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## IT'S A MARATHON, NOT A SPRINT

Today's Programme

**Open & Women's Teams:**  
RR 10-12 (start 10:30)

**Seniors & Mixed Teams:**  
RR 13-16 (start 10:00)

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Bank Polski



*The Centennial Hall at sunset*

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Halfway through the round robin process in the various teams events, only one team – USA in the Seniors – even comes close to looking like a lock for the knockout phase, bearing in mind that anything can happen with nearly a dozen matches left to play.

The Americans – with four of the six players who won in Chennai last year – have a lead of 22.38 victory points, more than a full match. Some of the teams in the other events – Open, Women's, and Mixed – no doubt are looking over their shoulders, wary of how cruel the game can be at times. In the Women's B Group, for example, France is leading over second-place USA by less than 1 VP. Others are similarly close: Austria less than 5 VPs over Spain in Open C, France just 2 over Germany in Open B.

### Found phones

Two mobile phones and some cash have been found at the Hala Stulecia. Check with the Registration Desk if you have lost any of these items.





## BBO and OURGAME SCHEDULE

*BBO 1 = VuGraph  
BBO 8 is also OURGAME*

### 10:30

OA	Russia v Israel	BBO 1
OA	Switzerland v Italy	BBO 2
OC	Hungary v Netherlands	BBO 3
OB	Turkey v Poland	BBO 4
OB	Iceland v USA	BBO 5
WB	Denmark v France	BBO 6
WA	Norway v China	BBO 7
OB	Japan v England	BBO 8

### 14:00

OB	Monaco v Poland	BBO 1
OA	Germany v Italy	BBO 2
OA	France v Russia	BBO 3
OC	Spain v Ireland	BBO 4
OB	England v Belgium	BBO 5
OB	USA v Japan	BBO 6
WB	France v Poland	BBO 7
WA	China v Netherlands	BBO 8

### 16:50

OC	Austria v Spain	BBO 1
OC	Ireland v Sweden	BBO 2
OA	Switzerland v Germany	BBO 3
OB	Iceland v Argentina	BBO 4
OB	Turkey v Monaco	BBO 5
WA	Norway v Japan	BBO 6
WB	Ireland v USA	BBO 7
OC	China v New Zealand	BBO 8



## GROUP AND INDIVIDUAL PICTURE SCHEDULE

Wednesday 7

### MIXED

Brazil	12.00
China	14.40
India	14.45
Japan	16.55
New Zealand	17.00

### OPEN

Belgium	13.30
Bosnia	10.20
Greece	13.35
Latvia	13.35
Lebanon	13.40
Lithuania	13.45
Norway	16.40
San Marino	16.35
Spain	16.30
Turkey	16.30
UAE	10.10
USA	10.15

The meeting point is outside the front door.  
Thank you very much for your cooperation!

## No smoking or drinking policy



Please be reminded  
that smoking and drinking is prohibited at  
any time and in any place during sessions.

## No cell phones allowed

No cell phones will be allowed in the playing area,  
but players can leave them at the registration desk.



# Schedule

## Senior Teams

## Mixed Teams

### RR 13 - 10:00

51	EGYPT	NEW ZEALAND
52	FRANCE	GERMANY
53	CANADA	CHINA
54	POLAND	ISRAEL
55	CHINA HONG KONG	TURKEY
56	AUSTRALIA	DENMARK
57	INDIA	NORWAY
58	MEXICO	SPAIN
59	CHINESE TAIPEI	BRAZIL
60	ITALY	USA
61	PAKISTAN	ENGLAND
62	SWEDEN	JAPAN

71	NETHERLANDS	NEW ZEALAND
72	USA	SWEDEN
73	ENGLAND	UAE
74	DENMARK	POLAND
75	BRAZIL	JAPAN
76	INDIA	CHINESE TAIPEI
77	ITALY	CHINA
78	FRANCE	GERMANY
79	ISRAEL	IRELAND
80	RUSSIA	BULGARIA
81	TURKEY	AUSTRALIA
82	HUNGARY	BYE

### RR 14 - 12:15

51	NEW ZEALAND	PAKISTAN
52	SWEDEN	ITALY
53	JAPAN	CHINESE TAIPEI
54	ENGLAND	MEXICO
55	USA	INDIA
56	BRAZIL	AUSTRALIA
57	SPAIN	CHINA HONG KONG
58	NORWAY	POLAND
59	DENMARK	CANADA
60	TURKEY	FRANCE
61	ISRAEL	EGYPT
62	CHINA	GERMANY

71	NEW ZEALAND	RUSSIA
72	TURKEY	ISRAEL
73	AUSTRALIA	FRANCE
74	BULGARIA	ITALY
75	IRELAND	INDIA
76	GERMANY	BRAZIL
77	CHINA	DENMARK
78	CHINESE TAIPEI	ENGLAND
79	POLAND	USA
80	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	NETHERLANDS
81	HUNGARY	SWEDEN
82	JAPAN	BYE

### RR 15 - 15:00

51	GERMANY	NEW ZEALAND
52	EGYPT	CHINA
53	FRANCE	ISRAEL
54	CANADA	TURKEY
55	POLAND	DENMARK
56	CHINA HONG KONG	NORWAY
57	AUSTRALIA	SPAIN
58	INDIA	BRAZIL
59	MEXICO	USA
60	CHINESE TAIPEI	ENGLAND
61	ITALY	JAPAN
62	PAKISTAN	SWEDEN

71	SWEDEN	NEW ZEALAND
72	NETHERLANDS	HUNGARY
73	USA	UAE
74	ENGLAND	JAPAN
75	DENMARK	CHINESE TAIPEI
76	BRAZIL	CHINA
77	INDIA	GERMANY
78	ITALY	IRELAND
79	FRANCE	BULGARIA
80	ISRAEL	AUSTRALIA
81	RUSSIA	TURKEY
82	POLAND	BYE

### RR 16 - 17:15

51	NEW ZEALAND	CHINA HONG KONG
52	AUSTRALIA	POLAND
53	INDIA	CANADA
54	MEXICO	FRANCE
55	CHINESE TAIPEI	EGYPT
56	ITALY	GERMANY
57	PAKISTAN	CHINA
58	SWEDEN	ISRAEL
59	JAPAN	TURKEY
60	ENGLAND	DENMARK
61	USA	NORWAY
62	BRAZIL	SPAIN

71	NEW ZEALAND	DENMARK
72	BRAZIL	ENGLAND
73	ITALY	USA
74	FRANCE	NETHERLANDS
75	ISRAEL	SWEDEN
76	RUSSIA	HUNGARY
77	TURKEY	UAE
78	AUSTRALIA	POLAND
79	BULGARIA	JAPAN
80	IRELAND	CHINESE TAIPEI
81	GERMANY	CHINA
82	INDIA	BYE

RR 10 - 10:30

RR 11 - 14:00

RR 12 - 16:50

## Open Teams Group A

1	CHINESE TAIPEI	SINGAPORE
2	GREECE	JORDAN
3	INDIA	ESTONIA
4	BRAZIL	GERMANY
5	SWITZERLAND	ITALY
6	AUSTRALIA	FRANCE
7	RUSSIA	ISRAEL
8	FINLAND	UKRAINE
9	SOUTH AFRICA	PHILIPPINES

1	SINGAPORE	GREECE
2	JORDAN	INDIA
3	ESTONIA	BRAZIL
4	GERMANY	ITALY
5	CHINESE TAIPEI	AUSTRALIA
6	FRANCE	RUSSIA
7	ISRAEL	FINLAND
8	UKRAINE	SOUTH AFRICA
9	PHILIPPINES	SWITZERLAND

1	INDIA	SINGAPORE
2	BRAZIL	JORDAN
3	ITALY	ESTONIA
4	SWITZERLAND	GERMANY
5	AUSTRALIA	GREECE
6	RUSSIA	CHINESE TAIPEI
7	FINLAND	FRANCE
8	SOUTH AFRICA	ISRAEL
9	PHILIPPINES	UKRAINE

## Open Teams Group B

11	NORWAY	PAKISTAN
12	ARGENTINA	KUWAIT
13	MEXICO	BOSNIA HERZ.
14	LEBANON	MONACO
15	TURKEY	POLAND
16	ICELAND	USA
17	JAPAN	ENGLAND
18	BELGIUM	LATVIA
19	TUNISIA	CHINA HK

11	PAKISTAN	ARGENTINA
12	KUWAIT	MEXICO
13	BOSNIA HERZ.	LEBANON
14	MONACO	POLAND
15	NORWAY	ICELAND
16	USA	JAPAN
17	ENGLAND	BELGIUM
18	LATVIA	TUNISIA
19	CHINA HK	TURKEY

11	MEXICO	PAKISTAN
12	LEBANON	KUWAIT
13	POLAND	BOSNIA HERZ.
14	TURKEY	MONACO
15	ICELAND	ARGENTINA
16	JAPAN	NORWAY
17	BELGIUM	USA
18	TUNISIA	ENGLAND
19	CHINA HKS	LATVIA

## Open Teams Group C

21	DENMARK	BANGLADESH
22	SAN MARINO	GUADELOUPE
23	CANADA	NEW ZEALAND
24	HUNGARY	NETHERLANDS
25	LITHUANIA	CHINA
26	UAE	SWEDEN
27	EGYPT	SPAIN
28	IRELAND	SCOTLAND
29	AUSTRIA	BYE

