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LET THE KNOCKOUTS COMMENCE



Bridge unites people from all countries. WBF motto is: "Bridge for Peace"

The eight qualifiers in the junior event were known after the first of yesterday's three rounds. The front runners were just jockeying for position to get an earlier pick for their quarterfinal opponents.

All the matches will be over 56 boards today. And if there is a tie, another 6 boards will be played.

The draw for all of the matches can be found on page two.

Note that four countries, France, the Netherlands, Po-

land and the United States, have teams playing in all three events. France and Poland also battled it out in the Kids final. But it was hard for the Netherlands and the United States to be there, because they were not invited to enter teams!

Remember that you can get up-to-the-minute scores at worldbridge.org and watch matches live at bridgebase.com.

And let's not forget the Transnational Board-a-Match Teams, which starts today. Have fun.



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JUNIORS, YOUNGSTERS AND GIRLS QUARTERFINAL DRAWS

JUNIORS

	c/o	SEATING RIGHTS			
		1	2	3	4
POLAND	11		x		x
TURKEY	0	x		x	

	c/o	SEATING RIGHTS			
		1	2	3	4
CHINA	11	x		x	
NORWAY	0		x		x

	c/o	SEATING RIGHTS			
		1	2	3	4
USA1	9.5	x		x	
NETHERLANDS	0		x		x

	c/o	SEATING RIGHTS			
		1	2	3	4
FRANCE	6		x		x
SWEDEN	0	x		x	

GIRLS

	c/o	SEATING RIGHTS			
		1	2	3	4
ITALY	11			x	x
HUNGARY	0	x	x		

	c/o	SEATING RIGHTS			
		1	2	3	4
NETHERLANDS	11	x			x
USA	0		x	x	

	c/o	SEATING RIGHTS			
		1	2	3	4
POLAND	0		x		x
CHINA	1.67	x		x	

	c/o	SEATING RIGHTS			
		1	2	3	4
AUSTRALIA	0		x	x	
FRANCE	6	x			x

YOUNGSTERS

	c/o	SEATING RIGHTS			
		1	2	3	4
SWEDEN	11	x		x	
NETHERLANDS	0		x		x

	c/o	SEATING RIGHTS			
		1	2	3	4
CHINA	11	x			x
USA1	0		x	x	

	c/o	SEATING RIGHTS			
		1	2	3	4
NORWAY	0		x	x	
CHINA H. K.	5.67	x			x

	c/o	SEATING RIGHTS			
		1	2	3	4
POLAND	7	x			x
FRANCE	0		x	x	



PROGRAM TODAY

10.00 QUARTERFINALS SESSION 1

12.00 VG: ITA - HUN Girls
 BBO2: POL - FRA Youngsters
 BBO3: POL - TUR Junior
 BBO4: CHN - NOR Junior
 BBO5: USA1 - NED Junior

BAM CONSOLATION

13.00 QUARTERFINALS SESSION 2

15.00 VG: SWE - NED Youngsters
 BBO matches are to be announced

BAM CONSOLATION

15.20 QUARTERFINALS SESSION 3

17.20 VG and BBO matches to be announced

BAM CONSOLATION

17.40 QUARTERFINALS SESSION 4

19.40 VG and BBO matches to be announced

BAM CONSOLATION



RESULTS - JUNIORS

JUNIORS		ROUND 19	
SWE	AUS	48 - 28	15.26 - 4.74
TPE	FRA	19 - 49	2.96 - 17.04
NOR	NZL	88 - 8	20.00 - 0.00
POL	IND	44 - 43	10.33 - 9.67
NED	BOT	102 - 3	20.00 - 0.00
CHN	CAN	58 - 17	18.53 - 1.47
SIN	USA1	8 - 56	0.72 - 19.28
USA2	DEN	73 - 4	20.00 - 0.00
TUR	EGY	37 - 43	8.13 - 11.87
FIN	HKG	25 - 59	2.37 - 17.63
GER	ARG	84 - 14	20.00 - 0.00

JUNIORS		ROUND 20	
NED	POL	18 - 26	7.56 - 12.44
CHN	NOR	30 - 1	16.88 - 3.12
FIN	TPE	64 - 13	19.56 - 0.44
TUR	SWE	22 - 18	11.28 - 8.72
SIN	AUS	2 - 83	0.00 - 20.00
EGY	ARG	40 - 57	5.36 - 14.64
DEN	FRA	29 - 19	12.97 - 7.03
BOT	USA1	11 - 54	1.24 - 18.76
CAN	IND	41 - 30	13.23 - 6.77
HKG	NZL	58 - 1	20.00 - 0.00
USA2	GER	38 - 12	16.38 - 3.62

JUNIORS		ROUND 21	
BOT	CAN	19 - 72	0.26 - 19.74
IND	HKG	34 - 24	12.97 - 7.03
NZL	DEN	47 - 64	5.36 - 14.64
FRA	EGY	29 - 23	11.87 - 8.13
ARG	SIN	30 - 70	1.59 - 18.41
AUS	TUR	56 - 47	12.71 - 7.29
SWE	USA2	44 - 9	17.77 - 2.23
TPE	CHN	19 - 36	5.36 - 14.64
USA1	POL	46 - 40	11.87 - 8.13
NOR	NED	13 - 22	7.29 - 12.71
GER	FIN	29 - 55	3.62 - 16.38

JUNIORS RANKING		AFTER ROUND 21	
1	POLAND	293.61	
2	CHINA	289.70	
3	USA1	288.89	
4	FRANCE	283.31	
5	SWEDEN	270.58	
6	NETHERLANDS	263.92	
7	TURKEY	259.13	
8	NORWAY	251.79	
9	CANADA	229.57	
10	AUSTRALIA	226.54	
11	CHINA H. K.	224.52	
12	USA2	205.32	
13	FINLAND	193.96	
14	NEW ZEALAND	191.41	
15	GERMANY	189.55	
16	DENMARK	182.23	
17	SINGAPORE	182.11	
18	EGYPT	170.82	
19	INDIA	149.74	
20	CHINESE TAIPEI	142.21	
21	ARGENTINA	102.62	
22	BOTSWANA	25.47	



