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SANYA – CITY OF CHAMPIONS



Gold medal winners, from left by captain: Lynn Baker (Women's Teams),
Marcin Mazurkiewicz (Open Teams) and Reese Milner (Senior Teams.)

Three world champions were crowned in Sanya on Thursday as the Polish team led by Marcin Mazurkiewicz soundly defeated Monaco for the Rosenblum Cup (Open Teams), the Lynn Baker team won handily over China Red for the McConnell Cup (Women's) and the Reese Milner squad topped Jim Sternberg and company in the Rand Senior Teams.

While the teams were fighting it out, the Open, Women's and Senior Pairs were playing semi-final rounds to select pairs for their respective finals today. The pairs events conclude on Saturday.

Traffic Control will be adopted in Sanya during Oct.24-25 due to cycling race. Please note and schedule your time

Press conference TODAY

WBF President Gianarrigo Rona will conduct a press conference on Friday at 10:30 a.m. in the Caribbean Room at the Sheraton.

THE CLOSING CEREMONY

The invitations to the Closing Ceremony (dinner buffet to follow) may be collected from the Hospitality Desk Friday October 24th.

Watching bridge in Sanya

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Today's Schedule

Open	Women	Seniors
09:30 - 11:00	09:30 - 11:00	09:30 - 11:00
11:15 - 12:45	11:15 - 12:45	11:15 - 12:45
13:30 - 15:00	13:30 - 15:00	13:30 - 15:00
15:15 - 16:45	15:15 - 16:45	15:15 - 16:45
17:00 - 19:40		17:00 - 18:50

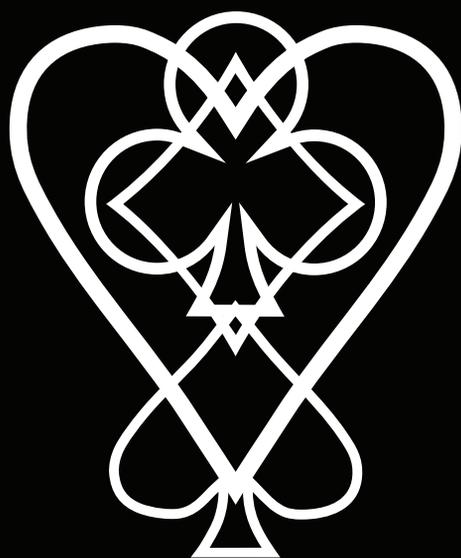
Last round: 18 boards for Open; 12 for Seniors.
All other: 10 boards

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Open Pairs field

In the Open Pairs, the final will have 43 pairs qualified from Semi-final A, six from Semi-Final B and five as drop-ins from the knockouts.

Saturday's Schedule

Open	Women	Seniors
09:30 - 11:00	09:30 - 11:00	09:30 - 11:20
11:15 - 12:45	11:15 - 12:45	11:35 - 12:45
13:30 - 15:00	13:30 - 15:00	13:30 - 16:10
15:15 - 17:55	17:00 - 19:00 (televised live)	
Last round: Open 18 boards; Women 14. All other: 10 boards		Seniors play 12, 9 & 18 boards

Watching bridge in Sanya

If you want to watch the bridge play during 14th Red Bull World Bridge Series, here's how you do it on OurGame:

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Jump website: ourbridge.ourgame.com/flash/loading.swf

Requirements: adobe flash plugin
 Mobile download website and QR code:(IOS,android)

ourbridge.ourgame.com/index/download-en.html



Robot championship goes to Shark Bridge

By Al Levy

The 18th World Computer-Bridge Championship ended yesterday with Shark Bridge narrowly defeating Micro Bridge in the 64-board final match. OurGame sponsored the event, so the winners went home with more than a trophy. With three boards to play, and Micro Bridge up by 5 IMPs, John Norris, developer of Shark Bridge, was rooting for his robot to bid a slam on board 62 even though it goes down on best defense as he could see that the last two boards would be flat. At the other table, Micro Bridge bid to 5♥ and made 450 on a club lead.

Board 62. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Micro	Shark	Micro	Shark
		Pass	1♦
Pass	1♥	INT	4♣
Pass	4♦	Pass	4♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♦
Pass	5♥	Pass	6♥
All Pass			

The slam is reasonable and will make even on a diamond lead, which seems to take away a key entry for ruffing a couple of clubs and pulling trumps. A finesse of the ♥8 will be required, but East's INT (takeout for the black suits) gave the critical clue. In practice, East led the A and the title went to Shark Bridge.



John and Merete Vermehren Norris, developers of Shark Bridge.

Never say die

By Brent Manley

With 14 boards to play, the four-man LEBRON team held a 7-IMP lead over MONACO, one of the pre-tournament favorites to take the Rosenblum Cup, awarded to the winners of the Open Teams. LEBRON's 68-61 lead was increased to 25 IMPs early in the match, but as MONACO demonstrated, it ain't over 'til it's over.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Kranyak</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Demuy</i>	<i>Helgemo</i>
3♣	Dble	Pass	1♦
Pass	4♣	Pass	3NT
Pass	4♥	Pass	4♦
Pass		Pass	Pass (!)

Tor Helness and Geir Helgemo seemed headed for the cold 6♦, but something went wrong and Helness found himself in the awkward contract of 4♥. Vince Demuy led the ♣8, taken in dummy with the ace. Helness ruffed a club at trick two, played a heart to the queen and another to the



Geir Helgemo and Tor Helness

jack, king and ace. Demuy still had three trumps to one for Helness, but 10 tricks were there because the West hand could not be reached. It was a disappointing result, but at least it was a plus.

At the other table, John Hurd and Joel Wooldridge had a free run to the diamond slam, making 13 tricks for plus 1390 and a 13-IMP gain.

Another 5 IMPs went to Lebron when Helgemo-Helness bid to 4♥, one down, while Hurd and Wooldridge stopped in 3♥.

The score after three boards was 86-61.

The MONACO comeback started on this deal.

Board 4. Dealer West. Both Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Kranyak</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Demuy</i>	<i>Helgemo</i>
1♦	1♥	Pass	2♥
Dble	Rdbl	2♠	3♦
Pass	3♥	All Pass	

Demuy led a low club to the queen and ace. Helness cashed the trump ace and played a club to dummy's king to play a heart. He won with the ♥K when Kranyak showed out, cashed the ♣J and put Demuy in with the ♥Q. Demuy thought for a bit before playing the ♦J. Helness could claim plus 140 at that point.

West	North	East	South
<i>Nunes</i>	<i>Hurd</i>	<i>Fantoni</i>	<i>Wooldridge</i>
2♣	2NT	All Pass	

The natural, limited 2♣ bid by Claudio Nunes made Hurd's decision more difficult with his 17-point hand and he eventually decided to show his values with the 2NT overcall.

Fulvio Fantoni led his partner's suit and Hurd took West's ♣Q with the ace. He cashed the ♥A and ♥K and exited with a heart. Fantoni accurately switched to a low spade and the defenders took the next five tricks. That was minus 50 for LEBRON and 6 IMPs to MONACO.

Another 5 IMPs went their way on this wild deal.

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Kranyak	Helness	Demuy	Helgemo
		1♦	Pass
1♥	5♣	Dble	Pass
5♦	Pass	Pass	6♣
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

The 5♦ contract was going down at least one – two if Helness could find the spade lead, but it was hard to tell in such a heated auction. Demuy cashed the two high hearts to score plus 100. The auction went much differently at the other table.

West	North	East	South
Nunes	Hurd	Fantoni	Wooldridge
		1♦	Pass
1♥	Dble	Redbl	3♣
4♣	7♣	Dble	All Pass

Fantoni had the same two heart tricks for plus 300 and another gain for MONACO.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

The auction is lost in the ether, but the final contract for Helgemo/Helness was 4♥ by North, making for plus 420. At the other table, Nunes and Fantoni played in 2♠ with the East-West cards, one down for minus 50. That was a 9-IMP gain for MONACO, now only 5 IMPs behind.

Monaco took the lead on the following board.

