

All the Way Win for Austrian Pair

After taking the lead almost from the start of the first session, Austria's **Andreas Gloyer** and **Martin Schifko** stayed on top of the table for the rest of the tournament, winning by a significant margin.

It was a repeat victory for Gloyer, who was defending the title he won two years ago in Nymburk, in the Czech Republic.

The Dutch combination of **Bas Drijver** and **Sjoert Brink** finished second while the Italian combination of **Francesco Mazzadi** and **Fabio Lo Presti** finished third.

Pairs from the host country Poland, occupied the next four places.

Transfers and Departures

Please don't be late for your transfer to the Airport in the morning. The buses have to leave on time!



Golden Smiles from the Champions

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Session Three

Our intrepid reporter was able to watch several of the leading pairs in action at the start of the third session. Could anyone mount an attack on the Austrians?

I do not know whether it is that Junior players prefer evening sessions starting at 23.00 to a more mundane 20.00, but the first few boards I watched saw tricks flying in all directions.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul

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

West	North	East	South
Kotorowicz	Schifko	Kotorowicz	Gloyer
			INT

All Pass

To start with on board three Gloyer's weak no-trump stole the pot – and left him in very awkward position.

While E/W cannot make 3NT if they declare it, they can make it on defence, having the advantage of the lead. East led a top diamond, and Gloyer took this to play a heart to his jack. Now a spade shift is too late for the defence. They need to play clubs at once, when they will take nine top tricks in defence. East failed to find the club shift, in fact remarkably he chose to return a heart,

which must simply be wrong. However Gloyer won the heart and went back to diamonds, finishing up down two when the defence finally got round to clubs. Still –100 was comfortably above average for him. –150 would have been very poor, because club partscores the other way scored only +110.

On the next deal the weak no-trump style backfired.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul

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

West	North	East	South
Kotorowicz	Schifko	Kotorowicz	Gloyer
Pass	INT	Pass	2♦*
Pass	2♠	Pass	4♣
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

I do not think Gloyer did enough here, as his red suit first round controls were such as to suggest that his partner might not be able to make a return cue bid and the fifth trump was also very valuable. Schifko might have looked a little more carefully at his great trumps – might his hand be worth a jump to 5♠ to suggest the black-suit controls, facing a splinter slam-try? As the cards lay 6♣ was no better than the heart finesse, but with half the field bidding it there were a lot of matchpoints rather randomly at stake here.

Where Linde and Balschun were using a strong no-trump they coped with opposition intervention well enough. After 1♦-(2♣)-Dble-(3♣)-3♠, Balschun was able to jump to 5♣ as Exclusion Blackwood. This asked his partner to show aces excluding clubs. Over the one-ace response he asked for the queen of trumps, and now knew enough to bid slam, being sure that it was unlikely to be worse than a finesse.

On the next deal the field had enormous problems with the North/South cards.

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Kasprzak</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Brink</i>
	1♠	2♣	Pass
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠
3♣	Dble	All Pass	

West might have done better to raise clubs at once but in a sense he had done well to persuade his opponents to play for penalties, since 4♠ is completely laydown. Even though declarer can guess clubs to hold himself to one loser (and why not start by advancing the nine of clubs from hand – some Souths might cover it!) he can never do better than –300, and –500 looks a far more likely result. In fact the Dutch slipped and

allowed declarer out for down two, but an average result anyway.

However on the next board the Dutchmen fell victim to a fine piece of judgement.

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Kasprzak</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Brink</i>
		Pass	2♠
3♥	3♠	Dble	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Kasprzak did very well in the auction at the vulnerability to pull 3♠ doubled to 3NT.

He ducked the spade lead to Brink, who shifted to a heart, for another spade back. Declarer hopped up with the ace of spades and unblocked clubs, then crossed to the top heart in dummy to find the bad news. When he cashed the fourth club winner and pitched a diamond from hand, north was caught in a strip-squeeze. The best he could do was come down to one diamond and three hearts together with a spade. If he had come down to all red cards he would be endplayed to lead diamonds at trick 12.

Declarer for some reason now led the queen of diamonds to his ace and only cashed nine of his ten tricks, but still had an excellent result.