BUTLER RANKING - JUNIORS AFTER ROUND 21

Player	Butler	Country	Boards
TANG Zhi - XIA Xinyu	2.93	China	14
TAO Yong - XIA Xinyu	1.89	China	28
EIDE Mats - ELLINGSEN Kristian	1.84	Norway	56
GRONKVIST Mikael - STOKKA Adam	1.41	Sweden	56
CHARIGNON Fabrice - LALOUBEYRE Clement	1.21	France	84
GROSSACK Adam - GROSSACK Zachary	1.12	U.S.A.	210
BIELAWSKI Maciej - NIAJKO Slawomir	0.92	Poland	140
EKENBERG Simon - HULT Simon	0.91	Sweden	182
EDGTTON Adam - EDGTTON Nabil	0.88	Australia	252
WACKWITZ Ernst - WESTERBEEK Chris	0.87	Netherlands	224
JASSEM Pawel - WOJCIESZEK Jakub	0.85	Poland	224
KLUKOWSKI Michal - TUCZYNSKI Piotr	0.82	Poland	224
HULT Simon - STOKKA Adam	0.82	Sweden	56
AGICA Marius - LIEN Owen	0.80	U.S.A.	182
ALTINDAG Anil - KAPUSUZ Yusuf Berkay	0.71	Turkey	140
COUDERT Thibault - LORENZINI Cedric	0.65	France	294
GRUDE Tor Eivind - HEGGE Kristoffer	0.64	Norway	266
VAN LANKVELD Joris - WESTERBEEK Ricardo	0.62	Netherlands	182
EIDE Harald - EIDE Mats	0.61	Norway	28
TANG Zhi - TAO Yong	0.60	China	252
LIU Shuo - ZHANG Liangxiao	0.54	China	280
AYDOGDU Erkmn - OZEN Berk Can	0.53	Turkey	210
AIMALA Antti - FAGERLUND Vesa	0.50	Finland	294
BERNARD Julien - COMBESCURE Baptiste	0.45	France	210
EIDE Mats - HEGGE Kristoffer	0.43	Norway	14
BRESCOLL Zachary - KAPLAN Adam	0.40	U.S.A.	196
GRONKVIST Mikael - GULLBERG Daniel	0.40	Sweden	196
GINNAN Laura - HOWARD Justin	0.32	Australia	154
COZART Darien - TESSAROLO Jordan	0.32	Canada	84
HERMAN Gregory - HUDSON Alex	0.31	U.S.A.	210
KOCLAR Akin - SUZER Ugurcan	0.30	Turkey	238
HUANG Shan - WALSH Tom	0.30	Canada	252
MAMDOUH Wasim - THARWAT Mahmoud	0.29	Egypt	14
POLAK Tobias - VAN OVERBEEKE Tom	0.27	Netherlands	182
CHAN Philip - LAM Leo	0.21	China Hong Kong	196
BILDE Dennis - JEPSEN Rasmus Rask	0.20	Denmark	238
LUI Barney - WAI Cf	0.19	China Hong Kong	196
HO Gordon - TAM Rocky	0.17	China Hong Kong	196
MACAULAY Ethan - TSANG Jeffrey	0.16	Canada	252
GULLBERG Daniel - STOKKA Adam	0.02	Sweden	42
EIDE Harald - ELLINGSEN Kristian	-0.01	Norway	210
WANG Zhuo (Jimmy) - ZHOU Erli	-0.05	U.S.A.	182
MORGIEL Anna - VIKJORD Vemund	-0.16	Germany	294
THOMPSON Jamie - WILLIAMS Stephen	-0.16	Australia	182
EKENBERG Simon - STOKKA Adam	-0.16	Sweden	56
WU Edmund - ZHU William	-0.16	U.S.A.	196
CHEN Yin-Shou - WANG Jui	-0.16	Chinese Taipei	196
LAZAR Kornel - SZIRMAY-KALOS Barnabas	-0.18	Germany	294
MAMDOUH Wasim - NASHAAT Michael	-0.18	Egypt	224
COUTTS Glenn - JACOB Nick	-0.21	New Zealand	252
BAILEY Samuel Edward - COUTTS Samuel	-0.21	New Zealand	210
LIM Kah Hong - SHAN Shenghao	-0.30	Singapore	182
BOUTON Victoria - BROWN Matthew	-0.31	New Zealand	126
NG Sean Jake Peng - ONG Jin Xiang	-0.34	Singapore	210
XIA Xinyu - ZHANG Liangxiao	-0.36	China	14
CHAN Ryan - LEE Derek Cheng Feng	-0.36	Singapore	196
ABDEL-AZIZ Mohamed - ALSELEHDAR Aly	-0.39	Egypt	266
HUANG Hao-Wei - TAI Yu-Tung	-0.40	Chinese Taipei	210
KABRA Saket - RAVICHANDRAN Rahul	-0.42	India	294
MITRA Sounak - SARKAR ANINDRA	-0.45	India	294
KOIVU Alma - MYLLAERI Maria	-0.46	Finland	84
BILDE Majka Cilleborg - JEPSEN Peter	-0.47	Denmark	168
BUUS THOMSEN Emil - BUUS THOMSEN Signe	-0.48	Denmark	182
KOIVU Alma - KOIVU Oskari	-0.65	Finland	84
KOIVU Oskari - MYLLAERI Maria	-0.66	Finland	126
FADY Kirolos - THARWAT Mahmoud	-0.75	Egypt	84
CHUNG Tai-Che - LEE Shih-Yao	-0.76	Chinese Taipei	182
SANTA ANA Matias E. - VON BRUDERSDORFF F.	-0.81	Argentina	154
RUEDA Santiago - SANTA ANA Matias Exequiel	-0.83	Argentina	42
RUEDA Santiago - VALLECILLO Francisco Javier	-0.84	Argentina	98
RUEDA Santiago - VON BRUDERSDORFF F.	-0.95	Argentina	84
ELLINGSEN Kristian - GRUDE Tor Eivind	-1.14	Norway	14
ARGAIN Ariel - SENGIALI Nicolas Miguel	-1.47	Argentina	210
MALILO Mbakisi - RAMOSEKI Prince	-2.28	Botswana	210
MOJI Mosimanegape - MOLETA Kabelo	-2.81	Botswana	182
ELLECE Boatametse - MAELE Glod	-3.20	Botswana	196



