was asked to take the job by the Swedish Bridge Federation and he immediately agreed.

He says that although they have four really good players, he had hoped for at least one more team member so players could have a rest, but it didn't happen.

So far, the only hiccup was a bad loss to Poland in the round robin. But the players bounced straight back.

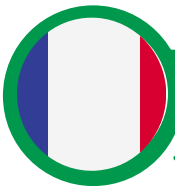
Did he expect to reach the final? Yes!!

Tom Gards



He was asked by the npc and the players to be the coach. Interestingly, though, the npc organised the training sessions before this tournament. But Tom has been busy here, making sure each pair is well prepared for their opponents.





MORE ABOUT THE WORLD CHAMPION GIRLS

We featured the French Girls team earlier in the tournament, but they have gone on to win the Girls Knockout Teams world title and have answered different questions.

Most of them mentioned winning last year's European Girls Team Championship. Everyone except Mathilde Thuillez was on that team.



Aurelie Thizy

She is 24, lives in Paris and is an actuary. She learned bridge when she was ten by watching her parents play with friends. When asked if she was married, she replied, "No, and if you want to know why, ask Cedric Lorenzini."

Her teammates say that she is good with nails and hair.



Jessie de Tessieres

She is 25 years old and mixing her honeymoon with bridge, having wed two weeks ago. She learned to play bridge at school when 14.

Her main ambition in the future is to have a lot of children -- eight, like her coach! We assume her husband, Godefroy, knows about this.

Her teammates say that she talks ... and talks ... and talks ... and sometimes drinks.



Anaïs Leleu

Aged seventeen and a half, she lives in Lille and learned to play bridge eight years ago in school. She is already studying at Sciences

Po in Paris, a famous university in the heart of the city. Away from bridge, she likes to run, but her main ambitions are to become a journalist and even better at bridge.

Her teammates are envious of her "magic hair", and she does her own nails every day!

Mathilde Thuillez



She is 17 and lives in Paris. She learned to play bridge when she was ten and particularly remembers that her mother was pregnant at the time. She is studying medicine and hopes to become either a surgeon or a dentist. Away from bridge, Mathilde loves to go to the

swimming pool, and especially enjoys drama and zumba.

As the youngest, apparently she has more boys hitting on her than anyone else on the team.

Anne-Laure Huberschwiller



She is 24 but only learned to play six years ago when her father sent her to a bridge camp. She has been married for one year to Matthias, who hails from the Alsace. They both teach and work in bridge. They also have three gorgeous cats.

Her teammates say that she speaks very good English. They must have listened to her interview after she made that famous six-spade contract earlier in the tournament (see Bulletin No. 5). At first she said that she could not do the interview, because her English was so poor. We took the safety-play of having an interpreter on hand, but she was not needed once.

Jennifer Mourgues



Aged 23, she lives in Mont de Marsan. Jennifer appended "nowhere!"; however, it is a beautiful town Southeast of Bordeaux.

She also learned the game at school, when she was ten. She says that her life comprises of four things: bridge, bridge, bridge and bridge teaching. But we believe that her two-year-old daughter, Julia, must sneak in there somewhere.

Her teammates say that she is always very optimistic.

Jerome Rombaut



He selected the team after several training tournaments. And once the team had been chosen, they took part in weekend sessions at the bridge federation in Paris.

When asked about this tournament, Jerome said that he had come expecting to win the bronze medal. But now he is very nervous and will stay that way until the last card is played.

His only bad moment was during the second half of the round robin, when they lost a couple of matches. He told his team that he really trusted in them, to keep concentrating, and everything would work out well. Too true!

Part of the team won the European Youth Girls Teams Championships in Wroclaw in 2013





FINAL RESULTS

JUNIORS											FINAL		
	c/o	1	Tot	2	Tot	3	Tot	4	Tot	5	Tot	6	Total
NOR	0	23	23	42	65	30	95	38	133	7	140	63	203
NED	4.5	22	26.5	35	61.5	32	93.5	22	115.5	34	149.5	10	159.5

YOUNGSTERS											FINAL		
	c/o	1	Tot	2	Tot	3	Tot	4	Tot	5	Tot	6	Total
SWE	4.5	34	38.5	50	88.5	22	110.5	43	153.5	42	195.5	42	237.5
USA1	0	38	38	22	60	65	125	10	135	8	143	42	185

GIRLS											FINAL		
	c/o	1	Tot	2	Tot	3	Tot	4	Tot	5	Tot	6	Total
FRA	0.67	32	32.7	61	93.7	41	134.7	53	187.7	25	212.7	27	239.7
CHN	0	35	35	15	50	25	75	47	122	36	158	37	195



WHAT IS THE NEXT?

In the last two days you have been struggling trying to find out how the

1, 4, 7, 11, 15, 18, 21, 24, 27, 73

sequence works.



It's time to reveal the solution:

after 0, the first number with three letters is 1 (one)
 after 1, the first number with four letters is 4 (four)
 after 4, the first number with five letters is 7 (seven)
 after 7, the first number with six letters is 11 (eleven)
 after 11, the first number with seven letters is 15 (fifteen)
 after 15, the first number with eight letters is 18 (eighteen)
 after 18, the first number with nine letters is 21 (twenty-one)
 after 21, the first number with ten letters is 24 (twenty-four)
 after 24, the first number with eleven letters is 27 (twenty-seven)

thus

after 27, the first number with twelve letters is 73 (seventy-three).



