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## DOVIDENJA!

### B-a-M WINNERS



### ITALIA JUNIORS

Alessandro Gandoglia, Giovanni Donati, Alessandro Calmanovici,  
Gianluca Bergami, Margherita Chavarria, Valerio Giubilo, Giacomo Percario

### JOAN GERARD AWARDS



#### JUNIORS

Rodrigo Garcia  
Da Rosa



#### GIRLS

Selena  
Pepic



#### YOUNGSTERS

Zhengyuan  
Fang



#### KIDS

Kacper  
Kopka

These wonderful championships have come to a close. Earlier this afternoon, the Board-a-Match Teams was won by Italia Juniors: Margherita Chavarria, Giovanni Donati, Alessandro Gandoglia, Giacomo Percario, Gianluca Bergami and Alessandro Calmanovici, with Valerio Giubilo non-playing captain and coach.

Italia won comfortably by 9 points from Netherlands White: Tobias Polak, Michel Schols, Tim van den Bos and Tom van Overbeeke, with Anneke Simons npc and Kees Tammens coach.

Third, one point behind, were Norway: Christian Bakke, Harald Eide, Tor Eivind Grude and Kristoffer Hegge. They won a split tie with China and GreSwe Axon. However, China were unlucky. They spotted a scoring error, which if corrected would have elevated them to second. But they came after the allotted time period to report errors.

Some compensation was that China won the medals for the best-placed Youngsters team: Fang Dongke, Wang Zihan, Wei Hongji, Sun Shiyu, Yin Yichen and Fang Zhengyang, and Hu Jichao the npc.

The award for the best Girls team went to SX XHLD: Chen Yunpeng, Ge Chenyun, Jin Huiyuan, Ruan Xinyao, Yu Yue and Yuan Aijia, and Qiu Weichang npc.





The top-placed Kids team was SX HYSW: Shang Yijun, Li Renyu, Liu Siyuan, Shao Yikin, Wang Yingqi and Yao Tianle, with Cao Wen the npc and Lin Lin the coach.

In the B-a-M Consolation event, the winners were Sudamerica: Guillermo Minutti and Sebastian Ochoa from Uruguay, and Diana Molina, Philippe Cazabon, Gonzalo Guridi and Diego Ramirez, with Hanoi Rondon npc and Alexandra Cova coach, all from Chile.

They finished 3.6 points ahead of CHINA RDFZ GIRLS: Guangli Wendy Liu, Xinyi Luo, Lingyi Ma, Mengqi Hao, Ling Hu and Qi Xia, with Jichao Hu npc and Tong Jiang

coach.

Third, only 0.4 points behind second, were the Chinese Kids team, SX XHLD: Licong Cheng, Ruicheng Mao, Penghao Wang, Zhe Wu, Zhijie Yuan and Yu Yun, with Hongqin Xue npc and Jiacheng He coach.

The Joan Gerard awards for fair play, good sportsmanship and friendliness to all went to Kacper Kopka from Poland (Kids), Selena Pepic from Serbia (Girls), Fang Zhengyuan from China (Youngsters), and Rodrigo Garcia Da Rosa from Argentina (Juniors).

**B-a-M 2nd**



**NETHERLANDS WHITE**

Tim Van Den Bos, Anneke Simons, Kees Tammens, Tobias Polak, Tom Van Overbeeke, Michel Schols

**B-a-M 3rd**



**NORWAY**

Tor Eivind Grude, Kristoffer Hegge, Christian Bakke, Harald Eide (had to leave before the ceremony)

**Leading Girls team**



**SX XHLD**

Aijia Yuan, Yunpeng Chen, Yue Yu, Xinyao Ruan, Chenyun Ge, Huiyuan Jin

**Leading Youngsters team**



**CHINA**

Jichao Hu, Dongke Fang, Zihan Wang, Hongji Wei, Shiyu Sun, Yichen Yin, Zhengyang Fang

**Leading Kids team**



**SX HYSW**

Siyuan Liu, Yiqin Shao, Tianle Yao, Yingqi Wang, Renyu Li, Yijun Shang

**B-a-M Consolation Winners**



**SUDAMERICA**

Sebastian Ochoa, Guillermo Minutti, Diego Ramirez, Diana Molina, Hanoi Rondon, Gonzalo Guridi, Philippe Cazabon



## FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE WORLD BRIDGE FEDERATION

Dear Friends, dear Young Friends,

And so we come to the end of the Championships and I am delighted that it has proved to be so successful.