Board 10. Dealer East. Both Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Kranyak	Helness	Demuy	Helgemo
		1♥	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♠	Dble	4♣	Pass
5♣	All Pass		

Kranyak took 12 tricks for plus 620. At the other table:

West	North	East	South
Nunes	Hurd	Fantoni	Wooldridge
		1♥	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♣	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♥	Pass
4♠	Pass	5♦	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♣	All Pass

- 2♣ Game force: Natural, clubs; balanced hand or heart support
- 2♠ Four or more diamonds
- 3♣ Six or more clubs
- 4♣ Club support
- 5♦ 1, 3 or 5 key cards and diamond cuebid
- 6♣ No extras



Joel Wooldridge

The nice auction got Nunes to the good slam. All he had to do was make it. Hurd led the ♠Q (Rusinow). Nunes won the ace and ruffed a spade then cashed the ♣K. He played a diamond to his hand and cashed the trump ace, discovering the trump loser. All he needed was for Hurd to follow to one more diamond and he was home. A heart to the ace allowed Nunes to pitch his spade loser on the ♦A and concede one trick. Plus 1370 was worth 13 IMPs to MONACO, now ahead 94-86.

On the penultimate board, Kranyak had a chance to put his team back in the lead.

Board 13. Dealer North. Both Vul.

	♠ J 10 6 3 ♥ J 2 ♦ J 8 3 ♣ K 10 6 3					
♠ 9 2 ♥ K 8 ♦ A 9 6 5 2 ♣ J 7 5 2	<table style="margin: auto; border: 1px solid black; background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px;"> <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 Q 7 ♥ 7 6 5 ♦ K Q 7 4 ♣ A Q 4	
N						
W E						
S						
	♠ K 8 5 4 ♥ A Q 10 9 4 3 ♦ 10 ♣ 9 8					
West <i>Nunes</i>	North <i>Hurd</i>	East <i>Fantoni</i>	South <i>Wooldridge</i>			
	Pass	1♣	1♥			
1♠	Pass	2♥	Pass			
3♦	Pass	4♦	Pass			
4♥	Pass	4♠	Pass			
5♦	All Pass					

Hurd led the ♥J to Wooldridge's ace and Nunes won the ♥Q (showing a potential entry in spades) with the king. Nunes pulled trumps but could not avoid losing a trick in each black suit for one down, minus 100.

West <i>Kranyak</i>	North <i>Helness</i>	East <i>Demuy</i>	South <i>Helgemo</i>
		1♣	1♥
2♦	Pass	3♦	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Helness led the ♥J, which Helgemo ducked to declarer's king. Kranyak had nine tricks if he could guess which black-suit finesse to take. On the run of the diamonds, Helgemo held onto his hearts, coming down to the doubleton ♠K and five good hearts. Kranyak, perhaps suspecting that Helgemo had blanked the ♣K, played a club to the ace. When that produced no king, his only choice was to cash the ♠A. That also drew low cards, so Kranyak had to concede one down for a push. Monaco's comeback was complete.

You be the judge!

By Barry Rigal

I was brought this fine deal by the person on the receiving end of the story, Janusz Makaruk. He and his partner Niedzelski were in great shape in the pairs, but their compatriots (Jagniewski and Gawel) handed them a near-zero on this deal.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

	♠ A K 2 ♥ A 3 ♦ 8 6 2 ♣ A 9 7 5 3					
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N						
W E						
S						
	♠ Q J 5 3 ♥ 10 7 6 ♦ 9 5 3 ♣ Q 10 2					
West 2♥	North Pass All Pass	East 1♥	South Pass			

Wojciech Gawel led a trump against 2♥, letting Rafal Jagniewski win and return a trump. On this trick South could hardly signal for a spade since if declarer had the king he didn't want his partner underleading the ace, so he followed with his small trump as declarer won in hand. Makaruk led a club to the two, king and ace, and Jagniewski underled his ace-king of spades! That let Gawel win and play a third heart; +110 was an 8% board for E/W and 92% for N/S.



Wojciech Gawel

Thriller

By Micke Melander

Johan Upmark, the youngest member of the VENTIN team was born in 1977. In 1983, before Johan had even started school, Michael Jackson released the album Thriller, an appropriate soundtrack for the quarterfinal match between LAVAZZA and VENTIN in the Rosenblum Cup.

When you know that you're in a tight match and every IMP counts, it all becomes very nerve-wracking to watch, especially when so many of the boards are sufficiently wild and crazy that they might result in big swings going in any direction. Moving into the last segment between LAVAZZA and VENTIN, the Italian coffee team was down by only 6 IMPs, 64-70.

Wrang lost most of his interest when his partner produced a cuebid in clubs. With a loser in each of the majors they bid as high as they could. Declaring game didn't present any problems for Upmark.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Duboin</i>	<i>Auken</i>	<i>Mahmood</i>	<i>Welland</i>
	3♠	5♦	Pass
6♦	All Pass		

Sabine Auken kicked off the last segment with a an aggressive preempt. When Zia jumped to game Giorgio Duboin had real problems, holding a singleton, ace-third in diamonds and a good seven-card club-suit. Understandably, he raised to slam, which quickly went down when Welland cashed the king of hearts and shifted to a spade.

That was 10 IMPs to VENTIN, now ahead by 16.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Wrang</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Upmark</i>	<i>Madala</i>
	2♠	3♦	3♠
4♠	Pass	5♣	Pass
5♦	All Pass		

Board 2. Dealer East. N-S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Wrang</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Upmark</i>	<i>Madala</i>
		Pass	1♦
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	2NT
Pass	4♦	Pass	4♥
Pass	6♦	All Pass	

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Duboin</i>	<i>Auken</i>	<i>Mahmood</i>	<i>Welland</i>
		Pass	1♦
Pass	1NT*	2♦	3♣
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	3♠	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

1NT Artificial game force



Juan Carlos Ventin, Johan Upmark and Frederic Wrang



Giorgio Duboin

Well bid by Bocchi-Madala, who reached their small slam in diamonds very efficiently. Declaring the board didn't present any problems for Madala, who quickly wrapped up the tricks he needed. In the Closed Room, Zia's Two Diamond overcall for the majors seemed to be enough to make Auken/Welland lose interest in the slam potential of the board. So they settled in 3NT instead, a rather pessimistic view. Twelve tricks were also quickly in the bag here after Zia led a low heart.

That was 12 IMPs back to LAVAZZA, so VENTIN now only leading by 4. Board three was a push in Three Hearts, both rooms making their contract. Board four could have been a very expensive business for the VENTIN team when Upmark felt he had to act with:

♠A1074 ♥Q103 ♦742 ♣J95 after his partner had opened with One Club and RHO had overcalled with One Heart. Upmark's negative double brought them to Three Spades when Madala preempted them there and East didn't dare to pass. With a very bad fit, they went three down vulnerable to lose the 4 IMP they were leading by. So with ten boards to go, we had a tie!

Board five took LAVAZZA into the lead when they scrambled 10 tricks in Two Clubs when they only got nine in the Open Room – so now we had a new leader of the match with 1 IMP then came board six.

Board 6. Dealer East. E-W Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wrang	Bocchi	Upmark	Madala
		1♦	Pass
3♦	4♣	Dble	Pass
4♦	4♠	Pass	5♣
All Pass			

Wrang should probably have jumped to game, when his partner doubled Four Clubs. Upmark was for sure closer to double Five Clubs than to sacrifice against the game given his 17-point hand. He did well to pass the board out considering that the defense only had two tricks in hearts to score.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Auken	Mahmood	Welland
		1♦	Pass
1♥	Dble	4♣	Pass
4♥	5♣	Dble	Pass
5♦	All Pass		

In the Closed Room Duboin-Mahmood dominated the action. Auken bid herself all the way up to Five Clubs probably believing that she was sacrificing, when it was the opposite. Welland led the two of clubs. Why he didn't try the ace of spades to get a signal from partner and see the dummy is a mystery. Even more mysterious is that he didn't double Five Diamonds... When Welland led a club Zia could have made his contract if the queen of hearts had been onside, but now it was only one off when he picked up the jack of spades.