21	BANGLADESH	SAN MARINO
22	GUADELOUPE	CANADA
23	NEW ZEALAND	HUNGARY
24	NETHERLANDS	CHINA
25	DENMARK	UAE
26	SWEDEN	EGYPT
27	SPAIN	IRELAND
28	SCOTLAND	AUSTRIA
29	LITHUANIA	BYE

21	CANADA	BANGLADESH
22	HUNGARY	GUADELOUPE
23	CHINA	NEW ZEALAND
24	LITHUANIA	NETHERLANDS
25	UAE	SAN MARINO
26	EGYPT	DENMARK
27	IRELAND	SWEDEN
28	AUSTRIA	SPAIN
29	SCOTLAND	BYE

## Women's Teams Group A

31	SPAIN	KOREA
32	BRAZIL	JAPAN
33	JORDAN	PAKISTAN
34	NORWAY	CHINA
35	FINLAND	NETHERLANDS
36	SOUTH AFRICA	ENGLAND
37	TURKEY	SWEDEN
38	SAN MARINO	MEXICO
39	EGYPT	AUSTRALIA

31	KOREA	BRAZIL
32	JAPAN	JORDAN
33	PAKISTAN	NORWAY
34	CHINA	NETHERLANDS
35	SPAIN	SOUTH AFRICA
36	ENGLAND	TURKEY
37	SWEDEN	SAN MARINO
38	MEXICO	EGYPT
39	AUSTRALIA	FINLAND

31	JORDAN	KOREA
32	NORWAY	JAPAN
33	NETHERLANDS	PAKISTAN
34	FINLAND	CHINA
35	SOUTH AFRICA	BRAZIL
36	TURKEY	SPAIN
37	SAN MARINO	ENGLAND
38	EGYPT	SWEDEN
39	AUSTRALIA	MEXICO

## Women's Teams Group B

41	SCOTLAND	CHINESE TAIPEI
42	INDIA	CHINA HK
43	PALESTINE	ICELAND
44	DENMARK	FRANCE
45	CANADA	POLAND
46	GERMANY	ITALY
47	IRELAND	CHILE
48	TUNISIA	NEW ZEALAND
49	USA	BYE

41	CHINESE TAIPEI	INDIA
42	CHINA HK	PALESTINE
43	ICELAND	DENMARK
44	FRANCE	POLAND
45	USA	GERMANY
46	ITALY	IRELAND
47	CHILE	TUNISIA
48	NEW ZEALAND	CANADA
49	SCOTLAND	BYE

41	PALESTINE	CHINESE TAIPEI
42	DENMARK	CHINA HK
43	POLAND	ICELAND
44	CANADA	FRANCE
45	GERMANY	SCOTLAND
46	IRELAND	USA
47	TUNISIA	ITALY
48	NEW ZEALAND	CHILE
49	INDIA	BYE

## Rankings

### Seniors Teams

After Round 12

TEAM	VP
1 USA	184.78
2 CHINA	162.40
3 EGYPT	153.03
4 CHINESE TAIPEI	148.42
5 POLAND	147.94
6 SWEDEN	144.83
7 GERMANY	138.15
8 ITALY	136.33
9 DENMARK	134.97
10 TURKEY	133.77
11 CANADA	133.12
12 ISRAEL	122.85
13 CHINA HONG KONG	121.64
14 FRANCE	118.22
15 INDIA	114.14
16 AUSTRALIA	114.09
17 NORWAY	108.81
18 ENGLAND	108.32
19 BRAZIL	95.39
20 JAPAN	79.94
21 SPAIN	77.61
22 PAKISTAN	77.32
23 NEW ZEALAND	62.81
24 MEXICO	60.12

### Mixed Teams

After Round 12

TEAM	VP
1 NETHERLANDS	163.91
2 AUSTRALIA	161.23
3 RUSSIA	152.32
4 BULGARIA	151.55
5 ISRAEL	148.96
6 FRANCE	148.85
7 ITALY	145.37
8 NEW ZEALAND	143.06
9 GERMANY	140.63
10 JAPAN	139.18
11 DENMARK	133.70
12 POLAND	129.20
13 CHINA	126.65
14 USA	125.51
15 TURKEY	97.80
16 IRELAND	97.56
17 SWEDEN	94.37
18 HUNGARY	93.36
19 BRAZIL	90.66
20 INDIA	83.10
21 ENGLAND	78.98
22 CHINESE TAIPEI	70.94
23 UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	64.11

### Seniors and Mixed Teams coverage

Timetables for play and hands for the Senior Teams and Mixed Teams are not the same as for the other events, which precludes coverage in the Daily Bulletin until next week.

### The International Bridge Press Association (IBPA)

IBPA is a club for the world's bridge media people and you may also join as Associate Member.

The main service is a monthly Bulletin edited by John Carruthers with the best of the best. Members may also enjoy the Press facilities at championships.

The annual IBPA subscription is US\$42 (€38). New members joining in Wroclaw pay US\$52.50 (€48) for 2016 and 2017. You can apply, and pay, in the Press Room.

Current members paying late for this year, or early for next, can clear their dues in the Press Room.

The Annual General Meeting on Saturday (the 10th) will start at 09:00 a.m. (precisely) in the Vugraph Theatre (where the Opening Ceremony was).



Per Jannersten  
Chairman

#### Directions to Press Room

Orbit the playing area 90 degrees counter clockwise until you reach Entrance A where you find a large stairwell to the right. The Press Room is at the top of the stairs in Sala Cesarska.

# Open Teams

## Open A after R 9

	TEAM	VP
1	FRANCE	131.99
2	ITALY	126.67
3	RUSSIA	115.48
4	INDIA	111.51
5	SWITZERLAND	110.61
6	ISRAEL	106.32
7	GERMANY	105.82
8	AUSTRALIA	96.77
9	FINLAND	89.65
10	SINGAPORE	86.63
11	GREECE	79.29
12	UKRAINE	77.14
13	ESTONIA	71.52
14	CHINESE TAIPEI	71.46
15	JORDAN	62.38
16	PHILIPPINES	60.24
17	SOUTH AFRICA	58.03
18	BRAZIL	50.03

## Open B after R 9

	TEAM	VP
1	POLAND	135.46
2	ENGLAND	119.08
3	JAPAN	115.70
4	ICELAND	104.28
5	MONACO	103.73
6	ARGENTINA	101.68
7	USA	99.36
8	NORWAY	99.21
9	TURKEY	97.52
10	BELGIUM	97.15
11	LATVIA	85.39
12	TUNISIA	85.38
13	PAKISTAN	77.29
14	BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA	72.88
15	LEBANON	72.02
16	CHINA HONG KONG	57.57
17	MEXICO	57.39
18	KUWAIT	37.91

## Open C after R 9

	TEAM	VP
1	AUSTRIA	135.47
2	SPAIN	130.72
3	NETHERLANDS	110.48
4	SWEDEN	104.12
5	NEW ZEALAND	104.10
6	CANADA	99.14
7	IRELAND	98.73
8	LITHUANIA	97.70
9	DENMARK	97.63
10	HUNGARY	97.49
11	CHINA	96.46
12	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	85.95
13	SCOTLAND	81.44
14	EGYPT	80.57
15	GUADELOUPE	61.03
16	BANGLADESH	37.00
17	SAN MARINO	26.47

# Women's Teams

## Women's A after R 9

	TEAM	VP
1	CHINA	133.32
2	TURKEY	121.27
3	NETHERLANDS	115.15
4	NORWAY	112.85
5	ENGLAND	107.87
6	SWEDEN	107.37
7	FINLAND	98.63
8	AUSTRALIA	97.11
9	SPAIN	91.85
10	SOUTH AFRICA	84.80
11	MEXICO	84.23
12	JAPAN	80.61
13	BRAZIL	80.02
14	EGYPT	72.17
15	KOREA	68.89
16	SAN MARINO	57.77
17	PAKISTAN	56.17
18	JORDAN	46.92

## Women's B after R 9

	TEAM	VP
1	FRANCE	138.36
2	GERMANY	136.12
3	USA	129.74
4	NEW ZEALAND	114.26
5	DENMARK	112.02
6	POLAND	110.84
7	ITALY	107.03
8	SCOTLAND	101.39
9	CHINESE TAIPEI	100.42
10	CANADA	92.68
11	IRELAND	87.21
12	CHINA HONG KONG	73.27
13	CHILE	73.26
14	ICELAND	63.23
15	PALESTINE	37.17
16	TUNISIA	36.88
17	INDIA	32.12

## Badges !!

Players, please note that without a badge you will not be allowed into the playing area. If you lose your badge, replacing it will cost you 5 Euros.

## Message from the Reviewer

On Monday, the Directors had to rule on a case of Unauthorized Information. A player had hesitated and his partner had bid on. The Director had polled a number of players, asking them two questions:

- 1) "What would you bid after the following auction" (without mentioning the hesitation).
- 2) "Partner hesitated at (position). What would that hesitation suggest?"

Having received enough answers, the Directors gave a ruling.

That ruling was then subject of a review.

During the review, the appellants argued that the order of the two questions should be reversed. They argued that the polled players generally realise that there is a problem, and by asking the second question first, it sometimes becomes unimportant to ask the first one.

In consultation with the Chief Tournament Director, the Reviewer finds that the order given above is indeed to be advised. Sometimes the answers that are received on one question render the other answers immaterial, but this can happen in either sequence, and one does not know during the beginning of the poll what the answers by later players will be.

Telling the pollees what the problem is (by asking the second question first) is more problematic than the reverse.