The Local Organising Committee, under the leadership of Goran and Branka Grguric, to whom we owe a huge debt of thanks, and all the Croatian staff and volunteers, have done a sterling job in organizing this event which has gone very smoothly from all points of view. I would like you all to know just how much we appreciate your efficiency and friendship.

I think that you will all agree that the playing conditions have been splendid and you will all have taken advantage of the accommodation and meals provided by the Milenij Hotel Group, chaired by Vedran Grzetic. We must thank the City of Opatija and its Mayor Ivo Dujmic for its generosity in supporting this event and the Croatian Bridge Federation led by Jurica Caric.

During the official meeting with the authorities, we had the pleasure to award Mayor Ivo Dujmic with the WBF Gold Medal and President Jurica Caric with the WBF Silver Medal.

Now I am very pleased to invite to the podium Branka Grguric, Goran Grguric and Vedran Grzetic to award them with the WBF Silver Medal.

I would like, in addition, to thank the members of our Youth and Kids Committee, chaired by my dear friends and colleagues Ata Aydin and Sevinc Atay for the very good job done.

I will now call on the various departments of these Championships to please stand

Our thanks go to the Reviewer and Systems supervisor P.O. Sundelin; the Tournament Directors who have worked unstintingly headed by Dimitri Ballas and ably assisted by Mihaela Balint, Marc van Beijsterveldt, Dusko Kravtsak, Jacek Marciniak and Stanko Kruzic; the Secretariat with Marina Madia; the Hospitality and Registration Desk with Silvia Valentini, who is also our much appreciated Master of Ceremonies; Gildana Caputo, Zelika Grguric and Linda Sitonpoel; the Broadcasting Group with Mario Chavarria Kaifman, Lollo D'Agostini, Fernando Lema and Carlotta Venier; the Main Office overseen by Gianni Bertotto with Alessandro Clair; the Technological Group coordinated by Prof. Gianni Bald with Fotis Skoularikis, Manolo Eminenti, Giulio Crevato Selvaggi, Giuse Di Dio, Bas van Beijsterveldt, Traian Chira and Zoran Simec; the Daily Bulletin edited by Phillip Alder, ably assisted by Micke Melander, Ram Soffer, David Stern and "dressed" by Francesca Canali; the duplication team of Simona Maini, Federica Parizzi, Vanja Grahek and Tomislav Sasek duplicated thousands of boards; last but not least the Operation Director Maurizio Di Sacco, the Services Coordinator Simon Fellus and the Championship Secretary Paolo Clair.

Dear young friends, when the curtain falls and such an event ends, we all are a little sad to leave our old and new friends, but we will go back home with the memory of a marvellous bridge adventure enjoyed together in friendship and harmony.

You have to be proud, having contributed to the success of the championships with your behaviour and enthusiasm. We are proud of you and to all of you, I would like to express my warmest appreciation, looking forward to meeting you, all of you, again soon.



Before I finish, let me reserve a special thanks to all of the delegations that came from Asia, Australia, South and North America, who overcame the difficulties of such a long journey and realizing the importance of this event. Also, in particular, a very grateful "thank you" to our friends who came in such a huge delegation from Beijing and Shanghai, making us delighted.

Un abbraccio to you all.

Gianarrigo Rona  
WBF President



## 4TH WORLD YOUTH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

### *Teams*

#### **Junior Teams**

Gold: ZLATAN

Simon Ekenberg, Simon Hult, Rodrigo Garcia De Rosa, Giuseppe Delle Cave, Daniel Gullberg,  
Johan Karlsson, Marshall Lewis

Silver: NORWAY

Christian Bakke, Tor Eivind Grude, Kristoffer Hegge, Harald Eide

Bronze: GRESWE AXON

Ola Rimstedt, Ioannis Oikonomopoulos, Mikael Rimstedt, Adam Kaplan

#### **Girls Teams**

Gold: ITALY

Flaminia Tanini, Agnese Di Mauro, Giulia Scriattoli, Caterina De Lutio, Michela Salvato,  
Susanna Broccolino, Emanuela Capriata

