



# NEC Bridge Festival

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## Poland/Russia Leads 2004 NEC Cup

One of the pre-tournament favorites, the powerhouse team from Poland/Russia (Adam Zmudzinski, Cezary Balicki, Andrew Gromov, Alexander Petrunin), collected 70 out of a possible 75 VPs Tuesday to take the lead at the end of Day One. In second place with 64 VPs is Israel (Israel Yadlin, Doron Yadlin, Michael Barel, Migry Zur-Campanile) while three teams (England, Germany/USA, USA) are tied third-through-fifth with 60 VPs. Japan has three teams in the top ten (Hayashi, Nagasaka, Open) with teams from Iceland (tied for 6<sup>th</sup>) and China Open the other two top-tenners. The complete rankings are shown below; the individual results of the first three matches may be found on page 4.

### NEC Cup: Standings After Day One (Three Matches)

Rank	Team	VPs	Rank	Team	VPs	Rank	Team	VPs
1	POLAND/RUSSIA	70	19/20	YEH BROS	49	37/38	ACACIA	39
2	ISRAEL	64	19/20	SKOTII	49	37/38	GIRASOL	39
3/5	ENGLAND	62	21	JAPAN LADIES	48	39/40	AOGUMI	37
3/5	GERMANY/USA	62	22	AMANTE	46	39/40	NETORA	37
3/5	USA	62	23	C.T. LADIES	45	41	CHINA LADIES	36
6	ICELAND	60	24/26	CANADA	44	42	DUM DUM'S	35
7	NAGASAKA	59	24/26	MIDORI-KAME	44	43	GOOD LUCK	34
8	JAPAN OPEN	58	24/26	OZAWA	44	44	HAPPY BRIDGE	31
9	CHINA OPEN	55	27/28	KONISHI	43	45	KINKI	30
10/11	NACS	54	27/28	AKQ	43	46/48	KOSAKA	29
10/11	HAYASHI	54	29	FAIRY TALE	42	46/48	MERRY QUEENS J	29
12/14	BULGARIA	53	30/36	GRYFFINDOR	41	46/48	NANIWADA	29
12/14	JAPAN SENIOR	53	30/36	DRAM1 & ALICE	41	49	ATHENS	24
12/14	KACHOFUGETSU	53	30/36	SPICE	41	50	PS-JACK	22
15/16	INDONESIA	52	30/36	KATSUMATA	41	51	MY-BRIDGE	21
15/16	ESPERANZA	52	30/36	COSMOS	41	52	SWAN	15
17/18	AUSTRALIA	50	30/36	MATSUBARA	41			
17/18	SLAM DUNK	50	30/36	POODLE	41			

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- or -

<http://www.jcbl.or.jp>

## NEC Cup 2004: Conditions of Contest

- An 8 round Swiss, qualifying the top 8 teams to the Knockout phase; no playbacks.
- V.P. Scale            WBF 20-board scale (a copy can be found in the score book provided in your NEC Bridge Festival bag).
- Seating Rights        Blind seating 10 minutes before the start of match
- KO-Phase Seating    The winner of a coin toss has the choice of seating in either of the two 20-board segments. In the four 16-board segments of the final, the choices will alternate over segments.
- Swiss Pairings        For the first and second Swiss matches, pairings will be determined by randomly pairing each of the teams numbered 1-26 with one of the teams numbered 27-52. Subsequent match pairings will be based on current VP totals.
- Home and visiting    1st numbered team sits N/S in open room, E/W in closed room.
- Tie-Breaks            At the end of the Swiss: ties will be broken by the result of the head-to-head match (if one was played) or an IMP quotient otherwise. If more than two teams are involved, WBF 2002 Conditions of Contest procedures will apply.
- In the Knockout Phase, the team with the higher position from the Swiss will be assumed to have a ½-IMP carryover.
- Systems                No HUM methods will be permitted in this event.  
                              In the Swiss, no Brown Sticker methods will be permitted.  
                              In the KO Phase, Brown Sticker methods will be permitted only if filed before the start of the Swiss. Written defenses to such methods may be used at the table.
- Length of Matches    2 hours and 50 minutes will be allotted for each 20-board segment (or 2 hours and 20 minutes for each 16-board segment of the final). In addition a 5-minute grace period will be allotted to each team. Overtime and slow play penalties as per WBF 2001 Conditions of Contest.
- Appeals                The WBF Code of Practice will be in effect. The Chief Director will have 12C3 authority. Appeals which are found to be without merit may incur a penalty of up to 3 VPs.
- Match Scoring        Pick-up slips are to be completed and all match results are to be verified against the official result sheet (posted at the end of each match); score corrections and notifications of appeals will be permitted up until the start of the next session.
- KO Draw                The team finishing 1<sup>st</sup> in the Swiss may choose their opponent from the teams finishing 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>. The team finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> will have their choice of the remaining teams from the 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> group. And so on.
- In addition, before the start of the Knockout Phase and after all quarter-final draws have been determined, the team that finishes 1<sup>st</sup> in the Swiss chooses their semi-final opponent from any of the other three quarter-final matches.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Places        Unless the two losing semi-finalists both agree to play off for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place, there will be no playoff and the prize money will be divided evenly between the two teams.
- Smoking                No smoking in the playing areas. You may not leave the playing room to smoke.