It is the duty of the Reviewer to check the procedures employed by the Directors, and this review was judged reasonable and the deposit returned. This procedure has now been checked and future similar reviews will be considered frivolous.

It is possible, in individual cases, that a different order is advisable. The Directors may act accordingly.



## TRANSFERS

### HOTEL PARK PLAZA

8:30 WBF Staff

9:10 players who made reservation through ZAPA

### HOTELS IBIS and SCANDIC

9:00 for all who made reservation through ZAPA

### HOTEL RADISSON

TRANSFERS BY WICAR TAXI

If you stay in the other hotels, you need to arrange your transfers yourselves !

## HOW TO REACH CENTENNIAL HALL FROM THE HOTELS THROUGH PUBLIC TRANSPORT

### Hotel Mercure BB Hotel

Stop "GALERIA DOMINIKAŃSKA"  
Tram 2,4,10 direction "Biskupin", directly to stop "HALA STULECIA"

### Hotel Radisson

Stop "URZĄD WOJEWÓDZKI"  
Tram 2,10 direction "Biskupin",  
Bus 146 direction "Bartoszewice" directly to stop "HALA STULECIA"

### Hotel Monopol

Stop "ŚWIDNICKA"  
Tram 4,10 direction "Biskupin"  
Directly to stop "HALA STULECIA"

### Hotel Novotel

Stop "PARK POŁUDNIOWY"  
Tram 9 direction "Sępólno"  
To stop "WZGÓRZE PARTYZANTÓW"  
Switch to Tram 2 direction Biskupin  
To stop "HALA STULECIA"

### When going back to hotels:

From "HALA STULECIA"  
tram 2 goes to direction KRZYKI  
4 goes to direction "OPORÓW"  
10 goes to direction LEŚNICA  
9 goes to direction PARK POŁUDNIOWY  
Bus 146 goes to direction GAJ



### Tramtastic

You should have no trouble using the English option on the ticket machines now stationed at most transit stops and on all trams and buses. The machines on trams and buses only take plastic! A single fare is 3zl - but night buses cost 3.20zl. Tickets are not valid until you stamp them once inside the tram or bus. Plain-clothed inspectors regularly travel the lines handing out hefty fines to those without valid tickets; being a foreigner will not excuse you - it will only mean you will have to pay in cash on the spot.

## Song of Norway

By Mark Horton

When she is not engaged in other activities, my au pair likes to follow the championships. She sent an email about this deal from round 6 of the Open and Women's series.

Board 31. Dealer South. NS Vul.

<p>♠ 7 5 4 2 ♥ J 6 3 ♦ 7 5 ♣ Q J 8 7</p>	<table style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px;">W      E</td></tr> <tr><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W      E	S	<p>♠ A K 10 ♥ 10 8 4 2 ♦ A Q 6 2 ♣ 9 6</p> <p>♠ Q J 9 6 3 ♥ 7 ♦ 10 9 4 ♣ K 10 4 3</p>	<p>♠ 8 ♥ A K Q 9 5 ♦ K J 8 3 ♣ A 5 2</p>
N						
W      E						
S						

Enjoying a cup of tea with our cleaner, they had bid as follows:

North	South
	1♥
2NT*	3♦
4♦	4NT*
5♥*	5NT*
6♠*	7♦
Pass	
2NT	Game forcing hearts raise
4NT	RKCB for diamonds
5♥	2 key cards +♦Q
5NT	King ask
6♠	♠K

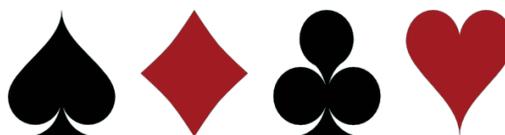
She wanted to know how many pairs had missed the grand slam in diamonds?

After checking the results it transpired that the only pair in the entire Open and Women's fields to rise to the occasion were Norway's Liv Grude and Bodil Oigarden. This is how they accomplished it:

North	South
Grude	Oigarden
	1♥
2NT*	3♦*
3♥*	3♠*
4♦*	4NT*
5♥*	5NT*
7♦	Pass
2NT	Game forcing heart raise
3♦	Natural
3♥	Shortage ask
3♠	Singleton spade
4♦	Cue bid
4NT	RKCB in hearts
5♥	2 key cards +♥Q
5NT	King ask

When South bid 5NT North must hold at least the ♥AKQ, the ♦K and the ♣A. If she was 1-5-5-2, then 7♥ would be virtually laydown, but just in case she was 1-5-4-3 she offered her partner a choice of contracts. Beautifully done.

As you have doubtless guessed, the au pair is Norwegian.



## World Championship Book 2016 – Wroclaw

The official book of these championships will be ready around April next year. It will consist of approximately 350 large full colour pages and will include coverage of all the championship events, with particular emphasis on the latter stages of the Open and Women's Teams. There will be a full results service and many colour photographs.

The principle analysts, as in recent years, will be John Carruthers, Barry Rigal, Brian Senior and Geo Tislevoll, probably backed up by one or two guest writers who have not yet been confirmed.

On publication, the official retail price will be US\$35 plus whatever your local bookseller charges for postage. For the duration of the championships, you can pre-order via Jan Swaan in the Press Room at the reduced price of 100 Zlotys, 25 Euros, or 30 US\$, including postage.

Alternatively, you can pay the same prices via Paypal to Brian Senior at [bsenior@hotmail.com](mailto:bsenior@hotmail.com)



## The long ball

By Brent Manley

In baseball, it is sometimes said that one team breaks open a close game or comes from behind with some dramatic action – often via the home run (also known as the “long ball”). In the USA – Poland match in round 5 of the Open series, Poland did just that, coming from behind with two big pickups – “long balls,” if you will.

In the Open Room, Geoff Hampson and Eric Greco for USA played against Piotr Gawrys and Michal Klukowski. At the other table, it was Jacek Kalita and Michal Nowosadzki for Poland against Justin Lall and Kevin Bathurst.

Halfway through the 16-board match, the Americans led 9-2, thanks to a game let through against Hampson/Greco.

The first of the big swings for Poland came on board 9.

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

	♠ A J 9 7 2		
	♥ A 8 7 6		
	♦ 10 3 2		
	♣ A		
♠ —	N	♠ 10 8 6 5 3	
♥ J 10 4 3	W	♥ K 5	
♦ Q 8 6	E	♦ K 7 5 4	
♣ K Q 9 8 7 6	S	♣ 10 4	
		♠ K Q 4	
		♥ Q 9 2	
		♦ A J 9	
		♣ J 5 3 2	
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Hampson</i>	<i>Gawrys</i>	<i>Greco</i>	<i>Klu'ski</i>
	1♠	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♥	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

Greco led the ♦5, Hampson playing low on dummy's 9. Gawrys won in hand with the ♦10 and played a low heart to dummy's queen. A heart to the ace (Greco following with the king) was followed by a heart to the 9 and Hampson's 10. Hampson exited with a club to declarer's ace. On the ♥8 from Gawrys, Greco ruffed with the ♠5, forcing declarer to overruff with an honor. Gawrys cashed the ♠K and ruffed a club with the ♠7. Greco had discarded his second club on a heart, so he was able to overruff with the 8, but Gawrys was in control. He won the diamond continuation with the ace, pulled trumps and claimed. He lost a diamond, a heart and a spade for plus 420. At the other table:

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Lall</i>	<i>Now'ski</i>	<i>Bathurst</i>
	1♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

Nowosadzki started with the ♣10 to Lall's ace. Nowosadzki won the ♥K when Lall played a low one from hand at trick two. A second club was ruffed by Lall, who played a diamond to dummy's 9 and Kalita's queen. Lall ruffed the ♣K with the 7 and was overuffed by Nowosadzki, who exited with a diamond to dummy's jack.

Lall ruffed a club with the ♠J and cashed the ♠A, getting the bad news, then tried a low heart. Nowosadzki ruffed and exited with a spade to dummy. Lall had the rest but had lost a heart, a diamond and two ruffs for minus 50 and 10 IMPs to Poland. That made the score 12-9 for Poland.

Two boards later, the lead was expanded.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

	♠ 8 3		
	♥ 4 3 2		
	♦ K J 6		
	♣ K 10 9 5 2		
♠ A 5 2	N	♠ K J 9 7 6	
♥ K J 8	W	♥ Q 10 9 6	
♦ Q 8 7 3	E	♦ A 10 9	
♣ Q J 4	S	♣ A	
		♠ Q 10 4	
		♥ A 7 5	
		♦ 5 4 2	
		♣ 8 7 6 3	
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Hampson</i>	<i>Gawrys</i>	<i>Greco</i>	<i>Klu'ski</i>
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
INT	Pass	2♣*	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Greco's 2♣ was a relay to 2♦.

Gawrys started the ♣5 to dummy's ace. Hampson called for a heart, and Klukowski went up with the ace to play a club. Gawrys ducked Hampson's queen. Hampson cashed hearts ending in dummy, then played the ♦A, followed by a spade to his ace and a spade to the jack and queen. The losing finesse meant Hampson was down two for minus 100. At the other table:

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Lall</i>	<i>Now'ski</i>	<i>Bathurst</i>
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
INT	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Bathurst started with a low heart, dummy's 8 winning the trick. Nowosadzki played the ♠K and a spade to the ace, followed by a diamond to his 9, which held the trick. He then cashed the ♣A and played a heart to the king. Lall covered the ♣Q and declarer ruffed, exiting with a heart to South's ace. Bathurst could cash the trump queen, but that was it for the defenders as Nowosadzki scored up plus 420 for an 11-IMP gain. All of a sudden, a 9-2 deficit had turned into a 23-9 lead for Poland.