BUTLER RANKING - YOUNGSTERS AFTER ROUND 15

Players	Butler	Country	Boards
ROSENBERG Kevin - SPENCER Cole	3.36	U.S.A.	14
CASPERSEN Soeren Veel - TODD-MOIR Victor	2.00	Denmark	14
RIMSTEDT Ola - SAFSTEN Johan	1.22	Sweden	210
JIN Kai - ZHU Chenyu	1.08	China	140
GU Sijia - MIAO Benjie	1.07	China	126
MARCINOWSKI Piotr - SOBCZAK Mateusz	0.86	Poland	196
CHANG Nolan - SPENCER Cole	0.79	U.S.A.	56
BEUGIN Francois - FOURRE Matthieu	0.77	France	140
DAVILA Nicolas - GERTSMANN Sofia	0.75	Chile	28
BAKKE Christian - FLAATT Espen	0.74	Norway	210
KRAWCZYK Blazej - KRYSA Michal	0.67	Poland	182
KOLEK Lukas - VOJTIK Jakub	0.66	Czech Republic	182
GRONKVIST Ida - RIMSTEDT Mikael	0.64	Sweden	210
CHAN Francis - NG Mark	0.64	China Hong Kong	140
DHIR Arjun - JOLLY Christian	0.63	U.S.A.	168
KRISTENSEN Benjamin - ROSENBERG Kevin	0.62	U.S.A.	196
SAETHER Joakim - SCHEIE Marcus	0.57	Norway	210
STOUGIE Leen - STOUGIE Marc	0.44	Netherlands	112
BOULIN Arthur - DEHEEGER Colin	0.41	France	126
CASPERSEN Soeren Veel - ROSAGER Oliver	0.34	Denmark	126
KLEMS Erik - MELCAK Martin	0.32	Czech Republic	112
TSENG Sam - WAN Vinci	0.31	China Hong Kong	140
CHEN Siyuan - WANG Qingfeng	0.29	China	154
BERK Hakan - SOUKUP David	0.27	U.S.A.	126
COPPENS Pim - DONKERSLOOT Bob	0.25	Netherlands	154
HUBER Christopher - KRIEGEL Oren	0.18	U.S.A.	154
JAKABSIC Jakub - KVOCEK Juraj	0.11	Slovakia	210
SPRINKHUIZEN Thibo - TIJSSEN Luc	0.11	Netherlands	154
LEE Louis - TSANG Jackson	0.03	China Hong Kong	140
BRODERSEN Jon - LAHRMANN Christian	0.02	Denmark	140
HEBBERT Jessie - LAMOUREUX Victor	-0.02	Canada	126
MARIE Benjamin - VINCENOT Thibaud	-0.04	France	154
GUNEYI Eylem Tugce - OFLAZ Mehmet Can	-0.08	Turkey	126
KUBICA Adam - VODICKA Martin	-0.12	Slovakia	210
FENG Xinyu Bob - YANG Xu	-0.13	Canada	182
IMDAT Eren - ONAL Oguzhan	-0.13	Turkey	182
BOTUR Michael - KOHUTOVA Lucie	-0.13	Czech Republic	126
CELEP Cem - CIFTCI Ilgaz	-0.16	Turkey	112
HUNT Allison - SNOWDEN Burke	-0.25	U.S.A.	126
KURZAK Przemyslaw - PLADER Lukasz	-0.67	Poland	42
HEBBERT Jessie - HEBBERT Jordan	-0.71	Canada	14
BUNE Soren - TODD-MOIR Victor	-0.80	Denmark	140
FENG Xinyu Bob - LAMOUREUX Victor	-0.93	Canada	14
BOSSONNEY Kevin - BOSSONNEY Kyle	-1.57	Chile	210
HEBBERT Jordan - MACDONALD Spencer	-1.60	Canada	84
GERTSMANN Sofia - MOLINA Diana	-2.46	Chile	168
DHARANISHVAR S S - SHYLENDRAN P	-2.51	India	210
MOHAMMED HARRIS S - SHANMUGAPRIYAN M	-2.76	India	210
DAVILA Nicolas - MOLINA Diana	-2.79	Chile	14



BUTLER RANKING - GIRLS AFTER ROUND 13

Players	Butler	Country	Boards
ARBIT Julie - TEBHA Anam	2.27	U.S.A.	56
BURGIO Caterina - BUTTO Federica	1.32	Italy	98
BANAS Natalia - GROENLAND Carla	1.24	Netherlands	84
FU Bo - LI Hanxiao	1.12	China	140
BOTTA Giorgia - COSTA Margherita	1.02	Italy	126
JAROSZ Aleksandra - ZMUDA Justyna	0.99	Poland	126
MOSKOVSKY Ellena - TRAVIS Lauren	0.91	Australia	168
CHAVARRIA Margherita - SALVATO Michela	0.91	Italy	112
WU Qihao - ZHAO Bing	0.91	China	154
TEBHA Anam - WERNIS Rebecca	0.64	U.S.A.	28
BRUIJNSTEEN Merel - VAN DELFT Doris	0.63	Netherlands	112
LEUFKENS Lotte - TICHA Magdalena	0.60	Netherlands	140
HUBERSCHWILLER Anne-Laure - MOURGUES J.	0.60	France	126
BALDYSZ Zofia - MADUZIA Anna	0.56	Poland	84
DE TESSIERE Jessie - THIZY Aurelie	0.55	France	126
FULLER Kirstyn - PATTISON Ella	0.54	Australia	98
LELEU Anais - THUILLERZ Mathilde	0.48	France	84
SEKER Olgu - USKUP Burcu	0.40	Turkey	168
CHEN Kuan-Hsuan - CHIU Yun-Ju	0.40	Chinese Taipei	139
ARBIT Julie - THAPA Isha	0.28	U.S.A.	98
INDREBO Thea Lucia - SJODAL Sofie Grasholt	0.18	Norway	56
ERSEK Laura - FISCHER Brigitta	0.14	Hungary	168
DLUGOSZ Olga - SZCZYPCZYK Agnieszka	0.10	Poland	126
HAUGE Thea Hove - KLINGEN Marte Haugen	0.03	Norway	112
BEKO Zsofia - FISCHER Andrea	-0.06	Hungary	98
TSOU Hsin-Yen - TSOU Meng-Hsuan	-0.07	Chinese Taipei	97
LINZ Marianna - WERNIS Rebecca	-0.16	U.S.A.	98
ENGIN Ozge - OZECOGLU Nida	-0.21	Turkey	28
SRIDAR HINDU SREE - SRIDAR JAYASHREE	-0.23	India	167
BRAKE Jessica - COOPER Renee	-0.27	Australia	70
BEKO Maria - FISCHER Andrea	-0.43	Hungary	70
OZSEMA Habibe Guldamlar - TUGRUL Tugce Ceren	-0.62	Turkey	140
FROYSE Stine - SJODAL Sofie Grasholt	-0.75	Norway	56
LADYZHENSKY Asya - TEBHA Anam	-1.00	U.S.A.	56
FROYSE Stine - MIKKELSEN Charlotte	-1.00	Norway	70
INDREBO Thea Lucia - MIKKELSEN Charlotte	-1.18	Norway	28
YANG Hsin-Jung - YAO Wen-Chun	-1.28	Chinese Taipei	98
SATHE SHRUTI - VORA NIYATI	-1.37	India	167
CHEN Li - LI Xinyi	-1.43	China	42
HAUGE Thea Hove - INDREBO Thea Lucia	-1.57	Norway	14
GAOLATLHWE Onalenna - MOLOME Ontlametse	-2.29	Botswana	14
DIPORO Kgomotso - MOLOME Ontlametse	-2.32	Botswana	140
CAIPHUS Tebogo - GAOLATLHWE Onalenna	-3.11	Botswana	28
DIPORO Kgomotso - GAOLATLHWE Onalenna	-3.36	Botswana	14
BADI Angela - CAIPHUS Tebogo	-3.44	Botswana	112
BADI Angela - GAOLATLHWE Onalenna	-3.46	Botswana	28



THE KIDS FINAL

by Phillip Alder

France and Poland would play over 48 boards to decide the winner of the inaugural Kids Championship. France began with a carryover of 5.5 imps from the match between the teams in the qualifying round robin.