Despite that, 7 IMPs more meant that LAVAZZA extended their lead to 8 IMPs.

Board 7 was another push when both tables refused to play in Four Hearts when they had a four-four fit there, and instead went playing a no trump game, going one off. That was a missed opportunity for both of them, since they could have made some IMPs for a nice swing here.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wrang	Bocchi	Upmark	Madala
INT	2♥	All Pass	

With hearts being 3-3 for the defense and the king of hearts and the ace of diamonds onside, Bocchi made ten tricks when the defense led a club.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Auken	Mahmood	Welland
INT	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♠	Dble	Pass	5♣
All Pass			

Auken's takeout double over Three Spades was all Welland needed to jump to game in clubs in the Closed Room. With a INT to his left he might have expected most of the missing keycards to be where they were. Five Clubs was in fact unbeatable, and produced 6 IMPs back to VENTIN, now was down by just two again in this thriller.

Board 9. Dealer North. E-W Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wrang	Bocchi	Upmark	Madala
	Pass	1♣	1♦
Dble	Pass	1♥*	2♣
Dble	2♦	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	2♠	All Pass

1♥ Spades

After a very competitive auction, Upmark managed to buy the final contract in Two Spades. Madala led the king of diamonds, and on seeing the dummy he shifted to the jack of hearts, which went to declarer's king. Three rounds of trumps followed, putting declarer on play. He now tried the queen of clubs, which went to the king, ace and the two. Upmark then called for the jack of diamonds which set up his queen and his eighth trick. After making the correct guess in clubs he finished with 10 tricks for 170.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Auken	Mahmood	Welland
	2♥	All Pass	

Auken not only managed to "steal" the contract with her very weak Two Heart opening, she also managed to make it when Zia led the queen of clubs. This went to the king, ace and declarer's five. Auken could later play a low club towards the 10, to set it up for a discard of her diamond loser, to make the contract.

Plus 170 and plus 110 was at this point a huge result, since 280 brought in another 7 IMPs to VENTIN, now back in the lead by 5 IMPs. Board ten was a push when both tables reached an excellent Six Clubs and board eleven got VENTIN 1 IMP when LAVAZZA played Four Spades just made in the Open Room, while Auken/Welland went for 3NT in the Closed Room making 11 tricks! Board twelve got the audience another push when they both played a completely impossible Four Heart contract, going one off. So with two boards to go we had VENTIN in the lead by 6 IMPs.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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	♠ K 8 5 4										
	♥ A Q 10 9 4 3										
	♦ 10										
	♣ 9 8										

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wrang	Bocchi	Upmark	Madala
	Pass	INT	2♣
2♦	2♠	3♦	3♠
All Pass			

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Auken	Mahmood	Welland
	Pass	INT	2♥
Dble	Pass	3♦	All Pass

Mahmood had no problems making his ten tricks when the king of clubs and the ace of hearts were onside for 130. The unhappy news for LAVAZZA was that if their opponents had managed to bid 3NT that would always make, based on the actual layout of the board. However Bocchi and Madala competed as high as they could without being doubled. Three down didn't cost that much

since they would have hoped that their partners were in game. That wasn't the case, so it was another loss, this time 5 IMPs to VENTIN, who was leading with 11 by the last board of the match. In other words LAVAZZA needed to score at least 500 for 11 IMPs to make a draw or 600 for 12 IMPs and win the game. But with no one vulnerable it's easier said than done.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ K 10 7 6 ♥ 10 7 ♦ Q 9 8 2 ♣ 9 5 2	<table style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: #008000; color: white; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: 0 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	♠ Q 9 8 ♥ K Q 6 2 ♦ J 4 ♣ A 7 4 3
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wrang	Bocchi	Upmark	Madala
Pass	1♠	Pass	Dble
Pass	2NT	All Pass	INT

Bocchi and Madala came to stop in 2NT, with all the suits being fairly favorably distributed and the key cards inside it wasn't any real problem for Madala to come to ten tricks. But 180 was not even close what they needed to turn the match around.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Auken	Mahmood	Welland
Pass	1♠	Pass	Dble
Pass	3NT	All Pass	INT

Sabine simply jumped to game when Welland could double and then rebid no trump. Just as in the Closed Room, nothing could stop him from making nine tricks. Even six down would have been enough to win the game. Another swing to VENTIN, who got 6 IMPs for this one, winning the segment by 35-24 and the match by 105-88.

Thanks to the players for a great show. It was a real thriller all the way to the end!

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The Barry Rival Collection

By Mark Horton

During the course of a major Championship Barry Rival keeps an eye open for deals that might be in contention for one of the IBPA's annual awards.

A couple of days ago he remarked that he has never collected so many deals from a tournament, such has been the quality of the play.

The Red Bull Rosenblum semi-final between MONACO and DIAMOND witnessed another deal that will surely not escape Barry's attention:

Board 25 Dealer North. EW Vul.

♠ A Q 10 9 4 3 ♥ 7 2 ♦ 3 ♣ Q J 4 3	<table border="1" style="background-color: #008000; color: white; width: 60px; height: 60px; 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	♠ 8 7 5 ♥ A 10 8 6 4 ♦ K J 7 ♣ A 6	♠ J 6 2 ♥ K J 9 3 ♦ Q 9 6 ♣ 10 7 5
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S						
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
Greco	Helness	Hampson	Helgemo
	1♥	Pass	2♦
2♠	Pass	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♦	All Pass	



Geir Helgemo

It was a pity that North did not raise to 3NT as then we would have had a chance to see if West would have found the lead of the ace of spades. (I am confident declarer would have negotiated the diamond suit after a low spade lead).

West led the queen of clubs against Three Diamonds and declarer won in dummy and played a spade to the king and ace. West switched to a trump and declarer took East's nine with the ten and played to ruff two clubs, finishing with +130.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Nunes	Drijver	Fantoni	Brink
	1♥	Pass	2♦
2♠	3♦	Pass	3♠*
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♥
Pass	5♦	All Pass	

The Dutchmen pursued the sound policy of ensuring that with an opening bid facing an opening bid they got to game.

West led the queen of clubs and declarer won in dummy and played a spade to the king and ace. West returned the queen of spades and declarer ruffed, cashed the king of clubs, ruffed a club with the jack of diamonds, ruffed a spade, ruffed a club with the king of diamonds, played a diamond to the ten, cashed the ace of diamonds and exited with a diamond.

East had to win and, exhausted of black cards he had to lead into the split tenace in hearts, giving declarer a beautifully played +400 and 7 IMPs.



Sjoert Brink

On a roll

By Brent Manley

The team captained by Lynn Baker made it to the final of the Women's Teams for the McConnell Cup, defeating the Sylvia Moss team 149-112.5. In the opening set of the McConnell Cup final against CHINA RED, the Baker squad continued to score IMPs in bunches. After 14 boards, the score was 53.67-6 for the multi-national BAKER team.

BAKER started with a carryover of 7.67 and added to that on the second board of the set when Karen McCallum, playing with Baker, judged correctly that the opponents' game was not making.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ A J 5 ♥ A J 8 ♦ K 10 7 2 ♣ 8 4 2	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ K ♥ K 7 5 4 3 ♦ 9 5 ♣ K Q J 10 6	♠ Q 9 8 6 ♥ Q 10 ♦ Q J 8 3 ♣ A 5 3
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West	North	East	South
<i>Michielsen</i>	<i>Lu</i>	<i>Wortel</i>	<i>Wang</i>
INT	Pass	1♣	Pass
2♥	Pass	2♦	Pass
3NT	All Pass	2♠	Pass

Marion Michielsen's game-forcing INT made her declarer in the logical game for East-West. Yan Lu started with the ♣K, ducked, and continued with the ♣J, also ducked. Michielsen took the third club with dummy's ace and ran the ♥Q to Lu's king. Michielsen lost four clubs, a heart and the ♦A for two down and minus 100.

