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POLISH POWER PLAY

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The magnificent Telstra Stadium, where tonight's Rugby Union international between Australia and New Zealand will be played.

Poland powered away from France at the top of the standings by defeating their rivals 25-5 in yesterday's afternoon match. France in turn had destroyed Israel in the morning, by a remarkable 89 IMPs, 25-0 VPs, and pretty much ending Israeli hopes of qualification. Poland also defeated Japan by 22-8, giving them 47 VPs on the day, the best of any team, and now head the standings with 286 VPs. France lies second on 264, just ahead of USA1 who, as predicted, closed right up with 45 VPs on the day, to give them a total of 261.8. Canada had a good day and lies fourth on 247, giving a cushion of 14 VPs to fifth-placed Australia on 233.

Australia had a poor day, taking only 26 VPs from matches against two bottom-half teams but are still the only team likely to challenge Canada for that crucial fourth place. While Norway (222), Hungary (221) and Israel (220.7) will all think that they still have hopes of snatching fourth place, any of these teams will need a big day tomorrow plus a slip from Canada if they are to make it into the semi-finals.

France was not the only team to score a 25-0, USA1 also achieving that mark against Pakistan, while Chinese Taipei had a good day to move above average, including a 25-2 win against USA2.



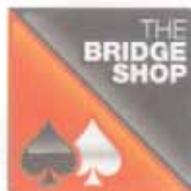
Individual and Swiss Pairs

As listed in the Official Program, there is a two-session Individual competition and also a two-session Swiss Pairs. Those wishing to take part, please enter these two competitions in advance by putting your names on the lists posted from Sunday morning near the scoring table.

The times of the competitions are as follows:

Individual: Monday and Tuesday at 14.10 (The sessions will be shorter than as listed in the program)

Swiss Pairs: Monday and Tuesday at 20.30





RESULTS



ROUND ROBIN SESSION 13

	Match		IMP's		VP's	
1	ISRAEL	FRANCE	6	95	0	25
2	BRAZIL	NORWAY	33	47	12	18
3	USA 1	CHILE	55	31	20	10
4	CANADA	USA 2	41	35	16	14
5	POLAND	JAPAN	59	24	22	8
6	CHINA HG KG	HUNGARY	4	38	8	22
7	PAKISTAN	CHINESE TAIPEI	35	53	11	19
8	AUSTRALIA	EGYPT	29	50	11	19
9	ENGLAND	NEW ZEALAND	54	39	18	12

ROUND ROBIN SESSION 14

	Match		IMP's		VP's	
1	FRANCE	POLAND	21	74	5	25
2	CHINA HG KG	CANADA	21	73	5	25
3	PAKISTAN	USA 1	4	102	0	25
4	AUSTRALIA	BRAZIL	42	42	15	15
5	ENGLAND	ISRAEL	25	39	12	18
6	NEW ZEALAND	NORWAY	35	72	7	23
7	EGYPT	CHILE	37	64	9	21
8	CHINESE TAIPEI	USA 2	86	16	25	2
9	HUNGARY	JAPAN	49	28	19	11

RANKING AFTER SESSION 14

1	POLAND	286
2	FRANCE	264
3	USA 1	261.8
4	CANADA	247
5	AUSTRALIA	233
6	NORWAY	222
7	HUNGARY	221
8	ISRAEL	220.7
9	CHINESE TAIPEI	212
10	JAPAN	201
11	ENGLAND	199
12	CHILE	198
13	EGYPT	197
14	CHINA HONG KONG	193
15	BRAZIL	190
16	USA 2	187
17	NEW ZEALAND	137
18	PAKISTAN	50

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ROUND ROBIN

Round 10



CANADA

v

EGYPT



Going into the Thursday morning match, Canada was lying third while opponents Egypt were third from bottom. If that suggested a comfortable win for the Canadians, it didn't quite work out that way.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Noshy	Wolpert	Tawfik	Demuy
	Pass	1♦	1♥
2♥	4♥	Pass	Pass
5♦	All Pass		
West	North	East	South
Halasi	Nabil	Capes	Abdelfatta
	Pass	1♦	2♥
3♥	4♥	Pass	Pass
5♦	All Pass		

Both teams missed an opportunity to start the match off with a game swing on this first deal. At both tables South



Demuy, Canada

led a heart to the ace and now it required a spade switch to defeat the game. But North didn't know anything about declarer's side-suit strength or shape and at both tables the chosen switch was to a club. Declarer could get the spade loser away on the fourth club for a flat board at +400.

