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### Today's Programme

**Open & Women's Teams:**  
RR 16 & 17 (start 10:30)  
**Seniors & Mixed Teams:**  
RR 21 - 23 (start 10:00)

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The 15th World Bridge Games are not yet halfway through in Wrocław, but avid bridge players might want to start making plans for the next World Bridge Federation championship – the World Bridge Teams Championship in Lyon, France, next year.



Patrick Bogacki

The tournament is scheduled for Aug. 12 -26 in France's third-largest city, one that is well known as the gastronomical centre of the country.

At the same tournament, the WBF will conduct the World Open Youth Championships – Aug. 15-24 – and a two-day tournament for players 13 and younger.

There will, of course, be the usual events: Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup, d'Orsi Seniors Trophy and the World Transnational Open Teams, plus side games.

At Thursday's WBF Congress, French Bridge Federation Vice President Patrick Bogacki made a presentation to invite players to enjoy the many amenities of Lyon, from the fine dining – there are more than 1,000 restaurants – to opportunities to visit the vineyards of Beaujolais, Cotes du Rhone and Bourgogne, not to mention the historical city of Avignon, just an hour away by train.

Bogacki noted that there are many hotels close to the Convention Center, where the play takes place. The organizers have negotiated discounted rates for players at local hotels. Public transportation in Lyon is efficient and affordable.

Players from North and South America can fly into Paris-Roissy Airport and take a relatively short train ride to Lyon.

Said Bogacki, "We hope to see you in Lyon next year to share a good time."

More information is available at [www.worldbridge.org](http://www.worldbridge.org).

Check out tourism opportunities at <http://www.en.lyon-france.com/>

For a short report on Thursday's bridge play, see page 6



# Schedule

## Senior Teams

## Mixed Teams

### RR 21 - 10:00

51	CHINA	NEW ZEALAND
52	GERMANY	ISRAEL
53	EGYPT	TURKEY
54	FRANCE	DENMARK
55	CANADA	NORWAY
56	POLAND	SPAIN
57	CHINA HONG KONG	BRAZIL
58	AUSTRALIA	USA
59	INDIA	ENGLAND
60	MEXICO	JAPAN
61	CHINESE TAIPEI	SWEDEN
62	ITALY	PAKISTAN

71	HUNGARY	NEW ZEALAND
72	SWEDEN	UAE
73	NETHERLANDS	POLAND
74	USA	JAPAN
75	ENGLAND	CHINA
76	DENMARK	GERMANY
77	BRAZIL	IRELAND
78	INDIA	BULGARIA
79	ITALY	AUSTRALIA
80	FRANCE	TURKEY
81	ISRAEL	RUSSIA
82	CHINESE TAIPEI	BYE

### RR 22 - 12:15

51	NEW ZEALAND	SWEDEN
52	JAPAN	PAKISTAN
53	ENGLAND	ITALY
54	USA	CHINESE TAIPEI
55	BRAZIL	MEXICO
56	SPAIN	INDIA
57	NORWAY	AUSTRALIA
58	DENMARK	CHINA HONG KONG
59	TURKEY	POLAND
60	ISRAEL	CANADA
61	CHINA	FRANCE
62	GERMANY	EGYPT

71	NEW ZEALAND	TURKEY
72	AUSTRALIA	RUSSIA
73	BULGARIA	ISRAEL
74	IRELAND	FRANCE
75	GERMANY	ITALY
76	CHINA	INDIA
77	CHINESE TAIPEI	BRAZIL
78	JAPAN	DENMARK
79	POLAND	ENGLAND
80	HUNGARY	USA
81	SWEDEN	NETHERLANDS
82	UAE	BYE

### RR 23 - 15:00

51	CANADA	NEW ZEALAND
52	POLAND	FRANCE
53	CHINA HONG KONG	EGYPT
54	AUSTRALIA	GERMANY
55	INDIA	CHINA
56	MEXICO	ISRAEL
57	CHINESE TAIPEI	TURKEY
58	ITALY	DENMARK
59	PAKISTAN	NORWAY
60	SWEDEN	SPAIN
61	JAPAN	BRAZIL
62	ENGLAND	USA

71	ENGLAND	USA
72	DENMARK	NETHERLANDS
73	BRAZIL	SWEDEN
74	INDIA	HUNGARY
75	ITALY	UAE
76	FRANCE	POLAND
77	ISRAEL	JAPAN
78	RUSSIA	CHINESE TAIPEI
79	TURKEY	CHINA
80	AUSTRALIA	GERMANY
81	BULGARIA	IRELAND
82	NEW ZEALAND	BYE

## No smoking or drinking policy



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

## No cell phones allowed

No cell phones will be allowed in the playing area, but players can leave them at the registration desk.



## Rankings

### Seniors Teams

After Round 20

TEAM	VP
1 USA	293.50
2 CHINA	256.68
3 SWEDEN	241.79
4 DENMARK	238.82
5 FRANCE	231.88
6 POLAND	231.68
7 TURKEY	229.45
8 AUSTRALIA	220.60
9 INDIA	219.65
10 ISRAEL	219.13
11 CHINESE TAIPEI	218.94
12 ITALY	214.17
13 EGYPT	209.30
14 CANADA	200.39
15 CHINA HONG KONG	200.25
16 NORWAY	191.40
17 BRAZIL	189.17
18 GERMANY	185.11
19 ENGLAND	168.54
20 PAKISTAN	138.19
21 NEW ZEALAND	136.75
22 SPAIN	128.09
23 JAPAN	124.96
24 MEXICO	100.56

### Mixed Teams

After Round 20

TEAM	VP
1 NETHERLANDS	267.01
2 FRANCE	261.13
3 RUSSIA	251.73
4 DENMARK	244.12
5 BULGARIA	238.94
6 AUSTRALIA	230.08
7 GERMANY	226.82
8 POLAND	220.67
9 ITALY	219.17
10 JAPAN	211.08
11 CHINA	211.06
12 ISRAEL	205.14
13 TURKEY	205.10
14 USA	201.77
15 NEW ZEALAND	193.44
16 IRELAND	174.01
17 ENGLAND	176.39
18 INDIA	173.23
19 HUNGARY	172.17
20 SWEDEN	156.25
21 BRAZIL	151.90
22 CHINESE TAIPEI	138.55
23 UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	107.24



## RR 16 - 10:30

## RR 17 - 14:00

## Open Teams Group A

1 ESTONIA	SINGAPORE
2 SWITZERLAND	JORDAN
3 AUSTRALIA	GERMANY
4 RUSSIA	ITALY
5 FINLAND	BRAZIL
6 SOUTH AFRICA	INDIA
7 PHILIPPINES	GREECE
8 UKRAINE	CHINESE TAIPEI
9 ISRAEL	FRANCE

1 SINGAPORE	JORDAN
2 ESTONIA	AUSTRALIA
3 GERMANY	RUSSIA
4 ITALY	FINLAND
5 BRAZIL	SOUTH AFRICA
6 INDIA	PHILIPPINES
7 GREECE	UKRAINE
8 CHINESE TAIPEI	ISRAEL
9 FRANCE	SWITZERLAND

## Open Teams Group B

11 BOSNIA HERZ.	PAKISTAN
12 TURKEY	KUWAIT
13 ICELAND	MONACO
14 JAPAN	POLAND
15 BELGIUM	LEBANON
16 TUNISIA	MEXICO
17 CHINA HK	ARGENTINA
18 LATVIA	NORWAY
19 ENGLAND	USA

11 PAKISTAN	KUWAIT
12 BOSNIA HERZ.	ICELAND
13 MONACO	JAPAN
14 POLAND	BELGIUM
15 LEBANON	TUNISIA
16 MEXICO	CHINA HK
17 ARGENTINA	LATVIA
18 NORWAY	ENGLAND
19 USA	TURKEY

## Open Teams Group C

21 NEW ZEALAND	BANGLADESH
22 LITHUANIA	GUADELOUPE
23 UAE	NETHERLANDS
24 EGYPT	CHINA
25 IRELAND	HUNGARY
26 AUSTRIA	CANADA
27 SCOTLAND	DENMARK
28 SPAIN	SWEDEN
29 SAN MARINO	BYE

21 BANGLADESH	GUADELOUPE
22 NEW ZEALAND	UAE
23 NETHERLANDS	EGYPT
24 CHINA	IRELAND
25 HUNGARY	AUSTRIA
26 SAN MARINO	SCOTLAND
27 DENMARK	SPAIN
28 SWEDEN	LITHUANIA
29 CANADA	BYE

## Women's Teams Group A

31 PAKISTAN	KOREA
32 FINLAND	JAPAN
33 SOUTH AFRICA	CHINA
34 TURKEY	NETHERLANDS
35 SAN MARINO	NORWAY
36 EGYPT	JORDAN
37 AUSTRALIA	BRAZIL
38 MEXICO	SPAIN
39 SWEDEN	ENGLAND

31 KOREA	JAPAN
32 PAKISTAN	SOUTH AFRICA
33 CHINA	TURKEY
34 NETHERLANDS	SAN MARINO
35 NORWAY	EGYPT
36 JORDAN	AUSTRALIA
37 BRAZIL	MEXICO
38 SPAIN	SWEDEN
39 ENGLAND	FINLAND

## Women's Teams Group B

41 ICELAND	CHINESE TAIPEI
42 CANADA	CHINA HK
43 GERMANY	POLAND
44 IRELAND	DENMARK
45 TUNISIA	PALESTINE
46 NEW ZEALAND	INDIA
47 CHILE	SCOTLAND
48 ITALY	USA
49 FRANCE	BYE

41 CHINESE TAIPEI	CHINA HK
42 FRANCE	GERMANY
43 POLAND	IRELAND
44 DENMARK	TUNISIA
45 PALESTINE	NEW ZEALAND
46 INDIA	CHILE
47 SCOTLAND	ITALY
48 USA	CANADA
49 ICELAND	BYE

## Farewell party

For Patrick Jourdain, Daily Telegraph, missed by 1 million readers

On Saturday (the 10th) we will gather for a party in the spirit of Patrick at 7 p.m. in the Pergola (i.e. the venue) restaurant. It will be an informal buffet dinner (details available on demand) where we eat, drink and share happy memories and stories.

