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Golden Dreams



Competitors in the Computer Bridge Championship

Last night the players in teams Chemla, Kalish, Vriend, FIGB-Mosca, Adad and Fornaciari may well have dreamt of the ultimate prize that beckons each of them today, that of winners in the first European Open Championships. They had to overcome differing degrees of resistance from their various opponents, who can console themselves with their bronze medals. Performance of the day again came from the Scottish women who defeated the hot favourites France's, Louis Vuitton in the quarter final then ran into a Netherlands team in irresistible form.

Schedule of play

Today

10.00-12.15	O/W/S Teams (Final 1st Session)
10.00-13.30	O/W/S Pairs (Qualifying 3rd Session)
10.00	VuGraph (Vriend v FIGB Mosca)
14.15-19.00	O/W/S Teams (Final 2nd & 3rd Sessions)
16.30-20.15	O/W/S Pairs (Semi-final A & B 1st Session)
19.30	O/W/S Teams Prize giving Ceremony
20.30	Players' Cocktail in the Casino Barriere

Prize Giving Ceremony

The Prize Giving Ceremony of the European Seniors, Women & Open Teams Championships will be held today in the Theatre (VuGraph), after the end of play. The first three teams in the S/W/O consolation will be also recognised. After the ceremony everyone is invited to a cocktail at the Casino.

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OPEN TEAMS
Round of 16 - 1st half
Chagas v Welland

Monday's opening match on VuGraph featured two powerful teams, either of which was easily capable of going all the way. There was a good crowd and they witnessed a number of interesting deals.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Garner	Fallenius	H. Weinstein	Welland
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♠
3♣	4♠	All Pass	

East led the ace of diamonds for the four, eight and two. When he continued with the king of diamonds the hand was soon over. Declarer won the third diamond and alerted by the bidding played West to be short in spades. +420.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
S. Weinstein	Chagas	Levin	Brenner
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♠
3♣	4♠	All Pass	

It was the same story here, as East could not read the diamond position. The play followed an identical course to that at the other table, so there was no swing.

Is this an insoluble defensive problem?

I recall the late Terence Reese writing that there was always some small clue which might guide you to the winning action. Perhaps here it lies in the auction. North's jump to game allied to West's bid of Three Clubs surely suggests that West may well be void in spades, so even if he has only two diamonds he will have no spade to deal with the third round of the suit. That points East to the winning defence of switching to a club at trick two.

While we are on this deal, note that many players lead the ace for attitude and the king for count, and also have an agreement that if you lead the king and then switch it may well be to a singleton.

If that were to happen here West should not go wrong - but you never know.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Garner	Fallenius	H. Weinstein	Welland
Pass	1♠	2♠*	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

East was not afraid to enter the auction and he reaped a rich reward as West had an obvious action at his second turn. Declarer lost two tricks, +650.



Howard Weinstein, USA

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
S. Weinstein	Chagas	Levin	Brenner
Pass	1♠	Pass	INT
Pass	Pass	2♣	All Pass

I imagine East would have liked to double at his second turn, intending to remove a response of Two Diamonds to Two Hearts. However he may well have been playing that a double in this position was for penalties, requesting partner to lead a spade.

Two Clubs was easy enough, declarer emerging with nine tricks, but it represented a loss of 11 IMPs.

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Garner	Fallenius	H. Weinstein	Welland
	INT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

East led the three of diamonds and declarer won with ace and attacked hearts. East took his ace on the third round and played a second diamond. Declarer won in dummy, cashed his two red winners and played a club to the queen. When that lost he was restricted to eight tricks.

According to the play record, East had discarded a diamond on the fourth round of hearts and that might have suggested that East had awkward holdings in the black suits. If Declarer had taken that view he might have played a club to the ace and then exited with a low club, ensuring his ninth trick. Not easy.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
S. Weinstein	Chagas	Levin	Brenner
	INT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

Declarer won the opening club lead with the ace and went after hearts. East took his ace on the second round and played the king of clubs. Declarer ruffed and played a spade to the ace and a spade. When he regained the lead he played a third spade and claimed, +620 and 12 IMPs.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Garner	Fallenius	H. Weinstein	Welland
	1♥	Pass	INT*
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠
Pass	4♣*	Pass	4♦*
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

This was the first board to be played on VuGraph. After North's jump to Four Clubs the commentators predicted a slam would be bid, but they were quickly proved to be wrong.

With Chagas holding the North cards it seemed long odds that they would not miss it in the replay.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Weinstein	Chagas	Levin	Brenner
	1♥	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

With an eight-card suit and three first round controls I have no idea why Gabriel jumped to Four Hearts.

At half time team Chagas enjoyed a 14 IMP lead.



Steve Garner, USA

OPEN TEAMS

Round of 16 - 2nd half

Chagas v Welland

For the second half of the match, the Chagas team remained seated where it had been in the first half: Chagas-Brenner NS in the Closed Room, and Garner-Weinstein EW in the Open Room. Welland had brought in Rosenberg-Zia to play NS on the Rama, and Levin-Weinstein stayed where they were as EW in the Closed Room.

On the third board, Chagas increased their lead when Garner-Weinstein ended up in a contract not affected by bad breaks:

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
H. Weinstein	Rosenberg	Garner	Zia
	Pass	INT	Pass
2♥	Dble	Pass	Pass
3♦	Pass	3NT	All Pass

With all the hearts placed well for declarer, the defence had no chance to do anything here. Garner lost two clubs and two hearts to just land his contract. Chagas +400.



Diego Brenner, Brazil

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
S. Weinstein	Chagas	Levin	Brenner
	1♥	2♣	2♥
Dble	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♣	Pass
5♣	All Pass		

Chagas' light distributional opening bid changed matters. As Levin did not consider his heart stopper very solid, he decided to settle for 5♣, a contract in which he could not avoid losing two trump tricks as well as one top heart. Unlucky, but +50 to Chagas and 10 IMP's to lead by 22 now.

The wildest board of the set produced no swing, but both tables did their best to produce the most sensational auction:

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
H. Weinstein	Rosenberg	Garner	Zia
			2♠
2NT	3♠	6♣	Pass
6♦	Pass	6♥	All Pass

Obviously, the very good spade holding was ample compensation for the lack of a club stopper, but sometimes you have to pay the price. After hearing partner bid 6♣, Weinstein felt a little uncomfortable, so he went to 6♦. At this point, we could see on Vugraph that Michael Rosenberg at his turn was feeling quite uncomfortable now, as he had no idea what would happen in any other slam the opponents might go to. So he passed after a long huddle and, according to what he had feared, Garner indeed introduced a new slam denomination. There it rested as nobody felt sure enough to double. When a trick was lost by declarer in the play, he went down two, +200 to Welland.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
S. Weinstein	Chagas	Levin	Brenner
			2♠
2NT	3♠	6♣	All Pass

Here too, East made the obvious jump to 6♣. As Weinstein felt less uncomfortable here, it rested in 6♣ in which declarer lost a club and two hearts for -200. No swing.

On the next board, we finally had a slam swing:

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
H. Weinstein	Rosenberg	Garner	Zia
Pass	Pass	1♣	2♣
Pass	2NT	Pass	4♦
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

With the duplication in diamonds unveiled in time, nobody was tempted. Welland +650.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
S. Weinstein	Chagas	Levin	Brenner
Pass	Pass	1♣	1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♦	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♦	Pass	6♠
All Pass			

The auction had suggested club and diamond controls with NS, but EW were not to believe this. They simply led clubs and continued the suit to set the slam by one trick. Welland +100 and a maybe unexpected 13 IMP's to trail by only 8 now.

A few boards later, Chagas missed a chance to save the board:

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
H. Weinstein	Rosenberg	Garner	Zia
1♥	Dble	2♦	1♦
3♥	4♦	Pass	3♦
All Pass			5♦

Garner might have ventured a double here with two aces opposite the vulnerable overcall to increase the stakes a little, but he stayed quiet. Down two, Chagas +200 only. It seemed a fair enough score, as NS were well overboard here.

It could be worse, however:

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
S. Weinstein	Chagas	Levin	Brenner
1♥	Dble	2♦	1♦
Pass	Pass	Dble	3NT
			All Pass

Levin indeed threw the hammer, and when Brenner-Chagas decided to sit it they quickly were to regret it as there were only seven tricks available. Welland +500 which turned out to be a swing of only 7 IMP's to them, but the match in fact stood at all square now.

But then came a board that turned out to be decisive:

Board 25. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
H. Weinstein	Rosenberg	Garner	Zia
3♣	Pass	1♣	1♠
Pass	Dble	Redble	3♦
3♠	Pass	3♥	Pass
	Pass	5♣	All Pass

Helped by the spade overcall and the take-out double, EW

were sort of able to locate most of the missing high cards as they ended up at dazzling heights in 5♣. Trumps behaved (likely), the ♠K was worth a trick (likely), the diamond needed no guess (who knows?) and the heart finesse was right (would you believe it!) so they chalked up a scintillating +600.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
S. Weinstein	Chagas	Levin	Brenner
	2♦	2NT	3♠
All Pass			

After Chagas found a weak-two in diamonds to open the bidding, Diego Brenner threw more sand into the EW machines by introducing his side suit - he could always retreat to diamonds, of course. When nobody had anything more to say this unintentional contract had to go down three for +150 to Welland, but a loss of 10 IMP's.

On the next board, Garner produced a fine unblocking defence to defeat a normal game, that had already gone down in the other room.

Board 26. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
H. Weinstein	Rosenberg	Garner	Zia
Pass	INT	Pass	1♥
Pass	3♦	Pass	2♠
All Pass		Pass	3NT

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
S. Weinstein	Chagas	Levin	Brenner
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♥
Pass	3♦	Pass	2♠
		Pass	3NT

So in both rooms they were playing 3NT, but from different sides of the table. In the Closed Room, Weinstein had an easy club lead, after which declarer had little chance as he went after the diamonds by cashing dummy's king rather early in the play. So the de-

fence came to two clubs, two top hearts and the ♦Q. Down one.

In the Open Room, Garner first of all found the not so easy club lead away from his ♣Kxx. The queen won in dummy, the ♦A was unblocked and declarer led a top heart won by West. Weinstein continued a club, ducked in dummy, and Garner cleared the suit. Next came a heart to the jack in dummy, on which West played low - if the suit is continued, the contract will be defeated out of hand, and he could not be sure about the spade situation. Now, dummy's top spades were cashed, on which Garner had to unblock all his high spades to avoid being put in with the last spade. This would give him two winners in the suit, but then he would have to lead into declarer's diamond tenace. So when the ♠6 held the trick, dummy had to revert to hearts and the contract went down after all. Well done!