## Team Rosters: 9th NEC Cup

#	Name	Members
1	England:	Brian Senior, John Armstrong, Brian Callaghan, Pablo Lambardi
2	Iceland:	Throstur Ingimarsson, Bjarni Einarsson, Anton Haraldsson, Sigurbjorn Haraldsson
3	Germany/USA:	Sabine Auken, Kerri Sanborn, Janice Seamon-Molson, Mark Molson
4	Israel:	Israel Yadlin, Doron Yadlin, Michael Barel, Migry Zur Campanile
5	Canada:	George Mittelman, Allan Graves, Joey Silver, John Carruthers
6	Poland/Russia:	Adam Zmudzinski, Cezary Balicki, Andrew Gromov, Alexander Petrunin
7	Indonesia:	Henky Lasut, Eddy Manoppo, Santje Panelewen, Franky Karwur, Munawar Sawiruddin
8	China Open:	Li Xin, Sun Shaolin, Kang Meng, Li Xiaoyi, Fu Zhong, Zhao Jie
9	China Ladies:	Hou Yunyan, Zhu Xiaoyin, Yan Ru, Dong Yongling, Lu Yan, Wang Yanhong
10	Chinese Taipei Ladies:	Fang-wen Gong(PC), Sheau-fong Hu, Lin-chin Liu, Wen-chuan Tsai
11	USA:	Garey Hayden, Jim Robison, Simon Kantor, Mark Itabashi
12	Australia:	Cathy Chua, Simon Hinge, Robert Fruewirth, Bill Jacobs
13	Bulgaria:	Gueorgui Stamatov, Ivan Tsonchev, Rumen Trendafilov, Kalin Karaivanov
14	Happy Bridge (Korea):	SUNG Kyunghae, HWANG Iynryung, KWON Sooja, KO Jaehyun
15	Dum-Dum's (Korea):	SYNN Soohi, PARK Myungki, NOH Heajung, KIM Sookyoung
16	Amante (Korea):	HAHN Myungjin, LIM Hyun, SUH Eunae, KIM Yoonkyung
17	Acacia (Korea):	HAN Sunhee, YOO Kyungwon, PARK Jungyoon, YANG Sungae
18	Yeh Bros (Taiwan):	Chen Yeh, Chia-Hsin Wu, Chih-Kuo Shen, Chi-Hua Chen, Jung-Fong Cheng, Yi-Wen Lai
19	Taiwan-NaCS:	Kao Cheng, Tom Cheng, Chen Hung Yu, Lin Yung Yi, C. C. Chen
20	Japan Olympiad Open:	Tadashi Teramoto, Masayuki Ino, Tadashi Imakura, Hideki Takano, Hiroshi Kaku, Masaaki Takayama
21	Japan Olympiad Ladies:	Kyoko Shimamura, Ayako Amano, Hiroko Ota, Miho Sekizawa, Nobuko Setoguchi, Shoko Fukuda
22	Japan Olympiad Senior:	Kyoko Ohno, Akihiko Yamada, Yoshiyuki Nakamura, Makoto Hirata
23	SLAM DUNK:	Yasuhiro Shimizu, Kenji Miyakuni, Sakiko Naito, Chen Dawei, Kazuo Furuta
24	NAGASAKA:	Hiroya Abe, Sei Nagasaka, Liang Ping, Akira Morozumi, Misuzu Ichihashi
25	HAYASHI:	Nobuyuki Hayashi, Seiya Shimizu, Takehiko Nagahama, Takeshi Hanayama, Takashi Maeda
26	MIDORI-KAME:	Natsuko Nishida, Tomoe Nakao, Koji Ito, Tadashi Yoshida, Midori Sakamoto, Yuko Yamada
27	ESPERANZA:	Haruko Koshi, Mieko Nakanishi, Mizuko Tan, Yoko Osako, Junko Arai, Toyoko Saito