The Americans made it 23-14 by making a partscore on a deal that was passed out at the other table and had dropped from eighth to ninth.

# As close as you can get (OB -R4)



## England v Poland



By Brent Manley

Going into round four of the Open Teams, Poland stood at the top of the heap in Group B. Their opponents, England, stood in the fourth spot, just 8.47 victory points behind.

In the open room, Poland's Krzysztof Jassem and Marcin Mazurkiewicz played against Tony Forrester and Andrew Robson. In the closed room, it was England's Frances Hinden and Graham Osborne against Piotr Gawrys and Michal Klukowski.

The low-scoring affair ended in a tie, but there were some interesting deals. This one, the third deal of the set, put England ahead.

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Jassem	Forrester	Maz'wicz	Robson
1♠	Pass	1NT	Dble
2♠	3♣	3♠	Pass
Pass	4♣	Pass	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

The defense was deadly accurate. Forrester started with his singleton ♦A. He switched to a low heart at trick two. Robson won the ace and returned a diamond for his partner to ruff. The ♥K was followed by a club to the king and South's ace. A third round of diamonds was ruffed by Forrester. N/S had taken the first six tricks against the spade game for plus 300.

At the other table:

West	North	East	South
Osborne	Gawrys	Hinden	Klu'ski
1♠	Pass	1NT	Dble
2♠	3♣	All Pass	

Osborne and Hinden did well to avoid the three level. Against 3♣, Hinden led the ♦J, which ran around to declarer's ace. Gawrys played the ♠8 at trick two. Osborne won and cashed the ♠A then the ♠K. Gawrys ruffed and cashed the trump ace, followed by the ♣10. He lost two trumps, two spades and a heart for minus 50 and 8 IMPs to England.

On the next board, Forrester and Robson found a good save against a vulnerable game, but Osborne had to find a way to 10 tricks to make the save worthwhile.

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Jassem	Forrester	Maz'wicz	Robson
1♥	Pass	4♦	4NT
Dble	5♦	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

Jassem and Mazurkiewicz took a spade, two clubs and a heart for plus 500. At the other table:

West	North	East	South
Osborne	Gawrys	Hinden	Klu'ski
1NT	Pass	2♣	2♦
2♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

Gawrys led a diamond to his partner's jack. Klukowski cashed a second diamond and switched to a heart. Osborne won in hand, cashed the ♥Q and played a third heart to dummy's jack. Next came a low spade from dummy. Klukowski won with the ♠K and exited with the jack. Osborne won with the ♠Q and played a club to the ace and another to his king. He cashed his last two hearts before deciding how to play the spade suit, ultimately getting it right by playing his low spade to dummy's 9. The ♠A was trick 10 for plus 620 and a 3-IMP gain. Down one would have meant a 12-IMP loss.

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

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

In the open room, Jassem sailed in to 4♥ after Robson opened 1♣ in third seat. Forrester doubled and led a club. Robson won the ace and switched to a heart. With no hope of getting back to dummy Jassem called for a low diamond, inserting the jack when Robson played low (splitting his honors would surely have given the defenders one more trick). When the ♦J held, Jassem was up to nine tricks. Try as he might, Jassem could not conjure another trick and finished one off for minus 200. At the other table:

West	North	East	South
Osborne	Gawrys	Hinden	Klu'ski
	Pass	Pass	1♦
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

Gawrys led the ♦8, giving Osborne a chance to get out for one down. Klukowski, however, played the ♦K. Osborne took the ace and played a spade to dummy's king. Klukowski took the ♠A and exited with a heart. He had already seen the ♦K and ♦8, so it looked like he had a shot at one away if South held the 10. Accordingly, Osborne played a low diamond to his 7. That lost to the 10, which was followed by a third round of the suit to South's queen. The clever play and smooth duck by Klukowski saved 3 IMPs for his team.

The great Edgar Kaplan was fond of saying that he didn't like to jump to 4♥, even if it was warranted, after partner

opened one of the suit. "It always seems to act as a transfer," he said, "to four spades – by the opponents."

Kaplan's notion was reinforced on this deal near the end of the England-Poland match.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Jassem	Forrester	Maz'wicz	Robson
Pass	4♥	4♠	2♥
			All Pass

Robson's 2♥ showed five in the suit plus a minor suit on the side with 5-10 high-card points. Forrester apparently decided to go for the plus score instead of taking the push to the five level. On the lie of the cards, 11 tricks are relatively easy.

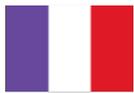
Against 2♠, Robson started with the ♥A, on which Forrester played the king. A second heart went to the queen, but Mazurkiewicz ruffed and played the ♠9 from hand. Forrester won and played the ♦K, followed by another high diamond. Mazurkiewicz ruffed and cashed the ♠A, leaving one trump outstanding. He could then run clubs, conceding only the trump trick from that point. Minus 50 was good for a 9-IMP gain because N/S were allowed to play 4♥ at the other table, making with an overtrick.

The final score was 15-15: 10 victory points for each team.



The Closed Room

# Open Teams Round 5



## Italy v. France



By Jos Jacobs

Tradition has it that the matches between Italy and France are hard-fought, due to the friendly rivalry that has existed for so many years now between the two most prominent Alpine bridge countries. This time, however, rather too many of the boards did not contain any difficult bridge problems, so this report will be pretty short. After 13 boards, the score stood at 10-1 to Italy...

The majority of these Italians IMPs had come on the first board:

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Volcker</i>	<i>D'Avossa</i>	<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Di Bello</i>
	1♦	Dble	Pass
2♦	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

One wonders why East bid 2NT rather than 2♠ over partner's 2♦. Not that the spade game would have made



**Thomas Bessis, France**

but when the French ended up in 3NT, South had an easy double, or at least so he thought, holding a 9-point count opposite partner's opening bid as dealer. South led a diamond (much better than a top heart, when declarer can easily set up spades) on which North correctly inserted the queen to keep communications intact. Declarer won the king and as we shall see, needed to go after spades. Instead he cleared the clubs, South winning his queen. Had South gone back to diamonds now, that would have been two down. Instead he shifted to the ♥K which declarer had to duck and now, again, the second diamond would have led to down two as North will have time to regain the lead with his only entry, the ♠K.

At the table, South continued another heart and now, declarer escaped for down one, Italy +100.



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As North happens to have only one entry, the right way of playing the hand double-dummy presents itself as a matter of logic: attack that entry first. If declarer wins the diamond lead and plays ♠A and another, North will win his king only to find himself sort of endplayed. His only safe exit is a heart, which has the effect of delaying the endplay. Declarer ducks and South exits with his last spade but now, you can win dummy's ♠A, cash the ♥A to extract North's last heart and then cash the ♣K and run the ♣9 to North's jack. This way, you come to three spades, a heart, two diamonds on the forced return of the suit and a show-up squeeze on South for the game-going trick in a rounded suit.

Nobody will blame you if you go down in 3NT...this line seems quite superhuman to me.

At the other table, Lauria and Versace landed safely in the spade partscore:

West	North	East	South
<i>Versace</i>	<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Quantin</i>
	1♦	Pass	1♥
Pass	2♦	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	3♠	All Pass

Another +140 and 6 IMPs to Italy.

Though the board below produced only 2 IMPs, it was by no means without interest::

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ 10 7 5 4 3 ♥ A 10 7 5 ♦ J 9 4 ♣ J	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">                     N W E S                 </div>	♠ K 6 ♥ 6 ♦ Q 10 6 5 3 2 ♣ A Q 10 3	
♠ Q J 8 2 ♥ K 9 8 4 2 ♦ A 7 ♣ K 9		♠ A 9 ♥ Q J 3 ♦ K 8 ♣ 8 7 6 5 4 2	

West	North	East	South
<i>Volcker</i>	<i>D'Avossa</i>	<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Di Bello</i>
	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♥	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♦	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

3NT was reached easily enough and North led a natural ♠5. Not being able to read the lead exactly, South decided to win the ace and return the suit to dummy's king. Now, if a clairvoyant declarer continues the ♦Q from dummy, South will not be able to regain the lead and thus, declarer's ♥K will be protected. Not unreasonably, however, declarer played a diamond to his ace and a diamond back.. Even if dummy's ten forces South's ♦K, the contract will go down as the defence can then take three quick heart tricks.

At the table, declarer correctly called for dummy's queen (trying to set up diamonds without letting South in) and thus had to go down two. Italy +100.

West	North	East	South
<i>Versace</i>	<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Quantin</i>
	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♥	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♦	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Lorenzini, for France, led the ♠7, implying a bad suit. Quantin put in the nine, so declarer's jack won the first trick. Versace immediately made the nice play of returning the suit to South's now blank ace. At this point, a club return to attack declarer's communications looks best but, naturally enough, South put the ♥Q on the table. This held the trick but Versace covered the next heart, the jack, with his king to Lorenzini's ace. As the latter could see that declarer would have nine tricks after giving up one more heart trick if he began with both the nine and eight, he had to find a desperate measure and duly did so: out came the ♦9. After a long huddle, Versace called for dummy's queen, so when South produced the king, the contract had gone

down one after all for just 2 IMPs to Italy.

What struck me most on this board is the fact that winning the ♠A at trick one, which costs a trick in the suit, gives declarer a much easier chance to go wrong as it is very difficult for him to give up his losing diamond to North, since he will have to use his precious communication in clubs for this manoeuvre to come off. Once declarer goes after the diamonds himself, he will go down if South can win his king...