Welland recouped some IMP's on the last board, but Chagas had just held on to win 45-42 and go through to the quarterfinals.

Pairs events

All three events consist of three qualifying rounds, three rounds in the semifinals and four rounds in the final.

Open Pairs:

340 pairs are playing the qualifying rounds. Approximately 116 pairs qualify for the semifinal A. They will be joined by the pairs dropping out of the KO and some pairs who didn't have to play the qualification, to form 130 pairs playing in five sections of 13 tables. The remaining pairs will play the semifinal B. There is no carryover. About 40 pairs in the semifinal A will qualify for the final A. The top six pairs in the semifinal B will join them with four to six pairs who will play the final KO. The pairs in the semifinal A not qualified for the final A will play the final B together with approximately 66 pairs from the semifinal B, forming six sections of 13 tables. The remaining pairs play the final C. The pairs who will play the final A will have a carryover from the semifinals with a weight of one and a half sessions.

Women's Pairs:

Eighty-one pairs are playing the qualifying and 33 to 35 of them qualify for the semifinal A together with five to seven pairs who played the KO-8 and KO-4. They form two sections of 10 tables. The other pairs play the semifinal B. The final A consists of 17-18 pairs from the semifinal A, the top three pairs from semifinal B and the pairs who played the KO final, probably seven pairs (total 28 pairs). The remaining pairs play the final B. Carryovers are the same as in the Open Pairs.

Senior Pairs:

Ninety-four pairs are playing in the qualifying rounds. The semifinal A consists of 52 pairs with four to six from the KO-8 and KO-4. The others play the semifinal B. Approximately 25 pairs go to the final A together with four (?) pairs from the KO final and the three top pairs in the final B. The others play the final B. The carryover is as described. All these numbers might change slightly depending on the drop-ins.

Doctor in the House

A Doctor will be at the Hospitality Desk every morning from 09.30 to 10.00. You can also contact the desk at any time if you have a medical problem.

Appeal No. 21

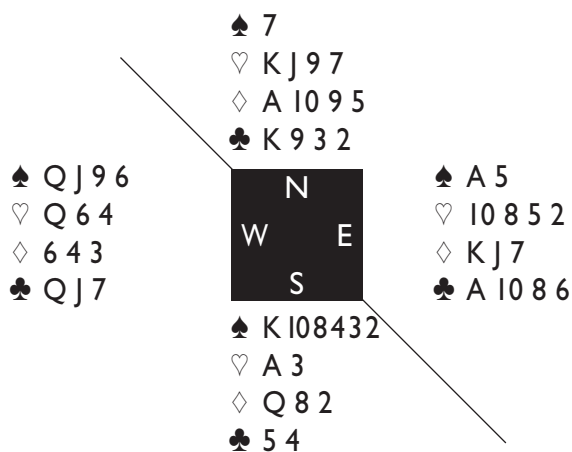
Turkey v Bulgaria

Appeals Committee:

Steen Møller (Chairman, Denmark), Herman De Wael (Scribe, Belgium), Jean-Paul Meyer (France)

Open Teams Knock-Out Round of 16

Board 18. Dealer East. East/West Vulnerable.



West	North	East	South
<i>Isporski</i>	<i>Pehlivan</i>	<i>Kovachev</i>	<i>Üzümlü</i>
2♥	Pass	2♦	Pass
Pass	2NT	All Pass	2♠

Contract: Two No trumps, played by North

Result: 7 tricks, NS -100

The Facts:

This happened during four extra boards in an originally tied match of the Round of 16, and occurred almost two hours after the normal end of play.

The appeal was heard the next morning, half an hour before the start of the Quarter Finals, and would determine who would play the next match.

East wanted to open 1♦, but put the bidding card of 2♦ on the tray. He only noticed this when the tray came back. He called the Director, who told him that he should correctly explain the meaning of 2♦ to his screen-mate (who in the meantime had also received the correct explanation of 1♦ and of East's hand).

After the play, North/South complained about two other matters. Wasn't this a psych of a conventional opening bid, which was forbidden in the regulations. And wasn't the opening of 2♦ a Brown Sticker Convention (also forbidden in the tournament)?

The Director:

Gave three rulings:

- 1) There was no infraction in the normal play. East had misbid but explained correctly.
- 2) The opening of 2♦ was a mechanical error, not a psych.
- 3) The 2♦ opening was not a Brown Sticker Convention.

Ruling: Result Stands

North/South appealed.

Present: All players and both Captains.

The Players:

North/South, through their captain, explained that they accepted the first and second rulings. They did not feel damaged, but they wanted a review of the decision on the Brown Sticker.

East/West presented their Convention Card. They play Strong Club, Five-Card Majors, 14-16 NT, with 2♣ being natural, 2♥/2♠ weak 5-card with a minor, and a Multi-2♦.

This Multi includes the weak two in a Major, and the 4414, 4405 and (43)15 distributions. The strength of these is not mentioned on the Card, but is explained at the table as being 10-15.

The Committee:

Based on the regulations as presented to it by the Director, the Committee ruled that the 2♦ opening of East/West was indeed a Brown Sticker Convention.

There are two different infractions concerning BSC: use of a BSC, and mentioning a BSC on the Convention Card.

The use of a BSC is dealt with by the cancellation of the board in case of damage, and the Committee decided that there was no damage here. The result on the board shall not be cancelled.

That meant that the only infraction that East/West had committed was the one of putting a BSC on the Convention Card. It is up to the Director to apply a penalty for this.

The Committee's decision:

Director's third ruling overturned.

East/West did in fact have a Brown Sticker Convention on their Convention Card.

The Director should apply the appropriate penalty.

Deposit: Returned

Note:

This was the second time in the Knock-Out stages of the teams events that this penalty had to be applied (the first time had been in the Round of 32 in the match Repts - Karavainov).

The "appropriate penalty" is 1.5 IMPs, which is arrived at as follows: Regulation 7.2.3 of the Conditions of Contest requires the Director to impose a IVP penalty. That translates into 3 IMPs in a Knock-Out event. By analogy with Law 86B, each contestant's score is calculated separately and the average of the two scores is then assigned to both contestants.

The team of East/West (team Senior) had originally won the match by 75 IMPs to 73. If a 3 IMP penalty is applied to this, the score for team Senior becomes 75-76. But the penalty does not apply to their opponents (team Turkey) for who the score is still 75-73. In Knock-Out matches, the average is awarded, and this results in a score of 75-74.5 in favour of team Senior.

Meanwhile, however, one Director had understood the decision as being for a full 3 IMPs, and he told team Turkey this. They actually took their seats and started playing the first board of the quarter final, but they were then replaced by team Senior (and the first board was of course redealt).

OPEN TEAMS

Round of 8 - 1st half

In the Spotlight

The partnership of Sabine Auken and Daniela Von Arnim has attracted considerable attention at the 1st European Open Championship because of their play in the Open Teams rather than the Women's. Their team, led by Klaus Reps, made it to the quarterfinal round, where they faced a strong French squad captained by Paul Chemla. A hotly contested match was expected, but it didn't work out that way.

Auken and Von Arnim were on vugraph against Chemla and Philippe Cronier. At the other table, Klaus Reps and Bernard Ludewig sat down against Michel Abecassis and Philippe Soulet.

The French team drew blood on the first board.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

<p>♠ J 8 7 4 3 ♥ - ♦ J 10 8 2 ♣ 7 5 4 2</p>	<p>♠ K ♥ A K J 10 8 4 ♦ Q ♣ K 10 9 8 3</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 0 auto; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; width: 100%;">N W E S</div> </div>	<p>♠ A Q 10 9 2 ♥ 7 6 ♦ A K 7 4 ♣ Q J</p>
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West	North	East	South
Ludewig	Abecassis	Reps	Soulet
4♠	1♥	1♠	4♥
Pass	5♣	Dble	5♥
	Pass	Dble	All Pass

Reps has a great hand, but the auction warned him about the two-suiter to his right. Two tricks were the limit for East-West and 650 was duly recorded for the French.

West	North	East	South
Cronier	Auken	Chemla	Von Arnim
4♠	1♣	1♠	Pass
Pass	4NT	Dble	5♦
All Pass	5♥	Pass	6♥

Strong club systems can be very powerful and effective, but they are vulnerable on occasion to interference, and this deal is a good illustration. Auken has a terrific hand, but the bidding was at the four level before she got to mention either of her suits. She expressed a two-suiter with 4NT and described a heart-club hand with 5♥. There was a lot of pressure on Von Arnim. If she passed and slam was cold, as it might well have been, it would be a loss. Of course, there was always the chance that even if the slam should go down that the defenders might err and let it

make. After considerable thought, she bid the slam. Unfortunately for her side, Chemla possessed both cashing aces and he did not make a mistake (slam was let through at a couple of other tables in the quarterfinal round). Plus 50 was worth 12 IMPs to Chemla.

Another big swing occurred two boards later when the French picked just the right time to play 3NT despite their eight-card heart fit.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

<p>♠ J 9 3 ♥ 9 8 ♦ A J 8 5 4 3 2 ♣ 6</p>	<p>♠ A K Q 6 5 ♥ 7 5 2 ♦ Q 10 ♣ Q 8 5</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 0 auto; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; width: 100%;">N W E S</div> </div>	<p>♠ 10 4 2 ♥ K 6 3 ♦ 9 ♣ A 10 7 4 3 2</p>
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West	North	East	South
Ludewig	Abecassis	Reps	Soulet

Pass	1♠	Pass	1♥
Pass	2♣	Dble	INT
2♦	3♣	Pass	Pass
All Pass			3NT

Ludewig led the ♣6 and, thanks to the friendly lie of the major suits, Soulet finished with 12 tricks for plus 490.

West	North	East	South
Cronier	Auken	Chemla	Von Arnim
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♥
Pass	2♦	Pass	INT
Pass	3NT	Pass	2♥
All Pass			4♥

The German women were briefly in the correct spot, but Von Arnim opted for the suit contract, providing a dramatic illustration of how good the judgment of Soulet and Abecassis was in the other room.

The defense was swift and deadly. Cronier led his singleton club, taken by Chemla with the ace. He played his singleton diamond and the crossruff was merciless. The French had six tricks before Von Arnim could get in. That was plus 150 and another 12 IMPs to Chemla.