The lead did not last this deal:

Board 5. Dealer North. N-S Vul.

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

Open Room			
<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>P. Patreuha</i>	<i>Bellicaud J.</i>	<i>Patreuha</i>	<i>Guillemin</i>
Pass	Pass	1NT	2♣ (a)
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
(a) Both majors			
Closed Room			
<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Guth</i>	<i>Kopka</i>	<i>Le Lez</i>	<i>Maszenda</i>
Pass	Pass	1NT	Dble (a)
Pass	2♣	All Pass	

(a) Five-card minor and a four-card major

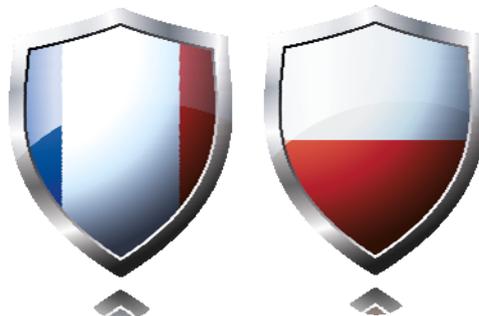
Each South had the same choice: double to show a long minor and shorter major, or bid two clubs to indicate the majors.

In this instance, the decision by Theo Guillemin in theory should have been worth one imp because his partner ought to have chosen to play in spades. Eight tricks were available in each black suit, although the play might have got a little messy.

Against two hearts, Patryk Patreuha defended perfectly. He led the ace of clubs, played a second club, received a club ruff, and switched to a diamond. Now South was destined to go two down.

Against two clubs, Victor Le Lez led a low diamond. Kacper Kopka took West's queen with his ace, played a heart to dummy's king and returned a heart to East's queen. A trump switch seems marked now, but East led the ten of spades. North won with his jack and was in control, ending with ten tricks.

Plus 200 and plus 130 gave Poland 8 imps on the board and the match lead by 12-5.5.



Another 12 imps went the same way on the next deal when Le Lez misplayed a three-notrump contract.

This deal was not easy for East-West to judge -- especially West.

Board 9. Dealer North. E-W Vul.

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

Open Room			
<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>P. Patreuha</i>	<i>Bellicaud J.</i>	<i>Patreuha</i>	<i>Guillemin</i>
Pass	1♦	1♠	Pass
4♥	2♦	3♥	Pass
	5♦	Dble	All Pass

Closed Room			
<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Guth</i>	<i>Kopka</i>	<i>Le Lez</i>	<i>Maszenda</i>
Pass	1♦	1♠	3♣
4♠	3♠	4♥	Pass
	5♣	All Pass	

If Jakub Patreuha had passed over five diamonds, perhaps his younger brother would have competed with five hearts, which was laydown.

The best defence against five diamonds doubled is tough, even for seniors, but perhaps not impossible given this auction that strongly suggests that East's hand has 6=5=2=0 distribution.

East led the king of spades. West could have overtaken with his ace and led the jack of clubs, a suit-preference signal advertising the jack of spades. East ruffs, underleads in spades (perhaps after cashing the ace of hearts and getting a discouraging signal), and gets a second ruff for three down.

At the table, West did not overtake at trick one. East continued with the queen of spades, which West did win to switch to a heart. Now North escaped for two down.

In the closed room, South's weak jump shift had North thinking about three notrumps, so he asked for a spade stopper. When five clubs came around to West, one feels that he should have bid five hearts. East bid to four hearts, vulnerable against not, all on his own. He had to have a prime hand. And West knew it was a double-fit deal. Double fits almost always generate more tricks than the combined high-card values would suggest.



 **Patrick Patreuha**

East-West took their five tricks for three down, but because it was undoubled, Poland gained 4 imps.

France finally got on the scoreboard when the North players held this hand:

♠ J 8 6 4 ♥ K 10 7 ♦ J 6 ♣ J 8 5 2

Partner opens one heart with nobody vulnerable. What would you do?

It looks normal to raise to two hearts. If you have this gadget available, you might respond one forcing notrump because your hand has so many losers, planning to rebid two hearts next.

In the open room, Kopka passed. Le Lez bravely balanced with one notrump on a nine-count, South rebid two diamonds, North gave preference to two hearts, and there matters rested, making nine tricks.

In the closed room, Luc Bellicaud responded one spade. Guillemin rebid three diamonds, North jumped to four hearts (principle of fast arrival, trying to show a weak hand), but South now used Roman Key Card Blackwood, which carried them to the precarious level of five hearts.

This was South's hand:

♠ K 10 2 ♥ A 8 5 3 2 ♦ A K Q 9 4 ♣ --

Luckily, West had the queen-jack-doubleton of hearts. The play was imperfect, but the contract came home to give France 7 imps. And they had a lucky huge gain on this deal:

Board 13. Dealer North. Both Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
P. Patreuha	Bellicaud J.	Patreuha	Guillemin
	2♠ (a)	Dble	Pass
3♣	Pass	Pass	Dble
Pass	Pass	Pass	

(a) Five spades and a four-card or longer minor

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Guth	Kopka	Le Lez	Maszenda
	2♠ (a)	Dble	2NT (b)
Pass	3♦	Dble	3♠
4♣	Pass	Pass	Dble
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

(a) At least 5-5 in spades and a minor

(b) Enquiry

The French pair in the closed room obviously had a misunderstanding about East's double. He intended it as for penalty, but West assumed it announced a good heart-club hand.

Against three clubs doubled, North led the king of spades. South overtook with his ace and returned the jack. North overtook that and continued with the nine. South, after overruffing the dummy, switched to a heart. West won in the dummy and played a trump, jack, king. Declarer ruffed his last spade, but South overruffed again, cashed his two top trumps and exited with a high heart. West had to lose one more trick in the wash to go down .

Against four spades, East led the ace of hearts and switched to a trump. Declarer won in the dummy and played a heart to his jack. East took that trick and persevered with his second trump. West ruffed the next heart. North overruffed drew the last trump and misguessed in clubs by playing low to the jack. Now he went down three also.

Plus 800 and plus 300 gave France 15 imps. At the end of the first third, Poland led by 0.5 imp.



 **Romaric Guth**



The second set was not on BBO. Each team had one big swing. On the first deal, both sides were in three no-trumps. Poland made it when the French defender made the normal, but fatal opening lead. At the other table, the Polish defender made his normal opening lead, and later they defended correctly to defeat the contract and gain 12 imps. And a Polish pair bid an almost no-play slam to lose 13 imps.

The score was 57-52.5 to Poland.

In the last set, 75 imps changed hands and there were only two flat boards. This was the first deal:

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>P. Patreuha</i>	<i>Bellicaud J.</i>	<i>Patreuha</i>	<i>Guillemin</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♣
1♥	Pass	2♥	Dble
Redble	2NT (a)	4♥	All Pass

(a) Both minors, longer diamonds

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Guth</i>	<i>Kaleta</i>	<i>Le Lez</i>	<i>Pawelczyk</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♣
1♥	2♦	4♥	5♦
Pass	Pass	Pass	

In the open room, Jakub Patreuha was cautious in bidding only two hearts, not the four hearts as advocated by the Law of Total Tricks. But it worked out well when he bought it in four hearts next time after South was reluctant to go to the five-level.