Three boards from the end of the match, a slam hand came up on which, once again, the play was the thing:

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ K Q 9 8 6 3 ♥ J ♦ A K 10 2 ♣ K 2	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">                     N W E S                 </div>	♠ A 7 2 ♥ 8 7 6 5 2 ♦ 9 4 3 ♣ Q 10	♠ J 5 ♥ A Q 9 4 ♦ 7 ♣ A 9 8 6 5 4
♠ 10 4 ♥ K 10 3 ♦ Q J 8 6 5 ♣ J 7 3			

West	North	East	South
<i>Volcker</i>	<i>D'Avossa</i>	<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Di Bello</i>
		1♣	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♠	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♦	Pass
4♥	Pass	4♠	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♠	All Pass		

A nice natural sequence saw the young French pair reach a quite playable slam, the main problem, however, being to find the best line. First of all: what is the lead?

Two rounds of trumps will force declarer to go after the clubs. This works so let's try to find something better.

A low trump takes away one diamond ruff, but now you can ruff just one diamond, ruff yourself back to hand with a heart and then concede to the ♠A. Whatever the return, South will be squeezed in the minors. Not good enough for the defence, because declarer will almost be forced to play like this if the defence lead trumps.

On a non-trump lead, there are many more options. A heart lead takes out the entry to the possibly established clubs, even if you decide to play low in dummy – the shortcut to defeat, by the way...

If you go up with the ace, you can now ruff two diamonds but then, the ♠10 will have to be singleton or doubleton. Not a good-looking line — but the only winning one on this lead (unless you can combine in the slim chance of finding ♥K tripleton onside – as actually happens).

On a diamond lead, you will not have any clear idea about



## Round 5 - Open Group B



### Monaco v England



By David Stern

After four matches, Monaco were struggling in 13th place. With just five teams (plus the best sixth from the three groups) qualifying for the round of 16, something needed to change. Yes, it is still early days, but just having scored 1.45 against Latvia and drawn to play England and USA in the next two matches, things weren't going to get easier any time soon.

England, on the other hand, were running fifth, having just emerged with a hard-fought draw against Poland, who many would regard as the group favourites.

Monaco did not start well.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bakhshi</i>	<i>Multon</i>	<i>Gold</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
	1♦	Dble	1♥
Dble	2♦	2♠	3♦
3♠	All Pass		

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Forrester</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Robson</i>
	1♦	Dble	INT
4♦	Dble	4♠	Dble

The open room had a sound and "normal" auction to 3♠. Declarer, David Bakhshi, scrambled home with nine tricks through a combination of the defense's failure to continue hearts after a round was ducked and the use of his superior club spots (a club to the nine) providing a heart discard.

In the closed room, Helgemo stretched to force his side to game opposite partner's takeout double, little knowing that 30% of partner's points lay in the opponent's suit

opposite his singleton. Sitting South, Andrew Robson had something to say about his expectation of the result by doubling and collecting +300 and 10 IMPs for England. Monaco 0 - England 10.

Three boards later, Monaco experienced more pain in similar circumstances.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bakhshi</i>	<i>Multon</i>	<i>Gold</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
Pass	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♦	2♠	Pass	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	All Pass		

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Forrester</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Robson</i>
Pass	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♥	2♠	4♥	All Pass

## Championship cards



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**Andrew Robson, England**

Geir Helgemo's raise to 2♥ and Tor Helness' jump to 4♥ did not work out well for them. On some much sunnier day, this contract may have made, but the bad trump split did not help matters. Helness took only eight tricks for, -200.

At the other table, David Bakhshi's 2♦ showed three-card heart support with 7-9 HCP, so they stopped in 3♥. Zimmermann led a spade to the ace, Multon switching to a heart at trick two. David Gold ducked to South's queen, won the continuation with the ♥J, pulled trumps and played the ♣A and a club. He was soon claiming for plus 170 thanks to the position of the ♦A. Plus 170 and plus 200 were good for 9 IMPs to England, expanding their lead to 19-0.

Monaco finally scored on board 5.

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ 10 7 5 4 3 ♥ A 10 7 5 ♦ J 9 4 ♣ J	<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 6 ♥ 6 ♦ Q 10 6 5 3 2 ♣ A Q 10 3
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Both Wests declared 3NT after identical auctions where West opened 1♥ and N/S did not bid. In the closed room, Helgemo received a spade lead, ducked in dummy and won by South's ace. This was followed by ♥Q. The defense cashed their three heart tricks, but that left declarer with three spades two hearts one diamond and three clubs making +400.

Things started similarly in the open room, where Franck Multon, sitting North, won the second heart and switched to the ♦4 before cashing the third defensive heart trick

thereby establishing declarer's tricks in that suit. This now forced declarer to guess diamonds, a test which he failed when he played the ♦Q, setting up the defense's fifth trick.

An interesting note is whether, if South plays the ♠9 at trick one, this will force declarer to pick diamonds himself. Perhaps dummy's diamonds encouraged South to take a more active approach to the defense and win the ♠A. Monaco 10 – England 19.

Board 10 saw a role reversal where Tony Forrester and Robson paid out for their aggression.

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ 5 ♥ K Q 8 5 ♦ A Q 7 ♣ A Q 8 7 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		♠ 3 2 ♥ A J 10 ♦ K 8 5 3 2 ♣ J 3 2
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bakhshi</i>	<i>Multon</i>	<i>Gold</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
1♣	1♠	Pass	Pass
4♥	All Pass	Dble	Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Forrester</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Robson</i>
1♣	1♠	Pass	Pass
3♠	4♠	Dble	2♣
		Dble	All Pass

## Dealing machines and cards

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The (new) Wroclaw cards that you are playing with will be sold after usage for 163EUR per 240 decks. Other quantities on request in the book stall.



Playing 4♥ in the 4-3 fit when you will have to ruff the second trick in the long trump hand can at times be problematic. Not so on this deal in the open room after the trumps and diamonds both behaved. That was plus 650.

The real action took place in the closed room where South's questionable raise to 2♠ on a hand where partner could reasonably expect a little more, encouraged North to bid 4♠ having regard to the possibility that the opponents were headed to a makeable game. Two down and we would perhaps be praising Forrester-Robson's enterprise but on this occasion -800 led to a loss of 4 IMPs and Monaco down 14-19 after 10 boards.

Grand slam deals are usually instructive, especially when the opponents are mildly active in the auction.

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

♠ A 9 3 ♥ K Q J 8 7 6 ♦ 9 4 ♣ 8 5	<div style="background-color: green; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">           N            W     E            S         </div>	♠ J 10 8 7 5 4 ♥ 9 5 2 ♦ 7 5 ♣ 7 2	♠ — ♥ A 10 4 3 ♦ A K 2 ♣ A K Q 10 6 3
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bakhshi	Multon	Gold	Zimmermann
1♦	Dble	Pass	1♣
Pass	7♥	All Pass	5NT

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Helgemo	Forrester	Helness	Robson
3♦	3♥	Pass	2♣
All Pass			7♥

While not particularly interesting in terms of the end result, both Souths immediately recognized the powerful playing value of their hands in hearts. Responding to partner's double, showing hearts, Pierre Zimmermann found the optimal solution of ensuring that there wasn't a trump loser, a contrast to Robson's simple optimism. With a couple of 1-IMP swings on the intervening boards and a flat last board, the final result was Monaco 15 – England 20, leaving Monaco in 14th position before playing the USA in the next match. England remained in fifth position, about to play Bosnia-Herzegovina in round 6.

## Championship Diary

*Back by popular demand*

When Maureen Hiron arrived and attempted to enter the building the security guard politely told her that she could not do so without a badge. When she asked where she could get a badge she was directed to hospitality. However, when she approached the entrance the charming guard pointed out that in order to enter the building she needed a badge! The classic Catch 22.

Many stories about Patrick Jourdain are being aired. These are some of my favourites:

Patrick was sitting in the Press Room next to Ib Lundby, who had just bought a new state-of-the-art laptop (at a time when they cost a small fortune). Ib had positioned his cup of coffee beside his laptop, totally oblivious of the fact Patrick had risen from his chair and brushed it with his arm, causing the contents to spill all over the laptop.

The distraught Ib exclaimed, 'What are you doing Patrick?'

'Sorry' said Patrick.

'Sorry?' 'Look what you have done', retorted Ib.

'All right, all right. Calm down,' said Patrick. 'I'll buy you another coffee.'

Patrick was Wales's most capped player. When the team went out to dinner at an expensive restaurant, his colleagues were soon ordering lobsters and steaks, but Patrick contented himself with a bowl of soup and salad. When the time came to pay the bill he enquired as to what he had to pay.

'£30' was the reply.

'£30?' 'I only had a soup and a salad.'

'It's £30.'

'That can't be right.'

'Yes it can, there's a minimum charge of £30!'

The following year the European Mixed Championships were held in Rome. There was a tennis competition and as a keen player, Patrick decided to enter the lists. When he went to enroll, he spotted that the entrant before him had written his name and that of his club, so he wrote down: Patrick Jourdain - Dinas Powys (the name of his tennis club).

On the day of his match Patrick turned up to inspect the draw. He discovered that Mr Patrick Jourdain would face Mr Dinas Powys! (We never discovered who won.)

# Open Teams Round 6



**Denmark v China**



By Jos Jacobs

Earlier on Monday, a Danish declarer had been the only player in the Open Series to bring home his slam on an intrafinesse (see Tuesday's Bulletin) and, believe it or not, the evening match between Denmark and China also was decided, one might say, on two slam swings to Denmark.