The Germans struck back on the following board, earning their first swing of the match.

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Ludewig	Abecassis	Reps	Soulet
	Pass	1♣*	1♦*
2♣	Pass	3♣	3♥
Pass	Pass	4♥	Pass
4♠	Pass	5♣	All Pass

1♣ was strong and artificial, 1♦ a takeout describing a two-suiter. There were two possibilities for minor-suit games, and good guessing was required for success in either. The record of the play in the closed room was not available, but the Germans did manage plus 400 after the lead of the ♥A by South.



Michel Abecassis, France

West	North	East	South
Cronier	Auken	Chemla	Von Arnim
	Pass	1♦	2♦
Dble	Pass	Pass	3♥
4♣	4♥	4♠	Dble
Pass	Pass	Redbl	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♣	Pass
5♦	All Pass		

After the given auction - Von Arnim indicated a hand with a lot of major-suit cards -- it was unlikely that Chemla would guess the winning play in diamonds, and indeed he did not.

Von Arnim boldly underled her ♥A K, clearly looking for a club ruff, but Auken could see that if Von Arnim was void in clubs, the defense had a club trick coming anyway. After due consideration, Auken returned a heart. Chemla ruffed cashed his high spades, pitching dummy's last heart, then played a diamond to the ace and another diamond, putting in the jack and losing to the queen. He still had a club to lose, so that was down one and 10 IMPs to Repts, now back in the match at 27-10.

Two boards later, the match began to get away from Repts.

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Ludewig	Abecassis	Reps	Soulet
			Pass
1♥	1♠	2NT	3♠
Pass	4♠	Dble	All Pass

The spade game could have been defeated any number of ways, including the lead of a trump. Ludewig could win and return a club to Repts' ace for another spade play, and declarer would eventually have to let East in again in hearts or suffer a club ruff for down one. The Germans did not work out the correct defense, however, and Abecassis took 10 tricks for plus 790.

That was a poor result that was made worse by the open room events.

West	North	East	South
Cronier	Auken	Chemla	Von Arnim
			Pass
1♥	1♠	Dble	2♠
3♥	Dble	4♥	All Pass

Von Arnim might have bid more, but, considering that her partner was making a game try and she had four trumps to the queen, she may have fancied her chances on defense. The ♠Q went to the singleton ace, and Cronier led a heart from his hand to the 10, king and 5. He played a heart to the 8, then a diamond to the 10. Another heart finesse followed, and Cronier abandoned trumps, playing the ♦Q to Auken's ace. She gave her partner a diamond ruff, but that was only two tricks and there was only one more to come. Plus 620 at one table and plus 790 at the other meant 16 IMPs to Chemla.

The French had a 54-25 lead at the halfway point, and the second set did not provide much ammunition for the Germans to make a comeback. Most of the deals were nondescript, and where there were swings, they went to the French. The following deal is a case in point.

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

♠ A Q 10 2 ♥ J 5 4 ♦ 5 3 2 ♣ A 4 2	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 80px; height: 80px; 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	♠ J 7 ♥ K 9 6 2 ♦ Q 9 7 ♣ 10 8 6 3
N					
W E					
S					
	♠ K 8 6 4 3 ♥ A Q 10 8 7 ♦ – ♣ K J 7				

West	North	East	South
Ludewig	Abecassis	Reps	Soulet
			1♠
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♦	All Pass	

Excellent bidding by Soulet and Abecassis, putting on the brakes before matters got out of hand. The Germans slipped a trick on defense and Abecassis ended up with 10 tricks for plus 130. Tomasz Gotard and Josef Piekarek, subbing for Reps and Ludewig in the second half, did not do as well in the open room.

West	North	East	South
Cronier	Gotard	Chemla	Piekarek
			1♠
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Piekarek didn't want to pass, but more bidding would probably have resulted in a doubled contract. 3NT had no chance without a major foul-up in the defense - and that wasn't going to occur with these two defenders. Chemla started with the ♣3, which went to the 7, 2 and 9. Gotard took his only chance - that the ♦Q was doubleton - but it was not to be. Chemla won the third round of diamonds and pushed the ♠J through dummy. Cronier could have stuck declarer in dummy with a fourth round of spades to collect a bigger penalty, but he didn't want to take a chance that declarer had the ♥K, so he simply cashed his ♣A for down one and more IMPs to Chemla, who won the second half 25-16 for a 79-41 victory and a berth in the semifinal round.

Thank you for coming!

The EBL wishes to thank all competitors for coming to Menton and being part of a historic event, the 1st European Open Championship.

This event reflects a new philosophy in that the EBL now embraces all European players, not just the top ones. And this happens in cooperation with the NBOs who are actively supporting this idea. The European Open Championships will be held every odd-numbered year in a place suitable for bridge, holidays and fun for everybody!

The first event in Menton brought us back to a place that won universal acclaim when the European Team Championships were held here exactly ten years ago. The idea was to combine the wonderful surroundings with a first-class tournament. A lot of effort was put into this, but unfortunately we have had to face many difficulties.

The main one was, of course, the heat. We are told that such weather occurs rarely. But it has occurred now, and the lack of air-conditioning in *Palais de l'Europe* has showed this as much as one could imagine. Other people complained about the timing, noise, smoking, mobile phones, etc. All in all, things did not go the way we planned - much to everyone's regret.

Our aim has always been - and still remains - to offer you the best service possible. **Have no doubt that we are going to achieve this, and you are going to enjoy it.** However, we need your cooperation.

When you get home, please take a moment to think what you liked and what you didn't in the 1st European Open Championship. Then, send us an email message to the address menton@eurobridge.org, mentioning the points you wish to see improved. You don't need to write much - just mention the points. And please, don't think that others will do it for you. Everybody's opinion counts - and the opinions of a large group takes precedence over those of a smaller one.

The EBL Executive Committee has already decided that **all complaints will be considered thoroughly**. The outcome will be used for a much better 2nd European Open Championship in 2005. That's a promise.

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Thank you very much for your cooperation.

The EBL Executive Committee

La Gazette du Palais

par Guy Dupont et Philippe Brunel

Y a photo

Trois sites pour les internautes désireux de vivre Menton au jour le jour, avec de nombreuses photos des participants ou de différents personnages du bridge : www.swangames.com, animé par la Danoise Laila Leonhardt, www.ffbridge.asso.fr, animé par Agnès Fabre, Hélène Vivier et Thierry Gadan, de la FFB, et www.federbridge.it, animé par Mabel Bocchi.

Paires et fils

- Entendu cette réplique devant le Palais des congrès :
- Salut, Jacques (Dorfmann) ! Est-ce que tu joues le paires ?
 - Non, mais le grand-père...
- Une manière élégante de baptiser les seniors

Que d'eau, que d'eau...

On en était, mardi, à une consommation de 200 bonbonnes d'eau, grâce aux fontaines Chateau d'eau installées dans le Palais des congrès. Soit 4 000 litres. Un chiffre qui a déjà largement dépassé les prévisions du sponsor des championnats, mais la source ne semble pas, néanmoins, tarie.

Imbattable

Quelle est la paire la plus lourde ? Gilles Quéran et Bogdan Marina sont bien placés pour remporter la palme d'or, avec 280 kilos à eux deux. Qui dit mieux ?

Cinq os à la une

Le talent littéraire du chien Mazette n'est pas passé inaperçu. Le quotidien régional Niche-Matin l'a pressenti pour une chronique régulière. Malheureusement, la colonne de bridge étant déjà occupée par Emmanuel Ellia, on lui propose, la rubrique des chiens écrasés. Pas sûr qu'il accepte : ce n'est pas le genre d'os qu'il aime à ronger.

Baroudi d'honneur

L'équipe libanaise d'Eidi a battu l'équipe française d'Izisel en 1/16 de finale, avant de succomber en 1/8 face à l'autre équipe française (Chemla). Une donne des 1/16 :

Donne 11 (S/P)

♠ AV
♥ D 10
♦ D 9 8 6
♣ R 9 6 3 2

♠ R 10 9 7 6 2
♥ A 8 4
♦ 10
♣ A 10 8

N		
O	E	
	S	

♠ D 8 4
♥ R 9 7 3
♦ A R 3 2
♣ D 7

♠ 5 3
♥ V 6 5 2
♦ V 7 5 4
♣ V 5 4

Ouest	Nord	Est	Sud
Izisel	Tchamitch	Pilon	Baroudi
1 ♠	2 ♠	Passe	1 ♦
Passe	3 SA	(Fin)	2 SA

Dans l'autre salle, au même contrat, le déclarant français n'a pas trouvé la route des neuf levées.

Suivez celle de Nagib Baroudi : après l'entame à ♠, pour le Valet, il encaisse l'As de ♦, notant la chute du 10, puis pressentant l'As de ♣ en Ouest - après les enchères -, il décide d'y voler immédiatement une levée, en contretemps. Ouest ne peut plonger de l'As (il libérerait quatre levées dans la couleur), et le Roi fait le pli. La Dame de ♥ est ensuite présentée, pour l'As d'Ouest, qui fait sauter l'As de ♠.

Impasses de Valet suivent à gogo : le 10 de ♥ est laissé filer, puis, après la Dame de ♦, le 9 de ♦ l'est également. Neuf levées pour ce bon timing, et 10 imp.

Frissons sur le secteur

L'équipe Chagas n'a remporté son 1/8 de finale contre l'équipe Welland que de 3 imp (45 à 42). Sur la dernière donne jouée au Rama, les Américains Steve Garner et Howard Weinstein, coéquipiers de Chagas, ont connu le grand frisson, comme nous l'a rapporté Pierre Saporta, alors commentateur au Bridgevision, et grand reporter à la Gazette.



Gerard Izisel, France

Donne 26 (E/T)

♠ 7 4

♥ 5 3

♦ RV 9 8 7 5

♣ A 9 3

♠ 9 5

♥ A R 7 2

♦ D 6 3

♣ 10 7 4 2



♠ V 10 8 3 2

♥ 9 8

♦ 10 4 2

♣ R 6 5

♠ A R D 6

♥ D V 10 6 4

♦ A

♣ D V 8

Ouest	Nord	Est	Sud
Garner	Rosenberg	H. Weinstein	Zia
Passe	1 SA	Passe	1 ♥
Passe	3 ♦	Passe	2 ♠
		Passe	3 SA (Fin)

Ouest entame du 5 de ♣, pour la Dame qui tient. Michael Rosenberg débloque l'As de ♦ (à la recherche de D-10 secs) et présente la Dame de ♥. Garner prend du Roi et rejoue ♣, pour le Roi de son partenaire, qui établit la couleur.

