

## Spectacular Ceremony Marks the Opening Day of Record Breaking Championships

A record number of participants attended the Opening Ceremony at the fourth World Junior Pairs Championship.

It featured music by the local military band, an Olympic style parade of the competing Countries, the release of birds, a display of local folk music and dancing as well as the traditional speeches of welcome by the various dignitaries.

First to speak was **Kazimierz Nowicki** the Mayor of Stargard Szczecinski and he was followed by the Chairman of the Honorary Committee, **Stanislaw Kopec** Member of Parliament.

The President of the Polish Bridge Federation, **Radoslaw Kielbasinski**, spoke next and was followed by **Panos Gerontopoulos**, Vice President of the World Bridge Federation and Chairman of the WBF and EBL Youth Committees, who formally opened the Championships.



*Play gets under way in the main room*

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## **Behind the Scenes**

Major Championships do not happen overnight and are planned a long way ahead, sometimes more than a year in advance. The officials of the World Bridge Federation and the European Bridge League devote much of their time to ensure the smooth running of every major event.

The man at the helm of World Bridge is the President of the World Bridge Federation.



*José Damiani*

José is no mean player. He has won Championship medals, and several National and International titles. All the more remarkable when you consider how little time he has to play. He is paying a visit to these Championships, confirming yet again the WBF's commitment to the development of Junior Bridge. If you get the chance, ask him how many places he has visited this year already.

### **The Internet Café**

There is an internet café, which has been created for the players, behind the main playing area, in the corridor underneath where section F, (the extra section of tables) is currently set up. This should be available from today onwards.



*Panos Gerontopoulos*

The Chairman of the Youth Committees of the World Bridge Federation and the European Bridge League spends much of his time in the complex task of locating ideal venues for Junior events.

This despite having a full time job in Athens.



*Italy's Gianarrigo Rona*

The President of the European Bridge League, Gianarrigo Rona, is another of the distinguished officials who will visit these Championships. Italy has one of the most flourishing junior programmes in Europe, in no small measure due to the efforts of the EBL President.

### Youngest Ever Zonal Champion

*This tournament has attracted the greatest array of Junior talent even seen. However, there is one phenomenal star who has not been able to make this trip, but who will be making an important one later this year.*

A 14-year-old schoolboy now reigns as the youngest Zonal champion in the history of world bridge. **Agustin Madala** of Argentina, who reached the quarter-finals of last year's OKbridge Internet World Bridge Championship and who finished second in the South American Open Pairs championship at the age of 12, was a member of the Argentine team that won the South American championship in Cochabamba, Bolivia, recently.

He will represent Argentina in the Bermuda Bowl World Championships in Bali, Indonesia, in October. This will be another record - he'll be the youngest player ever to compete in the Bermuda Bowl.



Agustin Madala is on the Road to Bali

In the South American final, Argentina defeated Brazil, which featured many-times world champion Gabriel Chagas, one of the greatest players in the history of the game. Brazil had a 16 IMP carryover entering the 64-board final, but Argentina won each quarter, eventually

scoring a 48 IMP victory. Playing with Madala were Ernesto Muzzio (44), Marcelo Villegas (48), Christobal Aguirre (48) Jorge Estavarena (42) and Pablo Ravenna (25). The non-playing captain was Alexis Pejacsevich. Only Muzzio and Villegas had played in the South American Championships before.

Ravenna, still eligible for Junior events at the age of 25, and Madala are both members of one of the Argentine teams in this year's third annual OKbridge International World Bridge Championship. Ravenna has competed in three World Junior Team Championships and currently is South American champion in both the Junior and the Open Teams. He and Madala will be members of the Argentinian team that will compete in the World Juniors in Brazil as well as the Bermuda Bowl.

Playing for Brazil with Chagas, one of the few players who has won all three major open world championships (World Team Olympiad, Bermuda Bowl and World Open Pairs), were Diego Brenner, Joao Campos, Miguel Vilas Boas and Mauricio Figueiredo. Both Argentina and Brazil qualified to compete in the Bermuda Bowl.

The biggest problem for both teams was the 'soroche' - altitude sickness - Cochabamba is 2,400m (1.5 miles) high. Young Madala is a fine bridge player, as his record attests. His excellent play in the World Junior Championships in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in 1999, got the attention of the players, the officials and the press. He was only 12 at the time. He is in his second year of middle school, which means he has three more years to go before going to university. He is an excellent student. According to his father, Adolfo Madala, Agustin has a wonderful

relationship with his fellow students and the school authorities. Agustin is especially strong in mathematics and language. 'He always has an A qualification,' says his father. 'Once my wife asked Agustin's maths teacher why Agustin never had any homework. The teacher said, "Because by the time I finish writing the homework on the blackboard, Agustin has finished it."'

Agustin's present goal is to be an architect, but his father thinks he's still too young to be sure about his future. However, it's already quite apparent that Agustin has the tools to be successful at whatever he decides to try.