You are strongly advised to register attendance to be granted a seat, either in the Press Room or at the bookstall, no later than Friday noon.

The cost price for the party (incl. fountain show) is 150 PLN. Everybody welcome.

International Bridge Press Association (IBPA).



### The International Bridge Press Association (IBPA)

The Annual General Meeting on Saturday (the 10th) will start at 09:00 a.m. (precisely) in the Vugraph Theatre (where the Opening Ceremony was).



Per Jannersten  
Chairman

### Championship cards



The championship cards that you play here are for sale for €0.68 (bulk rate) in the book stall so long as supply lasts.

# Open Teams

## Open A after R 15

	TEAM	VP
1	FRANCE	225.30
2	ITALY	212.02
3	ISRAEL	198.41
4	RUSSIA	190.04
5	SWITZERLAND	174.27
6	INDIA	171.63
7	GERMANY	166.49
8	AUSTRALIA	162.92
9	GREECE	154.41
10	UKRAINE	139.41
11	CHINESE TAIPEI	130.53
12	SINGAPORE	127.89
13	ESTONIA	118.00
14	FINLAND	111.24
15	SOUTH AFRICA	110.66
16	JORDAN	105.96
17	BRAZIL	104.57
18	PHILIPPINES	86.79

## Open B after R 15

	TEAM	VP
1	POLAND	218.67
2	ENGLAND	209.57
3	JAPAN	201.99
4	USA	188.66
5	MONACO	182.13
6	ICELAND	170.65
7	TURKEY	170.10
8	NORWAY	169.61
9	ARGENTINA	156.77
10	LATVIA	138.33
11	TUNISIA	137.69
12	BELGIUM	133.62
13	PAKISTAN	127.19
14	BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA	121.69
15	LEBANON	109.75
16	MEXICO	101.96
17	CHINA HONG KONG	82.38
18	KUWAIT	79.24

## Open C after R 15

	TEAM	VP
1	AUSTRIA	210.06
2	NETHERLANDS	209.22
3	SWEDEN	198.05
4	SPAIN	187.56
5	CANADA	182.26
6	IRELAND	173.77
7	DENMARK	173.50
8	NEW ZEALAND	173.33
9	HUNGARY	160.76
10	LITHUANIA	156.40
11	CHINA	148.99
12	EGYPT	144.05
13	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	123.14
14	SCOTLAND	111.01
15	GUADELOUPE	107.89
16	BANGLADESH	69.45
17	SAN MARINO	47.06

# Women's Teams

## Women's A after R 15

	TEAM	VP
1	CHINA	213.12
2	SWEDEN	199.87
3	NETHERLANDS	199.72
4	TURKEY	196.94
5	ENGLAND	184.86
6	NORWAY	181.11
7	AUSTRALIA	162.45
8	SPAIN	155.22
9	BRAZIL	152.77
10	FINLAND	151.48
11	EGYPT	131.62
12	SOUTH AFRICA	130.82
13	MEXICO	121.35
14	JAPAN	113.89
15	KOREA	112.81
16	JORDAN	103.50
17	SAN MARINO	93.83
18	PAKISTAN	91.64

## Women's B after R 15

	TEAM	VP
1	FRANCE	216.11
2	GERMANY	210.02
3	USA	210.01
4	ITALY	200.67
5	POLAND	188.65
6	SCOTLAND	173.90
7	NEW ZEALAND	170.27
8	CHINESE TAIPEI	164.97
9	DENMARK	156.21
10	CHILE	147.57
11	CHINA HONG KONG	140.12
12	CANADA	134.71
13	IRELAND	124.68
14	ICELAND	109.58
15	INDIA	88.93
16	PALESTINE	77.64
17	TUNISIA	63.96

## Badges !!

Players, please note that without a badge you will not be allowed into the playing area. If you lose your badge, replacing it will cost you 5 Euros.

### BBO and OURGAME SCHEDULE

BBO 1 = VuGraph, BBO 8 is also OURGAME

	<b>10:30</b>	
OB	England v USA	BBO 1
OA	Russia v Italia	BBO 2
OC	Spain v Sweden	BBO 3
OB	Japan v Poland	BBO 4
OB	Iceland v Monaco	BBO 5
WB	Chile v Scotland	BBO 6
WA	Australia v Brazil	BBO 7
OC	Egypt v China	BBO 8

**14:00**  
to be decided



#### GROUP AND INDIVIDUAL

##### PICTURE SCHEDULE

##### MIXED

Australia 11.55  
WOMEN

Australia 13.35  
Brazil 13.40  
Canada 16.30  
Chile 16.35  
China 16.40  
Tunisia 10.10  
Turkey 10.15  
Jordan 10.20

##### OPEN

Guadeloupe 13.35  
Lithuania 13.35  
New Zealand 12.50

The meeting point is outside the front door.

Thank you very much for your cooperation!

### Don't look back

The late, great Satchel Paige, famous baseball player in the USA, used to say, "Don't look back – something might be gaining on you."

For five teams currently in qualifying position in the Open and Women's series at this tournament, it's time to focus. There are five groups – three in the Open, two in the Women's – and the average margin between the teams in fifth and last qualifying spots and the teams next in line in sixth place is 11.17 victory points.

Two of the fifth-place teams – Switzerland in Open Group A and England in Women's Group A – have very slim margins: 2.64 and 3.75 respectively.

That means there is little margin for error. None of the contenders can afford losing by a significant margin. In Open B, fifth-place Monaco plays sixth-place Iceland in round 16, the penultimate round. Monaco is 11.48 VPs ahead of Iceland.

On the other hand, teams still in with a chance will be pulling out all stops in hopes that a blitz will propel them into the round of 16, which starts tomorrow.

It should make for some exciting bridge.

### REVISED SCHEDULE OF PLAY

Note the change of starting time for both **Teams and Pairs on Sunday 11th** September, caused by an international marathon through Wroclaw when the town will be closed. Play will start at **17.30** on that day, not in the morning as originally published.

### Playing Area from Saturday on

Pairs will play in the Hala Stulecia,  
Teams in the building opposite

## Taking care of business

One of the duties of World Bridge Federation President Gianarrigo Rona is chairing the WBF Congress meetings. He did so on Thursday at the Hala Stulecia vuGraph auditorium, running a low-key session that included a financial report, an invitation to next year's world championships in Lyon, France (see page 1) and moments of silence for four friends of bridge who have passed away since the last congress.

Attendees at the congress stood for a few moments to honor the late Patrick Jourdain, bridge journalist and president of the International Bridge Press Association; Goran Grguric, who helped organize the recent Youth tournament in Opatija, Croatia; former WBF President Ernesto d'Orsi and Jean-Claude Beneix, former French Bridge Federation president who was a fixture at major tournaments for decades.

After WBF Treasurer Marc De Pauw described the organization's sound financial picture, Rona put to a vote five amendments to the WBF bylaws agreed to by the organization's executive council. The measures included discipline for unethical behavior. All five amendments were approved unanimously by those assembled.

Jean-Jacques Maartense, vice president of Consumer Products for Cartamundi, described a new, three-year arrangement with the WBF for supplying playing cards that includes payment to the WBF of 3% of annual sales, plus plans for producing cards with radio frequency identification (RFID) so that play can be viewed without the necessity for operators at computers.



The head table at Thursday's WBF Congress meeting: Simon Fellus, Per Jannersten, David Harris, John Wignall, Mike Joyce (sports coordination manager for the International Olympic Committee), Gianarrigo Rona, José Damiani, Marc De Pauw and Georgia Heth.

# Open Teams, Round 10



Japan v England



By Jos Jacobs

England and Japan started the 4th day of the Open Series in 2nd and 3rd position respectively in their Group B. As it happened, they managed to produce a very lively and entertaining match, at the end of which they still were in 2nd and 3rd position in their group.

Immediately on the first board, the scorers were pressed into action:

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ J 9 3 2 ♥ 9 8 7 4 ♦ 8 2 ♣ 10 6 3	<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		♠ 8 5 4 ♥ K 10 6 3 2 ♦ 10 9 6 ♣ J 2	♠ K 6 ♥ — ♦ A K Q J 3 ♣ K Q 8 7 5 4
	N											
W		E										
	S											

West	North	East	South
<i>Robson</i>	<i>Kaku</i>	<i>Forrester</i>	<i>Takayama</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣	Dble
Pass	1♥	2♦	2♥
Pass	Pass	3♦	Dble
4♣	All Pass		

In view of the noises produced by South, it was far from obvious for East that any minor suit game would be on. However, with the trumps behaving and with North never able to get the lead for a spade through, 11 tricks were always there. Playing carefully, East made just 10 tricks; England +130.

West	North	East	South
<i>D. Chen</i>	<i>Hinden</i>	<i>Furuta</i>	<i>Osborne</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣	Dble
Pass	1♥	3♦	3♥
4♣	4♥	5♣	All Pass

In the other room, South made the same amount of noises but the difference was that Chen was given the chance to voluntarily support clubs whereas Robson only showed preference. This way, Furuta knew enough. Japan +400 and 7 IMPs to open their account.

On the next board, England struck back hard:

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ K Q 6 ♥ A 10 9 5 ♦ Q J 10 8 6 3 ♣ —	<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 10 9 ♥ Q J 7 6 ♦ A 4 2 ♣ Q 5 4	♠ 8 7 5 4 3 2 ♥ K 3 ♦ 5 ♣ K 8 7 2
	N											
W		E										
	S											

West	North	East	South
<i>Robson</i>	<i>Kaku</i>	<i>Forrester</i>	<i>Takayama</i>
4♣	5♣	2♠	3♣
		Dble	All Pass

Well, had South's ♠A been a top heart, Kaku's shot at 5♣ might have hit the bull's eye but as it was, the sacrifice was ill-timed, since 4♠ would not have had any play. To make things worse, declarer dropped a trick or two in the play as well. He won the ♠K opening lead and next cashed the ♣A, getting the bad news. A heart then went to dummy's queen and East's king. When a diamond came back, declarer ran this to dummy's ace and advanced the ♠J, throwing his diamond loser. However, when West produced the queen, the roof fell in. Diamond ruff, heart back to the ace and a heart ruff, with the ♣K still to come, suddenly put the contract down four. England +1100.