Rosenberg poursuit par un second tour de ♥, pour le Valet. Quel scénario Ouest imagine-t-il alors ? A ce stade, il battrait le contrat en prenant de l'As, en encaissant son ♣ maître et en sortant à ♠. Mais il choisit de refuser le Valet de ♥. Rosenberg étudie longuement la position, et ne va pas laisser passer sa chance : il encaisse la tierce majeure à ♠, et ressort de son dernier ♠. Est se serait bien passé de ce cadeau empoisonné : après ses deux levées de ♠, il doit livrer deux ♦ au mort. Bonne lecture de main du champion d'Europe par équipes mixtes.

Le coup a chuté dans l'autre salle.

Fume, c'est du belge !

C'est ce qu'aurait pu dire, en toute courtoisie, Mike Vandervorst au japonais Takano, lorsqu'il réussit son contrat sur le premier tour du paires.

Donne 4 - O/T

♠ DV 4 2

♥ R 5 2

♦ A 10 3

♣ R 4 3



♠ 8

♥ A V 10 9 7

♦ R D 6

♣ D 6 5 2

Ouest	Nord	Est	Sud
Hayashi	Frencken	Takano	Vandervorst
Passe	1 ♣	Passe	1 ♥
X	XX*	1 ♠	4 ♥

Ouest entame de l'As de ♠ (le 6 en Est) et poursuit du 10 de ♣. **Comment voyez-vous la suite du coup ?**

Les enchères donnent la clé du coup. Les ♠ sont probablement 4/4 et le retour du 10 de ♣ laisse augurer d'As-Valet quatrième en Est. Il devient alors indispensable de bloquer la couleur en passant le Roi. Est prend et continue à ♣, pour votre Dame, qui fait la levée. Le 10 de ♥ est alors présenté, dans l'intention de tenter directement l'impasse contre Ouest. Ce dernier couvre. Après le Roi de ♥, Vandervorst laisse filer la Dame de ♠ (en défaussant un ♣), pour le Roi d'Ouest, et la défense ne peut plus empêcher le déclarant de réaliser 10 levées, la dernière perdante à ♣ partant sur le Valet de ♠. Rien d'exceptionnel, sans doute, mais il fallait jouer juste pour une note à 80%.

Main d'Est : ♠ 10963 ♥ 96 ♦ 954 ♣ AV98

Main d'Ouest : ♠ AR75 ♥ D84 ♦ V872 ♣ 107

Gagne-petit

Un petit problème d'entame, pour finir. Il est issu du 7ème et dernier tour du championnat par équipes. Votre main, en Sud (donne 30, Est donneur, personne vulnérable) :

♠ K Q 8

♥ 8 3

♦ A Q J

♣ A J 10 8 5

Ouest	Nord	Est	Sud
Sebbane	Saelensminde	Thuillez	Brogeland
X	XX *	1 ♠	1 SA
2 ♠	Passe	Passe	2 ♣
		4 ♠	X (Fin)

* SOS

Quelle est votre entame ?

Pour ne rien compromettre en mineure, l'entame à ♥ vous tend les bras. Elle a été faite à de nombreuses tables. Résultat : 590 pour Nord-Sud !

♠ -

♥ 9 7 5 2

♦ 8 7 6 5 4 3

♣ 9 6 3

♠ 10 9 3

♥ A K J 10 4

♦ 10 9 2

♣ Q 4



♠ A J 7 6 5 4 2

♥ Q 6

♦ K

♣ K 7 2

♠ K Q 8

♥ 8 3

♦ A Q J

♣ A J 10 8 5

Laurent Thuillez a pu défausser le Roi de ♦ sur le troisième tour de ♥. Si Sud coupait, c'était avec son argent. 10 levées pour le déclarant. Il fallait être gagne-petit sur la donne et déposer un As sur la table, pour battre le coup d'une levée.

Cose di casa nostra

by Franco Broccoli

La squadra italo-polacca Miroglio (Bongiovanni, Kowalski, Tuszynski, Szymanowski, Romanski) ha guadagnato l'accesso alla semifinale battendo la formazione irlandese Wests (Carroll, Garvey, Hanlon, Mc Gann, Mesbur, Fitzgibbon) per 73 a 60. Al giro di boa dei 14 board, gli irlandesi erano in vantaggio di 8 imps. Giulio Bongiovanni, capitano giocatore (con Romanski), ha confermato al tavolo i quattro polacchi. Carta dopo carta è iniziato il lento ma certo recupero che ha portato al sorpasso e alla definitiva vittoria.

Il biglietto da visita dei vincitori è stato questo:

Board 1. Dichiarante Nord. Tutti in prima.

♠ K												
♥ A K J 10 8 4												
♦ Q												
♣ K 10 9 8 3												
♠ J 8 7 4 3												
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		♦ A K 7 4										
		♣ Q J										
		♠ 6 5										
		♥ Q 9 5 3 2										
		♦ 9 6 5 3										
		♣ A 6										
Ovest	Nord	Est	Sud									
Romanski	Garvey	Szymanowski	Carroll									
	1♥	1♠	4♥									
4♠	5♣	5♠	tutti passano									

Le due linee si incontrano perfettamente e Szymanowski, che ha chilometri e chilometri di marciapiede bridgistico alle spalle in questo tipo di competizioni licitative, dichiara una volta in più



Piotr Tuszynski, Poland

degli avversari. Giusto. I due onori mancanti nei suoi colori non gli danno da pensare e, dopo aver perso due fiori, realizza le restanti prese senza difficoltà. Nell'altra sala, Kowalski/Tuszynski arrivano in volata a 5♥, prendono il contro, allineano 11 prese e, fra andare e venire, segnano un vantaggio di 15 imps.

Board 13. Dichiarante Nord. Tutti in zona.

		♠ K Q										
		♥ A J 8 5 3										
		♦ K Q 2										
		♣ K Q 4										
♠ A 8 7 2			♠ 10 5 3									
♥ 10 6 4 2			♥ Q									
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		♥ K 9 7										
		♦ J 10 5 3										
		♣ 10 3										
Ovest	Nord	Est	Sud									
Romanski	Garvey	Szymanowski	Carroll									
	2♦	passo	2♥									
passo	2SA	passo	3♣									
passo	3♥	passo	4♥									
tutti passano												

2♦ è multi, 2SA è bilanciata forte, 3♥ è la quinta.

Romanski ha intavolato il 4 di quadri per il Re del morto e la cartina di Szymanowski. Il dichiarante ha anticipato il Re di fiori dal morto per l'Asso di Romanski che, tornando quadri, ha ottenuto un taglio nel colore. 4♥-1. Nell'altra sala, stesso contratto, le cuori sono state licitate in prima istanza dalla parte naturale (Nord) e, quando è stato il momento di attaccare, Carroll ha intavolato una cartina di fiori. Tuszynski, nel prosieguo, ha passato il 10 di cuori di Ovest e, perdendo solo i tre Assi, ha mantenuto l'impegno.

Board 20. Dichiarante Ovest. Tutti in zona.

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

Ovest	Nord	Est	Sud
Romanski	Fitzgibbon	Szymanowski	Mesbur
passo	passo	passo	1♠
passo	3♠	tutti passano	

Romanski ha attaccato atout per la Dama del compagno e il Re del dichiarante. Questo primo problema risolto deve aver fatto rilassare Sud che, in cerca dell'affrancamento del colore laterale, ha giocato fiori per l'8 del morto e la Dama di Szymanowski. Non bisognerebbe mai dare certe chances... Il 2 di cuori è sceso con leggerezza sul tavolo e Sud, non avvedendosi ancora del pericolo imminente, ha passato la Dama. Ovest è entrato di Re e ha intavolato il Re di fiori per l'Asso del morto e il taglio di Est che è tornato piccola quadri. *Che brutta giornata!* - avrà pensato. Il dichiarante si è immerso in pensata ma quando è riemerso ha giocato il Re della mano. 3♠-1 contro le 3♠+1 dell'altra sala.

Board 24. Dichiarante Ovest. Tutti in prima.

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

In sala aperta gli irlandesi dichiarano e realizzano il tranquillo contratto di 3♣. In chiusa i polacchi aumentano la pressione:



Bas Drijver, The Netherlands

Ovest	Nord	Est	Sud
Romanski	Fitzgibbon	Szymanowski	Mesbur
passo	passo	1♣	passo
2♣	passo	3SA	tutti passano

1♣ è tipo Polish, 2♣ è la quinta con 9-11.

Szymanowski ha filato l'attacco di Fante di picche prendendo con l'Asso del morto il secondo giro nel colore. Sud è entrato al terzo giro di fiori, con il compagno che ha scartato due quadri mostrando una certa preferenza a cuori. Mesbur si è fermato a pensare. Se Est ha la Asso e Dama di quadri, è obbligatorio cercare di realizzare tre prese a cuori, in quanto il dichiarante con un ritorno neutro potrebbe incassare quattro fiori, tre quadri e due picche. Mesbur è tornato piccola cuori. Nord ha preso ed è tornato nel colore. 3SA mi.

Torniamo indietro di un incontro nel KO Miroglio/Net blue.

Board 16. Dichiarante Ovest. E/O in zona.

	♠ A K 2					
	♥ K Q J 7					
	♦ 9 7 6					
	♣ A 9 5					
♠ 7 6	<table border="1" style="display: inline-table; vertical-align: middle;"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>O</td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	O	E	S	♠ Q 10 9 8 5 4
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O	E					
S						
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♦ K 10 8 2		♦ Q				
♣ K J 6 3		♣ 10 4 2				
	♠ J 3					
	♥ 10 5 4					
	♦ A J 5 4 3					
	♣ Q 8 7					

Ovest	Nord	Est	Sud
Schollaardt	Tuszynski	Drijver	Kowalski
1♦	contro	2♠	passo
passo	contro	passo	3♣
tutti passano			

Il contratto non è il massimo ma il finale è divertente. Schollaardt ha attaccato con il 7 di picche per l'Asso del morto. Kowalski ha anticipato il Re di cuori, per l'Asso di Ovest che è tornato quadri (Dama, Asso). Due colpi di cuori finendo in mano e Fante di picche per il Re; ancora picche tagliata di 8 e surtagliata di Fante. Sul ritorno piccola fiori Kowalski è stato basso di morto e, sulla cartina di Est, non è entrato economicamente con il 7, ma ha preso di Dama, ha giocato fiori (Ovest è stato basso) per l'Asso e fiori ancora. Ovest, in presa, ha intavolato il 10 di quadri realizzando le ultime due. Un down contro le due prese di caduta a 3SA dell'altra sala.