Silver: SX XHLD

Haihong Gu, Huiyuan Jin, Aijia Yuan, Yunpeng Chen, Chenyun Ge, Yue Yu, Xinyao Ruan, Yifan Cui

Bronze: CHINA RDFZ GIRLS

Guangli Wendy Liu, Mengqi Hao, Lingyi Ma, Xinyi Luo, Qi Xia, Ling Hu, Jichao Hu, Tong Jiang

#### **Youngsters Teams**

Gold: CHINA

Tong Jiang, Shiyu Sun, Zhengyang Fang, Zihan Wang, Dongke Fang, Yichen Yin, Hongji Wei, Jichao Hu

Silver: AZS UW VYCESKA

Lukasz Trendak, Stanislaw Maczka, Krystian Baczek, Piotr Jasinski

Bronze: GERMANY

Hartmut Kondoch, Sibrand Van Oosten, Philipp Pabst, Florian Alter, Stig Jesse, Leonard Vornkahl

#### **Kids Teams**

Gold: SX HYSW

Yifan Cui, Yingqi Wang, Tianle Yao, Siyuan Liu, Renyu Li, Yijun Shang, Yiqin Shao, Weichang Qiu

Silver: CHINA RDFZ1

Tong Jiang, Jichao Hu, Zixi Cai, Yuanzhe Ding, Randy, Pan, Baozhuo Jiang, Shi Qiu, Haoqing Yu

Bronze: SX XNWX

Yihong Liu, Wenjie Xue, Ruizhe Wang, Hanyang Dai, Jiabin Tong, Tiancheng Zhang, Hui Fu, Jiong Li





## 4TH WORLD YOUTH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

### *Pairs*

#### **Junior Pairs**

Gold: Mikael and Ola Rimstedt (Sweden)

Silver: Rodrigo Garcia Da Rosa (Argentina) and Giuseppe Delle Cave (Italy)

Bronze: Sean Gannon and Julie Arbit (USA)

#### **Girls Pairs**

Gold: Jovana Zoranovic and Selena Pepic (USA)

Silver: Giulia Scriattoli and Michela Salvato (Italy)

Bronze: Enrica Raffa and Susanna Broccolino (Italy)

#### **Youngsters Pairs**

Gold: Wei Hongji and Sun Shiyu (China)

Silver: Yin Yichen and Fang Zhengyang (China)

Bronze: Sebastiano Scatà and Andrea Manganella (Italy)

#### **Kids Pairs**

Gold: Soren Bune and Christian Lahrmann (Denmark)

Silver: Kacper Kopka and Oskar Trybus (Poland)

Bronze: Wu Zhe and Yuan Zhijie (China)

### ***B-a-M Teams***

Gold: ITALIA JUNIORS

Gianluca Bergami, Alessandro Calmanovici, Margherita Chavarria, Giovanni Donati,  
Alessandro Gandoglia, Giacomo Percario, Valerio Giubilo

Silver: NETHERLANDS WHITE

Tobias Polak, Michel Schols, Tim Van Den Bos, Tom Van Overbeeke, Anneke Simons,  
Kees Tammens

Bronze: NORWAY

Christian Bakke, Harald Eide, Tor Eivind Grude, Kristoffer Hegge

### ***Joan Gerard Awards***

Juniors: Rodrigo Garcia Da Rosa

Girls: Selena Pepic

Youngsters: Zhengyang Fang

Kids: Kacper Kopka





# GRESWE AXON VERSUS AUSTRALIA REVISITED

by DAVID STERN

Readers of the Bulletin will know that GreSwe Axon secured the bronze medal in the Juniors after beating Australia by 26 imps. Being an Australian, I thought I would peruse the scoresheet to see what could have been done. Here are just a few deals where Australia could have changed the result.

Board 3 Set 1. Dealer South. E-W Vul.