West	North	East	South
<i>D. Chen</i>	<i>Hinden</i>	<i>Furuta</i>	<i>Osborne</i>
4♥	Pass	2♦	3♣
Pass	Dble	4♠	Pass
		All Pass	

2♦ was Multi and 4♥ was pass or correct. When 4♠ ran to Frances Hinden, she took the right view by doubling. As declarer had to ruff his club losers at the cost of his top trumps, there was no way to make the contract. One down, another +100 and 15 IMPs to England.

After two flattish boards, we were treated to an incredible run of six double-figure swings in succession – a rarity at this level of play, one would assume. Of course, here they are in full, with all the (bloody?) details...

The first swing was just a matter of whether to bid a vulnerable game or not.

Board 21. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ A 9 5 ♥ A 8 5 ♦ 9 6 ♣ A K Q 9 6  ♠ Q 6 ♥ K 2 ♦ A 10 7 5 3 2 ♣ 8 7 2		♠ J 4 2 ♥ Q J 9 6 3 ♦ Q ♣ J 5 4 3  ♠ K 10 8 7 3 ♥ 10 7 4 ♦ K J 8 4 ♣ 10	
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West	North	East	South
<i>Robson</i>	<i>Kaku</i>	<i>Forrester</i>	<i>Takayama</i>
	1♣	1♥	1♠
Dble	4♣	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

As East would have to ruff diamonds from his trump length, making the contract was easy enough. Declarer won the ♥K lead, threw two hearts on top clubs and led a diamond up. When the queen appeared, he could not lose more than two diamonds and a club. In fact, he made an overtrick for +650 to Japan.

West	North	East	South
<i>D. Chen</i>	<i>Hinden</i>	<i>Furuta</i>	<i>Osborne</i>
	1♣	Pass	1♥
2♦	Dble	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

In the other room, 1♥ showed spades and the double was “support.” South refused the invitation but had little trouble in making 10 tricks. England +170 but 10 IMPs to Japan.

The next board was slammish.

Board 22. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

♠ 10 8 ♥ Q 8 6 3 ♦ 4 2 ♣ J 10 9 4 3  ♠ A Q J 7 6 4 ♥ 4 ♦ 8 ♣ A Q 7 6 2		♠ K 3 ♥ K J 10 2 ♦ A K Q 10 9 7 ♣ 8  ♠ 9 5 2 ♥ A 9 7 5 ♦ J 6 5 3 ♣ K 5	
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West	North	East	South
<i>Robson</i>	<i>Kaku</i>	<i>Forrester</i>	<i>Takayama</i>
		1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♦	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Clubs were never mentioned and as the hand looked a misfit, E/W settled for 3NT. England +690 on the ♣J lead.

West	North	East	South
<i>D. Chen</i>	<i>Hinden</i>	<i>Furuta</i>	<i>Osborne</i>
		1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♠	All Pass		

After the 4th suit, Chen showed a serious spade suit. Furuta happily cuebid 4♣ upon which Chen went to the slam when Furuta showed two keycards.

On the lead of the ♣J, making the slam was a lot easier than it might have been on, say, a diamond lead. With the trumps 3-2 and the ♥K inside, any line would have worked but at the table, one does not know this. Chen won the ♣Q, drew trumps and led a heart to the ten and ace. Japan +1430 and 12 more IMPs to them to lead 30-15.

On the next board, it was England’s turn to score again:

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

♠ 4 ♥ A 10 9 8 5 2 ♦ 7 6 5 4 3 ♣ K		♠ K Q ♥ 7 6 3 ♦ A Q ♣ A Q 10 9 6 2  ♠ 10 9 6 ♥ Q ♦ K J 10 9 8 ♣ 8 7 4 3  ♠ A J 8 7 5 3 2 ♥ K J 4 ♦ 2 ♣ J 5	
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West	North	East	South
<i>Robson</i>	<i>Kaku</i>	<i>Forrester</i>	<i>Takayama</i>
			1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♠
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♦
Pass	5♦	Pass	5♥
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

With South the declarer, the spade slam is quite playable as the hearts are protected. Basically, you will make it if the ♣K is inside, a 50% chance. However, the little extras also matter from time to time – as was shown on this deal when Robson eventually made the right lead: the ♥A. When the queen appeared, the contract was one down very

quickly. England +100.

West	North	East	South
<i>D. Chen</i>	<i>Hinden</i>	<i>Furuta</i>	<i>Osborne</i>
2♥	3♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	4♥	Pass	3♠
All Pass			4♠

As South was looking at ♥KJ4 under the overcall, one can surely understand why he was not interested over partner's 4♥. When West led a diamond, declarer had all the tricks, of course. England +710 and 13 IMPs back to reduce their deficit to only 28-30.

On the next board, Forrester and Robson reached a Moysian fit:

Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Robson</i>	<i>Kaku</i>	<i>Forrester</i>	<i>Takayama</i>
1♣	Pass	1♦(♥)	1♠
Dble	2♠	Dble	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

A trump lead and continuation upon getting the lead in diamonds might well have been the killing defence but when Takayama led a natural enough top spade, Forrester had a chance. He won the ace and immediately led a low diamond from dummy. North rose with the king and returned the ♣Q – a trump now would have been too late, already. Forrester won in hand and could simply continue on cross-ruff lines now, ruffing his last club with dummy's ace and scoring a trick from his ♥Q7 when South was forced to ruff the ♦A in the end. England +420.

West	North	East	South
<i>D. Chen</i>	<i>Hinden</i>	<i>Furuta</i>	<i>Osborne</i>
1♦	Pass	1♥	1♠
Dble	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

When the clubs did not break, declarer could make no more than one spade, two hearts, three diamonds and two clubs. One down, England another +50 and 10 more IMPs to them to lead 38-30.

On the next board, seemingly innocuous Japanese intervention led the English astray:

Board 25. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Robson</i>	<i>Kaku</i>	<i>Forrester</i>	<i>Takayama</i>
2♠	Pass	INT	2♣
5♦	3♠	4♦	Pass
	All Pass		

2♣ showed both majors, in aggressive style from 4-4 onwards if not vulnerable, 2♠ was forcing with diamonds and 3♠ was a well-timed nuisance bid. As there could well have been slam from East's point of view, he accepted the diamond transfer rather than settling for 3NT. One down, Japan +100.

It would have been so easy, had the opponents been polite enough to shut up over INT:

West	North	East	South
<i>D. Chen</i>	<i>Hinden</i>	<i>Furuta</i>	<i>Osborne</i>
3NT	Pass	INT	Pass
	All Pass		

With spades 4-4, there was no way to defeat this contract. Japan another +600 and 12 IMPs to regain the lead: 42-38.

On the last board of this impressive set, again the swing occurred because a vulnerable game was missed and again, England were the team to suffer:

Board 26. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

<b>West</b> Robson	<b>North</b> Kaku	<b>East</b> Forrester	<b>South</b> Takayama
Pass	2♣	Pass	INT
Pass	4♠	Pass	2♠
		All Pass	

Maybe not too scientific an auction, but certainly a successful one. Once again, upgrading a 5-4-3-1 distribution a bit proved the right thing to do. Japan an easy +620

<b>West</b> D. Chen	<b>North</b> Hinden	<b>East</b> Furuta	<b>South</b> Osborne
Pass	2♥	Pass	INT
All Pass		Pass	2♠

To my surprise, South did not make any forward-going move over partner's transfer so in 2♠ it rested. England a meagre +170 and another 10 IMPs to Japan: 52-38 now.

Two small swings, one in either direction and then the decisive board:

Board 29. Dealer North. All Vul.

	♠ 10 9 5 2						
	♥ Q 10 9 7 3 2						
	♦ Q 7 3						
	♣ —						
♠ J 7	<table border="1" style="background-color: #008000; color: white; text-align: center; width: 40px; height: 40px;"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W</td></tr> <tr><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W	E	S	♠ A K Q 8 6 4	
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♦ J 9 8 6		♦ 4 2					
♣ A J 10 5		♣ 9 8 7 2					
	♠ 3						
	♥ J 6 4						
	♦ A K 10 5						
	♣ K Q 6 4 3						

<b>West</b> Robson	<b>North</b> Kaku	<b>East</b> Forrester	<b>South</b> Takayama
4♠	All Pass	2♠	Pass

After the natural weak two, South had an easy lead of a top club, which led to a quick three down: two ruffs, a club and two diamonds. Japan +300.

<b>West</b> D. Chen	<b>North</b> Hinden	<b>East</b> Furuta	<b>South</b> Osborne
2NT	Pass	2♦	Pass
4♠	All Pass	3NT	Pass

After the Multi, 3NT showed the solid suit, so the 4♠ contract was played from the other side of the table. Now, the spotlights turned on North. She would have had to find the diamond lead even to set the contract two. When she tried a natural enough heart, declarer had his ten tricks. Japan another +620 for 14 more IMPs.

The final score thus became 72-42 or 16.73 – 3.27 VP. to Japan. As I said at the beginning: still 2nd and 3rd in their group — but now in reverse order.

## The OurGame World Wide Bridge Contest

One of the pairs winning a place in the Final of the 2016 World Wide Bridge Contest is competing here in Wroclaw – Wissem Bellazreg and Anas Mestiri who played at the Sheraton Bridge Club, Tunisia, coming second in the overall ranking on 6th June 2016 and qualifying as the highest ranking pair in Zone 8.

You have already seen them in action here in Wroclaw (Bulletin 2 Pages 15/16).

On this deal from their heat at the Sheraton Bridge Club in Tunisia they scored 99.78% across the world:

Board 19. Dealer South. EW Vul.

	♠ Q 9						
	♥ Q J 10 9 8 4 2						
	♦ 7 4 3						
	♣ Q						
♠ A J 8 6 3	<table border="1" style="background-color: #008000; color: white; text-align: center; width: 40px; height: 40px;"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W</td></tr> <tr><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W	E	S	♠ K 10 7 5 2	
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E							
S							
♥ A		♥ K					
♦ K 8		♦ Q J 2					
♣ A K 7 5 2		♣ 10 9 8 4					
	♠ 4						
	♥ 7 6 5 3						
	♦ A 10 9 6 5						
	♣ J 6 3						

Not only did they bid 6♠, but they somehow managed to take all the tricks!