In all, 5♦ was played nine times around the room and only defeated twice. Take a bow, Jacek Kalita/Krzysztof Kotorowicz of Poland, and Charlie Garrod/Noble Shore of USA2, for their successful defence.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Noshy	Wolpert	Tawfik	Demuy
		Pass	Pass
3♣	3NT	All Pass	
West	North	East	South
Halasi	Nabil	Capes	Abdelfatta
		Pass	Pass
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

The 3♣ opening did not affect the final contract, but it did affect the opening lead and that in turn made a substantial contribution to the final outcome of the board.

Where Canada's Charles Halasi passed in third seat, Tim Capes led his fourth best diamond and that presented declarer with his ninth trick for +600.

Sherif Noshy's pre-empt gave Aly Tawfik an easy lead of the king of clubs and the sight of dummy persuaded him to switch to a heart. Gavin Wolpert won in hand and cashed two top spades, getting the bad news there, then knocked out the ace of clubs. Back came another club. Had Tawfik pitched a heart on either of these clubs, it would have been open to declarer to cash the ♥K then endplay him in spades and diamonds, but Tawfik discarded diamonds and was comfortably placed in the endgame; down one for -100 and 12 IMPs to Egypt.

The above defence was also found by England's Ben Green after Duncan Happer had also opened 3♣.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Noshy	Wolpert	Tawfik	Demuy
4♥	Dble	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
Halasi	Nabil	Capes	Abdelfatta
4♥	All Pass		

Would you double with the North hand? With both a minimum in high-card terms and lacking a fourth spade, it is a borderline decision, though there is always the argument that the player who is short in the opponents' suit has to stretch to take action. And, with 12 working HCP and 5-4 distribution, would you be content to play for a penalty when holding only a weakish doubleton heart?

Well, Wolpert doubled as North and Vincent Demuy passed it out, presumably fearing that game would be tough to make his way if partner also held two hearts, which was entirely possible. No doubt Demuy did not give much thought to the possibility that 4♥ might actually be making but, of course, there was no defence. Plus 790 for Noshy and +620 for Halasi meant 5 IMPs to Egypt.

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Noshy	Wolpert	Tawfik	Demuy
1♠	Pass	Pass	1♣
3♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
3NT	All Pass	3♦	Pass

West	North	East	South
Halasi	Nabil	Capes	Abdelfatta
1♠	All Pass	Pass	1♣

East has an unattractive decision opposite a 1♠ overcall, particularly if a 2♥ response would be forcing.

Capes found it sufficiently unpalatable to bid that he passed out 1♠, where Halasi made a painless overtrick by playing for diamond ruffs after a club lead to the queen and ace; +110.

Tawfik could bid an encouraging but non-forcing 2♥ and the 3♣ rebid confirmed a good hand, after which 3♦ was normal enough now. Three No Trump was quite cold, of course, after Wolpert's club lead to the queen and ace. The defence took its tricks when in with the heart and that was that; +600 and 10 IMPs to Egypt, who were building up a useful lead.

The boards were quiet for a while and Egypt continued to hold a solid lead, then Canada pulled a few IMPs back near the end.