At another table Balschun declared 4♠ doubled and the defence led a top club and shifted to a spade, which East might have contemplated winning, to cut down on the ruffs. Instead he ducked and now to escape for –500 and a reasonable result Balschun had to play a heart up immediately, hoping that spades were 4-1 and both red aces were onside. That works as the cards lie, but he followed the reasonable approach of ruffing a club and leading a trump to his hand to play a heart up to the king. West won and returned a heart and he won the king and ruffed a heart to get back to hand to lead diamonds, and that let East pitch a diamond loser. (*If declarer plays back a high heart and discards a diamond he will always come to seven tricks.*) When he led a diamond up West took his ace and cashed the nine of hearts, letting East pitch his second diamond loser, and that left Balschun with four trumps tricks in hand, a heart, and a club ruff. Down 800 and no joy at all for declarer.



Bianchi wonders how many diamonds?

Medusei and Bianchi of Italy showed me a couple of deals where they had collected a fine matchpoint score, and

modestly suggested that maybe fortune had been on their side in both cases. The first deal had come against Gloyer and Schifko.

Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul

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

West	North	East	South
Medusei	Schifko	Bianchi	Gloyer
Pass	1♠	2♦	2♠
Pass	3♣	3♦	3♠
All Pass			

The combination of the club blockage, despite the fall of the queen, and the 4-1 trump split, makes the play of the hand rather awkward in spades. If the defence cash their diamonds and shift to a heart to the jack and king, declarer can make ten tricks by simply returning a heart, later ruffing one in hand. It takes a trump switch to hold declarer to nine tricks. Bianchi actually led a top diamond and when his partner produced a discouraging four, there were suit preference overtones that persuaded him to shift to a club. As the cards lie this does not cost a trick of course, but Schifko actually misguessed what to do by rising with the jack, covered all round. Now declarer drew two rounds of trumps and finessed the nine of clubs, letting Bianchi win his ten and give his partner a club ruff to set the hand.

Board 18

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

West	North	East	South
Medusei		Bianchi	
5♥	Pass	5♦	Pass
5NT	Pass	6♦	Pass
7♦	All Pass		

Bianchi was also amused by this deal since his partnership had a small accident with the Grand Slam Force after he had opened a decidedly frivolous five-level pre-empt. Not to worry, the fall of the queen of diamonds made life easy and not only that, this was technically the only making slam on the deal, since hearts goes down on a spade lead.

Mind you most tables led a club against a heart game or slam since South had pre-empted in that suit; have you spotted the right way to play the hand on that lead?

If you know North has a singleton club you should ruff the opening lead in dummy, and draw trumps, then unblock the diamonds. Now go to the ace of spades and test the diamonds, pitching your spade loser. If the queen does not fall, ruff a spade to hand and endplay South with a low club. Assuming South has eight clubs he should be endplayed

now to lead clubs and allow you to take the finesse for 12 tricks.

Sports News



Goran Ivanisevic defeated Tim Henman 6-3 in the fifth set to reach the final of the Men's

singles at Wimbledon. Play in the Ladies Singles final between Venus Williams and Justine Henin was suspended for a while because of rain but the American retained her title, winning 6-1, 3-6, 6-0.

The Australian cricket team easily completed their anticipated victory over England in the first Ashes test. They bowled England out for just 164 to win by an innings and 118 runs.

Doubtless in honour of Herman de Wael tomorrow's stage of the Tour de France visits Antwerp, Belgium.



Today's stage saw a two man break away, but the leading duo were forced to wait at a train crossing. So the peloton was halted for 3 minutes

to make amends for the delay. Of course the leaders were eventually overhauled and victory in the stage went to Erik Zabel, who last won a stage in Troyes (in 2000), who has taken his tally of Tour stage wins to 9 with his win today.

Later this month Master Point Press will be publishing a collection of brilliant deals involving all the great names of Polish Bridge. For more information or to order a copy contact one of the authors who are both here tonight.



Championship Diary 8 July 2001

Despite a hectic schedule, the President of the World Bridge Federation, **José Damiani**, was able to address everyone before the start of play today. The highlight came when he confirmed that Junior Bridge will be represented in Salt Lake City in 2002.