West	North	East	South
<i>Ran</i>	<i>McCallum</i>	<i>Wang</i>	<i>Baker</i>
3NT	Dble	1♦	Pass
		All Pass	

McCallum was pretty sure she had five tricks against 3NT in the form of four clubs and the ♥K, so she applied the red card and led the ♣K. Declarer, Jing Rong Ran, ducked twice, won the third round of clubs and played a diamond to her king and another diamond to dummy's jack. Baker won the ♦A and returned a heart. When Ran ducked, McCallum won the king and cashed her clubs. Two down meant plus 300 to BAKER and a gain of 5 IMPs.

BAKER's lead continued to grow with gains on three consecutive boards.

Board 4. Dealer West. Both Vul.

♠ J 7 4 2 ♥ K Q J 6 ♦ 10 7 ♣ 7 5 2	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ K Q 10 6 ♥ A 10 8 7 2 ♦ Q 9 2 ♣ 6	♠ A 8 3 ♥ 4 3 ♦ J 5 4 3 ♣ K Q 10 9
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West	North	East	South
<i>Michielsen</i>	<i>Lu</i>	<i>Wortel</i>	<i>Wang</i>
Pass	1♥	Pass	INT
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♦
All Pass			

Meike Wortel led the ♣K to dummy's ace, Lu continuing with a spade to her king and Wortel's ace. A spade return picked up Michielsen's jack, and Lu pitched a heart from dummy on the ♠10. She then embarked on a crossruff that resulted in 11 tricks for plus 150.

McCallum and Baker were more ambitious at the other table.

West	North	East	South
<i>Ran</i>	<i>McCallum</i>	<i>Wang</i>	<i>Baker</i>
Pass	1♥	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♠	Pass	3NT
All Pass			



Karen McCallum

Ran started with the ♥K. Blessed with great spots in the heart suit, Baker won with the ace and played the suit right back to her 9. Ran took the ♥J and played the ♦10, but that solved another suit for declarer. Baker won with dummy's ♦Q and played another heart to West. The diamond return gave her four tricks in that suit. All she had to do was to lead a spade to dummy's king to establish her ninth trick. She took one spade, one club, three hearts and four diamonds for plus 600 and a 10-IMP gain.

On the next board, CHINA RED was minus at both tables for another swing to BAKER.

Board 5. Dealer North. Both Vul.

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

Wortel led the ♣Q, ducked all around. At trick two, she switched to the ♦J, taken in dummy. Not suspecting the actual lie of the club suit, Lu played a low club from dummy, ruffing with the ♥3. Wortel overruffed with the ♥6, then cashed the trump ace and continued with her third trump, leaving declarer with only the ♥K for ruffing club losers. The result was one down for minus 100.

West	North	East	South
<i>Ran</i>	<i>McCallum</i>	<i>Wang</i>	<i>Baker</i>
Pass	1♦	1♠	2♥
3♣	4♥	Pass	Pass
4♠	Dble	All Pass	

The heart game is makeable, so even though the team was minus at both tables, the 4♠ bid probably averted a bigger loss for CHINA RED.

Baker led the ♦K, switching to a club at trick two. Hongli Wang won dummy's ♣A, played a heart to the ace, followed by a heart ruff, club ruff, heart ruff, club ruff. A diamond to the queen was followed by a spade to the ace and the ♦A. McCallum had nothing but spades left, so she got out with a low one. Wang won the ♠J but still have to lose a trump trick for minus 300.

That was 9 IMPs to BAKER.

The team gained again by playing in the right strain at the right level on this board:

Board 6. Dealer East. E-W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Michielsen</i>	<i>Lu</i>	<i>Wortel</i>	<i>Wang</i>
Pass	1♠	1♣	1♥
All Pass		Pass	3♥

Michielsen led the ♦Q to Wang's ace. Declarer played a spade to dummy's ace and took the heart finesse. She cashed the trump ace and played a third round. The 3-3 trump split gave her five heart tricks, two spades and the aces of clubs and diamonds for nine tricks and plus 140.

West	North	East	South
<i>Ran</i>	<i>McCallum</i>	<i>Wang</i>	<i>Baker</i>
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♥
Pass	2♠	Pass	2♥
Pass	4♠	All Pass	3♠

Wang led the ♦7, ducked to Ran's jack. She continued with ♦Q to the ace in dummy. McCallum played a club to the ace and a heart to the queen, discarding her losing diamond on the ♥A. A club from dummy was taken by West with the queen. McCallum ruffed the diamond continuation, ruffed a club with dummy's ♠4 and cashed the ♠K. A heart ruff put



Jing Rong Ran

her in hand to play the ♠A, and when the suit divided 3-2, she could claim for the loss of one more trick. Plus 420 meant 7 IMPs to BAKER.

The final deal of the set was a difficult one to manage, but Michielsen and Wortel found the right strain, albeit one level too high (that is, if Deep Finesse had been on lead).

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Michielsen	Lu	Wortel	Wang
		Pass	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	Pass	4NT	All Pass

As you can see, a heart lead defeats 4NT if South holds onto her ♥10. It's an easy defense when you can see all the cards. At the table, Lu started with the ♦8 to her partner's queen and Michielsen's ace. Unless North had led a singleton diamond, Michielsen now had 10 tricks: five diamonds, one heart, two spades and two clubs. She earned one more by playing a low club from hand at trick two. The ♣10 held the trick and Michielsen was soon claiming plus 460.

West	North	East	South
Ran	McCallum	Wang	Baker
		Pass	2♥
4NT	Pass	5♣	Pass
6♣	All Pass		

Ran didn't have many good options over Baker's aggressive 2♥ bid. Ran picked the one that described her hand and made a reasonable gamble on the slam. If even some of East's high cards had been in the minors, CHINA RED would have been recording the double-digit swing instead of BAKER.

The opening lead was the ♥K. Wang won the ♥A perforce, cashed the ♦A, the ♠Q and the ♦K, continuing with the ♦J. McCallum ruffed in with the ♣9. Wang overruffed with the ♣10 and cashed the high spades, pitching diamonds before playing her other trump. When Baker showed out, Wang had to concede one down for an 11-IMP loss.

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Tired players in the Seniors final

By Micke Melander

Watching the first segment of the teams finals in Sanya quickly brought to mind the fact that the players have now had been competing for six consecutive days. If the players also had participated in the Mixed Teams and Pairs they were now up to 13 full days of bridge at the highest level. For sure this will sooner or later make everyone tired and not able to play at their normal best. So let's have a look at some of the hands from the final between MILNER and STERNBERG in the Seniors to see what they managed to achieve.

John Schermer was on lead on the very first board of the match and decided to lead the king of spades to see what was going on. Viewing the dummy and looking at his hand he should have seen the clear danger that declarer might get rid of potential heart losers from dummy's minors one way or another, especially with his diamond holding. Schermer, did however, continue with a low trump that went to declarers jack. Romanski now finessed in diamonds, and got to throw one of his heart losers on the ace of diamonds. When the clubs were 3-3 he could throw a second heart loser on the fourth club to claim his almost impossible contract just losing two trumps and the ace of hearts.

Board I. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Schermer	Kowalski	Chambers	Romanski
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lall	Hamilton	Milner	Fisher
Pass	1♦	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

In the Closed Room, Lall started by collecting the ace and king of trumps before he switched to a heart. East won his two heart tricks, but when the defense had no ruffs to make it was a claim for nine tricks when declarer couldn't go wrong playing sensibly. A great opening for the MILNER team who took an early lead with the 7 IMPs this board gave them.