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ 9 7 6 3 2 ♥ A J ♦ 6 5 4 ♣ 9 5 4	<table style="margin: auto; border: 1px solid black; background-color: black; color: white;"> <tr><td style="padding: 5px;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 5px;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 5px;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠ K 4 ♥ Q 8 5 4 2 ♦ Q 10 9 3 ♣ 10 3 ♠ A Q 10 ♥ K 9 ♦ A K 7 2 ♣ K 8 7 2	♠ J 8 5 ♥ 10 7 6 3 ♦ J 8 ♣ A Q J 6
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West	North	East	South
Noshy	Wolpert	Tawfik	Demuy
Pass	Pass	1♣	Pass
Dble	1♥	INT	2♥
	All Pass		
West	North	East	South
Halasi	Nabil	Capes	Abdelfatta
1♠	Pass	1♦	Pass
	Pass	2NT	All Pass



I confess that I would have responded 1♠ as West, though getting to 2NT on these cards is not exactly a triumph and Capes/Halasi must have been well pleased when they scored this deal. Mahmoud Abdelfatta led a heart against 2NT and Capes won in hand then played ace and ten of spades to Karim Nabil's king. A second heart took out dummy's only entry and declarer ducked a diamond to South. The defence cashed three heart winners then switched to the ten of clubs and had four tricks there as Capes had pitched clubs on the hearts. That meant declarer came to just four tricks; down four for -200.

Noshy did not respond but then he made what looks like a take-out double of 2♥ but Tawfik passed, suggesting a misunderstanding. Still, no harm done if the defence is accurate, as there are six tricks to be taken against a heart contract. However, Tawfik started out by cashing a top diamond but then didn't know what to do next. His actual choice of the ten of spades would have been just right had Noshy held the ♠K, but on the actual deal it was disastrous. Wolpert scooped in the king of spades and played on clubs, getting rid of his remaining spade on the third round. He had only to lose two hearts and two diamonds now; nine tricks for +570 and 9 IMPs to Canada.

Could Tawfik have cashed the second diamond to get a suit-preference signal? Well, if Noshy follows with his lower remaining diamond at trick two he should deny interest in spades, and East can see the club honours, but it takes some courage to switch to a heart from ♥Kx on this auction to get a spade through. Is that necessary? A spade switch obviously gives the contract, while a club allows declarer to pick up three club tricks for a spade pitch. A third diamond also puts declarer in hand to play three rounds of clubs for a spade discard but, when he next plays a trump off the table, West can go in with the ace and lead a spade to East for a fourth round of diamonds to make the ♥J for down one.

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Noshy	Wolpert	Tawfik	Demuy
Pass	Pass	Pass	1NT
Pass	4♥	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

West	North	East	South
Halasi	Nabil	Capes	Abdelfatta
Pass	2♦	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♦	Pass	4♣
Pass	4♦	Pass	4♥
Pass	4♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5NT	Pass	6♠

All Pass

Nabil opened a multi then showed a maximum weak two in spades. Abdelfatta's slam try looks a touch aggressive to me, though my view may be coloured by my style of weak two opening and I suppose slam could be very good facing ♠AKQxxx. When North signed-off in 4♠ after the exchange of cuebids, however, I am convinced that South should have passed. Surely, most hands that make slam a good proposition will not sign off in 4♠.

Capes led the jack of diamonds to dummy's ace and a club pitch, and Nabil tried a spade to the king and ace, learning his fate immediately. Capes now switched to a heart and Nabil won the ace then pitched his hearts on the king and queen of diamonds, ruffed a diamond, cashed the ♠Q, and crossed to the ace of clubs to throw a club loser on the long diamond. That was two down for -200. How expensive would this result prove to be?

The Canadians stopped in game when Wolpert judged that the North hand did not quite fit as a vulnerable weak two bid. Over the 1NT opening Wolpert used Texas and became dummy in 4♠, against which Noshy led a low club to the ten and ace. Demuy threw all dummy's clubs on the top diamonds and was now at the crossroads. The winning play was to ruff a fourth diamond then play a spade honour from hand. East could switch to a low heart, ducked, and now West would have to return a heart to put declarer to a guess while West still had a spade with which to ruff the fifth diamond. This line requires an even diamond split and that declarer both have a possible winning guess in hearts and that he make the winning play. Demuy, not surprisingly, preferred the simple line of playing for the ace of spades to be onside so led low to the king and ace, after which he had to lose two spades and two hearts for down one; -100 and just 3 IMPs to Canada.

Despite these two late boards, Egypt held on to win the match by 43-28 IMPs, 18-12 VPs.