"Non è stato merito mio - ha detto Bongiovanni - lo ho fatto il manager, li ho solamente assemblati." E' vero solo in parte. Giulio spesso sta al tavolo.

La squadra seniores Santolini (Cohen, Giove, Sbarigia, Latesa, Brilli), alla fine del primo tempo dei quarti di finale, si è trovata sotto di 1 imp. Antonio Latesa, profondo conoscitore di score, ha detto: "Stiamo sotto ma loro stanno peggio. Noi abbiamo 16, ma loro 17....". L'incontro è finito con la squadra italiana che ha vinto di 1 imp.

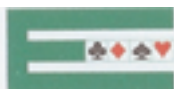
OPEN PAIRS

(standings after 2 sessions - provisional)

	1st	2nd	total				
1 GROMOLLER - KIRMSE	65,08	59,69	62,39	63 OURSEL - FLEURY	58,21	50,47	54,34
2 LEWACIAK - MICHALEK	68,32	56,20	62,26	64 ZONCHEV - SHOKOV	48,30	60,37	54,34
3 MILO - VOLPI	60,72	61,50	61,11	65 SAPORTA - ZIMMERMANN	54,06	54,61	54,33
4 SAUR - GAMLEHAUG	59,71	62,30	61,01	66 GAEK - PROKHOROV	54,99	53,44	54,21
5 BERTENS - BAKKEREN	52,52	68,98	60,75	67 BIRMAN - LEVIN	56,58	51,77	54,17
6 SANDQVIST - HOLLAND	63,31	58,13	60,72	68 FAGIER - SCHERDIN	49,63	58,63	54,13
7 ROBSON - BAKHSHI	62,69	57,92	60,31	69 AUBY - HALLBERG	53,88	54,37	54,13
8 MAGNUSSON - BERTHEAV	47,75	72,49	60,12	70 FURUTA - TERAMOTO	53,24	54,94	54,09
9 SADEK - ELAHMADY	64,94	54,91	59,92	71 KOISTINEN - BACKSTROM	55,29	52,83	54,06
10 WLADOW - ELINESCU	53,72	65,81	59,77	72 ZHMAK - GARUSOV	48,77	59,14	53,95
11 PAZUR - JAGNIEWSKI	58,48	61,03	59,76	73 DE MARTINIS - FIORETTI	52,56	55,34	53,95
12 OLANSKI - KWIECIEN	59,10	60,40	59,75	74 GROMOV - PETRUNIN	46,84	61,05	53,94
13 WIJS - MULLER	62,70	56,77	59,73	75 LO PRESTI - MAZZADI	51,65	56,03	53,84
14 ANIL - RAJESH	52,74	65,08	58,91	76 VINCIGUERRA - MARI	51,42	56,19	53,81
15 FANTONI - LANCIANO	68,43	49,31	58,87	77 SALOMONE - BERTELLO	60,40	47,16	53,78
16 JAGGER - PAGAN	58,99	58,66	58,83	78 CHOUR - SOLNTSEV	59,22	48,25	53,73
17 FORRESTER - MCINTOSH	55,45	61,79	58,62	79 STOPPA - STRETZ	55,44	51,95	53,69
18 MEJANE - DUMAZET	57,04	59,19	58,12	80 RINGUET - MATEOS-RUIZ	59,91	47,40	53,66
19 SHARKANAS - JANKUNAITE	60,45	55,73	58,09	81 ANCESSY - BRUNET	54,98	52,25	53,62
20 TUTKA - GAWECKI	54,17	61,97	58,07	82 SCHILHART - BUCHLEV	56,06	51,12	53,59
21 POLETYLO - WOJCICKI	57,16	58,91	58,03	83 PROOIJEN - BRINK	55,76	51,04	53,40
22 SIKORSKI - HENCLIK	62,13	53,66	57,90	84 INGIMARSSON - EINARSSON	51,88	54,91	53,40
23 AABYE - HELNESS	56,55	59,22	57,88	85 WIKNER - PETTERSSON	51,44	55,17	53,31
24 COHEN - LEBOVICH	62,00	53,30	57,65	86 SIMON - TERRANEO	51,66	54,78	53,22
25 FRITSCH - MARSAL	60,80	54,40	57,60	87 DRIJVER - SCHOLLAARDT	52,05	54,37	53,21
26 CLAIR - TOTARO	62,97	51,98	57,47	88 SCHRODEL - ZEITLER	53,97	52,07	53,02
27 THOMA - NASDER	54,02	60,90	57,46	89 VOZABAL - SVOBODA	55,65	50,37	53,01
28 WESTRA - EIJK	56,18	58,38	57,28	90 CHMURSKI - PUCZYNSKI	49,27	56,67	52,97
29 MARTIN - BOSS	58,92	55,47	57,19	91 KYTCHANOV - KHANTIMIROV	47,04	58,72	52,88
30 MOSS - GRUE	52,01	61,96	56,99	92 RALKO - WOJAS	60,81	44,92	52,86
31 SILVERSTONE - STOCK	63,37	50,53	56,95	93 DIEDEN - BLOMDAHL	56,40	49,27	52,84
32 HAAS - MARACHE	55,38	58,27	56,82	94 MULTON - PALAU	54,55	51,10	52,83
33 MORATH - GUSTAWSSON	59,38	54,00	56,69	95 GERIN - BOULOGNE	52,50	53,06	52,78
34 PEICHEV - ARONOV	60,22	52,98	56,60	96 KEAVENEY - QUINN	51,44	54,08	52,76
35 EIDI - MARTENS	60,44	52,42	56,43	97 APTEKER - GOWER	49,76	55,74	52,75
36 BURG - BUCHMAYR	51,82	61,02	56,42	98 HOEYLAND - HOEYLAND	46,54	58,74	52,64
37 CICHOCKI - ZURAKOWSKI	48,08	64,65	56,37	99 KOWALEWSKI - BUZE	60,09	45,19	52,64
38 RUBENIS - JANSONS	57,36	55,07	56,22	100 PIKUS - LUCKO	49,54	55,69	52,62
39 DIKLIC - MILADIN	49,83	62,44	56,13	101 BACH - EVANS	60,47	44,61	52,54
40 TEODORESCU - NEGOESCU	52,13	60,13	56,13	102 PEICHEV - BARANTIEV	51,46	53,60	52,53
41 DE FALCO - DEL BUONO	60,92	51,11	56,01	103 VICENT - GODED	50,36	54,65	52,51
42 KEMENY - TRENKA	59,53	52,39	55,96	104 BALDURSSON - JONSSON	48,78	56,07	52,43
43 VIVES - VIVES	50,06	61,79	55,92	105 PETROZZIELLO - GIANNOTTI	54,37	50,46	52,42
44 IZISEL - PILON	61,78	49,92	55,85	106 SAMY - SAMY	53,62	51,11	52,37
45 HALLBERG - RYMAN	58,16	53,40	55,78	107 LUPU - LUPU	55,13	49,58	52,35
46 GAROZZO - DUPONT	55,23	56,26	55,74	108 COMPERNOLLE - DEBUS	53,40	51,22	52,31
47 VANDEREET - GELDERS	54,46	56,93	55,69	109 HENRIQUES - BARBOSA	60,02	44,52	52,27
48 SOLARI - MUS MARC	58,37	52,96	55,66	110 RAHMI - AHU ZOBU	53,57	50,94	52,26
49 VERHEES - JANSMA	60,67	50,61	55,64	111 ILLA - FORT	54,37	50,13	52,25
50 HACKETT - BOTTON	59,77	51,10	55,43	112 BUSSEK - ROHOWSKY	54,29	50,17	52,23
51 ANDREEV - VOROBEL	54,68	55,80	55,24	113 TCHAMITCH - BAROUDI	52,03	52,40	52,22
52 SABATE - PARTIARROYO	61,26	49,06	55,16	114 GLADYSH - KRASNOSSELSKI	53,65	50,65	52,15
53 GRAGLIA - CARRE	52,62	57,28	54,95	115 GIARD - BENOIT	51,71	52,57	52,14
54 CARPENTIERI - GUARINO	54,62	55,13	54,87	116 MARKOVIC - DRENKELFORD	45,09	59,12	52,11
55 DELMOULY - POTIER	53,55	56,17	54,86	117 LEVY - GALDBERS	49,02	55,19	52,11
56 BEAMIER - NAHMIAS	63,66	45,76	54,71	118 HONTI - HARANGOZO	57,17	46,93	52,05
57 OZKAN - YILMAZ	51,05	58,33	54,69	119 SERGENT - PEPPER	53,97	50,03	52,00
58 MOEN - ERGA	55,26	54,11	54,68	120 BJORKMAN - SANZEN	50,74	53,22	51,98
59 FONTENEAU - CARALP	53,62	55,54	54,58	121 SOUDAN - FRUTOS	46,75	57,18	51,97
60 LORMANT - ELLIA	52,01	57,13	54,57	122 GWINNER - KUNZLI	46,99	56,90	51,95
61 WINKLER - LAKATOS	51,01	57,92	54,47	123 PETERSON - ANDERSSON	48,80	54,99	51,90
62 FILIOS - PAPAKYRIAKOPOUL	53,19	55,67	54,43	124 VOINESCU - TACIUC	52,75	50,86	51,80
				125 HISHMAR - VARENNE	49,51	54,04	51,78