We wish them the best of good fortune as they go to play in the finals in Beijing and hope they will enjoy the Tournament.

Details of the other qualifying pairs can be found at :

<http://www.worldbridge.org/2016-wwbc-winners.aspx>

and the full results from the six heats are at :

<http://www.ecatsbridge.com/sims/results.asp?eventid=003458>

The dates for next year's World Wide Contest will be published on the WBF Website in due course.



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hand with a 6-card major (or invitational with 5-5 majors). Instead they use a 2♠ response as game-force and 3♣ was invitational, in both cases with a diamond fit. Lauria had enough to accept the invitation with an unbalanced hand, so he bid 3♥, and now Versace was stuck, unable to bid 3NT without a spade stopper. He chose 4♣ instead, but the bidding had already gotten beyond 3NT, demonstrating a shortcoming of their system. In addition, Sabine Auken doubled 4♣, ensuring that partner would not make a bad major-suit lead. There was no way to avert the loss of two spades and one heart for -100.

West	North	East	South
Gromöller	D'Avossa	Fritsche	Di Bello
		1♦	Pass
2♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

The German East-West system uses 1♦-2♦ as game force (in diamonds) while reserving 2♠ for invitational hands with fit (8-11 HCP). Apparently 2NT was invitational, and West (being on the top half of his range) raised to game. South led ♠2, and when the diamond finesse succeeded, declarer had few problems getting to ten tricks. Germany +630, cutting Italy's lead to 22-12.

At that stage the match seemed to be in the balance, even though Gromöller was playing a dangerous game on Board 8 with this hand:

- ♠ Q 2
- ♥ Q 6 4 2
- ♦ A 10 8
- ♣ A Q 9 5

With None Vulnerable he dealt and opened a 11-14 INT. His LHO bid 2♠, and the next two players passed. Now he selected a reopening double with doubleton queen in the opponent's suit – a risky venture at IMPs. He ended up



Alfredo Versace, Italy



Sabine Auken, Germany

playing 3♣ on a 4-3 fit, which could go as much as four down. Luckily for him, nobody doubled and the Italians missed a trump promotion (after a perfect start of the defense), so Germany escaped for -150 compared to -110 at the other room where Italy let their opponents play in 2♠.

After two relatively quiet boards, the following deal resulted in an unlikely push.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Versace	Auken	Lauria	Welland
			Pass
1♦	Dble	3♦	Pass
5♦	6♣	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

Versace-Lauria employed pressure bidding (even though West had legitimate hopes to make 5♦). Sabine Auken may be forgiven for competing at the 6-level, as she had not yet shown her seven-card suit. This was doubled by Versace. As expected, the defence took both major suit aces for +100.

West	North	East	South
Gromöller	D'Avossa	Fritsche	Di Bello
			Pass
1♦	2♣	3♦	Pass
5♦	Dble	Pass	Pass
Rdbl	5♥	Pass	6♣
Dble	All Pass		

The replay seemed to be going Italy's way when D'Avossa started with 2♣ and then doubled 5♦, but Gromöller saved the situation with a cheeky redouble. D'Avossa was unable to stand his ground, so this table got to 6♣ doubled as well. No swing.

At that stage Germany were still within striking distance, but Italy concluded the match with a series of big swings in their favour.

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

	♠ K Q 9 8										
	♥ J 10 4 2										
	♦ K Q										
	♣ 10 9 4										
♠ 10 6	<table border="1"> <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 3 2
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♦ 10 9 6 2		♦ J 8 7 4 3									
♣ A 8 5		♣ Q 7 3 2									
	♠ A J 5 4										
	♥ A Q 9 8										
	♦ A 5										
	♣ K J 6										
West	North	East	South								
Versace	Auken	Lauria	Welland								
Pass	Pass	1♦	Dble								
2♦	Dble	3♦	Dble								
Pass	4♦	Pass	4♥								
All Pass											

Expert bridge players like to "do something" after two passes at favourable vulnerability. Lorenzo Lauria didn't shy away from opening 1♦ with 3 HCP, and he even added a (preemptive) 3♦ call at the second round. The Germans repeatedly doubled and then cue-bid before settling for 4♥ – a good contract (even though 4♠ would have been easier to handle).

Versace led a diamond, and Welland finessed trumps, Versace winning the ♥K at the second round and returning another diamond. This created some problems as declarer would have lost control if he drew trumps immediately. Therefore Welland entered dummy in spades and led a club. He thought Lauria had to have something for his one-level opening, however light, and misguessed by playing ♣K from his hand. Versace was quick to exploit his opportunity by leading a spade. Now declarer had nothing to do: drawing trumps was still insufficient with clubs not under control, so he played a club and conceded a spade ruff for a cruel -100.

West	North	East	South
Gromöller	D'Avossa	Fritsche	Di Bello
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♣
Pass	1♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

At the replay the bidding was far more orthodox (North's 1♦ being a transfer to hearts), and the play to the first four tricks was identical. With his opponents silent during the bidding, Di Bello went for the normal play in clubs (running the ♣10). He was rewarded with an overtrick and a 13-IMP swing.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

	♠ J 6										
	♥ A 10 8 2										
	♦ 7 5										
	♣ A 8 6 4 3										
♠ K Q 10 9 5 4	<table border="1"> <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 8
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		S									
♥ Q 6 4		♥ J 7									
♦ K 4		♦ A Q 9 6 2									
♣ 10 2		♣ Q J 7 5									
	♠ 7 3 2										
	♥ K 9 5 3										
	♦ J 10 8 3										
	♣ K 9										
West	North	East	South								
Versace	Auken	Lauria	Welland								
		INT	Pass								
4♦	Pass	4♠	All Pass								

Lauria displayed some more creativity by opening a 15-17 balanced (according to system) INT with a 5-4-2-2 14-count. He quickly became declarer in 4♠, and despite the friendly ♦J lead, permitting a discard, there was no way for ten tricks unless diamonds broke 3-3. Lauria tried his best by drawing trumps in three rounds and then playing three rounds of diamonds, discarding a club, followed by a diamond ruff.

Then he played a heart off the board. Sabine Auken (who had a long think during the previous trick) put up her ♥A, probably out of fear that declarer has ♥K as a potential entry to his fifth diamond. Perhaps she was counting points and her conclusion was that East had to have the ♥K for his INT opening, but we have already seen that (at least in this match) Lauria was not to be trusted...

West	North	East	South
Gromöller	D'Avossa	Fritsche	Di Bello
		1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♠	All Pass		

At the other table East bid normally and West chose a slight underbid of 2♠, so the Germans stopped in a partscore, making the expected +140. Despite doing the right thing in the bidding, they had to concede another 7 IMPs. Little did they realize that a much larger disaster awaited them on the next hand:

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

<p>♠ 10 9 3 ♥ A K Q 9 ♦ K J 10 6 2 ♣ 5</p>		<p>♠ J ♥ J 10 7 6 3 2 ♦ A 7 4 3 ♣ K 6</p>	<p>♠ K 8 6 4 2 ♥ 8 5 4 ♦ Q 8 ♣ J 9 3</p>
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West	North	East	South
Versace	Auken	Lauria	Welland
1♦	Dble	Pass	1♣
Pass	2♥	Pass	3♣
All Pass			

North's double showed hearts, and his subsequent bid showed a weak hand with six hearts. That did nothing to excite South, and despite his remarkable distribution he was satisfied with a non-forcing 3♣ call. Thus an excellent vulnerable game was missed – Germany +150.

The events in the replay were far more dramatic:

West	North	East	South
Gromöller	D'Avossa	Fritsche	Di Bello
Dble	2♥	2♠	Dble
Pass	3♣	Pass	4♣
5♦	Dble	Pass	5♠
Pass	6♣	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

Di Bello-D'Avossa play a natural system when vulnerable and a strong 1♣ system when not vulnerable. One may imagine that this creates memory problems. In fact, their 2♣ opening is the same (Precision) in both systems, and their vulnerable convention card indicates transfers over the opponent's takeout double, yet D'Avossa thought that his 2♥ bid was natural. For Di Bello, 2♥ showed spades, and he thought that his opponent's (naturally intended) 2♠ bid was some sort of a cue-bid or a psych. Therefore he doubled it and followed up by bidding 4♠.

Gromöller (who received the correct explanation but misinterpreted his partner's bid) saved at 5♦, and Di Bello happily removed his partner's double, bidding 5♠! When this was corrected to 6♣ by his partner and doubled by West, he realized that something serious had happened.

But this was Italy's match, and even at the height of despair, good things started to happen. First of all, West led a normal ♥A, helping declarer with his future trump coup. Declarer ruffed this, played a diamond to the ace and ran the ♠J.

Now Fritsche had to cover with ♠K to prevent the trump-coup from operating, but it was a difficult play, as declarer clearly had four spades, and unless West was holding both the ten and nine, covering would have helped declarer to make either his third or fourth spades good. So East played low on the ♠J, and now Di Bello envisioned the complete distribution and played perfectly: heart ruff, spade ruff, another heart ruff, spade ruff with ♣K and a fourth heart ruff, which led to this end position, with South having an equal number of trumps with East.

<p>♠ — ♥ 10 7 ♦ 7 4 3 ♣ —</p>		<p>♠ K ♥ — ♦ Q ♣ J 9 3</p>
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Declarer drew West's sole trump, cashed the ♠A and exited with a diamond. His

♣Q 10 took the final two tricks. What a brilliant way to score +1540! Italy took 6 more IMPs on the final board, making the final score 68-12.

(It transpired that there was a problem during the auction, as North had forgotten that 2♥ was a transfer to spades, which explains East's 2♠ and South's 4♠/5♠. The score was adjusted to NS +200 and the final score to 54-12. However, that in no way detracts from South's bravura performance in the play.)

## Robots to vie for bridge championship

The 20th Ourgame World Computer Bridge Championship takes place alongside the human championship, and pits eight of the best robots against each other to see who takes this year's honours.