Six Spades was hopeless, of course.





Appeal No. 1

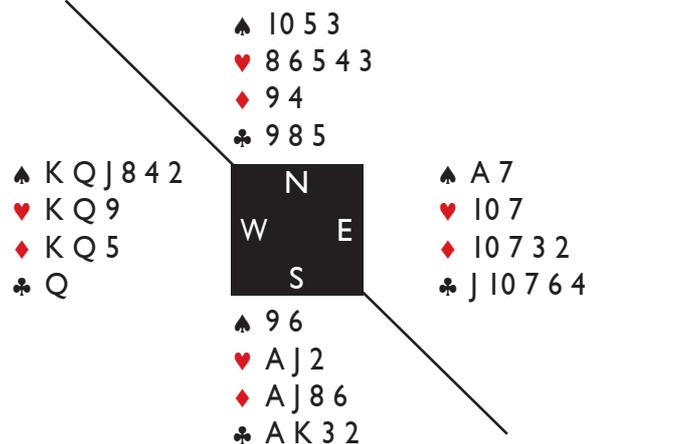


Round 7.

Table 2 Open Room. USA1 v Israel

Appeals Committee: John Wignall (Chairman), Stefan Back, Matthew McManus, Brian Senior. Also present, Joan Gerard (Tournament Appeals Chairman) without voting rights as USA involved in appeal.

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.



West	North	East	South
Reshef	Grue	Ginossar	Kranyak
Pass	1♦(ii)	Pass	1♣(i)
Dble(iii)	2♥	Pass	INT
Pass	Pass	Dble	2♠
			All Pass

- (i) Precision, 16+
 - (ii) 0-7
 - (iii) Explained differently on two sides of the screen
- Table Result: N/S -1100
 Result in other room: E/W -100; 4♠ doubled -1

Appealing Side: East/West

TD's Statement of Facts:

West's double of INT was described as 'no agreement' by West to South, but described as 'penalties' by East to North. Over a penalty double, N/S bid naturally, however, over all other types of intervention (including other types of doubles) they play transfers. Consequently, given the different explanations, North bid 2♥ naturally, whereas to South it was a transfer. Given identical explanations, N/S will not play in 2♠. E/W will probably compete rather than defend 2♥.

Law References: 21B3, 40C

TD's Ruling: Score adjusted to E/W +140
 TD: Laurie Kelso

The Hearing:

West's explanation of his double was actually expanded at the table to include the fact that, against a strong no trump, E/W play DONT (where double would show a single-suited hand). South took quite a long time before converting

2♥ to 2♠ but eventually seems to have decided that the double probably was artificial, hence 2♥ was a transfer (system on).

N/S were both clear that their methods did differ according to the meaning of the double. Their convention card did not cover this matter but they had their system file available online. The committee later saw the relevant page and it confirmed that two different methods were indeed in use, as N/S had stated.

Appeals Committee Decision:

The TD's decision was upheld. East and West had given two different explanations of the meaning of West's double of INT, therefore an infraction had occurred. The two different meanings of the double did affect the meaning of North's 2♥ bid so that in one case it would be natural and in the other a transfer. The Committee felt that South did all he could be expected to do to discover West's agreement and could not agree with the Israeli npc, who thought that he had not.

The deposit was returned.

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By arrangement with Peter Gill, those leaving earlier than August 18th will also be driven to the airport. Arrangements for those leaving later than August 19th may be made privately by contacting the organisers.

SPORTS NEWS



Athletics World Championships Helsinki

Men's Pole Vault

- | | |
|-----------------|-------------|
| 1 R Blom | Netherlands |
| 2 B Walker | USA |
| 3 P Guerassimov | Russia |

Women's 100m Hurdles

- | | |
|-------------------|---------|
| 1 M Perry | USA |
| 2 D Ennis-London | Jamaica |
| 3 B Foster-Hylton | Jamaica |

Women's Discus

- | | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| 1 F Dietzsch | Germany |
| 2 N Sadova | Russia |
| 3 V Pospisilova | Czech Republic |