28	Gryffindor:	Michiko Iwahashi, Michiko Ohno, Hiroko Sekiyama, Kazuko Banno
29	Drami & Alice:	Makiko Sato, Koji Yamada, Yuko Yamada, Eiji Otaka, Yuko Noda, Hiroyuki Noda
30	GIRASOL:	Sachiko Yamamura, Taeko Kawamura, Kimi Makita, Keiko Matsuzaki
31	SKOTII:	Tsuneo Sakurai, Takahiro Kamiyo, Kenichi Izaki, Atsushi Kikuchi, Takehiko Tada
32	AOGUMI:	Yoko Nenohi, Kyoko Toyofuku, Kumiko Matsuo, Toshiko Kaho, Yoshiko Sakaguchi, Hiroko Janssen
33	Spice:	Yukiko Umezu, Etsuko Naito, Makiko Hayashi, Yayoi Sakamoto
34	PS-JACK:	Masako Otsuka, Masakatsu Sugino, Shoko Imai, Takako Fujimoto, Yoko Maruyama, Yukiko Hoshi
35	KACHOFUGETSU:	Akiko Miwa, Kunio Kodaira, Teruo Miyazaki, Makoto Nomura, Fumiko Nanjo, Ryoji Fujiwara
36	KOSAKA:	Kazuko Kawashima, Yasuko Kosaka, Koichi Onishi, Nobuko Matsubara
37	OZAWA:	Toyohiko Ozawa, Toru Nishiwaki, Kenichi Asaoka, Kazuhisa Kojima
38	SWAN:	Minako Hiratsuka, Aiko Banno, Naomi Terauchi, Natsuko Asaka, Kotomi Asakoshi, Michiko Shida
39	MERRY QUEENS & J:	Teruko Nishimura, Junko Nishimura, Toyoko Nakakawaji, Toshiko Hiramori, Tomoya Yamaguchi
40	NETORA:	Yoko Saito, Yoshiko Shimazumi, Chieko Ichikawa, Mamiko Odaira, Kuniko Saito, Junko Den
41	NANIWADA:	Takako Nakatani, Masaru Naniwada, Atsushi Kimura, Nobuko Tanai, Harue Iemori, Yumi Yanagida
42	Good Luck:	Osami Kimura, Kinzaburo Nishino, Setsuko Kimura, Toshiko Miyashiro
43	KATSUMATA:	Atsuko Katsumata, Yasuyo Iida, Misae Kato, Kimiko Kamakari, Keiko Oshio, Mayumi Hirota
44	MY-Bridge:	Noriko Yoshizawa, Masafumi Yoshizawa, Kuniko Miyauchi, Yoshitaka Agata, Shigeyuki Murano
45	COSMOS:	Nobuko Wakasa, Masaharu Wakasa, Keiko Enomoto, Yoko Takahashi, Kazuko Tsumori, Noriko Komiyama
46	Kinki:	Toru Tamura, Mimako Ishizuka, Sonoko Namba, Atsuko Kurita, Chizuko Sugiura
47	ATHENE:	Sachiko Kunitomo, Fumi Hosoda, Kyoko Tsumi, Seizo Hirao, Takehiko Takagi, Mitsuko Yamaguchi
48	MATSUBARA:	Ryo Matsubara, Ayako Matsubara, Kiyoshi Asai, Katsumi Tokiwa, Ryohei Orihara, Naoko Orihara
49	Konishi:	Chizuno Saito, Momoko Kumano, Yoshihisa Konishi, Masaru Yoshida, Minoru Mizuta
50	Fairy Tale:	Takao Onodera, Yukinao Honma, Ryo Okuno, Takeshi Higashiguchi, Kazunori Sasaki, Zhang Shudi
51	POODLE:	Emiko Tamura, Yoshiko Murata, Hiroko Kobayashi, Chizuko Tsukamoto
52	AKQ:	Alan Sia, Shunsuke Morimura, Tomoyuki Harada, Makoto Kohno, Chieko Yamazaki