Against four hearts, North led a club. South won and made the nice switch to the queen of spades. Now it was easy for the defenders to take two spades, one diamond and one club.

Five diamonds was never in danger and Poland gained 8 imps.

There were only two double-digit swings in the set. This was the first:

Board 5. Dealer North. N-S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>P. Patreuha</i>	<i>Bellicaud J.</i>	<i>Patreuha</i>	<i>Guillemin</i>
Pass	Pass	1♥	1♠
3♦ (a)	Pass	Pass	Dble
Redble	4♣	Dble	All Pass

(a) Six-plus diamonds, game-invitational

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Guth</i>	<i>Kaleta</i>	<i>Le Lez</i>	<i>Pawelczyk</i>
Pass	Pass	1♥	1♠
2♦	3♣	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♦	Pass
5♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

In the open room, the auction strongly suggested a trump lead. But East led the ace of hearts before switching to a trump. North won in his hand and led his spade, putting up dummy's king when East played low. West won with his ace and led the diamond, ruffed in the dummy. Now declarer ruffed a spade in his hand, ruffed a diamond with dummy's last trump, the ace, and discarded his remaining heart on the jack of spades. However, East ruffed to give this position:

<p>♠ 10 ♥ -- ♦ Q J 7 5 3 ♣ --</p>	<p>♠ -- ♥ -- ♦ 10 8 ♣ K Q 9 8</p> <p>♠ -- ♥ K J 9 7 3 ♦ -- ♣ 10</p> <p>♠ 9 6 5 ♥ Q 10 8 ♦ -- ♣ --</p>
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Now East should have led his last trump. North would have had to give two diamond tricks to West. But when East led the king of hearts, North missed his chance. He actually ruffed and cashed the king of clubs to go two down. After ruffing, he should have led his low club, endplaying East to give the dummy two heart tricks.

In the other room, the French powered into five dia-





monds, sweeping aside their opponents' aggressive calls.

Five diamonds could have been made. Declarer takes South's jack of spades with his ace and plays a diamond to dummy's king. He sees the bad break, so takes the top hearts to discard his club loser, ruffs a club in his hand, draws all of North's trumps, and plays on spades to establish a trick for his ten.

Guth, though, unfortunately cashed his ace of diamonds at trick two. He could not recover.

That was 11 imps to Poland, who now led by 32.5 imps.

Two boards later, both North-South pairs had this auction: 1NT-2♣-2♥-3NT-Pass. East had this hand:

♠ 9 5 ♥ Q J 7 5 ♦ 10 9 2 ♣ J 8 6 3

What would you lead?

Just to show how tough bridge can be, a heart is best because partner has ♥ K-10-9.

Jakub Patreuha chose the five of spades (low from a doubleton). This gave nothing away and left declarer needing three clubs tricks from A-10-7-5 in his hand and Q-9-4 in the dummy. What would you do?

While you are thinking, at the other table Le Lez led the three of clubs, which was unluckily fatal. So Poland gained 12 imps.

Bellicaud led the queen from the dummy, covered by the king and ace. Then he played low to dummy's nine and could gain only two tricks in the suit.

The right play is low to the nine first, planning, if it loses to the jack, to run the queen next. The chance of three tricks is 56.23 percent.

The final score was 107-77.5 to Poland. Congratulations to Michal Maszenda, Kacper Kopka, Michal Kaleta, Tomasz Pawelczyk, Patryk and Jakub Patreuha, with Laszek Novak the npc, Roland Lippik the coach, and Dr. Halina Kaleta as the team physician.



WHEN YOU ARE HOT by Nei Jeng Chen, npc Chinese Taipei Juniors

This was Board 10 of Round 13 in the girls event:

Dealer East. Both Vul.

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

In the match between France and Chinese Taipei, the French pair of Mathilde Thuillez and Anais Leleu sensibly bid to three notrumps and made it with an overtrick.

This was the auction from our pair:

West	North	East	South
<i>Kuan-Hsuan</i>	<i>Chen</i>	<i>Yun-Ju</i>	<i>Chiu</i>
		1♣ (a)	1♦
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

(a) 16-plus points

What happened?

Well, if South had passed, West's response would have shown a balanced hand with 14 or 15 points. West assumed that still applied here. But East thought the bid was natural, so raised her partner's long suit. West now believed that her partner was showing long spades, so she raised her partner!

And how did four spades get on?

It was unbeatable! Despite the 6-1 trump break and missing the ace of clubs, there were ten tricks: three spades, three hearts, two diamonds, one club and a high diamond ruff in the dummy.

That was a lucky push board for the Chinese Taipei girls.



The Chinese Taipei Girls Team



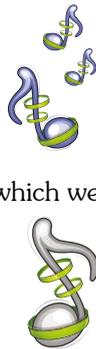
LIVE AND LET DIE

by Micke Melander

The eighth spy film of the James Bond series was named "Live and Let Die". This movie was also the first with Roger Moore as 007, and the soundtrack was made by Paul McCartney and his band Wings. The lyrics to that song quite well illustrate what Adam Grossack was up to in the vu-graph match when USA 1 played against France on Monday morning in these championships.

This is the first part of the song:

When you were young
 And your heart was an open book
 You used to say, "Live and let live"
 (You know you did,
 you know you did,
 you know you did)
 But if this ever-changing world in which we're livin'
 Makes you give in and cry
 Say live and let die
 Live and let die
 Live and let die
 Live and let die
 What does it matter to ya, when you've got a job to do,
 you gotta do it well. You gotta give the other fellow Hell.



That's exactly what Adam Grossack did when the French pair misdefended a little against him.

Board 13. Dealer North. Both Vul.

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

Open Room

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Bernard	A. Grossack	CombescureZ.	Grossack
	2♠	Dble	4♠

All Pass

According to Deep Finesse, North-South can get eight tricks against perfect defence. What happened in our game is that West led the ace of hearts and shifted to the three of clubs. So far so good for the defence, there is still no way to make the contract. Adam now went up with dummy's ace, then called for the queen of clubs. When West covered with the king, declarer ruffed and continued with the jack of hearts from his hand. East won with the ace and cashed the ace of diamonds.

The situation was now:

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

As long as East doesn't return a low diamond, the contract is still going down ... but East did not see this and returned one of the two cards in his hand that could allow declarer to make the contract -- the eight of diamonds. However, Adam didn't accept this gift and ruffed with the ace of spades.

Adam then called for the queen of hearts from dummy, West ruffed and declarer overruffed. The queen of diamonds followed, East covered with the king, and declarer ruffed with dummy's jack.