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

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Henbest</i>	<i>Oik</i>	<i>Harrison</i>	<i>Kaplan</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1NT

Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Mikael R</i>	<i>Pattison</i>	<i>Ola R</i>	<i>Cooper</i>
1♥	3♣	Dble	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Kaplan cheekily stole the pot when he opened one notrump in the Open Room, and West failed to act despite holding a good 5-4 hand. I do not know their system, but one would hope that it would allow them to take a bid on hands such as this.

There was still hope for Australia in the Closed Room, where the Rimstedt twins bid to three notrumps on their not particularly well-fitting combined 22-count. The defence always have a club, a spade and three diamonds for down one, but the chosen low-diamond lead by North effectively tangled up the suit and at the same time gave declarer his ninth trick, and 11 imps to GreSwe Axon.

Board 9 Set 1. Dealer North. E-W Vul.

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

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Henbest</i>	<i>Oik</i>	<i>Harrison</i>	<i>Kaplan</i>
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Mikael R</i>	<i>Pattison</i>	<i>Ola R</i>	<i>Cooper</i>
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	3NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

I have been playing bridge for fifty years and during that time have played with many partners. While discussing system, the subject of opening one notrump with a five-card major is usually a hotly debated subject -- I personally prefer to open one notrump as it saves a lot of rebid problems. Maybe this deal provides some evidence contrary to my beliefs.

In the gold medal match, we saw an excellent play by Giuseppe Delle Cave in four spades from the North seat. He received a club lead, West played the jack, and he ducked. Then he could afford to misguess hearts and still make his contract.

Oik missed this fine play, but was spared the heart guess when East rose with the ace on the first round of the suit. After that, Oik simply ruffed out the queen of hearts and used the king of spades as an entry to the hearts. 10 imps to GreSwe Axon.



There was only one imp between the teams after the first 16 of 48 boards, but the second set of 16 proved the difference.

Board 20 Set 2. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Cooper	Ola R	Pattison	Mikael R
Pass	Pass	1♦	2♣
2♠	5♣	5♠	Pass
Pass	Dble	All Pass	

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Kaplan	Thompson	Oik	Williams
Pass	Pass	1♣	2♣
3♣	4♣	Dble	All Pass

East's five-spade bid must be questionable, knowing that East-West had plus 500 available and instead went minus 800. Admittedly one could swap the diamond and spade cards around and the result would have been quite different.

In the Closed Room, Williams, South for Australia, had the chance to limit the loss to just 3 imps when he received the favourable club lead against four clubs doubled. Had he been brave enough to win in hand and finesse the queen of spades in order to pitch a losing heart, he would have conceded only two hearts and one diamond. I'm not sure if he considered this, but risking the loss of an additional 300 against a gain of 910 seems a fair gamble.

GreSwe Axon won the second set 53-23 to build a 31-imp lead going into the last 16 boards.

Not everything went GreSwe Axon's way.

Board 5 Set 3. Dealer North. N-S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Henbest	Ola R	Harrison	Mikael R
	2♥	Dble	3♥
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Kaplan	Thompson	Oik	Williams
	2♥	Dble	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♦	Pass
5♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

In the Open Room, Ola Rimstedt sitting North led the jack of hearts against three notrumps, and who could blame him? That was declarer's ninth trick, together with five clubs, one diamond and two spades. If Ola had led the queen of spades, declarer would have survived by finessing North for the jack. But suppose that North opted for a minor-suit lead. Then declarer would have had to choose between a simple diamond finesse or a double spade finesse – who knows what he would have chosen.

The Closed Room had their chances to square the board when Williams, despite hearing partner's two-heart pre-empt, elected to lead the nine of spades. If Oik had respected this lead as top of nothing, he could have crossed to dummy, finessed North for the second spade honour, and pitched a heart loser on the remaining winning spade. Instead, he decided to rely on the fact that South opted not to lead hearts and play for South to hold that ace – one down and 10 imps to Australia.

Australia won the set 26-22, losing the bronze medal playoff by 27 imps.



# THE KARLSSON SHOW

by MICKE MELANDER



JOHAN KARLSSON, SWEDEN

Here come two boards from the Juniors final between Norway and Zlatan in the third and last segment of the match.

First, let's have a look at a deal where both declarers did a good job after arriving in six hearts.