Men's Triple Jump

- | | |
|--------------|---------|
| 1 W Davis | USA |
| 2 Y Betanzos | Cuba |
| 3 M Oprea | Romania |

Men's 200m

- | | |
|--------------|-----|
| 1 J Gatlin | USA |
| 2 W Spearmon | USA |
| 3 J Capel | USA |



Golf

Crowd favourite Phil Mickelson birdied the last to take a share of the lead after the first round of the USPGA. He carded a three-under-par 67, the same return as Stephen Ames, Stuart Appleby, Ben Curtis, Trevor Immelman and Rory Sabbatini. The form of 2003 Open champion Curtis was one of the biggest surprises of an eventful day, as he has been in dire form since his shock win at Sandwich. The

other big surprise was the poor display of Tiger Woods, who shot a 75.



Cricket

Michael Vaughan found form with a vengeance to hit the first ton of the Ashes series as England dominated day one of the third Test at Old Trafford. Vaughan won the toss and propelled

England to 341-5 with a majestic 166, overshadowing Shane Warne's feat in taking his 600th Test wicket.



Baseball

When Francisco Rodriguez dropped a simple return throw from his catcher, the Oakland Athletics sneaked into first place all by themselves. Jason Kendall alertly dashed home from third base with the winning run when

Los Angeles' miffed closer flubbed the easy toss, and the A's took sole possession of first in the AL West with a 5-4 come-from-behind victory on Thursday. Eric Chavez hit a tying three-run homer in the seventh for the A's, who rallied from a four-run deficit. They took two of three to stand alone in first place for the first time this season. Chavez was at the plate again in the ninth with two runners on and two out. After Rodriguez's first pitch was called a ball, the right-hander stared in and nonchalantly stuck out his glove for catcher Jose Molina's throw - but it glanced away. Kendall, watching at third, sprinted home and beat the throw, sending the A's roaring from the dugout to celebrate. The victory caps a surge of 20 wins in 23 games since the A's trailed Los Angeles by 8½ games on July 18.

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ROUND ROBIN

Round 11



AUSTRALIA

v

FRANCE



by Ron Klinger

Before this round France were a close second and Australia sixth. France had the better of the first deal:

+650 and 8 IMPs to France.

After two 5 IMP swings to Australia, O.Bessis/De Tessieres bid neatly to the grand slam here:

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Datum: N/S +340

West	North	East	South
Gaviard	Geromboux	T.Bessis	Ware
	1♥	2♦	2NT(i)
5♣	Pass	Pass	Dble

All Pass

(i) Good heart raise

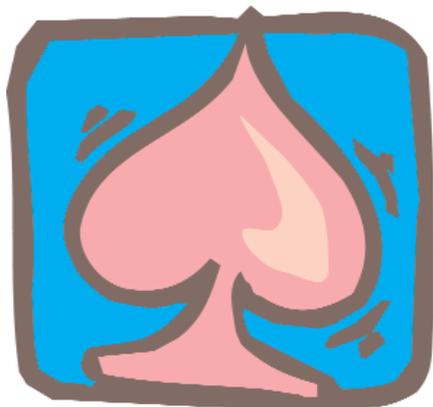
Lead: ♥A

North shifted to the ♣5 to the ace and South returned the ♦6, queen, ace, to allow North to play another club and prevent the heart ruff. Declarer ran his clubs, but the defence kept the right cards and so declarer was two light for -300.

West	North	East	South
Williams	O.Bessis	Krochmalik	De Tessieres
	1♥	Pass	4♣
5♣	5♥	All Pass	

Lead: ♠A

East cashed the top spades, but declarer had the rest for



Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

Datum: N/S +1080

West	North	East	South
Williams	O.Bessis	Krochmalik	De Tessieres
		Pass	1♣
1♠	2♥	Pass	3♥
3♠	Pass	Pass	4♣
Pass	5♦(i)	Pass	5NT
Pass	6♦(ii)	Pass	7♣
Pass	7♥	All Pass	

Lead: ♣8

(i) Voidwood

(ii) Grand slam invitation, all key cards held

There was nothing to the play; +1510 to France.