Bridge is not Agustin's only interest - far from it. He plays on his school soccer team where he is a very good forward. He also likes music - he's learning to play the electronic organ and the flute. His father noted that Agustin 'likes to change the song's lyrics and make new ones, talking about his friends and teachers and school life.' 'He enjoys almost all sports, but soccer is his first love. He plays every day with his schoolmates and friends. Give him a soccer ball and it will never touch the floor - he can make more than a hundred contacts using his feet, heels, knees, shoulders and head. Well, soccer is our national sport, you know.' Agustin plays bridge two or three times a week, mostly on OKbridge. Playing in local tournaments does not cause too much of a problem for Agustin because the games usually take place late at night. The following day Agustin has to wake up at 7am but he manages this just fine, according to his father. When he plays in international events, like the South Americans or the World Junior Championship, he sometimes loses a week or two of classes, but he recovers the study rhythm with no difficulty. His

teachers think that bridge playing has increased his comprehension ability, especially in logic problems.

Here's an example of Agustin in action in the South American Championships.

Dealer North. All Vul

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

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♥
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

Agustin let the heart king hold but won the second heart. He led a club to the queen, losing to the king. A trump came back, won in dummy. Agustin cashed the diamond ace and ruffed a diamond, crossed to the club ace and ruffed another diamond. He cashed the club jack, pitching dummy's last heart. Next he ruffed a heart with dummy's ace, East discarding a spade perforce. Agustin called for another diamond, and East was done. He played the seven of spades, but Agustin overruffed with the nine. He led his last heart and ruffed with dummy's queen. East was able to overruff with the king, but that made Agustin's trump ten good for the game-going trick. He lost only one heart, one club and one trump despite the 5-0 trump break.



Lambardi wonders if he was so good at 14!

'Never before had I met a player of Agustin's skill at his age,' said Pablo Lambardi, captain of last year's IWBC team. What most impressed Lambardi was the fact that Agustin played with a player from the old school - 82-year-old Carlos Cabanne - and came in second in the South American Pairs championship. After last year's IWBC event, Lambardi said, 'Agustin's biggest problem was that his mother wouldn't let him play late on weekdays. He had to wait until she went to sleep before he could sneak in to play OKbridge.' Now Agustin has proved he can handle late-night bridge and still keep up with all his other activities.

Look at this deal. It's only a part-score hand, but successful ones add up fast.

Dealer West. All Vul

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

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♦
Pass	1♠	Pass	Pass
2♥	Pass	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

This looks like a make, doesn't it? It appears that declarer will lose only two trumps and one trick in each side suit. But Madala/Ravenna found the defence to beat it.

Madala was allowed to hold the trick when he led the heart king, and he switched to the nine of diamonds. Ravenna put in the jack, and declarer won with the king. He led a club to the eight, driving out Ravenna's king, and Ravenna switched back to a heart, declarer winning his ace.

He ruffed his last heart (*a second club finesse would have been a better play at this point. Ed*) and led a diamond, Ravenna rising with the ace and dropping declarer's ten.

Ravenna then deliberately offered declarer a sluff-ruff, leading the heart ten. Declarer pitched a club as he ruffed in dummy with the nine. Madala got rid of his last diamond on this trick. Declarer cashed dummy's trump ace and led the queen of diamonds. Too late - Madala was able to ruff this. He led the club queen, to dummy's ace. Declarer continued with a diamond which Madala ruffed with his ten. He shot back a club, which Ravenna ruffed with the jack, forcing declarer to use the king for the overruff.

That set up Madala's queen for the setting trick. The defence took a club, a heart, a diamond and three spades. Little things mean a lot. That's the name of a love song, but it certainly can be applied to bridge as well.

Dealer West. N/S Vul

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

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	Pass	INT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

The contract was the same at both tables - 3NT by South. Aguirre thought about leading the eight of spades, but then decided that the king might be better considering his holding. Declarer won the second spade, went to the board with a club and led a heart. Esteverena, figuring that partner must have five spades to lead the king, missing the jack, quickly rose with the ace and led his last spade - down one. At the other table West led his fourth best spade, the eight, and Madala took his ace immediately. As in the other room, he crossed to dummy with a club and led a heart. East, thinking declarer must have a second stopper to have taken the first spade, ducked. That was all Madala needed. He rose with the king and cashed out his nine tricks for a 12 IMP pickup.

### Teach Bridge and Make Important Friends

As a teacher Ron Klinger claims that has met people from all walks of life. Although he knew several policemen who played, he had only taught one who happened to be one of the best students in his beginner class. Klinger says, "Some time after the player had graduated Ron was caught in a traffic snarl near Kings Cross. We were chatting about bridge hands when the traffic started to flow again. I was quick on the accelerator, but the traffic cop at the approaching intersection was even quicker with his 'Stop sign.' Our combined precipitous actions meant that I banged heavily into the car in front, which had managed to stop in time.

"With a grim expression, the policeman strode over to my car and bent down to me at the driver's window. I was ready for a stern lecture when I recognized him as my bridge pupil.

Simultaneously he recognized me and his expression quickly changed to a smile."

"Why, Mr. Klinger. How are you? I'll be back in a moment. I just have to book the guy who reversed into you."

## **Welcome to Montreal and the 2002 World Bridge Championships**

The 2002 World Bridge Championships will take place in Montreal, Canada from 16 August – 1 September 2002.