At a dinner last night Damiani praised the development of Junior Bridge in Poland, and the efforts of the Polish Bridge Federation, led by their President, **Radoslaw Kielbasinski**.



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Bali The Lippo Bank World Transnational Open Teams

The creation of the Transnational World Championships is one of the most innovative ideas of recent years.

The Transnational Teams Championship in Bali gives all players the perfect opportunity to enjoy all the atmosphere and excitement of a great World Championship while at the same time playing in an excellent Bridge Tournament. Being a Transnational event means that you may play with a partner or team mates of other Nationalities.

In Bermuda, both teams that reached the final were Transnational and they contested many fascinating deals.

Dealer South. E/W Vul

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Jacobus</i>	<i>Weichsel</i>	<i>Milner</i>	<i>Meltzer</i>
Pass	1♥	Dble	Pass
Pass	3♥	Dble	2♥
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

The 4-1 trump break plus a shortage of entries to the West hand made Four Spades impossible to manage and the contract failed by one trick, N/S +100.

West	North	East	South
<i>Zmudzinski</i>	<i>Moss</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Gitelman</i>
Pass	1♥	Dble	Pass
Pass	Pass	Dble	4♥
			All Pass

With an eye to the vulnerability, (sometimes called 'Vulnerability Syndrome') South made a preemptive raise. When East doubled again West was not tempted to try for game. With an awkward lead East instructively selected the ace of clubs, the suit in which someone was most likely to hold a singleton and consequently establishing the king would be of less significance. Seeing dummy it was easy enough to switch to the ace and then the queen of spades. Declarer could discard a diamond on the king of spades, but still had to lose three tricks in the red suits for -300 and a loss of 9 IMPs.

It was another major difference in evaluation that gave the eventual winners another big swing:

Dealer East. All Vul

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Jacobus</i>	<i>Weichsel</i>	<i>Milner</i>	<i>Meltzer</i>
		3♣	All Pass

Three Clubs was the popular action on the East hand, although the suit is moth-eaten and there is fair support for one major. The contract drifted three down, -300.

West	North	East	South
Zmudzinski	Moss	Balicki	Gitelman
		2♣	Pass
2♦*	Pass	2♠*	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Balicki's Precision style two clubs was no thing of beauty, but it worked like a charm as West discovered his partner was minimum with no four-card major but saw things through to reach a game that proved easy to make after a low heart lead. +620 was worth 14 IMPs.



The Transnational World Champions

Of course many of the participants from the Bermuda Bowl and Venice Cup will participate after the Round Robin stage, so it gives everyone a unique opportunity to play against some of the top players in the world, something that rarely happens in any sport.

In order to enter the event, you will need to contact your National Bridge Organisation so that they can officially put your name forward to the World Bridge Federation for entry. A list of people seeking partners or team mates will be available on

www.ecatsbridge.com - follow the links through the Championships section - and although it cannot be guaranteed that you will find anyone suitable, at least you can be put you in touch with other people also looking for partners/team mates.

Please email wbf@ecats.co.uk if you want to be included on this list.

Bali is an enchanting island, with wonderful scenery and is of course, famous for its dance, carving and music. It is known as the "Island of the Gods". The Balinese believe that the Gods always spread their wings of affection to assure peacefulness to anyone who stays or visit there.



Enter the Dragon!

The Indonesia Archipelago covers approximately the same area as mainland Europe, and has over 13,000 islands of which some 6,000 are inhabited. That's why Bali remains safe and unscathed during the political changes in Indonesia.

The Lippo Bank World Transnational Open Teams will take place during the

second week of the Championships, starting on Sunday 28 October 2001.

The schedule of play will be as follows:

Sunday 28 October:

3 matches, starting in the afternoon

Monday 29 October:

4 matches

Tuesday 30 October:

4 matches

Wednesday 31 October:

4 matches

Thursday 01 November:

Semi Final and first session of the Final

On Thursday 01 November, there will also be an IMP Pairs for participants who wish to continue to play bridge.

Friday 02 November:

Final and Victory Banquet

It is intended that, in the Semi Final and Final, participants in the World Transnational Teams will play the same boards as those played in the Bermuda Bowl.