Here is the first:

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ 10 6 4 ♥ 8 7 6 ♦ K 2 ♣ K 8 6 4 2	<table style="margin: auto; border: 1px solid black; background-color: #008000; color: white;"> <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	♠ 2 ♥ A 5 ♦ Q J 10 9 8 5 4 3 ♣ A Q	♠ K Q 9 8 7 ♥ Q J 4 2 ♦ 6 ♣ J 5 3
N						
W     E						
S						

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Dai</i>	<i>Askgaard</i>	<i>L Yang</i>	<i>Konow</i>
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♠	Dble	Rdbl
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♥
Pass	6♦	All Pass	

In the N/S version of the Strong Club, 2♦ was natural and GF, upon which 2♥ confirmed the 11-13 balanced hand. Over the natural 3♥, South's redouble confirmed the ♠A opposite the splinter. This useful bit of info was exactly what North wanted to hear, so he could afford to launch RKC now and settle for 6♦. As long as either minor suit king is well-placed, the contract will come home. Denmark +920.

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Graversen</i>	<i>Yu Chen</i>	<i>Clemmensen</i>	<i>Wei Wang</i>
Pass	1♦	Dble	Pass
1♥	5♦	All Pass	

East's well-timed double, vulnerable against not, helped to unsettle the Chinese bidding. Though 5♦ was as good a shot as anything, South could not possibly raise. China +420 but 11 IMPs to Denmark.

Two boards later, China created a favourable partscore swing out of nothing:

Board 21. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ 10 6 5 ♥ 9 5 4 ♦ 10 6 ♣ A K Q 10 5	<table style="margin: auto; border: 1px solid black; background-color: #008000; color: white;"> <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 ♥ 10 8 7 3 ♦ K Q 7 ♣ 9 8 7 6 2	♠ A 9 7 3 ♥ K Q J 2 ♦ J 8 5 2 ♣ J
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W     E						
S						

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Dai</i>	<i>Askgaard</i>	<i>L Yang</i>	<i>Konow</i>
INT	Pass	1♦	1♠
	All Pass		

As West's INT clearly indicated the presence of a spade stopper, North refrained from leading the ♠Q and tried a club instead. After this, making seven tricks was easy for declarer: four clubs, two hearts and the ♠A. China +90.

On the ♠Q lead which holds the trick, North can continue diamonds. South will win the last two diamond tricks and continue a top spade for a one-trick set.

At the other table, Graversen was a trifle unlucky.

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Graversen</i>	<i>Yu Chen</i>	<i>Clemmensen</i>	<i>Wei Wang</i>
All Pass	Pass	1♦	1♠



**Michael Askgaard**



**Poul Clemmensen, Denmark**

West no doubt was hoping that partner could speak again over 1♠ but when he did not, for obvious reasons, Wei Wang was left in his contract which he managed to make with two overtricks, according to the official score. China another +140 and 6 IMPs back to them.

Another two boards later, we were confronted with both sides of a weak jump overcall - pushing the opponents into thin games or making a makeable game difficult to reach:

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

♠ A K 9 2 ♥ J 7 6 ♦ 9 8 7 3 ♣ K 5	<table border="1" 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		♠ 8 4 ♥ A 3 ♦ A J 6 5 4 ♣ Q J 10 8	♠ 10 7 6 5 3 ♥ 8 4 ♦ K Q ♣ A 9 6 3
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W		E										
	S											

West	North	East	South
<i>Dai</i>	<i>Askgaard</i>	<i>L Yang</i>	<i>Konow</i>
1♦	2♥	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	3NT	All Pass

When Yang bid 3♥ over the weak jump, he had committed his side to a shaky game. As North does not hold any side entry, the contract was safe even though East was the declarer. Duck the first heart and then concede a club and a diamond to South. A spade return (or lead) does not hurt declarer either as the ♠92 in dummy will serve as an additional stopper. China +630.

West	North	East	South
<i>Graversen</i>	<i>Yu Chen</i>	<i>Clemmensen</i>	<i>Wei Wang</i>
Pass	2♦	Pass	Pass
Pass	Pass	2NT	2♥
3♦	All Pass		Pass

In the Danish approach, the West hand clearly does not qualify as an opening bid (many Europeans would agree to that) so North was allowed to open a Multi. The 2♥ response, of course, was pass or correct and the balancing 2NT asked for minors. Denmark thus ended up in a sensible contract, making an overtrick for +130 for a gain of 11 IMPs to China.

On board 26, both sides reached the same game contract but the two declarers did not make anything like the same number of tricks:

Board 26. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ A 8 ♥ K J 5 3 2 ♦ A 10 4 2 ♣ 7 5	<table border="1" 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		♠ 4 2 ♥ A 7 ♦ Q 9 3 ♣ A Q J 8 4 2	♠ Q J 9 ♥ Q 8 6 ♦ 8 7 6 ♣ K 10 9 3
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W		E										
	S											

West	North	East	South
<i>Dai</i>	<i>Askgaard</i>	<i>L Yang</i>	<i>Konow</i>
2♦	Pass	2♣	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♣	Pass
		4♥	All Pass

For China, Dai won the ♠Q lead with his ace and immediately took a successful club finesse. Next, he cashed the ♥AK and repeated the club finesse. When South could ruff the ♣A and put partner in with a spade underlead, North cashed the ♥Q and continued spades. Declarer ruffed but could not reach dummy any more, so he had to concede down three. Denmark +300.

In the other room, Graversen adopted a different line of play:

West	North	East	South
<i>Graversen</i>	<i>Yu Chen</i>	<i>Clemmensen</i>	<i>Wei Wang</i>
2♥	2♠	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

West ducked the ♠Q opening lead, on general principles, one might say. When North shifted to a club, he finessed, cashed the ♥A and led a heart to the jack and North's queen. When North continued spades now rather than

playing a second club, declarer was home. He won the ace, drew the last two trumps (yes, they were 3-3) and led a diamond to dummy's nine. South could win and return a spade but declarer could ruff, repeat the club finesse and when the suit did not break, finesse the  $\diamond K$  for his contract. Denmark a fine +620 and 14 IMPs to them.

Two boards later, the privilege of striking the first blow backfired:

Board 28. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

<p><math>\spadesuit</math> A J 10 7  <math>\heartsuit</math> 5 3  <math>\diamond</math> Q 8 6 4  <math>\clubsuit</math> J 8 2</p>	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 80px; height: 80px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white; text-align: center;">N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white; text-align: center;">W</td><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white; text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white; text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N		W	E		S	<p><math>\spadesuit</math> 9 6 4 2  <math>\heartsuit</math> K Q 7  <math>\diamond</math> 10  <math>\clubsuit</math> K 9 6 4 3</p>	<p><math>\spadesuit</math> K 8 3  <math>\heartsuit</math> J 10 4 2  <math>\diamond</math> A K 9 3 2  <math>\clubsuit</math> Q</p>
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W	E								
	S								

West	North	East	South
Dai	Askgaard	L Yang	Konow
$1\diamond$	Pass	$1\spadesuit$	Pass
INT	All Pass		

Whoever is on lead, will make INT. According to the Laws of Bridge, it's the defenders' right to make the first lead so INT was quickly down three on a diamond lead, eventually followed by a spade shift. Denmark +150.

In the other room, the disadvantage of a nebulous  $1\diamond$  opening bid came to light once again:



Weimin Wang, China

West	North	East	South
Graversen	Yu Chen	Clemmensen	Wei Wang
Pass	Pass	Pass	$1\diamond$
Pass	$1\spadesuit$	Pass	$2\spadesuit$
Dble	Pass	$3\clubsuit$	All Pass

As the system did not enable South to properly show his diamonds, North could never support them, so the Chinese could do no better than sell out to the E/W contract of  $3\clubsuit$ . Another +130 and an unexpected swing of 7 IMPs to Denmark.

At the start of this report, I promised you two slams. Here is the second one:

Board 29. Dealer North. All Vul.

<p><math>\spadesuit</math> Q J 8 7 4  <math>\heartsuit</math> A  <math>\diamond</math> K Q 8 5  <math>\clubsuit</math> A 10 8</p>	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 80px; height: 80px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white; text-align: center;">N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white; text-align: center;">W</td><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white; text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white; text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N		W	E		S	<p><math>\spadesuit</math> 10 5  <math>\heartsuit</math> K Q 5 4  <math>\diamond</math> J 3 2  <math>\clubsuit</math> Q 7 3 2</p>	<p><math>\spadesuit</math> A K 9  <math>\heartsuit</math> 10 7 6 3  <math>\diamond</math> A 9 7 4  <math>\clubsuit</math> J 6</p>
N									
W	E								
	S								

West	North	East	South
Dai	Askgaard	L Yang	Konow
$1\spadesuit$	Pass	$1\diamond$	Pass
$2\diamond$	Pass	INT	Pass
$4\spadesuit$	All Pass	$2\spadesuit$	Pass

Though  $2\diamond$  was forcing checkback, the diamond fit never came to light, which made it difficult to get to slam in either pointed suit. China +480.