126	MARINA - QUERAN	54,96	48,56	51,76	193	ATTALI - CUENCA	50,27	47,86	49,06
127	JOHANNSSON - JONSSON	42,62	60,86	51,74	194	ASLAN - AKGUL	46,99	51,09	49,04
128	GIERULSKI - SKRZYPCZAK	52,18	51,30	51,74	195	MESMAECKER - VANDERBIST	46,95	51,09	49,02
129	ARAZI - CHLIAPAS	52,34	51,01	51,67	196	HAYASHI - TAKANO	50,66	47,31	48,98
130	FISCHER - SAURER	55,44	47,78	51,61	197	ASH MIKE - MCPHEE	60,89	37,06	48,98
131	MECKSTROTH - MECKSTROTH	42,94	60,20	51,57	198	SHEATHER - SHEATHER	47,29	50,66	48,97
132	BACKSTROM - ERKKILA	57,42	45,70	51,56	199	GUARIGLIA - UCCELLO	54,90	43,04	48,97
133	DOBROIU - HEAGU	56,80	46,26	51,53	200	MORITSCH - GUERRA	53,67	44,04	48,85
134	COMBESCURE - DECHELETTE	49,18	53,87	51,52	201	GILBOA - WAX YALOV	43,06	54,56	48,81
135	MALINOWSKI - THORESEN	58,86	44,12	51,49	202	RUSSO - KUCHARSKI	46,74	50,78	48,76
136	STERKIN - KHIOUPPENEN	54,08	48,72	51,40	203	FARAH - HAMDAN	45,51	51,92	48,72
137	GIBBONS - COOKE	45,94	56,78	51,36	204	PORAT - STERN	49,48	47,94	48,71
138	BIZON - KOWALSKI	48,81	53,88	51,34	205	BITRAN - ROCAFORT	54,56	42,86	48,71
139	ZACK - NAFTALI	51,37	51,27	51,32	206	HOMONNAY - DUMBOVICH	45,76	51,53	48,64
140	BOASSA - DE MONTIS	50,55	52,08	51,32	207	PAUNCZ - VIKOR	43,44	53,78	48,61
141	BELLA - CARZANIGA	45,73	56,83	51,28	208	TATARKIN - KHAZANOV	45,34	51,66	48,50
142	CZUL - PIETRASZEK	43,47	59,01	51,24	209	CASTELLANI - CATARSI	50,76	45,96	48,36
143	KARBANOVICH - ZHURAVEL	53,73	48,68	51,21	210	SUSSEL - MARILL	50,81	45,89	48,35
144	ZNAMIROWSKI - OPALINSKI	54,39	47,97	51,18	211	BAREL - SCHNEIDER	46,13	50,51	48,32
145	KARAIVANOV - TRENDAFILOV	47,23	55,08	51,16	212	BURN - DHONDY	48,44	48,18	48,31
146	HACKETT - WATERLOW	40,48	61,75	51,12	213	WILDE - TUWANAKOTTA	46,95	49,60	48,28
147	USZYNSKI - RENOUARD	60,71	41,43	51,07	214	SHAH - MADALA	49,25	47,29	48,27
148	PRICE - SIMPSON	49,38	52,67	51,03	215	DEL VIGO - FILIPPINI	52,10	44,44	48,27
149	TOMESCU - STIRBU	49,04	52,99	51,02	216	PEDERSEN - BECK	45,51	50,97	48,24
150	MAURIN - VOLDOIRE	45,62	56,38	51,00	217	HAMMELEV - MONSTED	49,42	46,99	48,20
151	ROMBAUT - DADOUN	55,29	46,67	50,98	218	NATALE - DI BELLO	47,32	48,71	48,02
152	BASTIANSEN - SANDVIK	46,56	55,38	50,97	219	FRANCES - BARBAROUX	46,49	49,37	47,93
153	DI MEMMO - GENTILE	55,78	45,97	50,88	220	WERNLE - SCHIFKO	51,85	43,90	47,88
154	VAINIKONIS - PSZCZOLA	49,12	52,56	50,84	221	PANERO - CHAMPION	54,53	41,14	47,83
155	THOMPSON - CLARK	44,89	56,75	50,82	222	GOTTLIEB - ZUCKER	46,99	48,66	47,83
156	GULHEIM - SKJAERAN	49,48	52,16	50,82	223	BERG - JORGENSEN	46,40	49,19	47,79
157	STAML - JAHE	49,21	52,35	50,78	224	KIRCHHOFF - ABRAM	54,76	40,66	47,71
158	ASSAEL - ZORLU	46,40	55,03	50,72	225	ISTVAN - SZILAGYI	50,37	45,02	47,69
159	TSEVIS - KOUTOUGOS	50,27	50,93	50,60	226	HANSSSEN - FJELLSTAD	48,39	46,95	47,67
160	SEBBANE - THUILLEZ	50,48	50,68	50,58	227	CHADHA - ORSMOND	44,74	50,56	47,65
161	ROZAK - KUSION	51,78	49,37	50,58	228	LITVAK - RUDAKOV	47,99	47,31	47,65
162	LEV SAM - MILNER	45,98	55,08	50,53	229	KUJAWA - OLECH	47,54	47,59	47,56
163	MADSEN - MADSEN	53,90	47,10	50,50	230	FISSORE - CATELLANI	44,66	50,47	47,56
164	BESSIS - LEVY	44,82	56,12	50,47	231	SVENDSEN - HAUGE	45,90	49,18	47,54
165	DUDZIK - ZANADZKI	53,34	47,48	50,41	232	OSAULENKO - SHUDNEV	49,89	45,14	47,52
166	PEDERSEN - BARDSSEN	48,13	52,63	50,38	233	BOWLES - MOHANDS	48,51	46,44	47,47
167	PAL ACZEL - VARGA	48,12	52,59	50,35	234	KRISHNAKUMAR - KIRUBAKARA	48,73	46,20	47,47
168	CRENN - CRENN	51,18	49,48	50,33	235	KOSICKA - SLEMR	48,17	46,72	47,44
169	DELLA - BIANCHI	46,81	53,75	50,28	236	ATABEY - KOLATA	52,42	42,43	47,42
170	NAQUI - HELLE	47,69	52,82	50,26	237	FRENCKEN - VANDERVORST	47,92	46,92	47,42
171	NOBERIUS - TORNQUIST	52,00	48,32	50,16	238	HANSEN - LARSEN	49,21	45,47	47,34
172	NEUT - BOMHOF	49,10	51,19	50,15	239	LEONETTI - ROBERTI	42,28	52,33	47,30
173	PEHLIVAN - UZUM	49,32	50,97	50,14	240	JELNIEWSKI - KRAJEWSKI	47,83	46,59	47,21
174	NICOLODI - TERENCE	57,00	43,17	50,09	241	ESKIZARA - DALKILIC	47,59	46,73	47,16
175	BORIN - EFRAIMSSON	56,58	43,57	50,07	242	DELIBALTADAKIS - KANNAVOS	46,91	47,41	47,16
176	AMOEDO - VILLAS	54,52	45,49	50,01	243	ROTARU - LUNGU	54,42	39,71	47,07
177	SMITH - CZERNIEWSKI	42,36	57,62	49,99	244	KAPLAN - ROMANOWSKI	51,12	43,00	47,06
178	CABANES - GAUTRET	50,56	49,17	49,87	245	BAREKET - LENGY	46,81	47,25	47,03
179	CAMERINI - CAMEO	50,87	48,56	49,71	246	ATHUIL - BUREAU	44,84	49,00	46,92
180	EBENIUS - UPMARK	45,19	54,12	49,66	247	STURE - BERG	50,89	42,78	46,83
181	INTONTI - SABBATINI	45,17	54,14	49,65	248	MORREIRA - CHALOM	44,54	49,04	46,79
182	AUKEN - BLAKSET	52,60	46,59	49,60	249	YALCIN - DONG	46,34	47,11	46,73
183	HARINGS - KROES	51,05	48,11	49,58	250	KAJAN - UZZAN	42,29	51,15	46,72
184	HOILAND - DRANGSHOLT	48,51	50,53	49,52	251	HENRI - LAFOURCADE	43,49	49,87	46,68
185	DARNICHE - ELIE	50,84	48,09	49,46	252	VARDAPETAYAN - BALOJAN	58,51	34,82	46,66
186	TURCI - RAFFA	51,87	46,82	49,35	253	JONSSON - SIGURDSSON	41,57	51,71	46,64
187	ARMSTRONG - MELBOURNE	53,07	45,44	49,25	254	BRUGGEMAN - GROOT	46,49	46,49	46,49
188	KROJGAARD - CASPERSEN	52,09	46,40	49,25	255	LEPADAT - JOVESCU	49,66	43,31	46,49
189	BOMPIS - DE ST.MARIE	52,58	45,81	49,19	256	MARINO - MARINO	46,51	46,32	46,42
190	WRANG - FALLENIUS	47,00	51,29	49,15	257	MURCIANI - ASTRUC	48,59	44,22	46,40
191	NEVE - FRONTAUVA	54,76	43,45	49,11	258	GONCA - ALFEJEVA	42,97	49,77	46,37
192	AGENES - GIAVARINI	47,15	51,02	49,08	259	BAKIR - BING	38,31	54,36	46,33