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Appeal No. 2 Poland v Italy

Appeals Committee: Mark Horton (Chairman, England), Herman De Wael (Scribe, Belgium), Peter Gill (Australia), Klaus Reps (Germany)

Junior Pairs Session 2

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

West	North	East	South
<i>LaPresti</i>	<i>Choynecki</i>	<i>MazzadiZarowski</i>	
Pass	2♦	Pass	1♦
Pass	4♣	2♠	3♠
Pass	5♣	Pass	4♥
All Pass		Pass	5♦

Comments:

1♦: 12-21, usually 5 card ♦; 2♦: FG; 3♠ asking for a stopper; 4♣, 4♥, 4♠: cue-bids

Contract: Six Diamonds, played by South

Result: 12 tricks, NS +1370

The Facts:

There had been an agreed hesitation before South bid 5♦. East/West had called the Director during the bidding, complaining about the bid of 6♦, and again after the contract had been made.

The Director:

Considered that the hesitation did not contain any information about the ♣A, which was the only card North should

worry about, and allowed the result to stand.

Ruling:

Result Stands

Relevant Laws:

Law 16A

East/West appealed.

Present: All players

The Players:

East repeated his complaint, stating that without the hesitation, pass is a possibility, and 6♦ should therefore be disallowed. South explained that his partner had already heard him make two cue-bids, was already going to bid slam, and was investigating the chances of a grand slam. South further explained why he did not bid 5♣, saying that under Polish habits, every cue-bid also shows “something extra”, and he had nothing further to add. When asked what he had been thinking about, South replied he had been thinking of using Blackwood himself.

The Committee:

Considered that South already had enough information to bid the slam himself. South ought to have realised that as his methods prevented him from bidding 5♣, it should have been possible to make the bid of 5♦ in tempo, thereby allowing his partner to make the final decision. The Committee decided that North had a logical alternative to his bid of 6♦, Pass, and the Committee decided to adjust the score.

The Committee’s decision:

Score adjusted to 5♦, making 12 tricks, NS +620

Deposit: Returned

SESSION FOUR

The three leading pairs were conveniently located close to one another in the main playing area so that the Bulletin and its team of spies could keep a close watch as to what was going on.

The first ten boards did not give much of an indication that either the Belgians or the Dutch would catch the leaders. On the very first deal Gloyer reached a hopeless game (off four top losers) and found a defender willing not to cash the top tricks – and even better, to clear up a guess to allow declarer to discard one of those losers. Meanwhile as I watched it seemed that more bad things than good were happening to the contending pairs in the early stages.

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul

♠ K Q ♥ A K 9 8 ♦ A J 7 6 3 ♣ Q 10	♠ 7 6 5 4 ♥ Q J 10 5 4 2 ♦ Q ♣ J 2	♠ A 9 3 2 ♥ 3 ♦ 10 9 8 5 4 ♣ A K 7	♠ J 10 8 ♥ 7 6 ♦ K 2 ♣ 9 8 6 5 4 3
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West	North	East	South
Schifko		Gloyer	
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♦ (GF)	Pass	3♦	Pass
4♠	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	6NT	All Pass

Schifko gambled quite reasonably on playing in no-trumps and was rewarded with +1020 when something nasty happened to the defence's diamond trick.

On the next deal the Austrians were faced with another awkward decision at a high level.



Going for Gold

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul

♠ 8 2 ♥ K 9 3 2 ♦ A 10 ♣ A K 10 9 3	♠ 10 6 ♥ 10 6 ♦ K J 8 7 4 3 ♣ 5 4 2	♠ A K 9 7 5 ♥ 7 ♦ Q 9 ♣ Q J 8 7 4	♠ Q J 4 3 ♥ A Q J 8 5 4 ♦ 6 5 2 ♣ —
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West	North	East	South
Schifko		Gloyer	
3♣	Pass	4♣	2♥
4♦	Pass	4♥	Pass
5♣	Pass	6♣	All Pass

A brave bid by Gloyer to raise to slam, but with his spade controls and extra distribution he could not really settle any lower. While there was a danger that they were off two aces, his partner figured to have two first round controls to make the slam try. 12 tricks were a formality.