West	North	East	South
Graversen	Yu Chen	Clemmensen	Wei Wang
$2\spadesuit$	Pass	$1\diamond$	Pass
$3\heartsuit$	Pass	$2NT$	Pass
$4\heartsuit$	Pass	$4\diamond$	Pass
$5\diamond$	Pass	$4NT$	Pass
$5NT$	Pass	$5\heartsuit$	Pass
		$6\diamond$	All Pass

Despite his relatively weak suit, West judged his hand good enough for a game-forcing jump shift, no doubt because of his good diamond fit. Both  $3\heartsuit$  and  $4\heartsuit$  were cue-bids implying diamonds. As  $4\heartsuit$  clearly implied some sort of club control, East could check key-cards and enquire about the trump queen. Had West not held this card, they would no doubt have settled for  $5\spadesuit$ ...

Nicely bid for a well-deserved +1370 and 12 more IMPs to Denmark.

## Senior Teams

## Mixed Teams

## RR 9

Match		IMPs		VPs		Match		IMPs		VPs			
51	SPAIN	NEW ZEALAND	54	19	18.14	1.86	71	CHINA	NEW ZEALAND	28	21	11.81	7.19
52	NORWAY	BRAZIL	13	27	5.78	14.22	72	CHINESE TAIPEI	GERMANY	43	39	11.38	8.62
53	DENMARK	USA	1	47	0.56	19.44	73	JAPAN	IRELAND	38	46	7.39	12.61
54	TURKEY	ENGLAND	44	32	13.71	6.29	74	POLAND	BULGARIA	5	40	1.86	18.14
55	ISRAEL	JAPAN	54	8	19.44	0.56	75	UAE	AUSTRALIA	13	41	2.92	17.08
56	CHINA	SWEDEN	19	20	9.64	10.36	76	HUNGARY	TURKEY	6	35	2.76	17.24
57	GERMANY	PAKISTAN	26	33	7.69	12.31	77	SWEDEN	RUSSIA	17	29	6.29	13.71
58	EGYPT	ITALY	45	44	10.36	9.64	78	NETHERLANDS	ISRAEL	32	24	12.61	7.39
59	FRANCE	CHINESE TAIPEI	25	38	6.03	13.97	79	USA	FRANCE	35	25	13.18	6.82
60	CANADA	MEXICO	42	11	17.56	2.44	80	ENGLAND	INDIA	49	27	15.99	4.01
61	POLAND	INDIA	62	4	20.00	0.00	81	DENMARK	BRAZIL	33	15	15.15	4.85
62	CHINA HK	AUSTRALIA	18	23	8.30	11.70	82	ITALY	BYE	0	0	12.00	0.00

## RR 10

Match		IMPs		VPs		Match		IMPs		VPs			
51	NEW ZEALAND	MEXICO	23	26	8.95	11.05	71	NEW ZEALAND	ITALY	21	31	6.82	13.18
52	CHINESE TAIPEI	INDIA	9	19	6.82	13.18	72	FRANCE	INDIA	39	16	16.18	3.82
53	ITALY	AUSTRALIA	21	8	13.97	6.03	73	ISRAEL	BRAZIL	51	30	15.79	4.21
54	PAKISTAN	CHINA HK	19	24	8.30	11.70	74	RUSSIA	DENMARK	20	34	5.78	14.22
55	SWEDEN	POLAND	29	9	15.58	4.42	75	TURKEY	ENGLAND	19	34	5.54	14.46
56	JAPAN	CANADA	20	41	4.21	15.79	76	BULGARIA	USA	24	19	11.70	8.30
57	ENGLAND	FRANCE	3	15	6.29	13.71	77	IRELAND	NETHERLANDS	14	33	4.63	15.37
58	USA	EGYPT	18	18	10.00	10.00	78	GERMANY	SWEDEN	26	25	10.36	9.64
59	BRAZIL	GERMANY	11	16	8.30	11.70	79	CHINA	HUNGARY	25	31	7.99	12.01
60	SPAIN	CHINA	18	34	5.30	14.70	80	CHINESE TAIPEI	UAE	31	33	9.29	10.71
61	NORWAY	ISRAEL	35	14	15.79	4.21	81	JAPAN	POLAND	33	18	14.46	5.54
62	DENMARK	TURKEY	13	35	4.01	15.99	82	AUSTRALIA	BYE	0	0	12.00	0.00

## RR 11

Match		IMPs		VPs		Match		IMPs		VPs			
51	NORWAY	NEW ZEALAND	32	29	11.05	8.95	71	CHINESE TAIPEI	NEW ZEALAND	30	44	5.78	14.22
52	DENMARK	SPAIN	48	24	16.37	3.63	72	JAPAN	CHINA	33	24	12.90	7.10
53	TURKEY	BRAZIL	31	40	7.10	12.90	73	POLAND	GERMANY	29	41	6.29	13.71
54	ISRAEL	USA	23	38	5.54	14.46	74	UAE	IRELAND	18	19	9.64	10.36
55	CHINA	ENGLAND	27	13	14.22	5.78	75	HUNGARY	BULGARIA	7	61	0.00	20.00
56	GERMANY	JAPAN	33	13	15.58	4.42	76	SWEDEN	AUSTRALIA	34	32	10.71	9.29
57	EGYPT	SWEDEN	45	10	18.14	1.86	77	NETHERLANDS	TURKEY	45	20	16.55	3.45
58	FRANCE	PAKISTAN	26	3	16.18	3.82	78	USA	RUSSIA	4	33	2.76	17.24
59	CANADA	ITALY	14	44	2.60	17.40	79	ENGLAND	FRANCE	21	48	3.09	16.91
60	POLAND	CHINESE TAIPEI	7	28	4.21	15.79	80	DENMARK	ITALY	22	11	13.45	6.55
61	CHINA HK	MEXICO	38	19	15.37	4.63	81	BRAZIL	INDIA	30	10	15.58	4.42
62	AUSTRALIA	INDIA	15	19	8.62	11.38	82	ISRAEL	BYE	0	0	12.00	0.00

## RR 12

Match		IMPs		VPs		Match		IMPs		VPs			
51	NEW ZEALAND	INDIA	22	19	11.05	8.95	71	NEW ZEALAND	INDIA	33	5	17.08	2.92
52	MEXICO	AUSTRALIA	5	18	6.03	13.97	72	ITALY	BRAZIL	38	3	18.14	1.86
53	CHINESE TAIPEI	CHINA HK	32	8	16.37	3.63	73	FRANCE	DENMARK	23	20	11.05	8.95
54	ITALY	POLAND	23	25	9.29	10.71	74	ISRAEL	ENGLAND	30	17	13.97	6.03
55	PAKISTAN	CANADA	13	27	5.78	14.22	75	TURKEY	USA	19	24	8.30	11.70
56	SWEDEN	FRANCE	21	22	9.64	10.36	76	AUSTRALIA	NETHERLANDS	28	32	8.62	11.38
57	JAPAN	EGYPT	17	20	8.95	11.05	77	BULGARIA	SWEDEN	30	6	16.37	3.63
58	ENGLAND	GERMANY	20	15	11.70	8.30	78	IRELAND	HUNGARY	6	37	2.44	17.56
59	USA	CHINA	50	18	17.71	2.29	79	GERMANY	UAE	32	8	16.37	3.63
60	BRAZIL	ISRAEL	36	32	11.38	8.62	80	CHINA	POLAND	27	16	13.45	6.55
61	SPAIN	TURKEY	4	34	2.60	17.40	81	CHINESE TAIPEI	JAPAN	10	19	7.10	12.90
62	NORWAY	DENMARK	30	34	8.62	11.38	82	RUSSIA	BYE	0	0	12.00	0.00

## RR 7

Match		VPs	
1	SINGAPORE UKRAINE	8.80	11.20
2	JORDAN ISRAEL	3.12	16.88
3	ESTONIA FRANCE	4.26	15.74
4	GERMANY CHINESE TAIPEI	13.97	6.03
5	ITALY GREECE	17.03	2.97
6	BRAZIL INDIA	0.00	20.00
7	PHILIPPINES AUSTRALIA	5.82	14.18
8	SOUTH AFRICA RUSSIA	6.72	13.28
9	FINLAND SWITZERLAND	0.23	19.77

## RR 8

Match		VPs	
1	ISRAEL SINGAPORE	10.76	8.24
2	FRANCE JORDAN	17.17	2.83
3	CHINESE TAIPEI ESTONIA	2.28	17.72
4	GREECE GERMANY	9.09	10.91
5	INDIA ITALY	17.31	2.69
6	SWITZERLAND BRAZIL	16.42	3.58
7	AUSTRALIA UKRAINE	6.03	13.97
8	RUSSIA PHILIPPINES	11.48	8.52
9	FINLAND SOUTH AFRICA	17.72	2.28

## RR 9

Match		VPs	
1	SINGAPORE FRANCE	2.15	17.85
2	JORDAN CHINESE TAIPEI	2.15	17.85
3	ESTONIA GREECE	15.38	4.62
4	GERMANY INDIA	10.61	9.39
5	ITALY BRAZIL	17.85	2.15
6	ISRAEL AUSTRALIA	4.62	15.38
7	UKRAINE RUSSIA	2.97	17.03
8	PHILIPPINES FINLAND	0.39	19.61
9	SOUTH AFRICA SWITZERLAND	17.72	2.28

## Open Teams Group A

Match		VPs	
11	PAKISTAN LATVIA	13.04	6.96
12	KUWAIT ENGLAND	0.00	20.00
13	BOSNIA HERZ. USA	9.69	10.31
14	MONACO NORWAY	20.00	0.00
15	POLAND ARGENTINA	11.76	8.24
16	LEBANON MEXICO	9.69	10.31
17	CHINA HK ICELAND	14.60	5.40
18	TUNISIA JAPAN	10.61	9.39
19	BELGIUM TURKEY	5.82	14.18