**Montreal's Olympic Stadium**

The Championships will be held in two of Montreal's finest Hotels, the Fairmont Queen Elizabeth Hotel and the Montreal Bonaventure Hilton

The Junior Teams will be on 20 & 21 August, the Junior Pairs on 22 & 23 August and the Junior Individual on 24 August 2002

Entry to all three Junior Championships is free of charge

In addition to the Junior events, there are other Championship events including Mixed Pairs, Open Pairs, Ladies Pairs and there will be Side Games held during every session throughout the entire event.

Hotel Reservations for this wonderful Championship can be made through the 2002 World Bridge Championship Housing Bureau:

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## **Championship Diary 5-6 July 2001**

There is an old Russian proverb that says 'it is better to travel hopefully than to arrive.' Several of the competitors already have reason to remember that saying. Among their number must be the players from the Netherlands who did not bother to bring a passport and the Canadians who did not think to get a Visa for Poland. Full marks to the Polish organisers who made it possible for them to take part.

Your Editor was not immune, having lost the most important part of a digital camera – the cable that links it to the computer and enables the pictures to be downloaded.

There are unconfirmed reports that Barry Rigal has lost his passport. Doubtless the problem will be solved – but meanwhile I make a note to ask for double the salary if he fails to make it.

The boards that were duplicated in Tenerife during the European Championships were in Madrid until yesterday but with immaculate timing they arrived just in time for play last night – but it was a near run thing.

As this is Junior Championship we have to consider the minimum bribe level to use one of the Bulletin Computers, for example to send e-mail. For the players it will be one coke. For more senior personnel the rate will have to be negotiated with one of the Editors.

## Sports News

At Wimbledon Pat Rafter is through to the final after an epic five set victory over Andre Agassi, 2-6, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, 8-6. Agassi, who was upset by a disputed line call in the fourth set, served for the match at 5-4 in the final set.



Tim Henman, bidding to be the first Englishman to appear in the final since 1938 was on course when rain stopped play.

He led 5-7, 7-6, 6-0, 2-1, 30-40. Henman swept through the third set in just 16 minutes for the loss of four points.

Today's Ladies Singles final is between the favourite, Venus Williams and Justine Henin, who destroyed the Grand Slam hopes of Jennifer Capriati on Thursday.

Despite a heroic last wicket partnership of 103 between Stewart and Caddick, England are already facing defeat in the first Test Match in the Ashes Series – the oldest sporting contest in the world.

At the close of play Australia were 332-4, a lead of 38 with three full days still to play. Rain may yet save England as the forecast is for storms!



Paul Scholes, Nicky Butt and Denis Irwin have all signed new deals with Manchester United.

The surprises continued at the £2million Smurfit European Open in Ireland yesterday as tour rookie Mikael Lundberg surged into the outright lead in startling fashion. Already part of a five-way tie for top spot overnight, the 27-year-old Swede birdied the last four holes for a second round 65 and halfway total of 132.

## Polish Club

With so many pairs representing our hosts we thought you might like to see this system summary that is based on the results of discussions amongst the top Polish players. It was prepared by **Krzysztof Jassem** for the new book **Bridge Magicians** which is all about the brilliant Polish players, and will be published in July.

### Openings

- 1♣ preparatory (12-14), natural (15-17) or strong (18+)
- 1♦ 5♦, or 4♦ and 5♣, or 4-4-4-1 with 4♦
- 1♥, 1♠ 5 card- suit (12-17)
- INT 15-17
- 2♣ Precision (11-14)
- 2♦ "Wilkosz" (5+-5+, at least one major, 6-10)
- 2♥, 2♠ weak two
- 2NT minors (5+-5+, 6-10)
- 3NT gambling, no side stopper
- 4♣, 4♦ 9 tricks in ♥, ♠ respectively

### Responses and subsequent bidding:

#### After a 1♣ opening:

- 1♦ either negative or semi-positive (7-11) with minor(s), or strong (17+) balanced (1♣-1♦, 2♦: artificial, gf)
- 2♣, 2♦ game forcing (minimum 5 cards)
- 3♣, 3♦ not forcing, good 6-card suit (9-11)
- 3♥, 3♠ 7-card suit with two top honors, nothing outside



*After a 1♦ opening:*

- 2♦ one-round force
- 3♦ preemptive

*After a 1♥ or 1♠ opening:*

- 1NT not forcing  
Two-over-one is a one round force
- 2NT support, at least game-  
invitational

After all 1-level openings and a 1♥, 1♠ response, the responder's rebid of 2♣ is a relay (e.g. 1♣–1♥, 1NT–2♣).

*After a 1NT opening:*

- 2♣ Stayman
- 2♦, 2♥ transfers
- 2♠ transfer to clubs or invitation  
to 3NT
- 2NT transfer to diamonds
- 3-level jumps shortness (5-4-3-1  
distribution).

*After 2♣ opening:*

- 2♦ relay,
- 3♦, 3♥, 3♠ natural, forcing.

*After 2♦ opening:*

- 2♥, 2♠ non forcing relays
- 2NT relay
- 3♦ invitational with support in  
both majors
- 4♦ support in both majors.

*After a Weak Two opening:*

The lowest possible bid asks opener to show a shortage (2♥-2NT:

shows a spade suit). Other new suit bids are forcing.