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

East led the seven of clubs: two, queen, ace.

With three top spades, four hearts and (now) three clubs, you have ten sure tricks. How would you proceed?

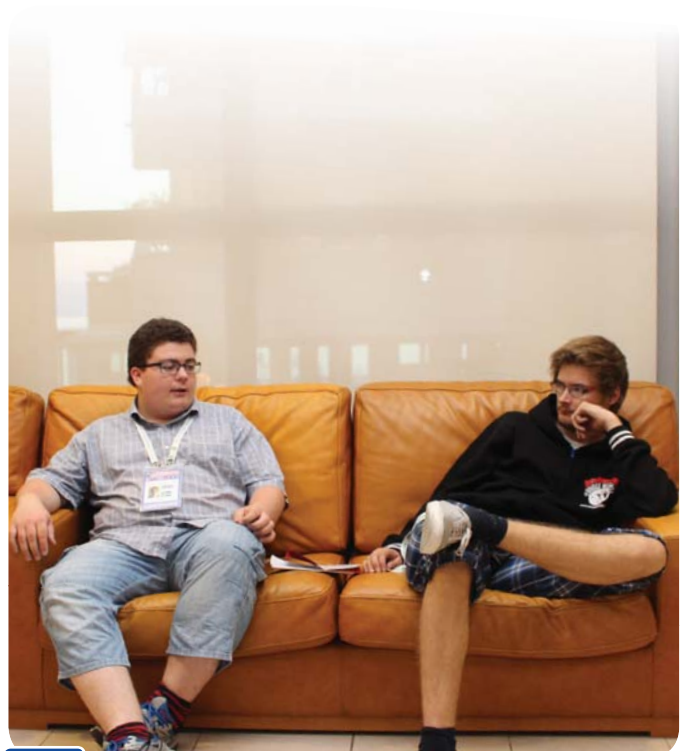
Declarer took two rounds of trumps, getting the bad news. North then played two top spades and ruffed the six of spades high in hand, led a heart to dummy, and pulled East's last trump. Declarer then cashed the queen of spades and continued with the king of clubs. When East, as expected, discarded, the club finesse was easy to

take for the needed twelfth trick.

The play was identical in both rooms, so noimps changed hands on that board. But should East have led his singleton when he knew from the bidding that dummy had four hearts and a singleton diamond?

Of course, if partner's ace had been in clubs or hearts, the lead would have been perfect. Here, though, suppose East had instead chosen to kick off with a diamond to West's ace, and West played back a diamond. Now North would have been forced to ruff in dummy and couldn't have followed the same line of play. However, the chances of making the contract would still have been very good. In fact, it would have been just about finding the queen of clubs onside, provided declarer timed the play correctly.

North could have drawn two rounds of trumps ending in hand, with West discarding a spade. Now declarer could have ruffed his last diamond and finessed in clubs on the way back to his hand. He would have taken the last seven tricks with two trumps, three spades and two clubs.



SIMON HULT &amp; OLA RIMSTEDT, SWEDEN





Time to have a look at the Johan Karlsson show on this deal.

Board 9. Dealer North. E-W Vul.

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

Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Gullberg	Grude	Karlsson	Hegge
	Pass	1NT	2♠*
Pass	2NT*	Pass	3♣
Pass	4♣	Pass	5♣
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Karlsson's unorthodox notrump opening hit the Norwegians hard when South overcalled with two spades, showing spades and a minor. North asked for the minor, then made an invitational raise with four clubs. (A splinter with four hearts would have hit the jackpot and might have taken them to the slam in clubs.) Hegge, with clear extras, went on to game.

Hegge got a diamond lead and ruffed in hand. A spade to the ace and a heart followed. Karlsson went up with the ace and returned a spade. Hegge won with the king, took the ace of clubs and cashed the king of hearts to pitch the last spade from dummy. He then ruffed a heart and ruffed a diamond in hand before trumping the third spade high in dummy and claiming when the spade suit broke 3-3. Plus 420.