West	North	East	South
Gaviard	Geromboux	T.Bessis	Ware
		Pass	1♣
1♠	Pass	Pass	Dble
Pass	Pass	2♦	Pass
Pass	2♥	Pass	4♥
Pass	5♦	Pass	6♥

All Pass

Lead: ♥5

West	North	East	South
Williams	O.Bessis	Krochmalik	De Tessieres
		Pass	1♣
1♠	Pass	Pass	Dble
Pass	Pass	2♦	Pass
Pass	2♥	Pass	4♥
Pass	5♦	Pass	6♥

All Pass

That was +1010 and 11 IMPs to France. In other matches two pairs played in 4♥, eight were in 6♥, one in 6♣, one E/W pair in 2♠ doubled -500, while 7♥ was reached by Brazil, Israel, Norway and USAI.

After two flat boards, France extended their lead:

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

♠ J 4 3 2 ♥ A 8 ♦ A Q 4 ♣ J 7 4 2	<table style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 7 ♥ J 6 5 4 3 2 ♦ 6 ♣ A K Q 9 8	♠ A 10 9 8 5 ♥ K ♦ K 10 9 ♣ 10 6 5 3
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	S											
	♠ K Q 6 ♥ Q 10 9 7 ♦ J 8 7 5 3 2 ♣ -											

Datum: N/S +140

West	North	East	South
Gaviard	Geromboux	T.Bessis	Ware
	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Lead: ♠5

N/S took their five spade tricks and came to a trick in the end for +200.

West	North	East	South
Williams	O.Bessis	Krochmalik	De Tessieres
	Pass	1♥	2♦
Dble	2♥	3♣	3♦
3NT	Pass	Pass	4♦
Dble	All Pass		

Lead: ♥A

West switched to a club, ruffed, and South ran the ♦J. West could not take more than the ♦A and so the con-



Griff Ware, Australia

tract made with an overtrick for +610 and 9 IMPs to France, who led 29-10 at the half-way mark.

Australia clawed back 12 IMPs to trail 22-30 when this deal came along:

Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

♠ J 6 5 4 ♥ A Q J 8 ♦ A 6 ♣ K 8 6	<table style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ A K Q ♥ K 10 3 ♦ K 9 2 ♣ Q 10 9 3	♠ 9 8 3 2 ♥ 7 5 ♦ 10 5 3 ♣ A 7 5 4
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	S											
	♠ 10 7 ♥ 9 6 4 2 ♦ Q J 8 7 4 ♣ J 2											

Datum: N/S -950

West	North	East	South
Gaviard	Geromboux	T.Bessis	Ware
1♣	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♥	Pass	1♠*	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦	Pass	3NT	
All Pass			

Lead: ♥6

Declarer made twelve tricks for +690.

West	North	East	South
Williams	O.Bessis	Krochmalik	De Tessieres
1♥	Pass	2♣	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	Pass	6NT	All Pass

Lead: ♠8

Declarer unblocked the spades, cashed the hearts and played a club to the queen. When the ♣J appeared on the next club, he had twelve tricks for +1440 and 13 IMPs to Australia. In other matches, eight pairs played in 3NT, six made 6NT, one failed in 6♣ and one failed in 6NT.

France regained the lead two boards later:

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ Q J ♥ Q J 10 5 4 ♦ J ♣ K J 9 6 4	<table style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 10 9 2 ♥ 7 6 3 ♦ Q 4 ♣ Q 10 7 5 3	♠ 8 7 3 ♥ A K ♦ A K 9 7 3 2 ♣ A 2
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	S											
	♠ A K 6 5 4 ♥ 9 8 2 ♦ 10 8 6 5 ♣ 8											

Datum: N/S +680

West	North	East	South
Gaviard	Geromboux	T.Bessis	Ware
1♥	2♦	Pass	Pass
3♣	3NT	Pass	2♠
Pass	Dble	5♣	Pass
		All Pass	

Lead: ♦A

North continued with the ♦K, ruffed. When West led the ♣J and North played low, declarer escaped for 800. North can collect 1100 by unblocking the hearts early (trick two, perhaps), putting South in with a spade and receiving a heart ruff.