## Tuesday's Match Results

### Match 1

ENGLAND (109)	25-0	KINKI (18)
ICELAND (58)	22-8	SWAN ( 24)
GERMANY/USA (82)	25-4	KOSAKA (28)
ISRAEL (67)	19-11	KATSUMATA (46)
CANADA (38)	11-19	KACHOFUGETSU (56)
POLAND/RUSSIA (97)	25-3	AKQ (35)
INDONESIA (148)	25-0	OZAWA (11)
CHINA OPEN (53)	19-11	COSMOS(36)
CHINA LADIES (61)	19-11	GRYFFINDOR (43)
C.T. LADIES (85)	25-3	ATHENS (25)
USA (106)	25-0	PS-JACK (22)
AUSTRALIA (57)	16-14	SPICE (54)
BULGARIA (79)	22-8	KONISHI (45)
HAPPY BRIDGE (21)	10-20	ESPERANZA (45)
DUM DUM'S (44)	10-20	NANIWADA (69)
AMANTE (65)	19-11	DRAMI & ALICE (48)
ACACIA (35)	11-19	SKOTII (52)
YEH BROS (60)	22-8	MERRY QUEENS J (25)
NACS (84)	25-5	GOOD LUCK (31)
JAPAN OPEN (106)	25-0	MY-BRIDGE (11)
JAPAN LADIES (60)	16-14	GIRASOL (52)
JAPAN SENIOR (88)	25-3	AOGUMI (25)
SLAM DUNK (60)	23-7	NETORA (22)
NAGASAKA (36)	10-20	POODLE (59)
HAYASHI (96)	25-3	MATSUBARA (33)
MIDORI-KAME (42)	15-15	FAIRY TALE (40)

### Match 2

JAPAN OPEN (66)	23-7	INDONESIA (27)
ENGLAND (43)	18-12	USA (30)
HAYASHI (51)	17-13	JAPAN SENIOR (42)
POLAND/RUSSIA (83)	25-4	C.T. LADIES(25)
NACS (36)	14-16	GERMANY/USA (44)
SLAM DUNK (38)	12-18	YEH BROS (52)
BULGARIA (24)	10-20	ICELAND (47)
NANIWADA (2)	0-25	CHINA OPEN (95)
ESPERANZA (49)	23-7	POODLE (11)
CHINA LADIES (20)	6-24	ISRAEL (62)
KACHOFUGETSU (47)	17-13	AMANTE (35)
SKOTII (36)	17-13	JAPAN LADIES (25)
AUSTRALIA (58)	19-11	MIDORI-KAME (39)
SPICE (53)	21-9	FAIRY TALE (23)
GIRASOL (30)	13-17	ACACIA (41)
DRAMI & ALICE (44)	13-17	CANADA (53)
GRYFFINDOR (24)	9-21	KATSUMATA (54)
NAGASAKA (83)	25-1	HAPPY BRIDGE (10)
COSMOS (73)	25-4	DUM DUM'S (18)
SWAN (12)	1-25	KONISHI (86)
NETORA (57)	17-13	MERRY QUEENS J (47)
GOOD LUCK (38)	17-13	KOSAKA (28)
AKQ (53)	18-12	ATHENS (37)
AOGUMI (21)	16-14	MATSUBARA (18)
KINKI (53)	18-12	PS-JACK (38)
MY-BRIDGE (4)	3-25	OZAWA (69)