Board II. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Schermer	Kowalski	Chambers	Romanski
1♥	Pass	2♥	1♣
2♠	Pass	3♣	Dble
3♥	All Pass		Pass

Kowalski led the queen of diamonds, which held the trick, so did the jack that followed. A third round of diamonds endplayed South, who had to lead away from the ace of



John Schermer

clubs or the king of spades. Romanski eventually cashed the ace of clubs before returning the ace of diamonds. Declarer ruffed high and discarded a spade from dummy. The ace of spades and a spade ruff followed. In dummy, Schermer could cash the king of clubs to get rid of another spade loser. Luckily for N/S, this unfortunate defense didn't matter that much when North always had to get a trick in hearts for down one.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lall</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>	<i>Milner</i>	<i>Fisher</i>
			1♣
1♥	Pass	2♥	Dble
3♦	Pass	3♥	All Pass

The defense went better in the Closed Room initially. Hamilton led the four of clubs that went to the jack, queen and two. Fisher now shifted to the king of diamonds, when North played the queen to show the jack for his partner. Fisher played back a low to North ten who continued with the jack were all players followed low. With four tricks in the bag North now decided to come to declarer's help and played the jack of spades, which went to the queen, king and ace. The contract also went down here due to the bad break in trumps; a club back would, however, have made it down two.

I doubt that the defense would have been this soft if the players were in good form with their minds functioning at 100% or close to that.



Jacek Romanski

West now exited with the ten of hearts, forcing dummy to win with the ace. With almost all possible entries removed from dummy, declarer had little to play for, so he tried the queen of spades, but East won with the king and exited with a low heart, setting up another trick for the defense and defeating the contract. One down was 100 to E-W.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lall</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>	<i>Milner</i>	<i>Fisher</i>
	Pass	1♦	Pass
Pass	1♠	Pass	Pass
2♦	All Pass		

In the Closed Room a rather funny auction happened. North could have decided to defend against one diamond a contract that never should be allowed to make, but he

Board 13. Dealer North. None Vul.

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



Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Schermer</i>	<i>Kowalski</i>	<i>Chambers</i>	<i>Romanski</i>
	1♠	Pass	INT
All Pass			

Schermer led the ten of clubs (Rusinow), declarer covered with the queen from dummy and East won the trick with his king when declarer ducked from hand. The eight of clubs followed, which won the trick when all played low. East now shifted to the six of hearts, the queen and king followed whereupon declarer again allowed it to win by ducking from dummy.



Reese Milner



Hemant Lall

balanced with One Spade, Milner's strongest suit, Lall, who probably believed the opponents were in at least a 4-3 fit, raised to Two Diamonds, Milner was left to play. The eight of spades was led to the three, ten and king. A heart to the ten and ace now followed from declarer, North, who couldn't see what really was going on, returned the queen of spades. East went up with the ace and continued with the seven, ruffing low in dummy when South discarded a club. It was now time for declarer's next finesse: a club to the eight, which drew South's ace. Finally, South realized it was time to play trumps, but when he played the two that went to the jack, queen and declarer's king it was almost all over.

East, with four tricks, cashed the king of clubs, played a heart to the king and called for the nine of clubs from dummy. North who probably couldn't believe that partner held the ace of diamonds saw no reason to ruff with the

nine of diamonds, so he ruffed with the three and declarer could over-ruff with the six. Declarer could then play his last spade and score then ten of diamonds "en passant" for his eighth trick to make this impossible contract, what we also might call an uninteresting push when comparing the results...

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Schermer</i>	<i>Kowalski</i>	<i>Chambers</i>	<i>Romanski</i>
		Pass	Pass
1♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♦	Pass	5NT	Pass
6♦	Pass	6♠	All Pass

Lots of noise in the Open Room from East-West, Schermer-Chambers finally crashed in Six Spades which was an impossible contract to play when the king of hearts was led from South. Four down was one too many.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lall</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>	<i>Milner</i>	<i>Fisher</i>
		Pass	Pass
1♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♦	Pass	3NT	All Pass

A more sensible auction from the Closed Room, maybe West should have tried with four diamonds to steer the contract right and make a mild slam try with his great hand. Fisher lead the king of hearts which was won in dummy with the ace. Milner now played well when he led a low club to the ten, still keeping his spade connection between the two hands open. A diamond to the jack followed, when that held declarer cashed ace and king of diamonds and set up his fifth by playing a fourth round to South. With five tricks won for declarer, nothing could stop him from winning two spades, a diamond and two more clubs for ten tricks. That was 12 IMPs to Milner, who eventually won the first segment of this final with 27-11.



Fred Hamilton

Knockout punch: Semi-finals Set I

By Barry Rigal

The semi-final match between MONACO and DIAMOND saw MONACO land three heavy body blows right at the start of the match, after which DIAMOND would be struggling for the whole match to get back into contention.

On the first deal, Pierre Zimmermann/Franck Multon misjudged a competitive auction after reopening the opponents out of a 4♠ preempt. They sacrificed in 6♥ down 300 (which might have been 500) when they had three top winners against 5♠, and gained 8 IMP because 4♣ had been allowed to play for -620 in the other room. Then on the next board they were certainly not unlucky either.

In the other room, Piotr Gawrys as East also came in in balancing seat over 4♣ and Michal Klukowski declared 5♥x down 100 to gain 11 IMPs when Stanislaw Golebiowski played 4♠ undisturbed for 620.

Board 16. Dealer West. E-W Vul.

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	♣ 10										



Geoff Hampson

Open room

West	North	East	South
<i>Diamond</i>	<i>Fantoni</i>	<i>Platnick</i>	<i>Nunes</i>
	2NT	Pass	3♦(♥)
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♦
Pass	4♠	Pass	4NT*
Pass	5♣	Pass	5♦
Pass	5♠	Pass	6♥

All Pass

4NT 0/2 keycards

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Zimmermann</i>	<i>Hampson</i>	<i>Multon</i>	<i>Greco</i>
	2NT	Pass	3♦(♥)
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♠
Pass	3NT	Pass	4♦
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

Does the South hand have a slam-try facing a 20-22 2NT? Both Souths decided to initiate then cooperate in slam ventures, and if I read the auction right Nunes (having shown 0/2 keycards) then cooperated again, assuming his partner knew he had zero. Fantoni assumed he was being asked to negotiate for a grand slam, so they reached slam off two keycards. But with both diamonds and hearts behaving better than could reasonably have been expected, Fantoni wrapped up 13 tricks on a diamond lead. That was 11 IMPs for MONACO and a 19-0 lead.



Eric Greco

A few deals later, John Diamond/Brian Platnick attempted an equivalent slam of their own – but their luck was considerably worse.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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Open room

West	North	East	South
Diamond	Fantoni	Platnick	Nunes
1♦*	1♠	1♣*	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♠	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♥	Pass
4NT*	Pass	6♥	All Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Zimmermann	Hampson	Multon	Greco
2♦	2♠	2♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
		4♥	All Pass

There is no bigger fan of the French 2♣ and 2♦ openings than I, so I was not surprised to see Multon-Zimmermann gain 11 IMPs for stopping in 4♥. But slam was dependent on playing hearts for no loser – basically a 50% shot because if you cashed the ace before taking your discard, ♥J 10 doubleton onside or stiff ♥K offside would allow you to succeed while you could not negotiate the singleton king onside. Whatever the case, MONACO had generated 22 IMPs from the two slam ventures instead of losing the same number on a less fortunate day.

DIAMOND's only swing in the set came when a preemptive jump response kept them low on a deal where Zimmermann-Multon played game, down 200, while in the other match Auken-Welland played 4♠x down 800. When on the next deal Klukowski overcalled 2♥ over a Multi 2♦ on an eight-count with a six-card suit, Gawrys drove him to slam, a contract that turned out to require 4-3 diamonds, and got them. Slam was missed in the other room (partly because the South player who had a 3♠ preempt had chosen to open one and not let the opponents in). Those two double-figure swings to MONACO gave them a 35-23 lead at the end of the set.