Match		VPs	
11	ENGLAND PAKISTAN	17.03	2.97
12	USA KUWAIT	12.29	7.71
13	NORWAY BOSNIA HERZ.	19.34	0.66
14	ARGENTINA MONACO	10.00	10.00
15	MEXICO POLAND	2.15	17.85
16	TURKEY LEBANON	14.39	5.61
17	ICELAND LATVIA	3.27	16.73
18	JAPAN CHINA HK	15.00	5.00
19	BELGIUM TUNISIA	13.28	6.72

Match		VPs	
11	PAKISTAN USA	0.75	19.25
12	KUWAIT NORWAY	-1.00	20.00
13	BOSNIA HERZ. ARGENTINA	8.24	11.76
14	MONACO MEXICO	19.43	0.57
15	POLAND LEBANON	18.09	1.91
16	ENGLAND ICELAND	7.20	12.80
17	LATVIA JAPAN	10.31	9.69
18	CHINA HK BELGIUM	2.83	17.17
19	TUNISIA TURKEY	12.03	7.97

## Open Teams Group B

Match		VPs	
21	BANGLADESH SCOTLAND	0.66	19.34
22	GUADELOUPE SPAIN	6.03	13.97
23	NEW ZEALAND SWEDEN	13.52	6.48
24	NETHERLANDS DENMARK	12.80	7.20
25	CHINA SAN MARINO	20.00	0.00
26	HUNGARY CANADA	7.45	12.55
27	AUSTRIA EGYPT	14.50	4.50
28	IRELAND LITHUANIA	5.20	14.80
29	UAE BYE	12.00	0.00

Match		VPs	
21	SPAIN BANGLADESH	16.58	3.42
22	SWEDEN GUADELOUPE	12.03	7.97
23	DENMARK NEW ZEALAND	2.99	15.51
24	SAN MARINO NETHERLANDS	0.57	19.43
25	CANADA CHINA	16.73	3.27
26	LITHUANIA HUNGARY	10.20	8.80
27	UAE SCOTLAND	18.77	1.23
28	IRELAND AUSTRIA	3.91	16.09
29	EGYPT BYE	12.00	0.00

Match		VPs	
21	BANGLADESH SWEDEN	5.00	15.00
22	GUADELOUPE DENMARK	3.74	16.26
23	NEW ZEALAND SAN MARINO	20.00	0.00
24	NETHERLANDS CANADA	10.00	10.00
25	CHINA HUNGARY	15.74	4.26
26	SPAIN UAE	14.60	5.40
27	SCOTLAND EGYPT	12.29	7.71
28	AUSTRIA LITHUANIA	12.80	7.20
29	IRELAND BYE	12.00	0.00

## Women's Teams Group A

Match		VPs	
31	KOREA MEXICO	3.58	16.42
32	JAPAN SWEDEN	3.42	16.58
33	PAKISTAN ENGLAND	2.28	17.72
34	CHINA SPAIN	15.19	4.81
35	NETHERLANDS BRAZIL	19.85	0.15
36	NORWAY JORDAN	17.59	2.41
37	AUSTRALIA SOUTH AFRICA	13.47	5.53
38	EGYPT TURKEY	2.97	17.03
39	SAN MARINO FINLAND	10.91	9.09

Match		VPs	
31	SWEDEN KOREA	7.20	12.80
32	ENGLAND JAPAN	3.42	16.58
33	SPAIN PAKISTAN	16.88	3.12
34	BRAZIL CHINA	8.24	11.76
35	JORDAN NETHERLANDS	4.62	15.38
36	FINLAND NORWAY	12.80	7.20
37	SOUTH AFRICA MEXICO	14.18	5.82
38	TURKEY AUSTRALIA	19.77	0.23
39	SAN MARINO EGYPT	4.08	15.92

Match		VPs	
31	KOREA ENGLAND	1.13	18.87
32	JAPAN SPAIN	1.34	18.66
33	PAKISTAN BRAZIL	3.12	16.88
34	CHINA JORDAN	18.21	1.79
35	NETHERLANDS NORWAY	5.40	14.60
36	SWEDEN SOUTH AFRICA	13.28	6.72
37	MEXICO TURKEY	6.03	13.97
38	AUSTRALIA SAN MARINO	15.00	5.00
39	EGYPT FINLAND	7.97	12.03

## Women's Teams Group B

Match		VPs	
41	CHINESE TAIPEI CHILE	10.31	9.69
42	CHINA HK ITALY	7.97	12.03
43	ICELAND USA	0.57	19.43
44	FRANCE SCOTLAND	8.52	11.48
45	POLAND INDIA	15.56	4.44
46	DENMARK PALESTINE	20.00	0.00
47	TUNISIA GERMANY	0.00	20.00
48	IRELAND CANADA	7.20	12.80
49	NEW ZEALAND BYE	12.00	0.00

Match		VPs	
41	ITALY CHINESE TAIPEI	14.50	4.50
42	USA CHINA HK	20.00	0.00
43	SCOTLAND ICELAND	8.52	11.48
44	INDIA FRANCE	0.00	20.00
45	PALESTINE POLAND	3.91	16.09
46	CANADA DENMARK	2.55	17.45
47	GERMANY NEW ZEALAND	8.24	11.76
48	IRELAND TUNISIA	13.04	6.96
49	CHILE BYE	12.00	0.00

Match		VPs	
41	CHINESE TAIPEI USA	10.31	9.69
42	CHINA HK SCOTLAND	0.00	20.00
43	ICELAND INDIA	11.48	8.52
44	FRANCE PALESTINE	17.59	2.41
45	POLAND DENMARK	5.40	14.60
46	CHILE GERMANY	0.00	20.00
47	NEW ZEALAND IRELAND	16.26	3.74
48	TUNISIA CANADA	0.15	19.85
49	ITALY BYE	12.00	0.00



## The Polish Corner



## TAAKIE FITY

!Siedząc w brydżramie, zwłaszcza w trakcie sesji wieczornych można czasem usłyszeć pochrapywanie, świadczące wymownie o tym, że oglądane rozdania są niezbyt emocjonujące. Tak było między innymi w poniedziałek wieczorem. Transmitowany był mecz USA - Monako, rozdanie biegło za rozdaniem, a ziewających przybywało. A w tym samym czasie w turnieju mikstów i seniorów przyszło najbardziej chyba dynamiczne dotychczas rozdanie olimpiady:

Rozd. 20. Obie po, rozd. W.

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

Jak widać, na linii NS wychodzi szlemik w piki, ale tylko z ręki S. Wydaje się, że nie bardzo jest jak ustawić kontrakt pikowy od krótszych atutów. Ale...

W meczu seniorów Polska - Brazylia W otworzył 4♥. Jerzy Russyan z ręką N zaliczył 5♥, E na wypadek, gdyby jego partner znalazł się na wiście, pokazał asa - 6♦. Przyszła kolej na Krzysztofa Lasockiego. Oto, jak uzasadnił swój wybór: „Ze as trefl nie gra, to wiedziałem! On musiał mieć zamkniętą kartę na te 5♥. Ale miałem cztery piki! I waleta karo! Z takimi fitami szlemika miałem pewnego.” Powiedział 6♣. Licytacja na tym zgasła. W długo szukał wskazanego przez partnera kara, ale nie znalazł. Nasi zapisali 1430...

Rozdanie to wzburzyło wiele par. Słyszałem taką opowieść: „Na jednym ze stołów po 6♥, N zaliczył 7♦. E skontrował, a W odskoczył w 7♥. Od kalectwa, a może i śmierci, uratowało go chyba tylko to, że E siedział na wózku inwalidzkim”.

## KONKURS POTĘGI SKOKU

Zdaje się, że jest taka konkurencja w jeździe konnej. Chyba

nawet olimpijska. Nie wiem za bardzo, na czym polega, ale jej nazwa mówi wiele. Jedno z rozdań z dotychczasowych meczów wykonaniu polskich par mogłoby być zgłoszone do takiej konkurencji, gdyby funkcjonowała ona także w olimpiadzie brydżowej.

Popatrzmy na rozdanie z meczu Polska - USA:

Rozd. 15. NS po, rozd. S.

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

Justyna Żmuda z ręką S otworzyła 1♣. W zameldowała się 1♦, a Kasia Dufurat zaliczyła 3♦ - inwit na 6+ kierach! E spasowała. Co zaliczyła Justyna? Po prostu 7♥. Ten „strzał” zniechęcił E do obrony.

O nagrodę w konkursie potęgi skoku mógłby też walczyć w tym rozdaniu Michał Klukowski. Nasi panowie w tej rundzie także walczyli z drużyną USA. Z kartą S otworzył on 1♣, W wszedł 1♦, Piotr Gawryś zgłosił kiery, delikatnie - kontrą. E spasował, a Michał zapytał o atuty - 5BA. W pas, a N - 7♥. Teraz E uznał, że czas na zaistnienie w licytacji i poszedł w obronę 7♠. Po dwóch pasach N powiedział 7♠ i biedny W z takim fitem nie mógł już poprzeć partnera:

Prawie identyczna licytacja jak tutaj, miała też miejsce na drugim stole w meczu pań:

West	North	East	South
Sarniak	Sokolow	Brewiak	S.-Molson
			1♣
1♦	ktr.	pas	5BA
pas	7♥	7♠	ktr.
pas	7BA	pas...	

Oby w brydżramie takich rozdań było jak najwięcej...

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