The event was inaugurated by the American Contract Bridge League in 1997, motivated by a suggestion from the late Alan Truscott, bridge editor of The New York Times. The tournament was co-sponsored by the World Bridge Federation starting in 1999. This year, Ourgame, a leading Internet card and board gaming company in China, is sponsoring the championship.

The six-day bot championship will be in Room 33 on the Hala Stulecia starting Saturday, 10 September. To review the 20-year history and many featured robot articles, go to [computerbridge.com](http://computerbridge.com)

The event is truly an international championship with these entries: Wbridge5 (France), Shark Bridge (Denmark), Micro Bridge (Japan), RoboBridge (The Netherlands), Q-Plus Bridge (Germany), Xinrui (China), Bridge Baron (USA) and Meadowlark Bridge (USA).

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# Round 11 - Open Group B



## Monaco v Poland

By David Stern

It seems like only a moment ago while commentating on VuGraph during round six that I said that Monaco was surprisingly in 14th position but it was too early to make any predictions or suggest that they may not qualify. Here they are at the end of round ten where they hold the 5th spot, albeit by 0.03 VPs.

Poland, on the other hand, were firmly entrenched in first place, a position that they have held for the previous ten rounds of the qualifying. This is the same team that won the Bermuda Bowl in Chennai, India, last year.

It is more than likely that those who do the form assessment for tournaments such as this would have had these two teams as favourites for the event – I know I certainly did.

Board 1 was flat when both tables bid to 3NT failing by two tricks holding:

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

The inconvenient diamond lead from ♦ J8653 saw declarer doomed from the outset. Of course it's easy to be clever after the event and seeing all four hands, but with only one diamond stopper and missing two outside aces perhaps 4♠ (making on this sunny day) could have been considered.

Board 3 saw the first IMPs change hands when Helgemo for Monaco in the closed room tested the Pole's assessment.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ K J 8 7 5 2 ♥ 10 ♦ A J 2 ♣ 4 3 2	♠ 9 3 ♥ K Q 4 3 ♦ 8 6 5 3 ♣ J 10 9 <div style="text-align: center; background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; margin: 5px 0;">                     N W     E S                 </div> ♠ 10 6 4 ♥ 7 5 ♦ K 9 4 ♣ A Q 8 7 6 ♠ A Q ♥ A J 9 8 6 2 ♦ Q 10 7 ♣ K 5
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<b>West</b> <i>Kalita</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Multon</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Nowosadzki</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Zimmermann</i>
1♠	3♥	3♠	1♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	3NT

Closed Room

<b>West</b> <i>Helgemo</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Gawrys</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Helness</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Klukowski</i>
1♠	2♥	3♥	1♥
4♠	5♥	Dble	4♥
			All Pass

Helgemo's 4♠ would possibly have succeeded with either an inspired guess in clubs but more likely by cashing the club ace and an elimination of the red suits followed by a club towards the queen after which South will be forced to concede a ruff and discard for the club loser.

The open room failed by one trick -50. At the other table, E/W were in 5♥ doubled, two down from -300: 5 IMPs to Monaco, ahead 5-0, Monaco gained another 5 IMPs two boards later.

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ J 7 5 ♥ A 8 2 ♦ J 10 ♣ K 10 9 8 6	♠ Q 10 9 ♥ J 5 3 ♦ 9 8 6 3 ♣ J 5 3 <div style="text-align: center; background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; margin: 5px 0;">                     N W     E S                 </div> ♠ 8 6 3 ♥ K Q 9 7 ♦ A K Q 7 ♣ A 4
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Open Room

<b>West</b> <i>Kalita</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Multon</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Nowosadzki</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Zimmerman</i>
All Pass	Pass	Pass	1♦

Closed Room

<b>West</b> <i>Helgemo</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Gawrys</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Helness</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Klukowski</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♣
All Pass	1♦	Pass	INT

Zimmerman, South for Monaco in the Open Room, opened 1♦, intending to rebid 2NT over partner's

response. Fortunately for him, Multon does not subscribe to the theory that you must respond to every opening, so Zimmermann played it in 1♦. In the Closed Room Gawrys bid 1♦ showing 0-6 over South's opening and the INT rebid showed 18-20. As in many cases, it isn't best to play partner for a maximum when they hold the bulk of the points and so it was here. The Open Room made nine tricks in diamonds while INT failed by a trick after the club lead and the result was 5 IMPs to Monaco, now up 10-0.

It was not going to be Monaco all the way when Poland gained a solitary IMP but the deal has some real chances for a game swing when they bid and made a "superior" 3NT in the Closed Room and Monaco bid a tenuous 5♦ at the other table.

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

♠ 8 7 4 ♥ J 7 ♦ Q 10 9 3 ♣ A K 7 3	<table border="1" style="background-color: #008000; color: white; 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		♠ K J 9 3 ♥ A Q 4 3 ♦ A J 5 2 ♣ 2	♠ 10 5 ♥ 10 8 2 ♦ K 4 ♣ Q J 9 8 6 4 ♠ A Q 6 2 ♥ K 9 6 5 ♦ 8 7 6 ♣ 10 5
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W		E										
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In the Open Room Kalita ducked the ♣Q lead and allowed the heart switch to run to his jack. With the favourable lie of the doubleton ♠10 and the diamond king onside declarer was not tested making two spades two hearts, four diamonds and two clubs.

It appears that 5♦ can be made the same way in the closed room but, on a club or a trump lead things become problematic where you may reach this position with West to play having just unblocked the ♥J.:

♠ 8 7 5 ♥ — ♦ Q 10 ♣ K 7	<table border="1" style="background-color: #008000; color: white; 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		♠ K J 9 3 ♥ A Q ♦ J ♣ —	♠ 10 5 ♥ 10 ♦ — ♣ Q J 9 6 ♠ A Q 6 2 ♥ 9 6 ♦ 8 ♣ —
	N											
W		E										
	S											

When you cross to table with a club ruff, South will shed a heart, preventing you from discarding your second spade. If you cross with a trump you will be stranded with a club loser.

This was rather moot however when Klukowski led a heart, giving declarer no problems. Declarer could draw trumps and ruff two hearts on the table. Monaco 10 –

Poland 1.

Subsequent to the completion of the match, the score from the closed room on this board was changed to 5♦ by East down one resulting in 12 IMPs to Poland. All future references to scores reflects this change.

Perhaps inspired by finally getting on the scoreboard, Poland commenced a run of scoring boards starting with Board 8.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ Q 2 ♥ Q 6 4 2 ♦ A 10 8 ♣ A Q 9 5	<table border="1" style="background-color: #008000; color: white; 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 5 3 ♥ J 7 3 ♦ 9 6 5 ♣ J 6 2 ♠ 9 7 ♥ K 10 9 5 ♦ Q J 7 4 3 ♣ K 7	♠ A K 8 6 4 ♥ A 8 ♦ K 2 ♣ 10 8 4 3
	N											
W		E										
	S											

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Multon</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
1♣	1♠	Pass	1NT
All Pass			

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Gawrys</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Klukowski</i>
1♣	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

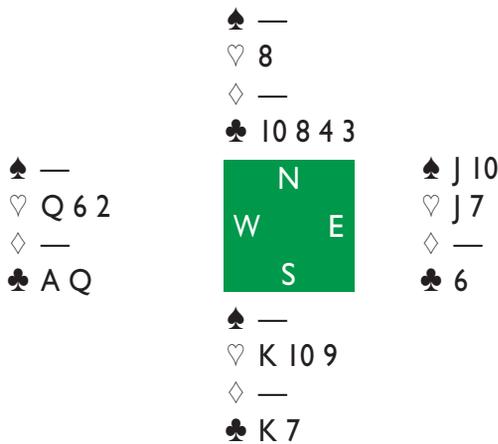
In the Open Room Zimmermann won the heart lead, forced out the ♦A, cashed his winners and attempted to endplay West in spades, thereby restricting himself to two spades, two hearts and four diamonds.

Some players like to push the boat out when they know where the points are located because of an opening bid or overcall and this appeared to be the case in the closed room, where Gawrys could certainly have had a touch more for his 2NT invitation.



Michal Klukowski, Poland

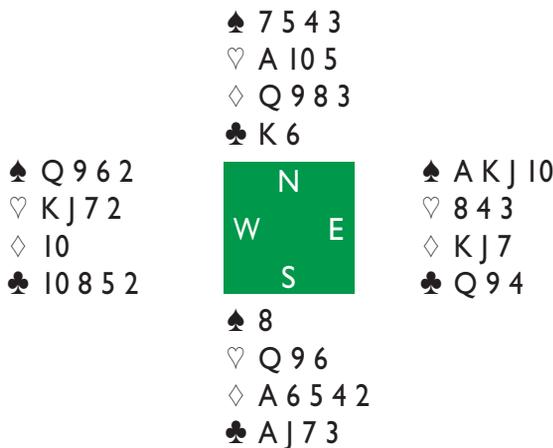
The play was interesting. Klukowski won the opening lead with the ♠A, played the ♦K and when that was ducked, and with no entries to dummy, he cashed the ♠A and ♠K before turning his attention back to the diamond suit. On winning the ♦A, West played the ♦10 and declarer cashed his remaining two diamonds to reach this position.



Reading the ending perfectly, Klukowski exited with the ♣K. West won and continued hearts to the jack and king, thereby allowing declarer to promote an extra heart winner for his ninth trick. Well played indeed. Monaco -400 in this room and +120 in the other and losing 7 IMPs and the match by 10-19.

On this deal, Monaco were certainly wearing their rose-colored glasses.

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.



Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Multon</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
	Pass	1♣	1♦
Dble	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

Closed Room

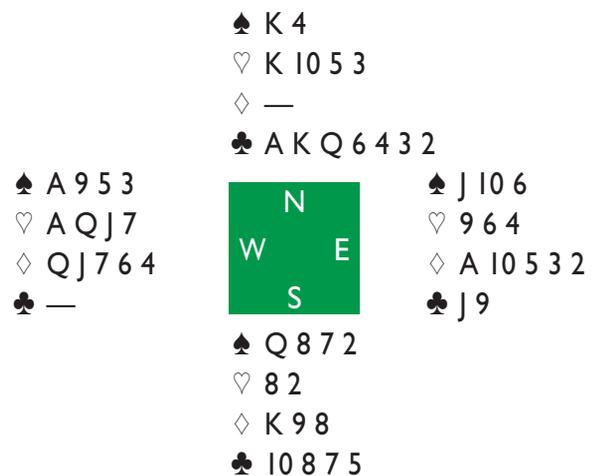
West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Gawrys</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Klukowski</i>
	Pass	1♣	1♦
Dble	2♦	2♠	3♦
3♠	4♦	All Pass	

Klukowski in the closed room lost a spade and a heart and played diamonds for one loser by playing low to the queen and later finessing against East's jack..