260	ENGEL - MAYBACH	41,88	50,74	46,31	300	LODATO - TROMBETTA	38,19	50,17	44,18
261	FAIK - AYDIN	40,96	51,47	46,22	301	YUEN - HARRY	40,55	47,63	44,09
262	SONSER - BARRETT	44,17	48,25	46,21	302	SISSENER - LOVE	37,82	50,20	44,01
263	SAKRAK - UCAN	42,46	49,83	46,15	303	JAUNIAUX - COLINET	42,19	45,83	44,01
264	KASS - EISENBERG	50,24	41,99	46,11	304	DANIC - COLOMBARO	42,92	45,02	43,97
265	MARRAY - HAMPSON	48,29	43,87	46,08	305	RYNNING - BRANDSNES	45,81	42,07	43,94
266	MAMULA - BARRETT	44,46	47,63	46,05	306	BOGACKI - LUNA	38,15	49,51	43,83
267	MCEWING - BRUCE	45,89	46,12	46,00	307	CLEEF - ZWART	49,23	38,33	43,78
268	MACKENZIE - CAMPBELL	47,34	44,62	45,98	308	BRUHN - ERIKSEN	47,22	40,32	43,77
269	MARJAI - GERO	53,21	38,71	45,96	309	WETTENSCHWILER - RANIS	44,00	43,51	43,75
270	AJELLO - NOZZOLI	47,21	44,62	45,91	310	FLACKS - KEALHER	41,55	45,80	43,67
271	VERSACE - CORSO	47,76	44,00	45,88	311	CURLIN - KIRILENKO	42,66	44,05	43,35
272	ZIVKOVIC - MOSSOP	45,65	46,08	45,87	312	MEIJS - TER LAARE	49,29	37,33	43,31
273	KOKISH - BARAN	44,05	47,49	45,77	313	MARIPUU - SESTER	46,84	39,74	43,29
274	ARASZKIEWICZ - PASTERNAK	44,04	47,44	45,74	314	TAYLOR - DAVIS	43,07	43,26	43,17
275	BARUCCHI - MICHAUD-LARIVIE	46,16	45,28	45,72	315	ODDEN - HOGSTAD	48,19	37,94	43,07
276	KARAMANLI-LYDAK - KARAMANLIS	41,77	49,65	45,71	316	DAURER - HOFLINGER	39,52	46,52	43,02
277	PALAZO - BANCHEREAU	46,86	44,43	45,65	317	POITIER - SAINT	35,54	50,28	42,91
278	MARMONTI - MASSA	51,92	39,16	45,54	318	OVESEN - KINDSBEKKEN	41,48	43,88	42,68
279	LEDGER - SQUIBB	46,13	44,67	45,40	319	JANSSON - BJORKLUND	40,58	44,75	42,67
280	FRANK - BRAUNSTEIN	44,07	46,69	45,38	320	SEMP - HAYET	42,69	42,31	42,50
281	DUGUET - TOFFIER	49,39	40,96	45,18	321	HELLING - HEIN	45,96	38,76	42,36
282	PIECZKA - ROG KAZIMIERZ	41,62	48,62	45,12	322	BROGELAND - GILLIS	43,42	41,15	42,29
283	POPLILOV - SAGIV	37,14	52,96	45,05	323	MANDRUTA - DOBRIN	37,66	46,59	42,13
284	HOLMGREN - WESTLIN	41,01	49,09	45,05	324	OSTERGAARD - JENSEN	37,39	46,31	41,85
285	MAUBERQUEZ - ALLIX	50,34	39,48	44,91	325	DYBDAHL - BROWN	38,42	44,67	41,55
286	WILMOTT - MCGUIRE	46,56	43,14	44,85	326	SAVIN - MATEI	37,58	45,39	41,48
287	PANAHPOUR - KING	48,58	41,11	44,85	327	YANES - ROCA	38,24	41,23	39,74
288	O'LUBAIGH - DELANEY	48,43	41,19	44,81	328	CARELLI - COMELLA	41,15	38,28	39,71
289	MATRICARDI - CORCHIA	50,40	39,20	44,80	330	ABLEY - EDDLESTON	45,87	33,08	39,48
290	MINTZ - LIMOR	43,42	46,12	44,77	331	RUNDGREN - HALLBERG	38,36	40,32	39,34
291	VEYER - JONG	41,62	47,88	44,75	332	GONFREVILLE - COHEN	39,18	38,71	38,94
292	BREMARK - NYSTROM	43,10	46,34	44,72	333	FOUGT - KRISTIANSEN	37,01	40,01	38,51
293	GAGLIARDI - SPINELLI	45,41	43,94	44,67	334	MUSSO - RIOLO	39,63	37,37	38,50
294	BOVE - DI STEFANO	40,19	48,86	44,53	335	MORTAROTTI - RUSSO	41,89	35,02	38,45
295	BENASSI - DEVINCENZO	44,33	44,53	44,43	336	SAVELLI - CATUCCI	36,79	39,51	38,15
296	MOIR - CROFTS	42,83	46,01	44,42	337	DEL GAUDIO - MIGNOLA	40,38	33,24	36,81
297	MOFAHKAMI - ODELLO	39,22	49,43	44,33	338	MARTIN - HYNES	29,34	42,06	35,70
298	RYTTER - SIN DEUT	42,96	45,69	44,32					
299	FERRARI - CARAMANTI	42,39	46,21	44,30					



The EBL President and Mrs. Gianarrigo Rona
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WOMEN PAIRS

(standings after 2 sessions - provisional)

	1st	2nd	total				
1 LEVIT-PORAT - AS ILANA	59,57	59,72	59,65	41 LEMAITRE - COCHET-COMBESCU	46,79	54,95	50,87
2 GACKOWSKA - BREWIAK	59,56	58,22	58,89	42 EVELIUS-NOHREN - KARLSSON-UIISK	51,11	50,28	50,70
3 DUMON - CLEMENT	52,54	64,53	58,53	43 MCCALLUM - BAKER	48,72	52,37	50,54
4 KELLNER - WEIGKRICHT	57,92	57,78	57,85	44 MOEN - FOSSAN	55,75	44,61	50,18
5 BINDERKRANTZ - BEKKOUCHE	56,04	58,85	57,45	45 BOSLY - CONTARINI	47,39	52,72	50,06
6 POULAIN - LACROIX	56,45	57,24	56,84	46 KOWALSKA - ADAMCZYK	53,64	46,18	49,91
7 DE SERAFINI - DEI POLI	54,15	58,38	56,27	47 NIKITINE - HAEMMERLI	41,21	58,42	49,81
8 LEVY - HEREDIA	59,56	52,96	56,26	48 GROSMANOVA - DITETOVA	54,74	44,53	49,64
9 LORDOU - TILLYRI	51,20	60,09	55,65	49 JAGGER - NELSON	43,23	55,42	49,33
10 THUILLEZ - JEANNIN-NALTET	58,66	52,55	55,60	50 BARTHE - CHATARD	53,37	45,23	49,30
11 ERHART - SMEDEREVAC	53,27	57,70	55,49	51 RAIMBAULT - MULTON	52,79	45,64	49,22
12 POPLILOV - ZUR-CAMPANILE	57,46	53,10	55,28	52 SMYKALLA - LUSSMANN	43,66	54,17	48,92
13 POMARES - FUSARI	53,72	56,49	55,10	53 SCHRECKENBERGER - LISS	52,29	45,42	48,85
14 SIVELIND - SIVELIND	53,24	56,42	54,83	54 CIVIDIN - COLONNA	47,51	49,65	48,58
15 RYMAN - RYMAN	54,45	54,81	54,63	55 VILLE - CURETTI	48,32	48,16	48,24
16 ROSSARD - RACZYNSKA	59,42	49,71	54,56	56 BECK - HEGEDUS	48,90	47,24	48,07
17 BABAC - OZAN	62,48	46,15	54,32	57 PANELLA - FRANCO	49,29	46,79	48,04
18 BAIETTO - BALDASSIN	54,06	54,11	54,09	58 ANASTASIADOU - KIRITSI	51,68	44,06	47,87
19 LAVAGGI - COLAMARTINO	58,52	49,25	53,88	59 FRANCOLINI - CHIAVARELLI	46,98	48,61	47,79
20 GIRARDIN - FISHPOOL	52,71	54,72	53,71	60 PENDER - PENDER	51,17	43,67	47,42
21 LEON - HONTORIA	60,52	46,32	53,42	61 OIKONOMOU - KANELLOPOULOU	44,24	50,35	47,29
22 MIDSKOG - BERTHEAU	51,83	54,84	53,34	62 GRZEJDAK - KATER	48,43	45,99	47,21
23 MARTELLINI - MARTELLINI	46,69	59,91	53,30	63 SAUVAGE - GUILLEBON	47,83	45,98	46,90
24 OLIVIERI - ARRIGONI	47,75	58,73	53,24	64 LYNCH - O'NEILL	49,93	43,60	46,76
25 PICCIONI - PASQUARE'	56,22	50,19	53,21	65 BREVIK - HARDING	41,92	50,69	46,30
26 CHORUS - BAK CLAARTJE	52,28	53,50	52,89	66 GROMOLLER - PANTLE-REICHERT	46,94	45,63	46,28
27 ROSETTA - DE LUCCHI	51,28	54,15	52,71	67 GOLDENFIELD - BRUNNER	42,06	48,97	45,51
28 WEBER - NEHMERT	44,08	59,98	52,03	68 KEMPLE - BEARPARK	47,57	41,60	44,59
29 BUKET - WITTEVEEN	49,80	54,05	51,92	69 DEBEAUD - HABBARD	39,53	49,41	44,47
30 KIRSTAN - KREFELD	57,99	45,62	51,80	70 MULTIMAKI - CAROLI	49,05	39,75	44,40
31 GEIGER - GEIGER	48,18	55,39	51,79	71 BASILICO - MOSCATELLI	43,86	44,58	44,22
32 BONORI - CAPODANNO	50,33	53,20	51,76	72 CUTELLI - LANDI	40,99	46,52	43,76
33 SENIOR - PENFOLD	47,48	55,99	51,74	73 LINARA - VOULGARI	44,58	42,09	43,33
34 LANGER - GERSTEL	58,74	44,22	51,48	74 O'FARELL - MEEHAN	37,24	49,34	43,29
35 TETAL - LINDE	52,05	50,76	51,40	75 CROCI - FERRE'	40,60	45,72	43,16
36 GREGSON - COOK	45,09	57,59	51,34	76 COCCA - COCCA	48,10	37,53	42,82
37 PECCOUD - MORETTI	48,67	53,95	51,31	77 CATTANI - VENNI	46,28	38,35	42,32
38 KEREKES - MEZEY	53,71	48,83	51,27	78 CIOFFI - DE IANNI	40,21	42,14	41,17
39 MISZEWSKA - NOEL	53,92	48,49	51,21	79 FAIRCLOUGH - HECHT-JOHANSEN	43,17	36,53	39,85
40 DOWLING-LONG - MORAN	58,96	43,02	50,99	80 PARNIS-ENGLAND - VELLA	39,32	39,97	39,64
				81 CAGNER - PARADISI	34,81	41,91	38,36

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SENIOR PAIRS

(standings after 2 sessions - provisional)