THE FINAL SESSION

by Phillip Alder

When the last 14 boards began, two of the matches seemed to be over. France was well ahead of China in the Girls and Sweden had a comfortable lead over USA1 in the Youngsters.

The third match, Norway against the Netherlands in the Juniors, though, was very close with the Netherlands only 9.5 imps ahead.

The last set of boards was wild, giving everyone a chance to score imps. Let's have a brief look at the junior session.

The Dutch scored 7 imps on the first deal, but then tried an antipercentage slam that failed. Luckily, though, this cost only 5 imps because their teammates had bought it in five clubs doubled down one.

On Board 17 the Dutch were overly adventurous again, going two down in a poor three notrumps. The Norwegians stopped in three clubs and made with an overtrick for 6 imps. The Dutch lead was down to 5.5.

The next deal was a tough bidding problem for East-West.

Board 74. Dealer East. N-S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Van Lankveld</i>	<i>Grude</i>	<i>R. Westerbeek</i>	<i>Hegge</i>
2♦ (b)	Dble	1NT (a)	Pass
		3♣ (c)	All Pass

(a) 10-13 points

(b) Game-forcing Stayman

(c) I do not know; perhaps no diamond stopper and four spades, or balanced

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Ellingsen</i>	<i>C. Westerbeek</i>	<i>Eide</i>	<i>Wackwitz</i>
		1♣	Pass
1♦ (a)	Pass	1♥ (b)	Pass
2♦ (c)	Dble	2♠	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

(a) Hearts

(b) 3 or 4 hearts

(c) Artificial game-force

If North-South stay out of the auction, East-west are like-

ly to end in three notrumps. If played by West, it would be an easy two down; by East, the defence is much tougher.

In the open room, North's double persuaded Joris Van Lankveld to break system and pass out three clubs. And when South led a trump, one of declarer's diamond losers evaporated on the third spade and eleven tricks were taken.

In the closed room, North's double steered East-West into the only makable game, four hearts on the 4-3 fit.

South led the ace of diamonds and played another diamond. North won and tapped dummy with a third diamond. Now Harald Eide was living or dying on a 3-3 trump break, but he also had to set up clubs before running out of trumps. He played a club to his queen, but South read his partner's upside-down two correctly as from a doubleton. (If he had a singleton, he would probably have led it at trick three.) So South ducked his ace of clubs.

Now forced to play wide open, declarer drew trumps and led another club. His luck was in -- South won and did not have another diamond.

That was 7 imps to Norway, back ahead in the match.

Board 75. Dealer South. E-W Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Van Lankveld</i>	<i>Grude</i>	<i>R. Westerbeek</i>	<i>Hegge</i>
1♣	1♥	Dble (a)	2♦
3♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

(a) Four or five spades

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Ellingsen</i>	<i>C. Westerbeek</i>	<i>Eide</i>	<i>Wackwitz</i>
			3♦
Dble	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

In the open room North led the king of diamonds against three spades. West ducked, won the diamond-jack continuation, ruffed his last diamond in the dummy, and ran the jack of spades to the king. North switched to the ten of clubs, South winning and leading another diamond.



West ruffed, drew trumps and claimed, conceding one heart.

At the other table, South's modern pre-empt pushed West into a guess.

South led his singleton heart, but North, who presumably has not read Andy Robson's article about this exact situation, put in his jack. East won and led his queen of clubs. South took the trick and switched to a diamond, but declarer won with dummy's ace, cashed the two top clubs to discard his diamond loser, cashed the ace of spades, and played another spade. Now the contract was unbeatable. East lost only one spade, one heart and one club. That gave Norway 10 imps.

What did Robson write? That if a pre-emptor leads a side suit at trick one, it is a singleton. And if he leads his own suit, play him for a singleton trump.

After two flat boards came another blow to Dutch hopes.

Board 78. Dealer East. E-W Vul.

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

Open Room

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Van Lankveld</i>	<i>Grude R.</i>	<i>Westerbeek</i>	<i>Hegge</i>
		1♣	1♠
Dble	4♠	4NT (a)	5♠
Dble	Pass	Pass	Pass

Closed Room

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Ellingsen C.</i>	<i>Westerbeek</i>	<i>Eide</i>	<i>Wackwitz</i>
		1♣	1♠
Dble	4♠	4NT (a)	Dble
5♦	Dble	All Pass	

(a) Minor two-suiter, longer clubs than diamonds

It is not obvious why Van Lankveld doubled five spades. It is true that he had a soft hand, but if the opponents had any distribution, what defensive tricks were there? Of course, he was not fond of the idea of bidding six diamonds at unfavourable vulnerability. But five spades doubled was unbeatable; declarer lost one heart and one diamond.

In the closed room, South's double of four notrumps also looks debatable. Maybe he should bid five hearts, lead-directing in case his opponents venture to six diamonds by West.

Five diamonds doubled went one down because -- no surprise -- South did not get a club ruff.

That was another 10 imps to Norway and they moved away to win the world title.