It isn't clear whether Multon's 2NT was a diamond raise (we suspect so) or a serious attempt but in either event Zimmerman's 3NT was ill-advised for a number of reasons, not the least of which is the lack of points opposite his passed partner but also the poor quality of the diamond suit combined with the lack of spot cards generally. Down three, -150 combined with -130 in the closed room was another 7 IMPs which saw Poland increase their lead – Monaco 10, Poland 26.

There was more bad news for Monaco on this board.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.



Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Multon</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
			Pass
1♦	2♣	2♦	3♣
4♦	5♣	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	5♦	Pass
Pass	6♣	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Gawrys</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Klukowski</i>
			Pass
1♦	2♣	3♦	Pass
4♣	Pass	5♦	Pass
Pass	Dble	All Pass	

Both rooms lost the obvious tricks, which allowed Poland to go +200 in total and score 5 more IMPs with the scores now Monaco 10 – Poland 34.

Poland picked up 8 undertrick/overtrick IMPs in four of the last five boards to win the match 42-10 leaving them 12 VPs ahead of second-place Japan. Monaco slipped to 8th place, just 9 VPs from the certain qualifying fifth place.

# Mission impossible? (Open – RRII)



## France v Russia



By Micke Melander

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ K J 8 7 5 2 ♥ 10 ♦ A J 2 ♣ 4 3 2	<table style="margin: auto; border: 1px solid black; background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px;"> <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	♠ 9 3 ♥ K Q 4 3 ♦ 8 6 4 3 ♣ J 10 9	♠ 10 6 4 ♥ 7 5 ♦ K 9 4 ♣ A Q 8 7 6
N						
W   E						
S						
	♠ A Q ♥ A J 9 8 6 2 ♦ Q 10 7 ♣ K 5					

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Khiuppenen</i>	<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Bavchine</i>	<i>Volcker</i>
1♠	3♥	3♠	1♥
4♣	All Pass		4♥

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>Vorobei</i>	<i>Quantin</i>	<i>Sliva</i>
2♣	3♥	3♠	1♥
All Pass			3NT

In the Open Room Bessis kicked off with the king of hearts, which held the trick. Bessis then shifted to a very helpful six of diamonds for declarer which went to the nine, queen and declarer's ace. Khiuppenen then played as if he could see all four hands. A club to the ace and a spade towards his hand. South went in with the ace of trumps and returned the ten of diamonds. Declarer won with the king, pulled all the trumps and finally put a club on the table. The ten appeared from North and declarer went in to the tank... after a while calling for a low one from dummy. When South now produced the king – declarer could claim his ten tricks. Very well played by Khiuppenen.

One accident rarely comes alone, Sliva not only managed to buy 3NT in the other room but was also allowed to make it in the other direction. With only eight available tricks on a diamond or club lead that really looked like Mission Impossible but with some help from the defenders you never know what might happen.

What happened was that Lorenzini led the ace of diamonds and decided to continue with the jack when

partner played the nine, (a club shift was essential a trick two as the cards lay). East won with the king of diamonds and returned the ten of spades. Declarer now tried the finesse, which lost to West's king but it was all too late. Declarer had one spade, six hearts and when diamonds was 3-3 he got two tricks from that suit! 14 IMPs to Russia.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ A K 6 2 ♥ 9 4 ♦ 10 6 ♣ A K J 8 3	<table style="margin: auto; border: 1px solid black; background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px;"> <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 9 8 3 ♥ Q 10 3 ♦ K 9 8 7 ♣ 5 2	♠ Q 10 4 ♥ A 8 7 5 ♦ A 5 4 2 ♣ 7 4
N						
W   E						
S						
	♠ 7 5 ♥ K J 6 2 ♦ Q J 3 ♣ Q 10 9 6					

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Khiuppenen</i>	<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Bavchine</i>	<i>Volcker</i>
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♠	All Pass		

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>Vorobei</i>	<i>Quantin</i>	<i>Sliva</i>
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	INT	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

One of the weakest links when deciding to play precision comes when you have to open Two Clubs for systemic reasons. Here Bavchine asked for distribution with Two Diamonds and quite understandably decided to pass out Two Spades when that came back. 2NT might have been on the menu, but will very often not be a successful move.

Bessis led the three of spades, declarer went up with the queen, cashed ace and king of clubs and ruffed a club. So far all was okay, since North pitched a diamond and declarer ruffed in dummy. Khiuppenen then called for a low diamond from dummy, South went up with the queen which held, to return a spade. Declarer went up with the ace and cashed the king of spades to realize that the suit didn't break when South discarded a heart. A heart to the ace, the ace of diamonds and a diamond ruff followed for nine tricks. +140.

In the Closed Room, a natural auction brought the French pair up to 3NT. Sliva kicked off with the queen of diamonds, Quantin captured the first trick with the ace and immediately finessed in clubs. When the jack hold he simply

cash the ace and king of clubs and exit with a third round setting up his fifth club in dummy. When the defense couldn't cash more than three diamonds and a club declarer had succeeded to bring home the nine tricks he needed. +600 gave the French team the swing to even the match again.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Khiuppenen</i>	<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Bavchine</i>	<i>Volcker</i>
1♣	1♠	Pass	INT
Pass	2NT	All Pass	

Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>Vorobei</i>	<i>Quantin</i>	<i>Sliva</i>
1♣	1♠	Pass	INT
All Pass			

Bessis was right when he thought they could make game and made an invitational inquiry with 2NT. South who couldn't see any extras passed it out. Khiuppenen led the way with a very aggressive queen of spades, declarer won with the ace in dummy and immediately called for the king of diamonds, which was allowed to hold the trick. Another round of diamonds followed to the five, queen and ace where upon West continued with his last spade. Declarer who probably believed that he had led from queen, jack, ten called low from dummy. East won and played a club through to West queen who now turned his eyes to the heart suit. Declarer went up with the ace of hearts, cashed the king of spades, played a heart to the king and when diamonds broke 3-3 he could claim his eight tricks which could have been nine if he wouldn't have taken that spade finesse...

Sliva was punished by the defenders after to a serious mistake when West led the two of hearts. Declarer called low from dummy and cashed in his "free finesse" in hearts. But when the jack brought the king from declarer and the defense meanly refused to win the first round of diamonds declarer had no way to get back to his hand to cash his later established diamonds. West won the second diamond to continue with a heart to dummy's ace. Sliva then tried a low spade, but Quantin went up with the ten to play a club through declarer to West's queen. Lorenzini correctly

cash out the ace of clubs and played a low to partner's jack. The defense then exited with a spade to dummy who eventually just could cash out his last club and ace-king of spades for one down! 5 more IMPs to France who eventually won the match by 39-20 and are leaders of Group A, a few victory points ahead of Italy with a large gap down to Israel in third place.

## Open Teams, RR 12



### Austria v Spain



By Jos Jacobs

On Wednesday night the big match between the leaders in group C was scheduled. Both Austria and Spain had made a good start; both teams so far have shown consistency as well. Before this match, Austria were enjoying a lead of about 17 V.P. over Spain so the latter team certainly could not afford to lose much ground in this match.

The match started well for Spain, as this was the first board:

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Lantaron</i>	<i>F Terraneo</i>	<i>F Goded</i>	<i>Bieder</i>
5♠	2♠	4♦	4♠
Pass	Pass	6♦	6♠
		Dble	All Pass

4♦ over the weak two showed a red two-suiter so Lantaron was only too happy with his double fit.

The bad break in hearts would have sunk any E/W slam but as E/W had settled for the diamond slam, South did not know he had two defensive tricks. And if he was going to lead a spade he would have found he did not have two tricks! The sacrifice went down three, Spain +500.

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>C Terraneo</i>	<i>Sabate</i>	<i>Simon</i>	<i>G Goded</i>
	2♦	2♥	4♥
6♥	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

In the other room, after North's Multi Simon could not show both his suits at once, so the Austrians reached the slam in hearts. This time, South knew what to do...one down, Spain another +100 and 12 IMPs to them.

The next board was a matter of declarer play.

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Lantaran</i>	<i>F Terraneo</i>	<i>F Goded</i>	<i>Bieder</i>
		Pass	Pass
INT	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♦	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

Against the normal 4♥ contract, North led a top spade which was allowed to hold. Declarer won the next spade and ducked a diamond to North's nine. A diamond came back to dummy's ace and now, rather than ruffing a diamond immediately, declarer first cashed the ♥A on general principles and then went on to cash the two top clubs. When he next ruffed a club in dummy, North could get rid of his third diamond and declarer could no longer make his contract.. Down two, Austria +100.

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>C Terraneo</i>	<i>Sabate</i>	<i>Simon</i>	<i>G Goded</i>
		1♥	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

In the other room, East was the declarer and he too got a spade lead. He immediately won the ace, cashed the top clubs and ruffed a club in hand, North throwing a diamond. When he exited in spades, North won and returned a diamond. Simon won the ace and continued the suit, South winning the queen and returning...a trump rather than a diamond. Declarer won in hand with the ♥8 when North played low. But now, he could ruff his last two diamonds with the king and then with the nine, ruffing himself back to his hand with a spade and at the same time creating a



**Jordi Sabate, Spain**

trump coup against North. The latter could overruff dummy's nine but then had to return a trump into declarer's tenace. Austria +420 and 11 IMPs back to them.

On board 19, Spain gained 5 IMPs for an extra doubled undertrick but on board 20, they overbid a little:

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Lantaran</i>	<i>F Terraneo</i>	<i>F Goded</i>	<i>Bieder</i>
1♠	Pass	INT	2♠
Pass	3♥	All Pass	

Once South showed his two-suiter, North could easily stop at the right level. Austria +140.