*After a 3NT opening:*

4♦ asks opener to show shortness

*Slam bidding:*

Cuebids, Splinters, Blackwood, Hoyt, Josephine.

*After interference:*

Negative doubles through 3♠ after a 1-level opening.

1♣-(1♦)-dbl both majors, 4-4.

1min-(1♥)-dbl denies four spades.

After an overcall a new suit at the two-level is not forcing, a new suit at the one- and three-levels is forcing. Lebensohl.

*Defensive bidding:*

1NT overcall: 15-17 (12-15 in fourth position)

Single jumps preemptive at all vulnerabilities

Michaels cuebids.

Lebensohl after 2♥ or 2♠ opening and partner's takeout double.

*Special Auctions*

*Here are some special auctions specific to Polish Club:*

1. You may choose to open 2♣ as
  - a) Precision-type (most popular in Poland, Balicki–Zmudzinski play that way)

- b) Artificial and game-forcing (Jassem–Tuszyński play it that way).

If you choose (a), then the rebid 2♣ in the following auctions:

1♣ 1♥ or 1♠ or INT  
2♣

promises at least 15 points and is forcing one round. Then you need:

1♣ - 1♦  
2♦

as an artificial game force (the subsequent auction is natural except for an immediate 2♥ which is a negative waiting bid)

*If you choose (b), then the above auctions are natural (showing clubs and non-forcing).*

2. 1♣ – 1♥ or 1♠  
2♦ is a GF relay with at least three cards in partner's suit. You may choose your own way of responding to the relay.

2NT is 18 + bal. and denies 3 cards in partner's suit (very important feature)

3. 1♣ - 1♥ or INT  
?  
2♥ is GF, promises 5♥ (the same for 2♠ over INT)
4. 1♣ - INT  
?  
2♦ is GF, you may play it as natural 4+ diamonds) or as a relay.
5. 1♣ - 1♦

?  
INT 18–20 (21) balanced  
2NT 21 –23 balanced  
1♥ or 1♠ 12 +, sometimes only three cards. You can also bid the same way with some strong hands if you are not afraid of your partner passing with less than 5 points.  
2♥ or 2♠ really strong (20+)

6. There is no convenient way to show strong hands based on clubs and another suit. You have to choose:

If you play an opening 2♣ as in 1(a) you have no real problems: you open 1♣ and just rebid clubs which is forcing one round.

If you play it as in 1(b) you can open 1♣ and just rebid clubs hoping partner will not pass or you can rebid 2NT, or 3♣, or open INT.



### **Bridge is a Physical Sport**

A doctor, concerned about the physical condition of one of his bridge-playing patients, during a regular check-up asked, "Do you get much exercise?" "Only when I sit East-West," was the reply.

**Session I**

*Our intrepid reporter arrived just in time to catch the start of the action. It was a question or how many boards we could squeeze in to what was going to be a very late edition.*

Board I. Dealer North. None Vul

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

West	North	East	South
	Pass	Pass	1♦
1♥	1♠	2NT	All Pass

Not too hot, not too cold just right. On the first two boards it was possible to suffer from an excess of zeal, one way or another. Indeed the first deal saw the full spectrum of results.

To start with I saw Georgeopoulos and Ntalas suffer from an excess of timidity. After Georgeopoulos opened the North hand One Diamond Martijn Odijk overcalled One Heart and Ntalas responded One Spade. Now Georgeopoulos's choice of 2NT was a marginal underbid and slightly misdirected since he had no real reason to insist on no-trumps. When Ntalas tried to land on the head of a pin by passing, he had left his partner in the embarrassing position of collecting +210.

Of course the right line in no-trumps is to win the heart lead and test diamonds early, unblocking the ten from dummy if West discards. That way you get to collect five diamond tricks when the suit splits 4-1 onside since after cashing the spades you are in dummy to take the marked diamond finesse.

That is exactly what Mazzadi, playing with Lo Presto, managed to do. Alas for him he was playing Six No-trumps doubled! The auction had involved an overcall of a strong club by Jerolitsch-Binder to show hearts or the black suits, over which Lo Presto showed seven+ HCP and a spade suit, and his partner then took him rather too seriously and played him for a six-card suit – despite no weak-two opening. It was left to Hoffman and Lellouche to show how it should be done – though their auction did have a point of interest too.



***Dror Lellouche of Israel***

Lellouche heard his partner open 2NT (19-20+) and chose to transfer and bid 3NT. This is the sort of hand that you might want to play in Four Spades facing two or three small spades since there is no entry to the weak hand outside spades. Fortunately partner came through with the goods in spades, so Lellouche wrapped up +460 for an excellent result.

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Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul

<p>♠ —                  ♥ 8 6                  ♦ A Q 6 5 2                  ♣ A 10 8 6 5 4</p> <p>♠ K Q                  ♥ A Q J 9 4 3                  ♦ K J 10                  ♣ J 9</p>	<p>♠ A J 10 7 5 4 2                  ♥ 10 5 2                  ♦ 9 7 3                  ♣ —</p> <p>♠ 9 8 6 3                  ♥ K 7                  ♦ 8 4                  ♣ K Q 7 3 2</p>
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Another fascinating hand – and again at the three tables where I was sitting the N/S pairs had the opportunity to display varying amounts of good judgement.