	1st	2nd	total				
1 MOHTASHAMI - RUNACHER	65,79	55,62	60,71	48 KLESSER - WENGELAAR	40,84	58,77	49,80
2 JEZIRO - RUSSYAN	65,71	54,52	60,11	49 HJERKINN - PEDERSEN	59,20	39,88	49,54
3 DAMIANI - FAIGENBAUM	57,19	60,61	58,90	50 GELBARD - VERED	48,41	50,06	49,24
4 ALEKSANDRZAK - ZDZIENICKI	61,96	55,29	58,63	51 GORDON - JACKSON	55,19	42,90	49,05
5 BINDI - BENSOUSSAN	60,37	56,54	58,46	52 GULDEN - DROOGENDIJK	55,46	42,44	48,95
6 OMERNIK - POCHRON	52,15	63,99	58,07	53 ARCIERI - MAGLIETTA	54,54	43,16	48,85
7 LASOCKI - WIELEMANS	56,63	59,00	57,81	54 FARGEOT - SENIKIES	52,41	45,25	48,83
8 BOEGEM - JANSSENS	62,49	52,08	57,28	55 OLSSON - FRANZEN	55,40	41,96	48,68
9 FRANCO - RESTA	56,35	55,99	56,17	56 MASSAROLI - POZZI	42,36	54,68	48,52
10 CHUCRALLAH - MERHY	50,63	61,45	56,04	57 LEVIT - RAND	49,76	46,42	48,09
11 ACHTERBERG - BIGAT	59,79	52,06	55,93	58 DOREMANN - HEATH	47,03	49,14	48,09
12 MISMETTI - VANINI	57,66	53,41	55,53	59 BALLESTRA - DANNAY	45,14	50,94	48,04
13 BORST - KAMERBEEK	57,29	53,58	55,44	60 HANSART - PIERROT	51,52	44,52	48,02
14 KLUKOWSKI - MARKOWICZ	50,99	59,85	55,42	61 KLAPPER - WILKOSZ	45,45	50,02	47,74
15 FRANKEN - VERHEES	54,96	55,55	55,25	62 FLEISCHMANN - FLEISCHMANN	51,61	43,45	47,53
16 CHAVANAZ - MORIN	54,17	56,32	55,24	63 LIEBERMAN - ZILBERBUSH	50,63	44,35	47,49
17 BERTILI - BYSTROM	50,63	59,66	55,14	64 BOESIGER - SPENGLER	47,16	47,17	47,17
18 AWAD - AWAD	58,20	51,60	54,90	65 CANAL - DUNOGUIER	45,40	48,73	47,07
19 HUMBURG - MATTSSON	55,88	53,85	54,87	66 THERKELSSON - WENANDER	42,78	50,97	46,87
20 DAN ORA - SAXON	46,43	63,07	54,75	67 CABEZAS - VAISBERG	45,35	47,95	46,65
21 CHMELIK - SCHROEDER	51,00	57,70	54,35	68 BARDIN - BARZAGHI	54,25	38,76	46,50
22 PRIDAY - PRIDAY	56,62	51,94	54,28	69 JANSKA - POKORNA	46,49	46,51	46,50
23 HOGLUND - WESTMAN	58,12	50,42	54,27	70 FREI - IMHOF	43,15	49,56	46,36
24 HIRST - JOURDAIN	48,76	58,72	53,74	71 LHOIR - MANDRON	44,07	48,42	46,24
25 BENBASSAT - DELORME	53,70	53,41	53,56	72 KRAUSE - KRAUSE	44,10	47,85	45,98
26 SEAMON - LEVKOFF	47,09	60,01	53,55	73 JAKK - RAUDE	47,16	44,54	45,85
27 FICUCCIO - GOVONI	52,13	54,33	53,23	74 SIMM - SULA	43,31	48,21	45,76
28 HASSETT - HIRST	62,85	43,34	53,10	75 CORACHAN - GRACIA	40,42	50,79	45,61
29 MELMAN - ZELIGMAN	50,42	55,73	53,07	76 CLEARY - CLEARY	39,92	50,67	45,30
30 NIEMEIJER - SCHIPPERS	51,88	53,88	52,88	77 CONNORS - CONNORS	47,85	42,21	45,03
31 LUCK - GOLDENFIELD	42,95	62,47	52,71	78 COUPERE - DIEUDONNE	39,71	50,30	45,00
32 DALLACASAPICCOL - MACI	51,40	53,81	52,60	79 ELIE - LOMBARD	49,05	40,49	44,77
33 BOREWICZ - OTVOSI	53,04	51,97	52,50	80 PATUZZI - POLLAK	44,46	44,95	44,71
34 KOSIANKO - PUCZYNSKI	54,68	49,97	52,33	81 COLUCCI - DA PRADA	46,96	42,04	44,50
35 SZENBERG - WALA	50,10	53,90	52,01	82 GROMOLLER - SCHNEIDER	47,55	41,09	44,32
36 CALVITTO - PALAZZO	52,70	50,57	51,64	83 PINTARIC - TEDESCHI	42,70	45,92	44,31
37 BROUWER - GROENENBOOM	50,42	52,84	51,63	84 GRENSIDE - HOGER	52,11	36,50	44,30
38 OSTERBERG - WICKSTROM	46,92	55,79	51,36	85 CORTE-REAL - OLIVEIRA	44,60	43,75	44,17
39 SAGIV - SCHWARTZ	56,74	45,94	51,34	86 DE SIMONE - PRIMAVERA	42,91	45,36	44,14
40 ROUQUILLAUD - ELBAZ	50,71	51,68	51,20	87 GAZONNOT - HUBY	42,11	45,66	43,89
41 BRAV - SHKEDY	40,42	61,97	51,19	88 HOBSON - GARTHWAITE	40,52	44,35	42,43
42 ALBARET - GUITTA	56,16	45,79	50,97	89 GAZZARI - MOCHI	37,75	46,69	42,22
43 GOMMERS - SEIJ	54,78	47,15	50,96	90 GHIRAGOSSIAN - GUTH	42,08	42,09	42,09
44 DE LEMOS - PASQUINI	58,14	43,64	50,89	91 MONTWILL - MONTWILL	36,82	45,48	41,15
45 RUE DEREK - STANLEY	52,12	49,28	50,70	92 CROCOLI - DE SANDRO	41,44	40,11	40,77
46 BUER - MUNKVOLD	46,26	53,88	50,07	93 BAHNIK - JAROS	38,45	41,12	39,78
47 OHANA - PALADINO	44,08	56,04	50,06	94 MANCA - RIZZUTI	44,94	33,62	39,28

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OPEN TEAMS

ROUND OF 8				
		1st	2nd	total
1	CHEMLA	54	25	79
	REPS	25	16	41
2	CHAGAS	42	35	77
	SENIOR	16	20	36
3	WESTS	46	14	60
	MIROGLIO	38	35	73
4	KALISH	82	42	124
	LARA	28	21	49

SEMI-FINAL				
		1st	2nd	total
1	CHEMLA	26	26	52
	CHAGAS	17	4	21
2	MIROGLIO	27	22	49
	KALISH	41	15	56

WOMEN TEAMS

ROUND OF 8				
		1st	2nd	total
1	LOUIS VUITTON	33	9	42
	MCGOWAN	40	16	56
2	RAHELT	8	31	39
	VRIEND	44	29	73
3	FIGB MOSCA	77	25	102
	AVON	5	25	30
4	GRONKVIST	44	22	66
	GROMOVA	21	24	45

SEMI-FINAL				
		1st	2nd	total
1	MCGOWAN	17	15	32
	VRIEND	45	42	87
2	FIGB MOSCA	47	66	113
	GRONKVIST	5	1	6

SENIOR TEAMS

ROUND OF 8				
		1st	2nd	total
1	FLEMMING	57	64	121
	SERF	21	24	45
2	MARKOWICZ	31	29	60
	ADAD	57	25	82
3	SANTOLINI	16	30	46
	HALLEN	17	26	43
4	PEYRONNIE	37	12	49
	FORNACIARI	47	44	91

SEMI-FINAL				
		1st	2nd	total
1	FLEMMING	26	16	42
	ADAD	24	50	74
2	SANTOLINI	30	34	64
	FORNACIARI	43	45	88

The following Teams reached the Quarter Finals of their respective events:

OPEN TEAMS

1	BRA/USA	CHAGAS	Chagas Ga	Brenner Di	Garner St	Weinstein Ho		
2	ENG	SENIOR	Senior Br	Wolfarth Ge	Al-Shati Vi			
3	FRA	CHEMLA	Chemla Pa	Cronier Ph	Abecassis Mi	Soulet Ph		
4	GER	REPS	Reps Kl	Ludewig Be	Von Armim Da	Auken Sa	Gotard To	Piekarek Jo
5	ISR	KALISH	Kalish Av	Podgur Le	Herbst Il	Herbst Of	Yadlin Do	Yadlin Is
6	IRE	WESTS	Carroll Jo	Garvey To	Hanlon To	Mac Gann Hu	Mesbur Ad	Fitzgibbon Ni
7	ITA/POL	MIROGLIO	Bongiovanni G	Kowalsky Ap	Romansky Ja	Szymanows Ma	Tuszynski Pi	
8	POR	LARA	Lara MJ	Capucho Ma	Luis Ca	Paz Nu		

WOMEN TEAMS

1	DEN	RAHELT	Rahelt Ma	Farholt St	Koch Ul	Klemmensen Ch		
2	FRA	LOUISVUITTON	D'Ovidio Ca	Allouche Da	Willard Sy	Bessis Ve	Cronier Be	
3	FRA	AVON	Avon Da	Pigeau Fa	Leenhardt Ma	Renoux MF	Menil Ra	
4	ITA	FIGB MOSCA	Capriata Em	Golin Cr	Manara Ga	Ferlazzo Ca	Buratti Mo	Forti Da
5	NET	VRIEND	Hoogweg Fe	Van Zwol Wi	Van der Pas M	Vriend Be	Pasman Je	Simons An
6	RUS	GROMOVA	Gromova Vi	Ponomareva Ta	Lebedeva Ma	Romanovska Ma	Galaktionova	
7	SCO	MCGOWAN	McGowan Li	Mcquaker Fi	Leslie Pa	Cohen Su		
8	SWE	GRONKVIST	Gronkvist Ma	Forsberg Ca	Rudenstal Je	Tenga Ma		

SENIOR TEAMS

1	DEN	FLEMMING	Flemming Da	Norris Ge	Moller St	Lund Pe	Werdelin Ol	Werdelin St
2	FRA	SERF	Serf Ma	Birbeau JM	Kitabgi AM	Rey Ph	Fouassier JC	
3	FRA	PEYRONNIE	Peyronnie Cl	Reurer JM	Coppolani Ma	Hugonnet Th	Beineix JC	
4	FRA	ADAD	Adad Pi	Aujaleu Ma	Lasserre Gu	Poizat Ph	Leenhardt Fr	Levy Fo
5	ISR	MARKOWICZ	Zeligman Sh	Klukowski Ju	Zeremba Je	Markowicz Vi	Melman Vi	
6	ITA	SANTOLINI	Brilli Al	Cohen Li	Giove Pa	Latessa An	Santolini An	Sbarigia Pi
7	ITA	FORNACIARI	Fornaciari Ez	Vivaldi An	Abate Ad	Morelli Fa	Baroni Fr	Ricciarelli M
8	SWE	HALLEN	Hallen Ha	Johnsson Go	Ekberg St	Durlow La		