In the other room, a more aggressive raise put N/S off the right track:

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>C Terraneo</i>	<i>Sabate</i>	<i>Simon</i>	<i>G Goded</i>
1♠	Pass	3♠	Dble
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

South's failure to bid hearts at any stage might have been right; but not today. On the obvious ♠J lead by East, this contract should have had to go three off: four spades and three top tricks in the minors. There were no defensive errors but the board was scored officially as down two, Austria another +200 and 8 IMPs to them.

A few boards later, Spain got a game swing when they bid more aggressively:

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Lantaran	F Terraneo	F Goded	Bieder
Pass	1♠	Dble	Pass
2♥	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

As South passed over East's double, it was virtually impossible for North to find the killing club lead. When he led a spade instead, declarer could carefully cash two top spades, ruff himself back to hand with a low spade and lead a trump up. North jumped in with the ace to lead another spade but with South's trump gone, declarer could discard his losing club and eventually make his contract by way of the diamond finesse. Many players in 4♥ went down after a spade lead.

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
C Terraneo	Sabate	Simon	G Goded
Pass	1♠	Dble	2♣
Pass	Pass	Dble	2♦
2♥	3♣	Pass	Pass
3♥	All Pass		



Thinking in the Closed Room

In the other room, South could bid 2♣ over the double. From there, the Austrians did well to stop in 3♥ — which was all they could make on a club lead. Austria +140 but 10 more IMPs to Spain.

When a Spanish declarer had a blind spot and thus went down in a cold game, Austria gained another 10 IMPs. One wonders if tiredness is beginning to be a factor.

Anyway, the teams came into the final board nearly exactly level: 41-39 to Spain.

This final board should have been a push as there are nine cold tricks in 3NT with the diamonds breaking. But Restricted Choice can sometimes come back and bite one on the rear end...

Board 32. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

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

At both tables, the auction was short; INT – 3NT. South led a spade and declarer next ducked a club. The defenders ducked another round of spades and now, declarer can cash out but he may also exit with his last spade – that's what the Austrian declarer did, hoping to get a full count of the hand. South won the ace and cashed just one more spade (North eventually discarding a heart) before exiting in clubs. That was nice play by South, since had he cashed his last spade East would have been in better shape to guess the layout. Declarer had chosen to discard clubs from both hands on the third and fourth spade but he might nonetheless have ducked the club queen to find out just a little more.

All would still have been well had declarer cashed out diamonds from the top from here, but one might think of taking a finesse in diamonds when North follows with an honour in the second round of the suit. That's exactly what happened next, so Spain got 13 IMPs on the board to win the match 54-39 or 13.97 – 6.03 V.P. They had managed to close part of the gap.

Declarer was playing North for a 3-5-2-3 shape; not impossible, but North's tempo break on the fourth spade might have pointed East in the right direction. That surely wasn't the play of a man with five hearts!

## Senior Teams

## Mixed Teams

## RR 17

Match		IMPs		VPs		Match		IMPs		VPs			
51	USA	NEW ZEALAND	20	0	15.58	4.42	71	IRELAND	NEW ZEALAND	16	15	10.36	9.64
52	BRAZIL	ENGLAND	20	1	15.37	4.63	72	GERMANY	BULGARIA	25	4	15.79	4.21
53	SPAIN	JAPAN	33	17	14.70	5.30	73	CHINA	AUSTRALIA	28	20	12.61	7.39
54	NORWAY	SWEDEN	19	7	13.71	6.29	74	CHINESE TAIPEI	TURKEY	31	26	11.70	8.30
55	DENMARK	PAKISTAN	22	13	12.90	7.10	75	JAPAN	RUSSIA	30	29	10.36	9.64
56	TURKEY	ITALY	45	7	18.54	1.46	76	POLAND	ISRAEL	30	2	17.08	2.92
57	ISRAEL	CHINESE TAIPEI	48	9	18.66	1.34	77	UAE	FRANCE	16	23	7.69	12.31
58	CHINA	MEXICO	53	14	18.66	1.34	78	HUNGARY	ITALY	39	8	17.56	2.44
59	GERMANY	INDIA	10	32	4.01	15.99	79	SWEDEN	INDIA	0	49	0.26	19.74
60	EGYPT	AUSTRALIA	7	23	5.30	14.70	80	NETHERLANDS	BRAZIL	36	5	17.56	2.44
61	FRANCE	CHINA HK	17	23	7.99	12.01	81	USA	DENMARK	5	17	6.29	13.71
62	CANADA	POLAND	18	31	6.03	13.97	82	ENGLAND	BYE	0	0	12	0.00

## RR 18

Match		IMPs		VPs		Match		IMPs		VPs			
51	NEW ZEALAND	CHINESE TAIPEI	29	27	10.71	9.29	71	NEW ZEALAND	FRANCE	12	49	1.59	18.41
52	ITALY	MEXICO	24	32	7.39	12.61	72	ISRAEL	ITALY	10	17	7.69	12.31
53	PAKISTAN	INDIA	15	51	1.72	18.28	73	RUSSIA	INDIA	35	25	13.18	6.82
54	SWEDEN	AUSTRALIA	15	52	1.59	18.41	74	TURKEY	BRAZIL	37	23	14.22	5.78
55	JAPAN	CHINA HK	23	13	13.18	6.82	75	AUSTRALIA	DENMARK	22	25	8.95	11.05
56	ENGLAND	POLAND	8	36	2.92	17.08	76	BULGARIA	ENGLAND	24	24	10.00	10.00
57	USA	CANADA	51	11	18.78	1.22	77	GERMANY	USA	49	35	14.22	5.78
58	BRAZIL	FRANCE	15	20	8.30	11.70	78	CHINA	NETHERLANDS	48	49	9.64	10.36
59	SPAIN	EGYPT	48	29	15.37	4.63	79	CHINESE TAIPEI	SWEDEN	22	18	11.38	8.62
60	NORWAY	GERMANY	31	10	15.79	4.21	80	JAPAN	HUNGARY	32	24	12.61	7.39
61	DENMARK	CHINA	27	26	10.36	9.64	81	POLAND	UAE	38	19	15.37	4.63
62	TURKEY	ISRAEL	32	38	7.99	12.01	82	IRELAND	BYE	0	0	12.00	0.00

## RR 19

Match		IMPs		VPs		Match		IMPs		VPs			
51	FRANCE	NEW ZEALAND	42	18	16.37	3.63	71	USA	NEW ZEALAND	24	38	5.78	14.22
52	CANADA	EGYPT	42	18	16.37	3.63	72	ENGLAND	SWEDEN	44	19	16.55	3.45
53	POLAND	GERMANY	43	15	17.08	2.92	73	DENMARK	HUNGARY	17	26	7.10	12.90
54	CHINA HK	CHINA	28	2	16.73	1.27	74	BRAZIL	UAE	25	22	11.05	8.95
55	AUSTRALIA	ISRAEL	25	14	13.45	6.55	75	INDIA	POLAND	23	27	8.62	11.38
56	INDIA	TURKEY	25	33	7.39	12.61	76	ITALY	JAPAN	51	11	18.78	1.22
57	MEXICO	DENMARK	8	39	2.44	17.56	77	FRANCE	CHINESE TAIPEI	29	18	13.45	6.55
58	CHINESE TAIPEI	NORWAY	31	9	15.99	4.01	78	ISRAEL	CHINA	17	26	7.10	12.90
59	ITALY	SPAIN	53	7	19.44	0.56	79	RUSSIA	GERMANY	20	16	11.38	8.62
60	PAKISTAN	BRAZIL	14	42	2.92	17.08	80	TURKEY	IRELAND	33	4	17.24	2.76
61	SWEDEN	USA	18	17	10.36	9.64	81	AUSTRALIA	BULGARIA	26	19	12.31	7.69
62	JAPAN	ENGLAND	11	20	7.10	12.90	82	NETHERLANDS	BYE	0	0	12.00	0.00

## RR 20

Match		IMPs		VPs		Match		IMPs		VPs			
51	NEW ZEALAND	JAPAN	42	13	17.24	2.76	71	NEW ZEALAND	AUSTRALIA	27	21	12.01	7.99
52	ENGLAND	SWEDEN	4	41	1.59	18.41	72	BULGARIA	TURKEY	21	31	6.82	13.18
53	USA	PAKISTAN	29	31	9.29	10.71	73	IRELAND	RUSSIA	37	31	12.01	7.99
54	BRAZIL	ITALY	9	25	5.30	14.70	74	GERMANY	ISRAEL	27	35	7.39	12.61
55	SPAIN	CHINESE TAIPEI	25	48	3.82	16.18	75	CHINA	FRANCE	25	47	4.01	15.99
56	NORWAY	MEXICO	57	22	18.14	1.86	76	CHINESE TAIPEI	ITALY	20	51	2.44	17.56
57	DENMARK	INDIA	30	36	7.99	12.01	77	JAPAN	INDIA	3	11	7.39	12.61
58	TURKEY	AUSTRALIA	10	10	10.00	10.00	78	POLAND	BRAZIL	27	52	3.45	16.55
59	ISRAEL	CHINA HK	50	8	19.02	0.98	79	UAE	DENMARK	21	46	3.45	16.55
60	CHINA	POLAND	5	25	4.42	15.58	80	HUNGARY	ENGLAND	38	32	12.01	7.99
61	GERMANY	CANADA	26	16	13.18	6.82	81	NETHERLANDS	USA	7	10	8.95	11.05
62	EGYPT	FRANCE	5	30	3.45	16.55	82	SWEDEN	BYE	0	0	12.00	0.00

## RR 13

	Match	VPs	
1	SINGAPORE BRAZIL	7.20 12.80	
2	JORDAN ITALY	0.00 20.00	
3	ESTONIA GERMANY	0.00 20.00	
4	INDIA AUSTRALIA	18.77 1.23	
5	GREECE RUSSIA	7.71 12.29	
6	CHINESE TAIPEI FINLAND	13.52 6.48	
7	FRANCE SOUTH AFRICA	13.52 6.48	
8	ISRAEL PHILIPPINES	14.39 5.61	
9	UKRAINE SWITZERLAND	9.69 10.31	