West	North	East	South
Williams	O.Bessis	Krochmalik	De Tessieres
1♣	2♦	Pass	Pass
Pass	4♣	Pass	3♠(i)
Pass	6♦	Pass	4♦
		All Pass	

(i) Nice fit-showing bid

There was no problem in the play. +1370 was worth 11 IMPs to France.

Game making versus game failing meant 10 more IMPs to France, who won the match by 52-36 or 18-12 in VPs, and hit the front after Round 11 with 215 VPs to Poland's 214, followed by Canada on 200.



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No Double, No Trouble

by Laszlo Honti (Hungary)

On Board 16 of Round 7, the South player was doomed to go down in 4♠, without seeing all the cards. However, the Hungarian South got a little help from his opponents.

Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

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

	N	
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♠ A J 10 6 4 2
♥ A 4
♦ A 10 9 3
♣ 8

West	North	East	South
	Mraz		Szegedi
INT(i)	Pass	2♦(ii)	2♠
3♥	3♠	Pass	4♠
Dble	All Pass		

(i) 12-14

(ii) Transfer to hearts

West led a heart and Balasz Szegedi won East's queen in hand and led a club to West's ace. Had West returned a passive heart, Szegedi could have played him to hold something like:

♠ K Q x x
♥ J x x x
♦ J x
♣ A Q x

and tried for a minor-suit squeeze against East. But West played a very descriptive ♦5 instead. Declarer read the position well. He won the ♦K then played ♣K, pitching a diamond, and ruffed a club, cashed the ♦A and led a heart to the king for a second club ruff with the ♠10. Finally, Szegedi led a low spade towards dummy's nine. West could win but then had to either give up his second trump trick or lead a heart for a ruff and discard, eliminating declarer's diamond loser. So that meant +590 – an expensive double, without which it would have been tough to find the winning line.



ROUND ROBIN

Round 12



ENGLAND

v

USA I



by **Ron Klinger**

The first swing came when USAI bid a tight game:

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

Datum: N/S -20

West	North	East	South
<i>Happer</i>	<i>Greenberg</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>Lall</i>
		Pass	Pass
1♠	2♥	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♣	All Pass	

Lead: ♣6

North went one off for -100.

West	North	East	South
<i>Kranyak</i>	<i>Byrne</i>	<i>Grue</i>	<i>Woodcock</i>
		1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	INT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Lead: ♠9

Note opener's strength for a one-level opening at favourable vulnerability. Declarer took the ♠K and played



Michael Byrne, England

the ♣10, taken by the ace. South now tried the ♥10 to the queen and ace. East played the ♦4 to the nine and queen and North put the ♥8 on the table. East covered with the ♥J, repeated the diamond finesse and emerged with nine tricks for +400 and 7 IMPs to USAI.

England picked up 5 partscore IMPs on Board 3, but those were the last English IMPs for a long time. Bits and pieces went to USAI who led 16-5 at the half-way point. Then there was a torrent of IMPs to USAI.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

Datum: N/S +80

West	North	East	South
<i>Happer</i>	<i>Greenberg</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>Lall</i>
	Pass	Pass	INT
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♦
All Pass			

Lead: ♠3

Having a bid available to show both minors below game values is certainly handy and it paid off here when North/South played in their longer trump suit. The ♠3 was led and declarer came home with an overtrick for +130.

West	North	East	South
<i>Kranyak</i>	<i>Byrne</i>	<i>Grue</i>	<i>Woodcock</i>
	Pass	Pass	INT
Pass	2♠(i)	Pass	3♣
All Pass			

(i) Transfer to clubs

Lead: ♠2

Without a bid to show both minors, it might be prudent to pass INT rather than climb to the three-level into a possible 5-2 fit (not that INT is any joy here either).