The typical auction started with East preempting in spades, raised by West to game.

Now Georgeopoulos elected to overcall Five Clubs and Odijk decided to double in the pass-out seat. When dummy hit with the king of hearts he must have liked his decision. +1150 later he might have changed his mind. But if dummy had put down 5-2 in the minor suits the other way round Georgeopoulos' unilateral decision might not have looked so clever.

At the second table Lo Presto followed standard expert practice by overcalling Four Spades with Four No-trumps to show a two-suiter, but able to correct partner's choice if necessary. Mazzadi bid Five Clubs of course and now Jerolitsch-Binder's double was clearly unsound. Indeed Mazzadi might well have had the first blue-card of the tournament on this one but he passed and collected 1150.

At the third table one can hardly criticise Marta Bazcek and Sabina Grzedziak for

their auction here – but it did work out spectacularly badly.

West	North	East	South
		3♠	Pass
4♠	4NT	Pass	5♣
5♠	Pass	Pass	6♣
Dble	All Pass		

Lellouche sucked his opponents into doubling the slam and wrapped up thirteen tricks for +1740. West would have been well advised to bid Five Hearts rather than Five Spades – especially since Six Hearts by West cannot be defeated.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

Kees Tammens, who is well known as both Captain and Coach of the Dutch Junior players – apart from being a top class player in his own right - showed me this deal, as a good start for his Dutchmen.

N/S were generally managing to go plus here, but after the weak no-trump and transfer to hearts Bas Drijver reopened

with a take-out double and Sjoert Brink converted this to penalties.

Of course the defence do have six top tricks so long as they are careful, but Brink made sure of going plus on the deal by leading a passive diamond rather than broaching a black suit.



**The Dutchmen in Action**

Drijver took the ten with his king and shifted to a top club, to the queen and king. Sjoert returned a diamond, and declarer played a trump to the bare ace, letting Drijver shift to a low spade to the queen.

Back came a third diamond, on which declarer pitched a spade. When he knocked out the king of hearts, a third trump came back to put declarer in hand. When he played the ace of clubs and ruffed a club he was at the crossroads.

A spade to the nine would be down one and a fair board; a spade to the king would lead to down two.

There are reasons to get this right I think; West's initial pass argues for his not having the top spade – but declarer got it wrong and had to lose a third spade in the ending for –300 and 211/216 for the Netherlanders

Board 5. Dealer North N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	2♠	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Game is hardly a thing of beauty here, requiring as it does something pretty friendly in the club suit, but Feldman and Campbell reached it against Reshef and Ginossar. (I cannot resist telling you that my spell check prefers “dinosaur” for Ginossar.)

In situations like this the success or failure of a tight game turns momentum as well as a huge number of matchpoints. Feldman ducked the eight of spades in dummy but Ginossar thoughtfully put up the ten – just in case.

Feldman won perforce and crossed to the king of diamonds – either leading the ten out of his hand to tempt a cover or even starting clubs by leading a low one from hand has some merit. But in any event a diamond to the king and a club to the queen passed off peacefully enough. Now when Jason cashed the ace of clubs Ginossar thoughtfully dropped the king – the card he was known to hold, and that started Feldman thinking about overtricks.

He actually ducked a diamond, and Ginossar won his jack and cleared the spades, and when Feldman played a third club the defence could cash out for down two and a near top.



## Championship Diary 7 July

It is already 03.00 and play is still going on.

Thank goodness we have one of the best results teams in the business operating at these Championships. Even so, we doubt the bulletins will be available in time for breakfast – assuming anyone manages to get up for it.

Herman de Wael does not arrive in time to take pictures of the opening Ceremony, but if all goes according to plan some will appear in Bulletin No.2.

Herman is already on the look out for a player falling asleep at the table – you have been warned!

The previous Championships were held in the Czech Republic. They are represented here in the Czech Republic but their placard was not ready in time for the Opening Ceremony.