### Match 3

JAPAN OPEN (22)	10-20	POLAND/RUSSIA (48)
CHINA OPEN (18)	11-19	ENGLAND (35)
ISRAEL (47)	21-9	ESPERANZA (19)
ICELAND (43)	18-12	HAYASHI (30)
YEH BROS (17)	9-21	GERMANY/USA (45)
JAPAN SENIOR (36)	15-15	NACS (36)
USA (61)	25-5	COSMOS (12)
SKOTII (25)	13-17	KACHOFUGETSU (37)
NAGASAKA (68)	24-6	SPICE (21)
AUSTRALIA (34)	15-15	SLAM DUNK (36)
KONISHI (30)	10-20	INDONESIA (52)
KATSUMATA (16)	9-21	BULGARIA (47)
AMANTE (25)	14-16	C.T. LADIES (33)
ACACIA (22)	11-19	JAPAN LADIES (39)
POODLE (41)	14-16	CANADA (48)
GIRASOL (13)	12-18	MIDORI-KAME (26)
OZAWA (54)	19-11	CHINA LADIES (36)
NETORA (29)	13-17	DRAMI & ALICE (41)
FAIRY TALE (55)	18-12	GOOD LUCK (39)
MERRY QUEENS J (24)	8-22	AKQ (59)
GRYFFINDOR (57)	21-9	NANIWADA (26)
KINKI (26)	12-18	AOGUMI (39)
SWAN (30)	6-24	MATSUBARA (74)
ATHENS (20)	9-21	DUM DUM'S (51)
PS-JACK (19)	10-20	HAPPY BRIDGE (44)
MY-BRIDGE (42)	18-12	KOSAKA (28)

# Match One: China Women vs Gryffindor

by Eric Kokish

In the first round, the top 26 teams faced a randomly drawn team from the second tier. A quick consultation with our panel of peerless pro pickers headed by ex-pat Italian maven Pietro “the Oracle” Campanile and Richie “puff face” Colker, settled on CHINA WOMEN (**Hou Yunyan/Lu Yan, Dong Yongling/Zhu Xiaoyin, Yan Ru/Wang Yanhong**) vs local stars GRYFFINDOR (**Kazuko Banno/Hiroko Sekiyama, Michiko Ohno/Michiko Iwahashi**). The Chinese team, winners of the Beijing City Championships, is not the National team, but our spies tell us that there is great potential in this group. Some of their Japanese opponents are not without international experience.

only three cards in both unbid suits, thought the target too narrow to aim for, but Banno, countering Zhu’s catchall Precision 1♦, had three possible landing places and refused to sell out when her opponents were in a theoretically comfortable contract. As it happened, everyone was right, more or less. Iwahashi made her 2♠ contract on the lead of the ♣Q for +110 and Sekiyama got out for two down not doubled, –100, in 3♥. No swing.

Bd: 1	North		
Dlr: North	♠ 82		
Vul: None	♥ A102		
	♦ A8652		
	♣ QJ5		
	West	East	
	♠ Q976	♠ K1054	
	♥ J3	♥ K654	
	♦ 103	♦ KJ4	
	♣ A10762	♣ K9	
		South	
		♠ AJ3	
		♥ Q987	
		♦ Q97	
		♣ 843	

Bd: 2	North		
Dlr: East	♠ AQ963		
Vul: N/S	♥ ---		
	♦ 9754		
	♣ AQ85		
	West	East	
	♠ K842	♠ 105	
	♥ Q9732	♥ A10864	
	♦ 2	♦ AKQ86	
	♣ K106	♣ 7	
		South	
		♠ J7	
		♥ KJ5	
		♦ J103	
		♣ J9432	

Open Room			
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Iwahashi</i>	<i>Yan</i>	<i>Ohno</i>	<i>Wang</i>
	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♠	All Pass
Closed Room			
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Dong</i>	<i>Banno</i>	<i>Zhu</i>	<i>Sekiyama</i>
	Pass	1♦*	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
Pass	Dbl	Pass	3♥
All Pass			

The first deal provides us with some insights about the proclivities of the North players, who had to decide whether to protect against 2♠, which would usually be based on at least an eight-card fit.

Yan, who had seen Ohno open a natural 1♦, with

Open Room			
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Iwahashi</i>	<i>Yan</i>	<i>Ohno</i>	<i>Wang</i>
		1♥	Pass
3♣(1)	3♥(2)	4♦	Pass
4♥	All Pass		
(1) Unbalanced “mixed” heart raise			
(2) Takeout of hearts			
Closed Room			
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Dong</i>	<i>Banno</i>	<i>Zhu</i>	<i>Sekiyama</i>
		1♥	Pass
4♥	Dbl	All Pass	

The vagaries of West’s responses to 1♥ allowed Yan to enter the auction at the three level while Banno had to come in a level higher, a bigger commitment at unfavorable vulnerability. West’s choice of initial action therefore created a swing, one that seemed destined to give GRYFFINDOR the first IMPs of the young match.