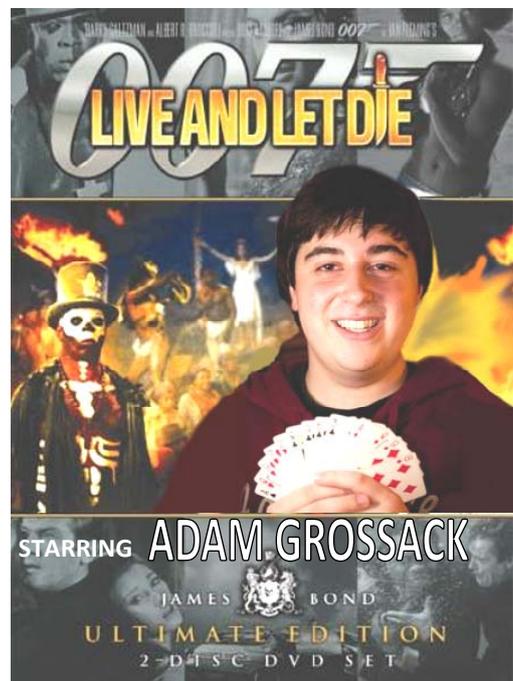
When Adam now called for the ten of hearts from dummy, the next mistake came from the defense. West continued to ruff. Declarer overruffed, drew trumps and ran his good diamonds.

If West had discarded on the ten of hearts, declarer would have lost control of the trump suit and would have had to give up a trump in the end.

Still, in my ears... I can hear this loud and clear...

What does it matter to ya, when you've got a job to do, you gotta do it well.

You gotta give the other fellow Hell.





ROUND 18 JUNIORS - DENMARK vs TURKEY by Maurizio Di Sacco

The 18th round of the Juniors Championship featured a few interesting matches; among them, the meeting between a struggling Danish team and the host country, Turkey, which had done well up to that point.

The Danes were fighting for their lives, lying as they were more than two matches away from the last qualification spot, while the Turks, after having led for the first three days, were then fourth, but still looking safe.

The first board produced a swing:

Board 15. Dealer South. N-S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Koclar	Bilde	Suzer	Jepsen
Pass	2♥	2NT	1♦
3♥	Pass	3♠	Dble
			All Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Buus Thoms	Ozen	Buus Thoms	Aydogdu
Pass	2♦	Pass	1NT
All Pass			2♥

Ugurcan Suzer could overcall a natural two notrumps, and when South decided (a bit oddly to my taste, but it might well have been perfectly acceptable given the North-South agreements) to show some extra strength, West transferred to spades and passed the correction. That contract could not be made, and failed by only one trick after South's opening lead was the unfortunate queen of hearts.

The same fate was encountered by the closed room's two-heart contract, and Denmark started its long march by a medium-range step of 4 imps. The deal is worth some discussion with your partner about bidding style and evaluation. To start with, the two Souths took different views on the matter of



opening bid (I prefer Erkmen Aydogdu's one notrump). Interesting are the natural two-notrump overcall and Rasmus Rask Jepsen's double, and finally we have East's final pass over two hearts, where he had the values to reopen, but those short spades made it dangerous.

A normal three notrumps followed, with Denmark adding 1 imp thanks to a quite sloppy defense. Turkey got on the scoreboard by playing in three notrumps plus two in one room and holding four spades to ten tricks in the other.

Then, the first double-digit swing of the match:

Board 18. Dealer East. N-S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Koclar	Bilde	Suzer	Jepsen
1♠	2♣	1♦	Pass
		4♠	All Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Buus Thoms	Ozen	Buus Thoms	Aydogdu
1♠	2♣	1♦	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♥	Pass
4NT	Pass	5NT	Pass
6♦	Pass	7♠	All Pass

In the open room, it is not clear to me why East failed to make a four-club splinter bid. But if four spades is the right action with East's cards in the Turkish style, then West's pass qualifies as very pessimistic. Eleven imps were there for the Danish to take, but as we have seen quite often, in the closed room something went wrong and the king of spades did not cooperate. Eleven away instead of eleven in.

The following board offered a chance for a big swing, a decent slam by North being missed by both teams, but Turkey won an imp by playing in a more valuable spot.



Board 19. Dealer South. E-W Vul.

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

Open Room

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Koclar</i>	<i>Bilde</i>	<i>Suzer</i>	<i>Jepsen</i>
Pass	2♣	Pass	1♥
Pass	4♣	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	Pass	4♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	5♣

Closed Room

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Buus Thoms</i>	<i>Ozen</i>	<i>Buus Thoms</i>	<i>Aydogdu</i>
Pass	2NT	Pass	1♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	3♠

Then 3 imps went to Denmark for an extra undertrick in three diamonds, due to a quite unsafe play. After that, Turkey got another significant swing, bidding and making a three-notrump contract missed in the other room.

Board 21. Dealer North. N-S Vul.

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

Open Room

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Koclar</i>	<i>Bilde</i>	<i>Suzer</i>	<i>Jepsen</i>
2♣	Pass	1NT	Pass
Rdbl	Dble	Pass	Pass
3NT	Pass	2♥	Pass
	Pass	Pass	Pass

Closed Room

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Buus Thoms</i>	<i>Ozen</i>	<i>Buus Thoms</i>	<i>Aydogdu</i>
2♣	Pass	1NT	Pass
2NT	Dble	2♠	Pass
	Pass	Pass	Pass

The Danish West decided that his clubs were worth just a stopper, and put on the brake, while his Turkish counterpart thought differently. It is also surprising that the Danish East did not raise to three notrumps with three aces, one king and two tens. That was 7 imps to the hosts.

Then came another intriguing board. You hold:

♠ Q J 10 8 4 3 ♥ Q 6 5 2 ♦ -- ♣ A 6 5

Partner opens one diamond, you bid one spade, and he replies two clubs. Now what?

Jepsen picked two spades and played there, but Aydogdu decided on the more aggressive two hearts and was raised to three, ostensibly natural, from 0=4=5=4. He continued with three spades and North bid three notrumps. Now what?

Here is the full deal:

Board 22. Dealer East. E-W Vul.

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

Open Room

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Koclar</i>	<i>Bilde</i>	<i>Suzer</i>	<i>Jepsen</i>
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

Closed Room

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Buus Thoms</i>	<i>Ozen</i>	<i>Buus Thoms</i>	<i>Aydogdu</i>
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♠
Pass	3NT	Pass	4♠

Aydogdu bid four spades, but that contract was basically not makable (it required a couple of defensive slips) and ended one down. However, four hearts had better chances, especially if the defense did not listen to the auction and did not start with a trump. Even then, though, declarer could have taken two ruffing finesses in spades to get home, the nine of spades conveniently dropping on the third round of the suit. The bottom line was 5 imps to Denmark.

The score stood at 20-13 in favour of Turkey, and Denmark's last hopes were vanishing. The Scandinavians won 1 imp when the defense forgot to cash an ace in the otherwise flat four-spade contract, but Turkey fought back immediately in a deal that is a candidate for one of the weirdest of the year!



Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Koclar	Bilde	Suzer	Jepsen
1♥	Pass	1♠	Dble
2♦	2♥	All Pass	

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Buus Thoms	Ozen	Buus Thoms	Aydogdu
1♥	Pass	1♠	Dble
2♦	Dble	2♥	Pass
Pass	Dble	All Pass	

I confess I have never seen anything similar: East-West were doubled in two hearts in the 5-3 fit, failing by two tricks, while in the other room the same contract was played and made by North-South in the 4-1 fit!

Against two hearts by North, East led his singleton diamond. Declarer won with dummy's ace and led its trump. If West had won and either given his partner a diamond ruff or switched to his singleton club, the contract would have been defeated. But when West played low, Dennis Bilde won with his queen and returned a trump. And when he got back into his hand, he led another trump and could not be defeated. That was very pretty, but Turkey gained 5 imps.

Two dull boards followed, then Turkey got 5 further imps by stopping safely in two notrumps, which had eight tricks, no more and no less, while the Danes were one trick more ambitious and paid the price for boldness.

The match ended with a bang, and once again, in a quite odd way. Before showing you the whole deal, let's ask you a question. You hold:

♠ -- ♥ A 5 4 ♦ J 10 6 5 4 ♣ K Q 7 5 3

Non-vulnerable versus vulnerable, you open one diamond, LHO overcalls one notrump, partner passes, RHO transfers to spades, you pass, LHO jumps to four spades(!), and partner doubles it. What action would you take?

Akin Koclar passed, but had to regret it. This was the full deal:

Board 28. Dealer West. N-S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Koclar	Bilde	Suzer	Jepsen
1♦	1NT	Pass	2♥
Pass	4♠	Dble	All Pass

As you see, four spades was cold, but five clubs is a rather good save, costing between 300 and 500.

Things in the other room took a very different route.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Buus Thoms	Ozen	Buus Thoms	Aydogdu
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

Even though you might not like the one-notrump overcall picked by Bilde in the Open Room, I certainly like less North-South's total passivity here. It is up to you to decide whether to blame more North's two passes or South's final pass. (If you ask me, I'd vote for the last.)

Denmark won 13 imps to close within 3 imps, but the match was over, and Turkey emerged with a 10.97-9.03 win that left it in a solid position, while Denmark's qualification hopes were almost gone.



Signe Buus Thomsen



ROUND 14 YOUNGSTERS - CHINA HONG KONG vs USA1 by Barry Rigal

The 14th and penultimate match of the Youngsters saw two teams meet one another who were on the bubble for qualifying. Both would probably have settled for a draw, but as it turned out in a very low scoring match we saw some excellent bridge with virtually no unforced errors. It was a pleasure to see young players with such a good grasp of the technical elements of the play, and such confidence exhibited in all phases of the game.

Board 15. Dealer North. N-S Vul.

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Kristensen</i>	<i>Tsang</i>	<i>Rosenberg</i>	<i>Lee</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♦
Pass	1NT	Pass	2NT
	3NT	All Pass	

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Ng</i>	<i>Huber</i>	<i>Chan</i>	<i>Kriegel</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♣
Pass	1♠	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Oren Kriegel played in three notrumps as South on a low heart lead and was never seriously troubled. After the defenders took their top three hearts, he had the luxury of the spade finesse for the overtrick.

In the other room, Kevin Rosenberg led a top club, declarer perforce winning in dummy to unblock diamonds. Then North came to hand with a club to take the spade finesse. Kristensen won and made no mistake when he cashed the heart ace and led low to his partner's king for a third heart through dummy's gizzard. If West shifts to a low heart, of course, he holds his side to three hearts, as in the Closed Room. That was down one and 12 IMPs to USA 1.

Both tables then bid to six spades with 12 tricks on top in notrumps and a trump suit of ♠ A-Q-10-9-7 in dummy facing ♠ K-8-3. How would you play this suit assuming plenty of entries?

Answer: lead the nine or the ten to the king to start with – that way you pick up the 5-0



break inside. It is only when the hand with shortness has no entries that you must lead the ace or queen to start with so as to be in the right hand to take the finesse against the 4-1 break. This time the play was irrelevant; next time...

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Kristensen</i>	<i>Tsang</i>	<i>Rosenberg</i>	<i>Lee</i>
	1♦	1♠	2♦
2NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Ng</i>	<i>Huber</i>	<i>Chan</i>	<i>Kriegel</i>
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

You don't have to be old-fashioned (though it helps) to consider that North hand nothing like an opening bid.

The reasons for not opening one diamond (the only suit you do not want partner to lead) are that you have no points, no aces, no tricks and no rebid over partner's likely 1♠ response ... apart from that, you do have defence. And 4-4-4-1 hands always play less well than you expect. Of course, opening the hand worked really well here! Christopher Huber led a low heart against one no-trump and conceded minus 120; while Jackson Tsang knew to lead a diamond to the eight and king. Kristensen now did really well not to play spades (which would have ensured the contract if spades behaved), but led a low heart. North won and shifted to spades himself, the nine going to the queen for a diamond back. Kristensen won in hand, cashed off the spades, finding the bad news, and had reduced North to two clubs, two hearts, and two diamonds. When he passed the jack of clubs to North, that player fell from grace (though one can hardly blame him since declarer had played the deal in very opaque fashion) by exiting with a heart, which set up the suit for declarer, and led to an unlikely nine tricks. 1 IMP to USA 1 and a 13-0 lead.



On the next deal, board 18, both East-West pairs missed their chance.

♠ K Q J 6 ♥ A K J 4 ♦ Q 4 ♣ J 6 2

If you open a 15-17 no-trump and partner transfers to hearts, would you break the transfer (superaccept)?

Let's say you don't break the transfer; partner jumps to three notrumps. Can you do anything but bid four hearts now? I guess not, though if your spades and a minor-suit were switched you would bid that suit to show a source of tricks maybe?

All right; back to square one. You do break the transfer at your first turn, and since your choice is two notrumps (let us say denying a low doubleton), partner re-transfers to three hearts and then control-bids three spades. What next?

At the table Francis Chan bid four hearts and there the matter rested. Rosenberg had followed the earlier auction quoted to reach four hearts. In my view over three spades one should bid five hearts, denying a minor-control and thus promising great hearts and a source of tricks in spades – without that one would bid four hearts, of course. [Perhaps even better, if partner would read it, is to continue with three notrumps, a variation on the semi-serious slam-try in some auctions. Then you could make a slam-try, presumably denying a minor-suit first-round control and still stop in four hearts. *Ed.*] The hand opposite was a 2=5=4=2 with the three missing aces and the jack of diamonds, and seven hearts was on finding the queen of trumps. No swing.