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name	mp(0)	%(0)
1 GLOYER A-SCHIFKO M AUT 4285.7 70.21		
2 ANDRALOJC-DEMIANCZUK POL 3911.5 64.08		
3 KASPRZAK J-NOWOSADZKI POL 3836.3 62.85		
4 JANISZEWSKI-WITTENBECK POL 3818.2 62.55		
5 BESSIS O-DE TESSIERES FRA 3802.5 62.30		
6 BALDI M-TORIELLI V ITA 3779.3 61.92		
7 BRINK S-DRIJVER B NTH 3696.7 60.56		
8 LULA R-SWIATEK P POL 3681.9 60.32		
9 REMPOLA K-SZCZEPANSKA POL 3681.1 60.31		
10 BURAS K-KAPALA S POL 3680.5 60.30		
11 BARENDREGT E-DIRKSEN G NTH 3657.3 59.92		
12 DIALYNAS A-DIALYNAS M GRE 3635.7 59.56		
13 KLESK P-WASZYNSKI A POL 3614.6 59.22		
14 BAR-YSOFEF-MUNNEN ISR/NTH 3581.3 58.67		
15 ROY A-ERIKSON O SWE 3576.9 58.60		
16 DI BELLO F-UCCELLO S ITA 3576.3 58.59		
17 DI BELLO S-GUARIGLIA R ITA 3570.5 58.49		
18 KUIVENHOVEN -VREESWIJK NTH 3569.7 58.48		
19 VEIRE P vd-VEIRE S vd NTH 3566.3 58.43		
20 HODOSI P-SZURDI M HUN 3552.8 58.20		
21 GOGOMAN A-GOGOMAN A AUT 3505.8 57.43		
22 KORNEK A-SMIRNOV A GER 3497.5 57.30		
23 SHAH J-COWLING B ENG 3494.9 57.26		
24 HOFFMAN R-LELLOUCHE D ISR 3486.3 57.12		
25 BIRDSALL G-BURGESS O ENG 3482.7 57.06		
26 TAL N-TAL D ISR 3480.3 57.02		
27 DESMOULINS J-ABECASSIS FRA 3466.7 56.79		
28 BERG M-CULLIN P SWE 3463.5 56.74		
29 LEPROVOST N-CHAPELLE O FRA 3455.9 56.62		
30 CRISTINA M-MUZZIN F ITA 3453.7 56.58		
31 JONGE de-SCHENK BRILL NTH 3452.3 56.56		
32 KOTOROWICZ -KOTOROWICZ POL 3447.5 56.48		
33 MALES A-SIKORA M POL 3447.3 56.48		
34 KALITA J-SIKORA J POL 3445.9 56.45		
35 ERICSSON K-SALOMONSSON SWE 3443.9 56.42		
36 PULKRAB P-SIDLOVA V CZE 3441.3 56.38		
37 GALEK P-SYNOWIEC R POL 3439.5 56.35		
38 WYNER J-WILTSHIRE D AUS 3436.3 56.30		
KOUSSIS-KARAPANAGIOTIS GRE 3436.3 56.30		
40 MOLLER M-SAUTER A GER 3426.2 56.13		
41 WESIERSKA O-DYKIER A POL 3410.3 55.87		
42 LUKS L-NABER L EST 3401 55.72		
43 JOHANSSON P-MORIN H SWE 3400.5 55.71		
44 OFIR G-ASSARAF O ISR 3399.5 55.69		
45 VOZABAL D-PEKNY P CZE 3394.8 55.62		
46 MARCINIAK J-SKALSKI A LPO 3394.7 55.61		
47 KUPIECKA M-PAWEL M POL 3389.7 55.53		
48 SVENSSON V-DISCHLER J SWE 3388.7 55.52		
49 MRUZ M-SZEGEDI B HUN 3370.2 55.21		
50 PIOTRWSKI-POPIELARCZYK MPOL 3362.5 55.09		
51 TIHANE A-MATISSONS M LAT 3353.5 54.94		
BESSIS T-GAVIARD J FRA 3353.5 54.94		
53 GRUMM I-JEROLITSCH-BIND AUT 3349 54.87		
54 UPMARK J-NYSTROM F SWE 3347.5 54.84		
RYMAN J-JANSSON T SWE 3347.5 54.84		
56 MULLER M-ODIJK M NTH 3345.9 54.82		
57 MAZZADI F-LO PRESTI F ITA 3344.9 54.80		
58 DE ROOS D-DE ROOS S BEL 3333.9 54.62		
59 BRUGGEMAN J-SCHOLLAARD NTH 3326.7 54.50		
60 BOS H-DIJK S van NTH 3323.5 54.45		
61 WOYNA M-ROZANSKI M POL 3322.5 54.43		
62 OWCZAREK P-STRACK R POL 3321.7 54.42		
63 SORLING B-HED S SWE 3321.3 54.41		
64 BOOTSMA M-WAELE R de NTH 3317.5 54.35		
65 ARASZKIEWICZ-DAJNOWICZ POL 3313.5 54.28		
NIZIOL F-NAWROCKI P POL 3313.5 54.28		
67 KONOPKO G-SKORSKI M POL 3310.9 54.24		
68 KALINOWSKI SZCZELKUN L POL 3306.9 54.18		
69 GARAUD R-BIDET C FRA 3302.7 54.11		
70 MARJAI P-HEGEDUS G HUN 3294.3 53.97		
71 KARANOWSKI-MICHALSKI O POL 3286.3 53.84		
72 NICOLODI F-SBARIGIA M ITA 3283.3 53.79		