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OPEN TEAMS FINAL



	c/o	1	Tot	2	Tot	3	Tot	4	Total
MONACO	0	10	10	7	17	38	55	25	80
MAZURKIEWICZ	0	51	51	28	79	28	107	24	131



WOMEN'S TEAMS FINAL



	c/o	1	Tot	2	Tot	3	Tot	4	Total
CHINA RED	0	6	6	22	28	28	56	8	64
BAKER	6.67	47	53.67	13	66.7	43	119.7	19	128.7



SENIOR TEAMS FINAL



	c/o	1	Tot	2	Tot	3	Tot	4	Total
MILNER	0	27	27	31	58	10	68	44	112
STERNBERG	1.33	11	12.33	19	31.3	33	64.3	10	74.2



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OPEN PAIRS SEMIFINALA



Rank	Pair	Country	%	
1	GRECO Eric	HAMPSON Geoff	USA - USA	61.87
2	FRIEDLANDER Ehud	LIRAN Inon	ISR - ISR	59.72
3	CARROLL John	HANLON Tom	IRL - IRL	58.36
4	BERTHEAU Peter	KING Philip (Phil)	SWE - ENG	58.10
5	BI Shuguang	WEI Yu	CHN - CHN	58.07
6	BILDE Dennis	HOFTANISKA Thor Erik	DEN - NOR	58.00
7	BALICKI Cezary	KWIECIEN Michal	POL - POL	57.96
8	LI Yuashan	SU Shengmiao	CHN - CHN	57.53
9	BERKOWITZ David	WILLENKEN Chris	USA - USA	57.40
10	DUBININ Alexander	GROMOV Andrey	RUS - RUS	57.40
11	KARAKOLEV Georgi	POPOV Borislav	BUL - BUL	57.20
12	HURD John	WOOLDRIDGE Joel	USA - USA	56.47
13	AUKEN Sabine	WELLAND Roy	GER - GER	56.02
14	SHI Haojun	ZHUANG Zejun	CHN - CHN	56.01
15	PIEKAREK Josef	SMIRNOV Alexander	GER - GER	55.84
16	GIERULSKI Boguslaw	SKRZYPCZAK Jerzy	POL - POL	55.42
17	LUO Wenchan	ZHAO Jie	CHN - CHN	55.09
18	JANISZEWSKI Przemyslaw	KRUPOWICZ Marcin	POL - POL	55.04
19	JASZCZAK Andrzej	TUSZYNSKI Piotr	POL - POL	54.86
20	MOLENAAR Danny	VERBEEK Tim	NED - NED	54.46
21	GROETHEIM Glenn	TUNDAL Ulf Haakon	NOR - NOR	54.26
22	KALITA Jacek	NOWOSADZKI Michal	POL - POL	54.17
23	MECKSTROTH Jeff	RODWELL Eric	USA - USA	54.12
24	MCALLISTER John	ZUR-CAMPANILE Migry	USA - USA	53.83
25	BAKHSI David	EKEBLAD Russ	ENG - USA	53.68
26	BURGESS Stephen	LORENTZ Gabi	AUS - AUS	53.44
27	GRIFFITHS Aneurin	MILNE Liam	AUS - AUS	53.43
28	GEORGE Julius Anthonius	KARWUR Franky Steven	INA - INA	53.43
29	BIANCHEDI Alejandro	MUZZIO Ernesto	ARG - ARG	53.42
30	LANZAROTTI Massimo	MANNO Andrea	ITA - ITA	53.12
31	SUN Shaolin	LI Jianwei	CHN - CHN	53.08
32	LIAN Yong	BIAN Jingsheng	CHN - CHN	53.05
33	MAHMOOD Zia	PSZCZOLA Jacek	USA - USA	52.83
34	ARLOVICH Andrei	VAINIKONIS Erikas	LTU - LTU	52.76
35	FILIPOWICZ Dominik	MARTENS Krzysztof	POL - POL	52.74
36	ZHANG Yizhuo	LI Zhenpeng	CHN - CHN	52.71
37	CHEN Renzhou	JIANG Liang	CHN - CHN	52.67
38	MONDIGIR Bill	ROGI Tommy	INA - INA	52.54
39	BESSIS Thomas	LORENZINI Cedric	FRA - FRA	52.38
40	CAPPELLETTI JR Mike	HOWARD Allison	USA - USA	52.35
41	BRAMLEY Bart	STANSBY Lew	USA - USA	52.25
42	OLANSKI Wojtek	VAINIKONIS Vytautas	LTU - LTU	52.22
43	BERRADA Mohammed Said	RERHAYE Abdelkamal	MAR - MAR	52.18
44	HAUGE Rune	SAELENMINDE Erik	NOR - NOR	51.93
45	LI Rui	XIE Zhaobing	CHN - CHN	51.69
46	LOO Choon Chou	POON Hua	SIN - SIN	51.59
47	FLEISHER Martin	MARTEL Chip	USA - USA	51.56
48	ANKLESARIA Keyzad	CHOKSHI Sunit	IND - IND	51.41
49	SHAN Sheng	SUN Gang	CHN - CHN	51.17
50	WILDAVSKY Adam	VAN PROOIJEN Ricco	USA - NED	51.12
51	COLDEA Ionut	MARINA Bogdan	ROM - ROM	50.94
52	GAWEL Wojciech	JAGNIEWSKI Rafal	POL - POL	50.63

53	SUN Xudong	ZHANG Wei	CHN - CHN	50.58
54	APTEKER Alon	GOWER Craig	RSA - RSA	50.57
55	ZHAO Yanpei	LIU Shimin	CHN - CHN	50.57
56	MOU Wanfeng	WU Weishu	USA - USA	50.43
57	BERSET Ole	TISLEVOLL Geir-Olav	NOR - NZL	50.24
58	BAUMANN Karl Christian	BREKKA Geir	NOR - NOR	50.20
59	FURUTA Kazuo	KAKU Hiroshi	JPN - JPN	50.11
60	KATZ Ralph	NICKELL Nick	USA - USA	50.10
61	PRESCOTT Michael	WILSMORE Avon	AUS - AUS	49.52
62	HOSKINS Andrew	TODD Robert	USA - USA	49.37
63	GRUDE Tor Eivind	HEGGE Kristoffer	NOR - NOR	49.29
64	DONG Lidang	WU Yuwei	CHN - CHN	49.25
65	CHIU Wai-Lap Abby	SZE Shun Sum Alan	HKG - HKG	49.22
66	SHAO Zi Jian	SHAN Baisong	CHN - CHN	49.17
67	VAHABOGLU Guler	VAHABOGLU Haldun	TUR - TUR	49.05
68	CHAGAS Gabriel	WEINSTEIN Howard	BRA - USA	48.94
69	ILCZUK Piotr	MAJDANSKI Leszek	POL - POL	48.63
70	DELMONTE Ishmael	MOSS Brad	AUS - USA	48.62
71	MAKARUK Janusz	NIEDZIELSKI Pawel	POL - POL	48.59
72	ISPORSKI Vladislav Nikolov	KOVACHEV Valentin	BUL - BUL	48.45
73	DEMUY Vincent	KRANYAK John	USA - USA	48.38
74	SAPIRE Jeff	STEPHENS Robert	RSA - RSA	48.34
75	WU Peixian	YE Qingyuan	CHN - CHN	48.33
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77	EIDE Harald	ELLINGSEN Kristian	NOR - NOR	48.17
78	FU Zhong	LI Jie	CHN - CHN	48.08
79	JU Chuancheng	SHI Zheng Jun	CHN - CHN	48.06
80	ZHANG Yunzhong	YANG Gaoyun	CHN - CHN	48.03
81	GU Jiang	KANG Meng	USA - CHN	48.00
82	TONG Jiang	ZHONG Yi	CHN - CHN	47.99
83	DIAMOND John	PLATNICK Brian	USA - USA	47.20
84	DEMIREV Nikolay	GINOSSAR Eldad	USA - ISR	46.74
85	HANS Sartaj	WHIBLEY Michael	AUS - AUS	46.51
86	ASBI Taufik Gautama	TOBING Robert Parasian	INA - INA	46.46
87	ARONOV Victor	ZOBU Ahu	BUL - TUR	46.34
88	GARNIER Charles	SOUDAN Luc	GLP - GLP	46.21
89	QI Shengya	JIN Ke	CHN - CHN	45.88
90	LI Xiaoyi	ZHANG Bangxiang	CHN - CHN	45.84
91	PATTERSON Derek	WHITTAKER Willie	ENG - SCO	45.58
92	LINDQVIST Espen	SVENDSEN Odin	NOR - NOR	45.51
93	GERIN Dominique	PELLETIER Jean-Claude	GLP - GLP	45.32
94	KUSTRIJANTO Agus	SIE Santoso	INA - INA	45.30
95	WAN Siu-Kau Samuel	ZEN Derek	HKG - HKG	44.56
96	NADAR Kiran	SATYANARAYANA Bachiraju	IND - IND	44.48
97	LAI Wai Kit	MAK Kwok-Fai	HKG - HKG	43.61
98	WEI Xing	ZHOU Tianjun	CHN - CHN	42.73
99	LAU Pik-Kin Tony	NG Chi-Cheung Baron	HKG - HKG	42.53
100	EIDE Mats	EIDE Petter	NOR - NOR	41.57
101	BLACK Andrew	HALLBERG Gunnar	ENG - ENG	41.57
102	LU Huamin	JIN Biao	CHN - CHN	41.23
103	BALDI Matteo	MURGIA Francesco	ITA - ITA	40.99
104	ROSENTHAL Andrew	SILVERSTEIN Aaron	USA - USA	40.51
105	JING Xu	YUE Wuyuan	CHN - CHN	39.67
106	BOWLEY Richard	COPE Simon	ENG - ENG	39.37
107	BOSENBERG Christopher Henry	EBER Neville	RSA - RSA	39.27
108	DEL BUONO Nicola	GERLI Aldo Giovanni	ITA - ITA	38.06
109	CARREON Ceferino	SOO George	PHI - PHI	36.14
110	MA Jihong	SHI Miao	CHN - CHN	34.96