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Bakke	Hult	Eide	Ekenberg
	Pass	1♦	2♣
Pass	2♦	Dble	2♠
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♦
Pass	4♥	Pass	6♣
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

To bid slam when the opponents have opened the bidding and partner is a passed hand is very rare and not the easiest thing to do. Hult-Ekenberg found a way to get there when Hult leapt to four clubs and had a control-bid in hearts to give partner. That was enough for Ekenberg, who jumped to six clubs. Eide, sitting East with ace-queen in both red suits, couldn't keep his fingers away from the double card.

Bakke led the seven of diamonds: eight, nine, ruff. As in the Open Room, declarer crossed to dummy with a spade and led a heart. East went up with the ace to return, in rocket speed, a low diamond!

Declarer thought for several minutes before ruffing high. He then cashed the king of hearts and ruffed a heart in dummy. A spade to the king and another spade was ruffed high in dummy. When the spades were 3-3 and the clubs broke 2-1, Ekenberg could claim.

"That wasn't particularly well played by me," Ekenberg confessed afterwards. "I should have discarded my spade loser at trick four, since I knew who held the ace of diamonds and the chances were probably higher that West held two diamonds than that the spades would split 3-3 and the clubs 2-1."

The 12 imps helped Zlatan to victory in the final.

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# BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS FINAL

by RAM SOFFER

The top flight of the B-a-M was fought out among 18 teams for the last medals of these championships. It was a round-robin with each team playing three boards against each other.

Here is an interesting deal that appeared towards the end of the event.

Board 21. Dealer North. N-S Vul.

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

Clearly, North-South were going to bid four hearts, and West would have competed to four spades, but what's going to happen after that? Let's look at the auctions at BBO tables.

<b>West</b> <i>Pabst</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Tebha</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Alter</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Kriegel</i>
	1♥	Pass	4♥
4♠	Pass	Pass	Dble
Pass	Pass	Pass	

<b>West</b> <i>Lafont</i>	<b>North</b> <i>V.d.Bos</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Loret</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Langelaan</i>
	1♥	Pass	2NT
4♠	Pass	Pass	Dble
Pass	Pass	Pass	

These were the simplest auctions. North-South just took their plus, which was only 100 since Pabst and Lafont played the trump suit correctly.

<b>West</b> <i>Hudson</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Jesse</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Jolly</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Vornkahl</i>
	1♥	Pass	2♠
4♠	5♥	5♠	Dble
Pass	Pass	Pass	

The German North appreciated his distribution and bid one more. Five hearts was makable as long as North found the trump queen – pretty obvious after the four-spade bid. East took insurance in five spades, but minus 300 was a losing result.

<b>West</b> <i>Coenen</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Langlet</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Lucassen</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Gaydier</i>
	1♥	Pass	3NT
4♠	4NT	5♠	Dble
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

A misunderstanding regarding the number of aces, and the French pair went overboard, instead of winning the board by sitting for the double.

Looking at the results from all tables, only at two (from the same match) were North-South allowed to play in five hearts. The most popular final contract was five spades, as in both tables of the top-of-the-table clash between Italia Juniors and GreSwe Axon. However, the GreSwe North-South pair declined to double their opponents, so Italy took this board, thereby building an impregnable lead of eight points before the final round.

It was the second Italian team to win gold this week after the Italia Girls. Congratulations!

## B-A-M FINAL

1	ITALIA JUNIORS	68.00
2	NED WHITE	59.00
3	NORWAY	58.00
4	CHINA	58.00
5	GRESWE AXON	58.00
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18	CHINA RDFZ1	38.00

## B-A-M CONSOLATION

1	SUDAMERICA	55.60
2	CHINA RDFZ G.	52.00
3	SX XHEST	51.60
4	GRANDSON XU	51.00
5	CHINESE T. BLUE	50.00
6	NOPRO	45.60
7	SX XMXW	43.40
8	SX SWXH	41.60
9	BILLY	40.60
10	CHILE	39.00
11	SX XNMF	38.60
12	SX XNWY GIRLS	38.60
13	SRBIJA	38.60
14	SX XHLD KIDS	37.60
15	IMPS	35.80
16	SX XNWY	35.60
17	ITALIA KIDS	29.00
18	GERMANY KIDS	27.60
19	AUSSIE KIDS	24.60
20	STRONGPASS	23.00
21	CHINESE T. WHITE	22.00