South captured East's ♠J and played a club to the ten and jack. South won the ♠5 return and played another club to the king. The ♦2 went to jack and ace and West continued

the spade attack, ruffed in dummy. Declarer finished one down for -100, and 6 IMPs to USAI.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ K J 6 ♥ J 9 7 3 2 ♦ Q 8 7 ♣ 8 4	<table style="margin: auto; border: 1px solid black; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠ 8 5 3 ♥ 6 5 ♦ A 10 5 4 3 ♣ 10 9 5
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Datum: N/S -290

West	North	East	South
<i>Happer</i>	<i>Greenberg</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>Lall</i>
1♣	All Pass	Pass	Pass

Lead: ♠3

North led a trump and declarer made nine tricks for +110.

West	North	East	South
<i>Kranyak</i>	<i>Byrne</i>	<i>Grue</i>	<i>Woodcock</i>
1♣(i)	Pass	1♦(ii)	Pass
1♥	Pass	1NT	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

- (i) Artificial, strong
- (ii) Artificial, 0-5 points

Lead: ♣Q

Declarer ducked the club lead and South shifted to the ♦2. (A spade switch might have tested declarer later.) The ♦K won and declarer played a low club to South, who switched to the S7. Grue played the ♠9 from dummy and North was endplayed. Whether North played a major or a diamond, it would give declarer the ninth trick. North chose a heart and East had +400; 7 IMPs to USAI.

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

Datum: N/S -170

West	North	East	South
<i>Happer</i>	<i>Greenberg</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>Lall</i>
1♣	Dble	1♥	1♠
Pass	2♠	3♥	4♠
All Pass			

Lead: ♥J

Declarer ducked in dummy and West played a second heart for the king and ace. When East continued with a heart, South pitched the ♣7. Declarer handled the spades for one loser, -100.

At the other table Grue/Kranyak combined well for a strong penalty:

West	North	East	South
<i>Kranyak</i>	<i>Byrne</i>	<i>Grue</i>	<i>Woodcock</i>
2♣(1)	Dble	3♦(2)	Pass
Pass	Pass	4♣	3♠
4♥	4♠	Dble	All Pass

- (i) 6+ clubs, 10-15 HCP
- (ii) 6+ hearts, inviting game

Lead: ♥J

Declarer covered with the ♥K, taken by the ace. East cashed the ♥Q but, before continuing hearts, he also cashed the ♣K. Then came the third heart, ruffed and over-ruffed. West exited with the ♣A, ruffed by South, who played a spade to the jack for two down; -500 and 9 IMPs to USAI.

England picked up 5 IMPs before USAI continued their run:

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Datum: N/S +50

West	North	East	South
<i>Happer</i>	<i>Greenberg</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>Lall</i>
2♣	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	3♠	5♣	5♠
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

Lead: ♠4

Declarer drew trumps and set up the diamonds to land eleven tricks for +650.

West	North	East	South
Kranyak	Byrne	Grue	Woodcock
	1♠	Dble	INT
Dble	2♠	Pass	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Dble
4♣	All Pass		

Lead: ♦6

Would you fancy leaving 3NT doubled in as West? A spade lead gives it to you and you can make it on a heart lead if you have the courage to duck in dummy, but on a diamond lead you are five down for -1100. West saw no reason to be a hero and the 3NT bid had already won the board.

South took the ♦A and switched to a spade. The defence took the first four tricks for +50, but little consolation for the game available in spades; 12 IMPs to USAI.

Two boards later there was another run from 3NT doubled:

Board 19. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

Datum: N/S +100

West	North	East	South
Kranyak	Byrne	Grue	Woodcock
			3♣
Pass	3NT	Dble	Pass
4♦	All Pass		

Lead: ♥K

Declarer won and led the ♣J. East took the ace and played the ♦10. North won and put the ♠7 on the table. East rose with the ♠A and cashed the ♥Q, but that was the end for the defence; +130.

West	North	East	South
Happer	Greenberg	Green	Lall
			Pass
Pass	1♦	1♥	Pass
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Lead: ♥Q

A heart continuation will beat 3NT (easier if West drops the ♥J), but that did not happen and on a spade switch declarer has nine tricks; 7 IMPs to USAI.

England defeated a major-suit game in each room on the last board to collect 9 IMPs. That reduced the margin to 58-19, a 23-7 VP win to USAI.

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