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73	BALSCHUN R-LINDE J	GER	3280.3	53.74	150	KRAEMER D-SCHUELLER	GER	2868.7	47.00
74	GRENTHE G-GRENTH E J	FRA	3277.7	53.70	151	ENGLERT B-CARVER A	USA	2855.1	46.77
75	BRGULJAN K-ZORIC V	CRO	3277.5	53.69	152	SHAH S-SHAH P	ENG	2845.5	46.62
76	HARALDSSON-EINARSSON B	ISL	3274.7	53.65	153	KOS M-SIGMUND M	CZE	2844.7	46.60
77	GREEN B-ATHEY J	ENG	3274.3	53.64	154	ZHUKAVEL V-ZHUKOV A	BLR	2844.3	46.60
78	MINARIK A-MINARIK G	HUN	3248.9	53.23	155	LINDHOLM O-OLOFSSON	SWE	2839.7	46.52
79	SUKNIAK M-SUKNIAK K	POL	3248.7	53.22	156	WALTERS N-LEWINSON	USA	2839.3	46.52
80	BRZUSTOWSKI WESOLOWSKI	POL	3245.3	53.17	157	BARANOWSKI-STRZEMECKI	POL	2823.3	46.25
81	GRUNT A-SARNIAK A	POL	3239.1	53.07	158	MICHALEK W-GUMULA S	POL	2822.9	46.25
82	LASOTA T-SOKOTOWSKI G	POL	3231.2	52.94	159	KOSSUT J-KRZYZANOWSKI	POL	2807.3	45.99
83	BREDE L-KUCHARSKI P	POL	3227.5	52.88	160	FARINA N-IAVICOLI F	ITA	2803.1	45.92
84	POSLEDNIK P-JANECEK M	CZE	3226.3	52.86	161	KATEK M-PATALAN T	POL	2798.2	45.84
85	RABBE J-COMBE C	FRA	3220.3	52.76	162	BOCC P-KEIL B	HUN	2795.5	45.80
86	DYBICZ P-EKNER M	POL	3215.9	52.69	163	PAVAN V-ISRAELEWICZ	FRA	2790.4	45.71
87	ZAROWSKI W-CHOYNACKI G	POL	3215.4	52.68	164	GULA A-TACZEWSKI M	POL	2787.2	45.66
88	DELMAS T-NAYNAUD F	FRA	3208.3	52.56	165	GALAZKA P-ORNATOWSKI	POL	2776.3	45.48
89	KAZALICKI M-PRALJAK M	CRO	3203.5	52.48	166	PEDERSEN B-KROGSGAARD	DEN	2773.2	45.43
90	MARJAI G-SURANYI M	HUN	3202.5	52.47	167	KARPALA-DZIERZAWSKI	POL	2772.7	45.42
91	TOUTENEL E-ROOS T de	BEL	3201.7	52.45	168	KOLWAS R-SASAL L	POL	2768.3	45.35
92	HOOVLER E-YUAN X	USA	3194.5	52.33	169	LABROU T-MYLONA I	GRE	2751.3	45.07
93	BARTON A-MARTIN J	IRL	3190.5	52.27	170	BRIVOT G-BRIVOT F	FRA	2743.3	44.94
94	DERBA T-PAKULA J	POL	3183.3	52.15	171	BRUNO G-ANDERSEN S	DEN	2734.1	44.79
95	KARAMANLIS KARAMANLIS	GRE	3180.5	52.11	172	PEARCE D-HARVEY B	ENG	2727.5	44.68
96	BERG I-LYBDAHL S	NOR	3168.1	51.90	173	AUBONNET N-VOLATRON	FRA	2718.3	44.53
97	ANGLADA C-VILLALONGA	SPA	3167.7	51.90	174	GEORGPOULOS-NTALAS	GRE	2718.1	44.53
98	CLAUSEN F-SCHONFELDT	DEN	3159.3	51.76	175	DRIJVER B-PAGTER V de	NTH	2717.5	44.52
99	BLOMSTER M-JOHANSSON	SWE	3156.7	51.72	176	GLICKMAN M-SLATER	USA	2711.5	44.42
100	ANGENENDT P-OEVER	NTH	3136.7	51.39	177	GRUE J-WOOLDRIDGE J	USA	2704	44.30
101	NEILL D-FISHER C	USA	3136.2	51.38	178	BOUWMAN E-RITMEIJER R	NTH	2701.3	44.26
102	OWSIK M-LUBANSKI S	POL	3131.7	51.31	179	DOMAGALA M-HOLOWACZ K	POL	2673.5	43.80
103	ARAMA D-FILIMON A	ROM	3120.9	51.13	180	KIRKEGAARD L-MOLLER L	DEN	2649.7	43.41
104	VRKOC R-MACURA M	CZE	3106.5	50.89	181	KRAWCZYK J-TUNKEL I	POL	2646.1	43.35
105	BYRNE M-MORRIS A	ENG	3101.3	50.81	182	EGLE M-NEIMANIS J	LAT	2631.7	43.11
106	DE LOUBENS G-BENARD T	FRA	3097.3	50.74	183	HUMPHREYS R-OHLINGER	USA	2630.5	43.10
107	CORNELIS T-DE DONDER	SBEL	3079.7	50.45	184	NEGOESCU A-DONCIU S	ROM	2622.7	42.97
108	K'POULOU K-L'DARAS	AGRE	3077.3	50.41	185	JELINEK P-MARTYNEK J	CZE	2619.9	42.92
109	KRISTIANSEN S'GHELLE	NOR	3070.3	50.30	186	SKWERES S-LESAGE S	FRA	2610.9	42.77