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The Chairman's Farewell Address

Mr Stanislaw Kopec, Member of Parliament, Charman of the Honorary Committee **Mr Krzysztof Ciach**, President Stargard County **Mr Jan Dobrowski**, Deputy Mayor of Stargard Szczecinski **Mr President of the European Bridge League**, **Mr President of the Polish Bridge Union**, Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Friends

Thank you all for attending the closing ceremony of the 4th World Junior Bridge Pairs Championship. In particular, we are grateful to many very important people whose presence here carries a specific message of solidarity and support. We are all sharing the goal of promoting Junior bridge, but in this race very few are so determined as the President of the European Bridge League **Gianarrigo Rona** whom we thank very much for being with us tonight. We have come to the end of a most exciting event, in the middle of a most exciting era for Junior bridge, and I would like to share some thoughts with you tonight.

In every agreement we make for the organization of a championship there is a clause in which the host agrees to '... welcome the WBF and its member countries'. Never has this been observed so much as in this town! When I came here for the first time, I experienced an unprecedented situation. Here, it was not just one person or a small group of people who wished to organize the championship – but the entire local community. From the Mayor of Stargard Szczecinski and the local Member of Parliament, to the most distinguished members of the local society but also the simple inhabitants – all, but all indeed, were most enthusiastic about the idea of hosting a World Junior Championship. Never before had I experienced such determination, never before had I seen such willingness in the eyes of so many people, however important. As you can understand, it was not difficult to make a positive recommendation to the Executive Council, and I am very glad that this was accepted.

I am sure that by now you have all experienced the same feelings. The same warmth and care. The same consideration that the local people have promised and so promptly delivered to all of us. So, I am sure that I speak for all of you, in saying to people a big 'thank you' deeply from inside our hearts. I have to include everybody in this expression, because if I started naming individuals I would need many hours, so long is the list.

I would like for a moment to turn to you, inhabitants of Stargard Szczecinski. As your Mayor said at the opening ceremony, at the beginning we had to look at the map to see where your town lies. However, it is not the number but the kindness of the people that determines the size of a place. I can assure you people that, from this point of view, Stargard Szczecinski is big, very big – it is, in fact, one of the biggest places in the world!

The World Bridge Federation deals with National Federations, so it is normal that we had to work closely with the Polish Bridge Union. This was a particularly easy task for me on this occasion, as the President of the Polish Bridge Union happens to be a colleague on the Executive Committee of the European Bridge League, a

very able person and close personal friend. Thank you very much **Radek Kielbasinski** – and in your name, let me thank all the members of the board of the Polish Bridge Union for a great and most fruitful cooperation.

No matter how determined the entire local community was, the organization of the tournament fell inevitably on the shoulders of a number of individuals who deserve, I believe, a special mention. In this respect, I would like to thank, most sincerely, the Chairman of the Organizing Committee **Krzysztof Orzechowski**, and his collaborators **Aleksander Zakowicz**, **Jan Choinkowski**, **Beata Barnowska** and **Ewa Dudzinska**. Last, but not least, I wonder where the tournament would have been without a most able on-site organizer. So thank you very much, **Marek Zakowicz**.

Once the tournament got under way, the organizers were joined by a capable team of international experts who came here to ensure that the Junior Championship would be run in no lesser fashion than any other world event. And so it happened! This is thanks to:

- the Tournament Directors' team, headed by **Antonio Riccardi** and **Marc van Beijserveldt**, and including **Kazimierz Chlobowski**, **Slawomir Latala**, **Eitan Levy** and **Andrzej Wachowski** – and also **Zdzislaw Kzeminski** who did a fair amount of board duplication for us.
- The Appeals Committee, orchestrated by **Herman De Wael**.
- The Scoring team of **Jan Boets** with **Bart Hoekstra**.
- The Daily Bulletin with **Barry Rigal** and **Mark Horton**.
- The Youth Committee Assistants **Zdenek Frabsa**, **Geert Magerman**, **Cees** and **Dita Reimer**, and **Klaus Repts**.
- The Informatics Manager **Fotis Skoularikis**
- The Operations Director **Dimitri Ballas**.

Of course, there are also the backstage boys, those who run up and down all the time to ensure that the tournament runs smoothly. They are too many to mention by name, but our thanks go to all.