OPEN PAIRS SEMIFINAL B



Rank	Pair	Country	%
1	BENDRE Kaustubh	THAKRAL Sandeep	IND - IND 60.21
2	BERKOWITZ Dana	GANZER Craig	USA - USA 59.56
3	BRICIU Marius	TEODORESCU Cornel	ROM - ROM 59.37
4	RITMEIJER Richard	TICHA Magdalena	NED - NED 58.99
5	BENDIKS Janis	SMILGAJS Andris	LAT - LAT 58.90
6	ZHANG Jie	LI Chuwen	CHN - CHN 58.66
7	YAO Jiangtao	LIU Shixiang	CHN - CHN 58.28
8	NABIL Karim	SADEK Tarek	EGY - EGY 58.12
9	AHMADY Waleed El	HUSSEIN Ahmed	EGY - EGY 57.46
10	CARACCI Marcelo	CUEVAS Loreto	CHI - CHI 56.96
11	DAI Jianbo	WANG Yongxue	CHN - CHN 56.87
12	HUANG Dingjie	YANG Zhaokun	CHN - CHN 56.25
13	STRZEMECKI Wojciech	ZAWADA Przemyslaw	POL - POL 56.03
14	MIHAI Radu	WEINSTOCK Paul	ROM - ISR 56.01
15	LI Rong	YU Dan	CHN - CHN 55.69
16	FU Chao	JIN Lijun	CHN - CHN 55.68
17	HOLLANDS Peter	HOWARD Justin	AUS - AUS 55.43
18	SIELICKI Tomasz	TUCZYNSKI Piotr	POL - POL 55.16
19	GUPTA Rajeev	SENSARMA Joyjit	USA - IND 55.09
20	LI Xin	HE Zhenyi	CHN - CHN 55.07
21	JOKISCH Peter	KASIMIR Udo	LUX - LUX 54.86
22	CHAN Richard	HUANG Shan	CAN - CAN 54.70
23	CHEN Rong-Jenn	HUANG Jerry	TPE - TPE 54.47
24	WU Qiang	LI Xubo	CHN - CHN 53.73
25	CHEN Jiun-Ming	LIN Chih-Hung	TPE - TPE 53.71
26	FLEISCHER George	GILL Peter	AUS - AUS 53.11
27	SLEMR Jakub	VOZABAL David	CZE - CZE 53.09
28	ZHANG Xiaofeng	LIU Hai Tao	CHN - CHN 53.06
29	FAN Kang-Wei	TSAI Po-Ya	TPE - TPE 53.03
30	ROMANOVSKA Maija	RUBINS Karlis	LAT - LAT 52.67
31	HRISTOV Hristo	ILIEV Manol	BUL - BUL 52.64
32	ZHU Ji	LIU Wangjing	CHN - CHN 52.27
33	DE MEER Mark	MAAT Roeland	NED - NED 51.98
34	CHAO Allen	HO Chia-Sheng	TPE - TPE 51.87
35	AARMOT Arild	FJELLSTAD Bjorn	NOR - NOR 51.81
36	YAN Singles	HU Davied	CHN - CHN 51.66
37	ALFONSIN Julio Alberto	PELLEGRINI Carlos	ARG - ARG 51.60
38	LI Huihui	LIU Wei	CHN - CHN 51.55
39	WANG Youbao	ZHU Wenji	CHN - CHN 51.22
40	XIE Zhengwei	WU Yong	CHN - CHN 51.13
41	SHEN Hong	CHENG Yulin	CHN - CHN 51.10
42	TSANG Hing Lun	WONG Hoi-Kei	HKG - HKG 50.93
43	KONG Maoliang	HUANG Lingjian	CHN - CHN 50.31

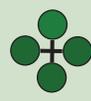
44	SUN Xianbin	LIU Zhanxue	CHN - CHN	50.29
45	XIANG Yang	ZHANG Ling	CHN - CHN	50.26
46	BOS Berend van den	VAN LANKVELD Joris	NED - NED	49.81
47	DASS Chanchal	DESAI Sapan	IND - IND	49.58
48	CHEUNG Lik	FUNG Chi Pong	HKG - HKG	49.43
49	GAO Peicheng	ZHANG Haixiong	CHN - CHN	49.41
50	LIU Howard	MEYERSON Adam	USA - USA	49.27
51	XU Haiqing	LIU Xiong	CHN - CHN	49.23
52	ZAK Piotr	ZAREMBA Jerzy	POL - POL	49.20
53	SHEN Jianqiu	ZHAO Chen	CHN - CHN	49.19
54	AYDIN Ata	SUZER Ugurcan	TUR - TUR	49.12
55	BROGELAND Boye	GILLIS Simon	NOR - ENG	49.02
56	YAN Huopeng	XUE Qing	CHN - CHN	48.82
57	DI FRANCO Massimiliano	ZANASI Gabriele	ITA - ITA	48.55
58	ZENG Weirong	CHEN Weiluan	CHN - CHN	48.54
59	LIN Yan	ZHU Hongwei	CHN - CHN	48.44
60	GOTZOV Svetomir	TAKOV TIHOMIR	BUL - BUL	47.70
61	BANERJI Nita	BANERJI TAPAS KUMAR	IND - IND	47.69
62	AL-QATTAN Ibrahim	AL-TURKI Numan	KUW - KUW	47.65
63	NAN Hai	LEE Huagai	CHN - CHN	47.61
64	JALAN Hemant K	MALHOTRA Ashish	IND - IND	47.14
65	RASMUSSEN Jens	SHEK Dick	MAS - MAS	47.04
66	TIAN Weiqiang	TAN Cheng	CHN - CHN	46.85
67	BEAUCHAMP David	KANETKAR Avi	AUS - AUS	46.56
68	CHEN Ji	HUANG Patrick K. H.	CHN - TPE	46.51
69	BELKOUCH Abdellatif	DINIA Mohammed	MAR - MAR	46.41
70	CHALUPEC Igor	CHMURSKI Bartosz	POL - POL	45.99
71	MULLER Virginia	VILLEGAS Marcelo	ARG - ARG	45.91
72	LAM Henry	LING Cheuk Him, Ronald	HKG - HKG	44.78
73	WANG Yan	LIN Fujun	CHN - CHN	44.72
74	ZHANG Lijun	ZENG Qingbin	CHN - CHN	44.68
75	SURIYA Chaitad	SURIYA Peeracha	THA - THA	43.38
76	BLASZKOWSKI Marek	KOZIKOWSKI Andrzej	POL - POL	43.34
77	KAMTO Kamto	SOEBROTO Anthony	INA - INA	43.28
78	CHEN Yinglei	ZHOU Jia Hong	CHN - CHN	42.95
79	GRZELCZAK Jacek	KIELCZEWSKI Ryszard	POL - POL	42.90
80	LIU Xiangdong	LONG Hao	CHN - CHN	42.64
81	CHEN Yudian	HUANG Yue	CHN - CHN	42.38
82	LIAN Wenjie	YAN Xiangfeng	CHN - CHN	42.03
83	LI Hai Feng	WANG Xing Nan	CHN - CHN	41.59
84	CHUNG Jonky	CHUNG Tai-Che	TPE - TPE	40.29
85	WANG Lijun	TIAN Hai Qing	CHN - CHN	39.75
86	BARHBARH Mahjoub	ECH CHERIF ALKETTANI Jaafar	MAR - MAR	38.59
87	YANG Bo	HE Yi	CHN - CHN	37.37
88	EL ABRIDI Omar	TEBER Samira	MAR - MAR	36.84