## RR 14

	Match	VPs	
1	ITALY SINGAPORE	16.72 2.28	
2	GERMANY JORDAN	10.00 10.00	
3	SWITZERLAND ESTONIA	19.25 0.75	
4	AUSTRALIA BRAZIL	17.17 2.83	
5	RUSSIA INDIA	15.92 4.08	
6	FINLAND GREECE	5.00 15.00	
7	SOUTH AFRICA CHINESE TAIPEI	3.91 16.09	
8	PHILIPPINES FRANCE	2.03 17.97	
9	UKRAINE ISRAEL	4.62 15.38	

## RR 15

	Match	VPs	
1	SINGAPORE GERMANY	4.44 15.56	
2	JORDAN ESTONIA	8.24 11.76	
3	ITALY AUSTRALIA	12.55 7.45	
4	BRAZIL RUSSIA	1.03 18.97	
5	INDIA FINLAND	18.55 1.45	
6	GREECE SOUTH AFRICA	15.00 5.00	
7	CHINESE TAIPEI PHILIPPINES	16.26 3.74	
8	FRANCE UKRAINE	13.97 6.03	
9	ISRAEL SWITZERLAND	15.19 4.81	

## Open Teams Group A

## Open Teams Group B

	Match	VPs	
11	PAKISTAN LEBANON	15.19 4.81	
12	KUWAIT POLAND	0.75 19.25	
13	BOSNIA HERZ. MONACO	6.03 13.97	
14	MEXICO ICELAND	10.91 9.09	
15	ARGENTINA JAPAN	1.56 18.44	
16	NORWAY BELGIUM	18.77 1.23	
17	USA TUNISIA	12.55 7.45	
18	ENGLAND CHINA HK	15.19 4.81	
19	LATVIA TURKEY	0.57 19.43	

	Match	VPs	
11	POLAND PAKISTAN	20.00 0.00	
12	MONACO KUWAIT	20.00 0.00	
13	TURKEY BOSNIA HERZ.	13.75 6.25	
14	ICELAND LEBANON	20.00 0.00	
15	JAPAN MEXICO	18.66 1.34	
16	BELGIUM ARGENTINA	10.61 9.39	
17	TUNISIA NORWAY	8.24 11.76	
18	CHINA HK USA	0.00 20.00	
19	LATVIA ENGLAND	1.56 18.44	

	Match	VPs	
11	PAKISTAN MONACO	3.12 16.88	
12	KUWAIT BOSNIA HERZ.	11.48 8.52	
13	POLAND ICELAND	18.66 1.34	
14	LEBANON JAPAN	11.20 8.80	
15	MEXICO BELGIUM	3.91 16.09	
16	ARGENTINA TUNISIA	8.24 11.76	
17	NORWAY CHINA HK	16.88 3.12	
18	USA LATVIA	13.75 6.25	
19	ENGLAND TURKEY	18.55 1.45	

## Open Teams Group C

	Match	VPs	
21	BANGLADESH HUNGARY	12.80 7.20	
22	GUADELOUPE CHINA	14.60 5.40	
23	NEW ZEALAND NETHERLANDS	8.24 11.76	
24	CANADA UAE	17.72 2.28	
25	SAN MARINO EGYPT	0.00 20.00	
26	DENMARK IRELAND	8.80 11.20	
27	SWEDEN AUSTRIA	17.17 2.83	
28	SCOTLAND LITHUANIA	0.57 19.43	
29	SPAIN BYE	12.00 0.00	

	Match	VPs	
21	CHINA BANGLADESH	19.69 0.31	
22	NETHERLANDS GUADELOUPE	18.21 1.79	
23	LITHUANIA NEW ZEALAND	1.56 18.44	
24	UAE HUNGARY	0.23 19.77	
25	EGYPT CANADA	9.09 10.91	
26	IRELAND SAN MARINO	13.97 6.03	
27	AUSTRIA DENMARK	17.03 2.97	
28	SCOTLAND SPAIN	10.31 9.69	
29	SWEDEN BYE	12.00 0.00	

	Match	VPs	
21	BANGLADESH NETHERLANDS	0.84 19.16	
22	GUADELOUPE NEW ZEALAND	7.20 12.80	
23	CHINA UAE	4.44 15.56	
24	HUNGARY EGYPT	3.58 16.42	
25	CANADA IRELAND	12.55 7.45	
26	SAN MARINO AUSTRIA	0.48 19.52	
27	SWEDEN SCOTLAND	16.58 3.42	
28	SPAIN LITHUANIA	5.20 14.80	
29	DENMARK BYE	12.00 0.00	

## Women's Teams Group A

	Match	VPs	
31	KOREA NORWAY	12.55 7.45	
32	JAPAN NETHERLANDS	0.15 19.85	
33	PAKISTAN CHINA	1.91 18.09	
34	JORDAN SOUTH AFRICA	5.61 14.39	
35	BRAZIL TURKEY	6.25 13.75	
36	SPAIN SAN MARINO	17.45 2.55	
37	ENGLAND EGYPT	18.33 1.67	
38	SWEDEN AUSTRALIA	15.56 4.44	
39	MEXICO FINLAND	2.03 17.97	

	Match	VPs	
31	NETHERLANDS KOREA	15.74 4.26	
32	CHINA JAPAN	12.80 7.20	
33	FINLAND PAKISTAN	15.74 4.26	
34	SOUTH AFRICA NORWAY	13.97 6.03	
35	TURKEY JORDAN	16.58 3.42	
36	SAN MARINO BRAZIL	13.04 6.96	
37	EGYPT SPAIN	15.74 4.26	
38	AUSTRALIA ENGLAND	14.18 5.82	
39	MEXICO SWEDEN	2.83 17.17	

	Match	VPs	
31	KOREA CHINA	0.00 20.00	
32	JAPAN PAKISTAN	6.25 13.75	
33	NETHERLANDS SOUTH AFRICA	14.18 5.82	
34	NORWAY TURKEY	9.39 10.61	
35	JORDAN SAN MARINO	16.88 3.12	
36	BRAZIL EGYPT	11.20 8.80	
37	SPAIN AUSTRALIA	13.75 6.25	
38	ENGLAND MEXICO	12.29 7.71	
39	SWEDEN FINLAND	15.56 4.44	

## Women's Teams Group B

	Match	VPs	
41	CHINESE TAIPEI DENMARK	15.56 4.44	
42	CHINA HK POLAND	3.74 16.26	
43	ICELAND FRANCE	1.67 18.33	
44	INDIA GERMANY	5.61 14.39	
45	SCOTLAND IRELAND	16.26 3.74	
46	USA TUNISIA	15.92 4.08	
47	ITALY NEW ZEALAND	13.75 6.25	
48	CHILE CANADA	13.97 6.03	
49	PALESTINE BYE	12.00 0.00	

	Match	VPs	
41	POLAND CHINESE TAIPEI	12.03 7.97	
42	FRANCE CHINA HK	10.31 9.69	
43	CANADA ICELAND	7.97 12.03	
44	GERMANY PALESTINE	15.00 5.00	
45	IRELAND INDIA	7.45 12.55	
46	TUNISIA SCOTLAND	6.03 13.97	
47	NEW ZEALAND USA	15.00 5.00	
48	CHILE ITALY	5.61 14.39	
49	DENMARK BYE	12.00 0.00	

	Match	VPs	
41	CHINESE TAIPEI FRANCE	8.52 11.48	
42	CHINA HK ICELAND	18.44 1.56	
43	DENMARK GERMANY	4.81 15.19	
44	PALESTINE IRELAND	4.44 15.56	
45	INDIA TUNISIA	8.24 11.76	
46	SCOTLAND NEW ZEALAND	17.45 2.55	
47	USA CHILE	14.80 5.20	
48	ITALY CANADA	19.69 0.31	
49	POLAND BYE	12.00 0.00	



## The Polish Corner

**DOBRY PROGNOSTYK PRZED PLAY OFF**

Rozdania z tych meczów prezentowałem już wczoraj, ale to nie koniec. Było tam jeszcze kilka wartych uwagi. Zwłaszcza nasze panie rozwiązywały je lepiej od Francuzek. Nie były to wielkie obroty, ale warto popatrzeć.

Pierwsze rozdanie było dynamiczne i w wielu meczach nastąpiły w nim duże obroty. Nie popłacała w nim walka o utrzymanie się przy grze za wszelką cenę:

Rozd. 11. Obie przed, rozd. S.

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



Francuzki utrzymały się tutaj przy grze na obu stołach:

West	North	East	South
Sarniak	Frey	Brewiak	d'Ovidio
1♦	2♣	3♦	pas
5♦	5♥	pas	6♣
ktr.	pas...		

3♦ - mixed raise

Na drugim stole nasza para była w końcówce prędkiej i po 5♦ nie było powodu iść wyżej:

West	North	East	South
Willard	Dufrat	Cronier	Żmuda
1♦	ktr.	3♣	pas
3♥	4♣	pas	5♣
5♦	pas...		
3♣ - mixed raise			

Na obu stołach bez jednej, 4 imp dla Polski.

I jeszcze rozdanie ze strefy częściowego zapisu z podobnym rezultatem:

Rozd. 9. Obie po, rozd. N.

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



Tutaj z kolei na obu stołach utrzymały się przy grze pary polskie:

West	North	East	South
Sarniak	Frey	Brewiak	d'Ovidio
2♣	pas	1BA	pas
2♥	pas	2♦	pas
	pas	2♠	pas...

1BA - 14-16 PC

2♦ - omyłkowo wyjęty z bidding boksu kartonik...

2♥ - słaba karta z dwoma starszymi kolorami

S, przekonana w świetle odpowiedzi 2♦ na Stayman, że partnerka ma pięć atutów, wypuściła kontrakt. Na drugim stole Francuzki grały otwarciem 1BA 15-17 PC, co pozwoliło naszym wygrać licytację:

West	North	East	South
Willard	Dufrat	Cronier	Żmuda
ktr.	pas	1♣	1♦
pas	1♠	pas	1BA
	2♦	pas...	

ktr. - 4+♥.

2♦ zostało wygrane z nadróbką i nasza drużyna wygrała tutaj 6 imp.

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