Finally, a great thanks is due to the Youth Committee members present here: our Vice Chairman **Stefan Back**, **Charlotte Blaiss** and **Andrea Pagani**.

I left the most important people for the end. These are you, dear Juniors. You are the people who make these events successful. You are the ones whom we have set to serve, because you are the future of our sport. Because, it is a great pleasure being with you and working with you and for you. Because you are the ones who make our efforts worthwhile.

You are such nice people. We know that because you responded in big numbers to our invitation and made this championship the biggest international gathering of young bridge players ever to take place. We know it, because you played this competition in great spirit and exemplary

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behaviour. We know, that you are great sportsmen whom we can always trust.

Earlier today we were very happy to hear of our President José Damiani making some very important announcements. As President of an international organization, Mr Damiani has a very tough schedule; yet, he found the time to visit us even for a few hours. This serves as the best example of how interested he is in the Junior world. However, the President went even further. He gave us the best news we could possibly have. When bridge is presented to the International Olympic Committee and world sport authorities at the 2002 Winter Olympic Games in Salt Lake City, USA, there will be a place reserved for the Juniors. Just think of it: some of you will be there playing bridge to show the world what our sport is all about. And, of course, we hope that what is now a demonstration, will be a real competition next time, in Torino 2006, it. In the mean time, as the President said, a Junior competition will, from now on, be part of the Olympic Grand Prix, which is contested every year in the Olympic Museum in Lausanne, as part of our growing relationship with the International Olympic Committee. If you add to all these the fact that as from last year, Juniors are playing as a separate series in the World Masters Individual tournament every even numbered year, you will have the full proof of how much we try and how much we care about you.

Tomorrow, many of you will be leaving, but quite a few will be staying on and will be joined by newcomers to take part in the Junior Camp in the lovely resort of Insko, not very far from here. I trust that those who are leaving have a good reason for doing so, as with the rest we are going to have a marvelous time in the Camp. After a tough competition, nothing is better than a few relaxing days dominated by our sport but also including many other activities. I am sure that if we made many acquaintances during the Championship, many friendships will emerge from the Camp. Keep that in mind, dear Juniors, when you make your plans for next time.

Now it is time to say good bye. Thank you very much for coming, and thank you for being so nice. It is a great pleasure to work for you, and your reaction gives us strength to go on. Whether we are going or staying, we shall always keep together.

Have a safe journey back home, and take care of yourselves and your friends.

Panos Gerontopoulos

Vice President WBF

Chairman, WBF and EBL Youth Committees

DUA Trophy

If you would like to come for a quick visit to Belgium, why not choose the Third of March 2002, and play in the DUA Trophy. DUA stands for 'Denksport (Mind sport) Universiteit Antwerpen', and this tournament has special prizes for youth players. More details can be found at:

<http://www.ruca.ua.ac.be/dua> and
magermang@yucom.be.