There followed a couple of relatively flat deals, on which Rosenberg-Kristensen again showed their ability by choosing the accurate but by no means straightforward route to cash their winners against a partscore and score an extra undertrick. Hong Kong then got on the board when Chan held:

♠ 9 ♥ Q 9 6 ♦ K J 5 ♣ J 8 7 5 4 3

He passed in second seat and heard one heart to his left, one spade from partner, and a pass to his right. He tried two clubs and his partner competed to three clubs over two hearts, making a comfortable plus 110 facing a 4=2=2=5 with the ace of spades and ace-king of clubs.

The opponents could and should have competed to three hearts, which would surely have made in practice, and indeed in the other room China Hong Kong went plus 170 for 7 IMPs.

The next board offered an interesting valuation problem. You hold:

♠ A K 7 ♥ A 7 5 2 ♦ 10 4 3 ♣ 6 4 2

Partner opens one diamond in second seat, two spades to your right, and you elect to double (yes, two notrumps is a good alternative). Partner cue-bids three spades, you bid three notrumps, and partner raises to four notrumps.

What should partner have?

Since he could have bid four clubs or four hearts over three notrumps with a two-suiter, he must have solid or semi-solid diamonds and just short of a two-club opening, maybe:

♠ 6 5 ♥ K 4 ♦ A K Q 8 7 6 ♣ A K 7

Your quick tricks mean that slam will not be worse than a break, and even if partner's clubs are slightly weaker, it might be on a club finesse or a club-heart squeeze. So I would advocate a jump to six diamonds here. Let's see the full story.

Board 22. Dealer East. E-W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Kristensen</i>	<i>Tsang</i>	<i>Rosenberg</i>	<i>Lee</i>
		Pass	1♦
2♠	Dble	Pass	3♠
Pass	3NT	Pass	4NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

West	North	East	South
<i>Ng</i>	<i>Huber</i>	<i>Chan</i>	<i>Kriegel</i>
		Pass	1♦
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT (♣)
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

The fault-finders amongst us (not me of course) would have a number of nits to pick here. The Closed Room auction was straightforward enough, with the lack of intervention making the valuation exercise easy enough for South, who knew his side had no fit and no high-cards to spare. Mind you, six diamonds was still quite playable facing that North hand.

In the other room Kristensen's weak jump overall vulnerable against not facing a passed partner was the action of a player who hasn't gone for enough 1100 penalties yet. (Why even play this sequence as weak instead of intermediate? If it is good enough for Hamman and Wolff, it is good enough for me.) Lee as South guessed well to bid on over three notrumps, but had he bid out his pattern with a four-club call, he might have located a 4-4 fit, and on the actual deal would not have risked exciting his partner with the idea that his ♦10-x-x was good support.

Both tables made ten tricks in notrump (and, yes, in six notrumps, you can take 12 tricks but probably wouldn't. You must win the spade lead and either lead a



diamond to the seven or go after clubs, rather than unblocking hearts. In six diamonds, only a trump to the seven at trick two will work.

The match score remained 16-7, and after USA stole 3 overtrick IMPs to lead 19-7 came this deal, which was both interesting and somewhat unlucky for the USA.

Board 25. Dealer North. E-W Vul.

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

Both tables bid unopposed to two spades by South. Kristensen led the ace of clubs and Rosenberg's two was suit-preference. West shifted helpfully to the seven of diamonds, to the king and ace. Rosenberg cashed the queen of diamonds and Kristensen again played the accurate spot-card when he followed with the ten, making it clear he did not have a doubleton and that he could stand the higher-suit shift. Rosenberg had one more test to overcome, and he again made the right play when he shifted to the king of hearts

and led another heart, so that his partner would not be tempted to give him a diamond ruff and also so that if declarer had a singleton heart, they could effectively administer a series of forces. Declarer negotiated trumps for down one, which nonetheless seemed like a decent position for East-West.

In the other room Mark Ng led a spade to trick one. Declarer guessed that suit, by hopping up with dummy's queen, and now played dummy's club to West's ace. Ng worked out to play a second trump now. Declarer won with his ace, then went after clubs, and the bad break meant that when he pitched diamonds from dummy and led a heart up, West could win, cash his king of spades, and get out in diamonds. The defenders could tap dummy and cut him off from the hearts, for two down. That was 2 IMPs to Hong Kong, down 19-9.

That concluded the interest in the set, but USAI scored in dribs and drabs on all of the last three deals to win by an eventual 23-9 and leave at least one of your editors impressed with the standard of under-21 bridge.

This was the penultimate match of the Youngsters and it left Hong Kong very parlously placed. (USAI came through for them by beating Czech Republic to allow Hong Kong to qualify.) It is worth noting that Rosenberg had played every board of the qualifying with Kristensen having sat out just one match. Out of curiosity I checked the IMPs in the out-column for USAI, and saw they had conceded fewer than 2 IMPs a board for the event; leaders Sweden had done even better, holding their opponents to 1.5 IMPs a board.



Kevin Rosenberg 

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KLUKOWSKI BRILLIANCY

by Micke Melander

In round 14 two of the giants so far in these World Championships in the juniors were battling, when Poland was up against home nation Turkey. Poland played very solid bridge throughout and won by 36-8, giving Turkey their first really big loss so far in this tournament. Here's one hand from that game where Michal Klukowski (sitting West) brilliantly defended against two notrumps.

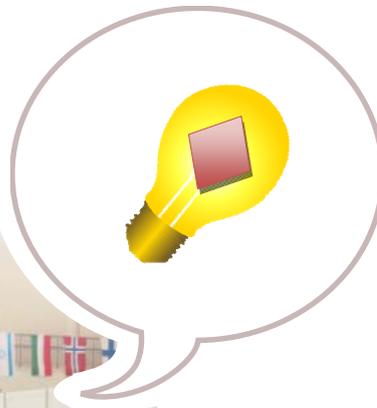


Board 22. Dealer East. EW Vul.

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Suzer</i>	<i>Tuczynski</i>	<i>Koclar</i>
		Pass	1♣
1♥	2NT	All Pass	

Your partner leads the queen of hearts. Klukowski played an encouraging two and declarer (North) won with his king. Next came the queen of clubs to the three (UDCA), four and your king. Now it is moment of truth... what would you lead and why?



Michal Klukowski

Don't feel offended by thinking this over carefully; Klukowski was in the tank for more than three minutes at the table.

Klukowski eventually returned the six of diamonds, which hit the jackpot when the full deal was as follows:

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

When declarer played the queen from his hand, East won with the king and played a heart to his partner's ace. Another diamond through declarer gave the defenders four diamonds, a club and a heart for down one.

A real nightmare for declarer would probably have been to receive a spade as the opening lead. He would probably play low from the dummy. West would win with his queen and lead back a low heart to the jack and queen. Another heart would go to West's ace. Then West would clear the suit and sit back and relax, just waiting for declarer to finesse in clubs to let him in to cash his hearts.

This is probably what happened when France played India and the French pair managed to get nine tricks on defence against three notrump when a low spade was led.