Destined, schmestined! Against 4♥ Wang found the strong lead of the ♠J, which held, and a

second spade went to the queen. Yan returned the ♠6 and Ohno discarded her singleton club. Wang scored the ♥5 and later the ♥K, for one down, -50.

Against 4♥ doubled Sekiyama led the ♦J, reasonably enough. Zhu won the ace and led her club to the king and ace, South giving count. Banno returned the ♦9 to suggest spade values, and although this gave declarer the whole diamond suit, the position was not clear to Zhu, who followed low and ruffed in dummy. She continued with ace and another trump, on which Banno discarded the ♠6 and ♦7. When Sekiyama won the king, she still had time to switch to spades, but she exited with her remaining trump and now Zhu could discard *three* spades from dummy for +590. 12 IMPs to CHINA WOMEN, 12-0. Had Zhu divined the diamond layout she could have made her contract without further defensive error by winning the ♦K and continuing with the ♦Q and the master ♦8. South would have to ruff low or middle but declarer would overruff, cross to the trump ace and lead another good diamond, discarding a third spade from dummy whether or not South ruffed in.



Zhu Xiaoyin

Open Room

<b>West</b> <i>Iwahashi</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Yan</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Ohno</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Wang</i>
Pass	1♣(1)	Dbl*	Pass
Pass	1♦	Pass	Rdbl(2)
All Pass			
(1) Strong, artificial			
(2) 5-7 HCP			

Closed Room

<b>West</b> <i>Dong</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Banno</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Zhu</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Sekiyama</i>
Pass	1NT	All Pass	Pass

Ohno led ace and another club against 2♦, so Yan was due to make an overtrick: +110. That saved an IMP for China as Zhu found the unfortunate blind lead of the ♦3 against Banno's 1NT, which led to +120. No swing.

Bd: 4	North	
Dir: West	♠ 75	
Vul: Both	♥ A1052	
	♦ Q652	
	♣ Q53	
	West	East
	♠ 96	♠ AJ102
	♥ Q76	♥ J8
	♦ A108	♦ J943
	♣ A9764	♣ KJ8
	South	
	♠ KQ843	
	♥ K943	
	♦ K7	
	♣ 102	

Both Easts had to lead against 1NT on this one. Students of arcane events will note that East's diamonds on Board 4 are exactly the same as her diamonds on Board 3. Despite her dramatic lack of success on the previous deal, Zhu again led the ♦3 and fared much better this time. Ohno found the same lead but defended a trick better than Zhu later in the play to hold Yan to the five most obvious tricks: -200. Zhu switched to king and another club when she gained the lead in hearts, setting up declarer's queen: -100. 3 IMPs to GRYFFINDOR, 3-12.

Bd: 3	North	
Dir: South	♠ KJ3	
Vul: E/W	♥ A73	
	♦ AQ1052	
	♣ K9	
	West	East
	♠ 765	♠ A1042
	♥ QJ984	♥ K65
	♦ 6	♦ J943
	♣ Q1084	♣ A6
	South	
	♠ Q98	
	♥ 102	
	♦ K87	
	♣ J7532	



Michiko Ohno

impulsively with the ♣3. Zhu won the ace and ducked a heart, won the spade switch with her ace and conceded a club, finishing with four hearts, three clubs and two aces for +400. 7 IMPs to CHINA WOMEN, ahead 19-3.