110	CHAPIRO-SCHWERTCK F	GER	3069.5	50.29	187	CZYZEWSKI M-STENCEK	POL	2610.3	42.76
111	KRAWCZYK G-ROGULA R	POL	3066.5	50.24	188	PISCHINGER A-HUPKA C	AUT	2602.1	42.63
112	TOWALEWSKI-KRAWCZYK R	POL	3056.8	50.08	189	NORDSTROM-ANDERSSON	SWE	2592.1	42.47
113	CAMPBELL B-FELDMAN J	USA	3051.6	49.99	190	PISANO S-SANGIORGIO A	ITA	2591.7	42.46
114	SVENSSON D-WESTMAN T	SWE	3039.5	49.80	191	MOREAU J-ALLENIC A	FRA	2562.3	41.98
115	SUITS S-TOOMERE T	EST	3037.5	49.76	192	GROENENBOOM M-JANSEN	NTH	2556.3	41.88
116	L'STANSKI NARKIEWICZ	POL	3036.7	49.75	193	MAURINS J-STAMERE Z	LAT	2556.1	41.88
117	MOLENAAR D-VERBEEK T	NTH	3036.3	49.74	194	DOMALAZEK L-OBORSKI	POL	2550.8	41.79
118	MANSILLA M-PEREZ CAL	SPA	3033.7	49.70	195	MICHALAK A-WOZNIAK A	POL	2547.6	41.74
119	KARLOWICZ W-ZIELINSKI	POL	3030.3	49.64	196	FERENC W-HORAJSKI L	POL	2542.3	41.65
120	ARASZKIEW-WITTENBECK	POL	3025.3	49.56	197	HOULBERG A-HOULBERG S	DEN	2540.5	41.62
121	KRUMINS J-BRIKMANE L	LAT	3021.7	49.50	198	MANDYSOVA M-MIRON T	CZE	2536.2	41.55
122	BACZEK M-GRZEJDIK S	POL	3014.7	49.39	199	MOSS G-BROWN R	ENG	2512.9	41.17
123	SINCLAIR A-GAFFIN R	SCO	3011.6	49.34	200	ALFREDSSON-ARVIDSSON	SWE	2510.7	41.13
124	KAMINSKI B-FILABER A	POL	3009.7	49.31	201	JENSEN S-KOCH R	DEN	2508.7	41.10
125	LEVY E-HUGHES K	ENG	3005.7	49.24	202	BABOURINE D-IVANOV I	RUS	2507.5	41.08
126	LARSSON T-ANDERSSON T	SWE	3004.3	49.22	203	KOUBKOVA J-BRAZA J	CZE	2501.1	40.98
127	GROOT N de-MEURS J	NTH	3003.7	49.21	204	TURANT M-SENDACKI P	POL	2493.1	40.84
128	LINERUDT G-SIVELIND D	SWE	3002.7	49.19	205	HANDLEY-PR. B-PROBST	ENG	2489.5	40.79
129	ALMOLDA D-LORENZINI C	FRA	3000.5	49.16	206	GRZESZKOWIAK-MAZURKIEW	POL	2480.9	40.64
130	LUCAS M-MARTIN B	FRA	2983.7	48.88	207	KERSCHBAUM O-SCHULTZ	AUT	2456.7	40.25
131	SCHWERDT A-PAHL A	GER	2978.7	48.80	208	ROKYTA M-KOPPLINGER	AUT	2439.7	39.97
132	HENRIKSEN MARQUARDSEN	DEN	2973.7	48.72	209	KRALIK F-BERAN V	CZE	2430.8	39.82
133	SIVELIND S-THALEN B	SWE	2972.3	48.69	210	VONDRACKOVA L-HRADIL	CZE	2409.8	39.48
134	HEIKKINEN AIRAKSINEN	FIN	2968.7	48.64	211	DORABIALA M-WOLANSKI	POL	2309.7	37.84
135	RESHEF O-GINOSSAR E	ISR	2962.2	48.53	212	VLACHOVA K-FALTA L	CZE	2278.6	37.33
136	DEKKER A-SALM C v d	NTH	2959.4	48.48	213	ELLISON M-HODGE G	SCO	2209.1	36.19
137	IWASZKIEWICZ J'IEWICZ	POL	2945.9	48.26	214	DONOVAN M-DONOVAN M	CAN	2206.8	36.15
138	BIANCHI S-MEDUSEI A	ITA	2942.3	48.20	215	LATHAM J-PAPACONSTANT	GRE	2198.8	36.02
139	LOKK A-ALLIK M	EST	2937.3	48.12	216	SIMONSEN H-MORTENSEN	DEN	2095.5	34.33
140	KRANYAK J-MIGNOCCHI K	USA	2934	48.07	217	HARRISON A-MARTIN R	USA	2086.7	34.19
141	GORSKI-MAJCHROWSKI	POL	2931.5	48.03	218	SIKORA M-WICHURA A	POL	2073.2	33.97
142	RIESZ A-SZENTES S	HUN	2930	48.00	219	HENDERSON C-JONES M	USA	2055.8	33.68
143	MACIELAK M-BEDNARCZUK	POL	2923.6	47.90	220	KRUSZYNSKI M-HAMMER	USA	2045.6	33.51
144	IZWANTOWSKI KAWCZYNSKI	POL	2916.7	47.78					
145	BRINK N-GROOSMAN B	NTH	2916.5	47.78					
146	HOCHKEK E-WLODARCZYK	POL	2908.9	47.66					
147	BAHNIK O-BAHNIK S	CZE	2883.6	47.24					
	DMOGILNICKI D-SAMSON	POL	2883.6	47.24					
149	FLIRSKI M-POTZ M	POL	2883.3	47.24					