WOMEN'S PAIRS QUALIFICATION



Rank	Pair	Country	%	
1	LIAO Zhengjiang	SUN Yanhui	CHN - CHN	57.32
2	LIU Shu	ZHOU Tao	CHN - CHN	55.94
3	BALDYSZ Cathy	SARNIAK Anna	POL - POL	55.51
4	GRUDE Marian	NILSEN Louise	NOR - NOR	55.23
5	SEET Choon Cheng	WU Hongjun	SIN - SIN	53.81
6	ANDHANI Rury	SUMAMPOUW Conny	INA - INA	53.69
7	DEAS Lynn	EYTHORS DOTTIR Hjordis	USA - USA	53.56
8	GARATEGUY Maria Del Rosario	IACAPRARO Maria Elena	ARG - ARG	53.56
9	SANBORN Kerri	SEAMON-MOLSON Janice	USA - USA	53.00
10	LIU Yanjiao	SHAN Xingxing	CHN - CHN	52.94
11	BERTHEAU Kathrine	LARSSON Jessica	SWE - SWE	52.89
12	GROMOVA Victoria	PONOMAREVA Tatiana	RUS - RUS	52.65
13	BJERKAN Cheri	POLLACK Rozanne	USA - USA	52.22
14	HUANG Yan	GAN Lin	CHN - CHN	52.08
15	DEWI Suci Amita	MURNIATI Kristina Wahyu	INA - INA	51.98
16	DENG Xiaojing	WANG Nan	CHN - CHN	51.61
17	BOTTA Giorgia	CHAVARRIA Margherita	ITA - ITA	51.55
18	JOEL Geeske	SOKOLOW Tobi	USA - USA	51.44
19	MECKSTROTH Sally	STANSBY JoAnna	USA - USA	51.38
20	NISHIDA Natsuko	SAKAMOTO Midori	JPN - JPN	50.95
21	ARNOLDS Carla	VAN ZWOL Wietske	NED - NED	50.88
22	IM Hyun	KWON Soo Ja	KOR - KOR	50.75
23	ZHAO Bing	CHEN Yiyi	CHN - CHN	50.73
24	ALEGRE Eleonora	HERRERA Florencia	ARG - ARG	50.67
25	DEY Bharati	KARMARKAR Marianne	IND - IND	50.39
26	LI Hanxiao	FU Bo	CHN - CHN	50.19
27	SHEN (I) Qi	ZHOU Lihua	CHN - CHN	49.77
28	HAYMAN PIAFSKY Jessica	SIMPSON Gigi	USA - USA	49.64
29	CHEN Wenmin	YUAN Xuefang	CHN - CHN	49.58
30	TAN Gemma	THOMPSON Jacqueline	PHI - TRI	49.54
31	MADSEN Christina Lund	WEINGER Lindsey	DEN - USA	49.26
32	LIU Jing	WANG Wei	CHN - CHN	49.17
33	BLOOM Valerie	LOURIE Ora	RSA - RSA	48.49
34	DRIVER Kathleen	NESTORIDIS Anastasia	RSA - RSA	48.27
35	LAM Ze Ying	LIAN Sui Sim	SIN - SIN	48.23
36	KAHO Toshiko	SATO Makiko	JPN - JPN	47.78
37	BOLDT Silvia Elena	IACAPRARO Maria Susana	ARG - ARG	47.00
38	ELYACOUBI Laila	NABIL Graziella	MAR - MAR	46.23
39	COVARRUBIAS Elizabeth	RIEDEL Paula	CHI - CHI	45.90
40	BELRHITI ALAOUI Khadija	OHANA Marie-Claire	MAR - MAR	45.49
41	LI Yiting	LI Li Xuan	CHN - CHN	44.71
42	RODWELL Donna	TAYLOR Robin	USA - USA	44.42
43	CHILD Christine	ROSSLEE Diana	RSA - RSA	44.36
44	KIM Yoon Kyung	PARK Jungyoon	KOR - KOR	44.27
45	ELMAROUFI Rkia	IRAQI HouriaN	MAR - MAR	43.80
46	YANG Fan	ZHU Ji	CHN - CHN	41.87



SENIOR PAIRS QUALIFICATION



Rank	Pair	Country	%
1	KLUKOWSKI Julian	RUSSYAN Jerzy	POL - POL 59.44
2	LASUT Henky	MANOPPO Eddy M F	INA - INA 59.31
3	GRABEL Ross	ITABASHI Mark	USA - USA 57.02
4	OHNO Kyoko	YAMADA Akihiko	JPN - JPN 54.40
5	JARIYANANTANETR Panjaroon	SACUL Denny	THA - INA 53.44
6	MANGO Jeroo	PARASRAMPURIA B.N.	IND - IND 53.26
7	MELMAN Victor	ZELIGMAN Shalom	USA - ISR 53.13
8	JOURDAIN Patrick	LEWIS Marshall	WAL - CRO 52.86
9	BAISAMUT Somchai	SOPHONPANICH Esther C.	THA - THA 52.74
10	JACOB Dan	CZYZOWICZ Jurek	CAN - CAN 52.64
11	ANDREWS Douglas	DEAVES David	CAN - CAN 52.56
12	DUMBOVICH Miklos	KOVACS Mihaly	HUN - HUN 52.16
13	POLII Bert Toar	SUGIARTO Tanudjan	INA - INA 52.11
14	TOLLIVER Mark	ZWERLING Marc	USA - USA 51.75
15	BEHURIA Sutanu	HOODA Major Surendra Kumar	IND - IND 51.21
16	RAYNER John	ROCHE Michael	CAN - CAN 50.93
17	CHINMANAS Virat	SVANGSOPAKUL Vallapa	THA - THA 50.86
18	FRERICHS Hans	WENNING Ulrich	GER - GER 50.71
19	CHAI Greta	CHOO Jane	SIN - SIN 50.42
20	INO Masayuki	YAMADA Kazuhiko	JPN - JPN 50.02
21	IMAKURA Tadashi	MORIMURA Shunsuke	JPN - JPN 49.44
22	HACKETT Paul D	SANSOM John	ENG - ENG 48.60
23	HARTONO Michael Bambang	SAWIRUDDIN Munawar	INA - INA 48.20
24	LIAO K.T.	TAN Yoke Lan	SIN - SIN 47.94
25	DHARIWAL Hazur Singh	LYALL Russell	IND - IND 47.91
26	LING Roger	TSE Edmund	HKG - HKG 47.64
27	GIDWANI Dilip	WADIA Bomsu	IND - IND 46.47
28	BILSKI George	SPEISER Ronald Walter	AUS - AUS 46.34
29	CHUN Peter	LI Vincent Hoi Yuen	HKG - HKG 46.15
30	GOEL Rakesh Kumar	JOLLY Rana Iqbal Singh	IND - IND 45.30
31	OTVOSI Ervin	SZAPPANOS Geza	HUN - HUN 45.18
32	ZHANG Huilian	DUAN Jin	CHN - CHN 41.02
33	ZHANG Weixin	JIANG Xiaofang	CHN - CHN 39.43