Final Result

1	GLOYER A-SCHIFKO M	AUT	15132	61.98
2	BRINK S-DRIJVER B	NTH	14821	60.71
3	MAZZADI F-LO PRESTI F	ITA	14266	58.43
4	LULA R-SWIATEK P	POL	14135	57.90
5	BREDE L-KUCHARSKI P	POL	14110	57.79
6	S NIZIOL F-NAWROCKI P	POL	14083	57.68
7	JANISZEWSKI-WITTENBECK	POL	14077	57.66
8	CORNELIS T-DE DONDER S	BEL	14058	57.58
9	BAR-YOSEF-MUNNEN v	ISR/NTH	14038	57.50
10	DI BELLO S-GUARIGLIA R	ITA	14016	57.41
11	UPMARK J-NYSTROM F	SWE	13999	57.34
12	S BESSIS T-GAVIARD J	FRA	13972	57.23
13	LUTOSTANSKI-NARKIEWICZ	POL	13953	57.15
14	BERG M-CULLIN P	SWE	13917	57.00
15	S KASPRZAK J-NOWOSADZKI	MPOL	13908	56.97
16	BALDI M-TORIELLI V	ITA	13868	56.80
17	KOTOROWICZ J-KOTOROWICZ	POL	13827	56.63
18	HARALDSSON S-EINARSSON	ISL	13818	56.59
19	KALITA J-SIKORA J	POL	13806	56.55
20	LUKS L-NABER L	EST	13788	56.47
21	HENRIKSEN B-MARQUARDSEN	DEN	13777	56.43
22	BRUGGEMAN J-SCHOLLAARDT	NTH	13750	56.32
23	GRUNT A-SARNIAK A	POL	13732	56.25
24	KRANYAK J-MIGNOCCHI K	USA	13727	56.22
25	BIRDSALL G-BURGESS O	ENG	13668	55.98
26	MARCINIAK J-SKALSKI A	LPO	13659	55.95
27	MOLLER M-SAUTER A	GER	13627	55.81
28	TIHANE A-MATISSONS M	LAT	13603	55.72
29	GALEK P-SYNOWIEC R	POL	13594	55.68
30	ZHUKAVEL V-ZHUKOV A	BLR	13568	55.57
31	BESSIS O-DE TESSIERES	GFRA	13546	55.48
32	BARENDREGT E-DIRKSEN G	NTH	13539	55.45
33	WYNER J-WILTSHIRE D	AUS	13535	55.44
34	ANDRALOJC R-DEMIANCZUK	POL	13460	55.13
35	RESHEF O-GINOSSAR E	ISR	13410	54.93
36	HOFFMAN R-LELLOUCHE D	ISR	13379	54.80
37	S GOGOMAN A-GOGOMAN A	AUT	13350	54.68
38	DE ROOS D-DE ROOS S	BEL	13344	54.65
39	CAMPBELL B-FELDMAN J	USA	13302	54.48
40	KONOPKO G-SKORSKI M	POL	13298	54.47
41	DI BELLO F-UCCELLO S	ITA	13273	54.36
42	LINERUDT G-SIVELIND D	SWE	13264	54.33
43	JOHANSSON P-MORIN H	SWE	13257	54.30
44	HODOSI P-SZURDI M	HUN	13207	54.09
45	WOYNA M-ROZANSKI M	POL	13157	53.89
46	DIALYNAS A-DIALYNAS M	GRE	13155	53.88
47	ERICSSON K-SALOMONSSON	SWE	13136	53.80
48	BOOTSMA M-WAELE R de	NTH	13129	53.77
49	ZAROWSKI W-CHOYNACKI G	POL	13121	53.74
50	GULA A-TACZEWSKI M	POL	13075	53.55
51	KOUSSIS-KARAPANAGIOTIS	GRE	13055	53.47
52	GRENTHE G-GRENTHE J	FRA	13052	53.46
53	DELMAS T-NAYNAUD F	FRA	13020	53.33
54	RYMAN J-JANSSON T	SWE	13008	53.28
55	LARSSON T-ANDERSSON T	SWE	13003	53.26
56	MALESA M-SIKORA M	POL	12996	53.23
57	BOUWMAN E-RITMEIJER R	NTH	12987	53.19
58	KORNEK A-SMIRNOV A	GER	12985	53.18
59	NICOLODI F-SBARIGIA M	ITA	12963	53.10
60	RABBE J-COMBE C	FRA	12938	52.99
61	S MINARIK A-MINARIK G	HUN	12933	52.97
62	ARASZKIEW. K-WITTENBECK	POL	12930	52.96
63	MARJAI P-HEGEDUS G	HUN	12928	52.95
64	SVENSSON V-DISCHLER J	SWE	12920	52.92
65	HEIKKINEN T-AIRAKSINEN	FIN	12865	52.69
66	BRZUSTOWSKI-WESOLOWSKI	POL	12850	52.63
67	SVENSSON D-WESTMAN T	SWE	12849	52.63
68	MARJAI G-SURANYI M	HUN	12847	52.62
69	KARAMANLIS M-KARAMANLIS	GRE	12826	52.53
70	VOZABAL D-PEKNY P	CZE	12821	52.51
71	BRINK N-GROOSMAN B	NTH	12801	52.43
72	S REMPOLA K-SZCZEPANSKA	KPOL	12797	52.42
73	BURAS K-KAPALA S	POL	12793	52.40
74	S KARLOWICZ W-ZIELINSKI	PPOL	12760	52.26