Dong Yongling

Bd: 5	North
Dlr: North	♠ 4
Vul: N/S	♥ QJ9
	♦ J1054
	♣ Q7652
West	East
♠ 8	♠ AQ765
♥ AK1054	♥ 83
♦ A93	♦ Q87
♣ AKJ9	♣ 1084
	South
	♠ KJ10932
	♥ 762
	♦ K62
	♣ 3

Bd: 6	North
Dlr: East	♠ Q7
Vul: E/W	♥ Q965
	♦ 52
	♣ KJ1063
West	East
♠ AK	♠ 109652
♥ KJ10743	♥ A2
♦ QJ10	♦ K63
♣ Q4	♣ A72
	South
	♠ J843
	♥ 8
	♦ A9874
	♣ 985

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Iwahashi</i>	<i>Yan</i>	<i>Ohno</i>	<i>Wang</i>
	Pass	Pass	2♦(1)

2♥ All Pass

(1) Multi: weak 2♥ or weak 2♠

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Dong</i>	<i>Banno</i>	<i>Zhu</i>	<i>Sekiyama</i>
	Pass	Pass	2♠
Dble	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♥	Pass	3NT	All Pass

While I find it easy to sympathize with the approaches taken by both West players, I am not unaware that the vast majority of experienced players would consider the West hand too strong for a simple 2♥ over South's Multi 2♦. Iwahashi was not unfortunate to make her humble 2♥ after winning the ♠A at trick one and passing the ♣10. She ran into a series of club ruffs and spade overruffs as she discarded diamonds from hand, and on the fourth round of clubs succeeded because South could not overruff dummy's ♥8: +110.

Against Zhu's 3NT, Banno attacked somewhat

Both Wests declared 4♥, Dong after opening a strong club. Both North players led the ♦5, their best choice. Dummy followed low, and in the Open Room Wang won the ♦A to switch to the ♣9. That allowed North to cash a club when she gained the lead with the trump queen, but declarer had no other losers: +620.

In the Closed Room Banno found the winning defense by withholding her ♦A. Although Dong could have succeeded at double dummy by passing the ♥J at trick two, she played normally by playing three rounds from the top. Sekiyama won the ♥Q and returned her remaining diamond to obtain a third-round ruff. Banno had followed with the ♦7 to the first trick and returned the eight for the ruff, which put her black suits in accurate perspective, and Sekiyama duly exited with the ♠7, leaving Dong with a club loser for one down: -100. 12 IMPs

to GRYFFINDOR, 15-19, and an early candidate for the Best Defended Deal.



Kazuko Banno



Hiroko Sekiyama

With the ♣A onside, Iwahashi lost only two clubs and two hearts for +140. As Zhu was content with a gentle raise to 2♠ and saw no reason to commit to the three level or to double 3♥, GRYFFINDOR bought the contract at both tables. 3♥ is slated to go one down, but it didn't turn out that way after the lead of the ♣10, ducked to the king. Zhu switched accurately to the ♠8, ten, jack, and Dong switched in turn to diamonds, leading the three. When Zhu won the ace (four from declarer) she reverted to clubs and now the defenders' second diamond trick disappeared: +140. GRYFFINDOR gained 7 IMPs and took the lead, 22-19.

Before leaving this one, ask yourself how Dong/Zhu *should* have defended 3♥. As they switch to third from even and low from odd, and would lead high from three small in this situation, East should have known that West had king-third of diamonds and that a second diamond was cashing. Indeed, South could not disguise the diamond position by false-carding with the jack. But how would West defend when she had a club ruff coming with king-fourth of diamonds and a different collection of potentially unreadable diamond pips? First of all, she could cash the ♠A, and then she would have to lead her highest available diamond spot, trying to convince East that South held the ♦K and that there was no future outside clubs.

Bd: 7	North		
Dlr: South	♠ 52		
Vul: Both	♥ 1073		
	♦ 9872		
	♣ AQ76		
	West	East	
	♠ AQJ63	♠ 874	
	♥ 92	♥ J5	
	♦ K53	♦ AQ106	
	♣ 1092	♣ K853	
	South		
	♠ K109		
	♥ AKQ864		
	♦ J4		
	♣ J4		

Bd: 8	North		
Dlr: West	♠ 3		
Vul: None	♥ J109652		
	♦ A74		
	♣ A93		
	West	East	
	♠ J	♠ A10864	
	♥ AQ4	♥ K73	
	♦ KQ95	♦ 832	
	♣ QJ752	♣ K6	
	South		
	♠ KQ9752		
	♥ 8		
	♦ J106		
	♣ 1084		

Open Room			
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Iwahashi</i>	<i>Yan</i>	<i>Ohno</i>	<i>Wang</i>
1♠	2♥	3♥*	1♥
3♠	All Pass		Pass
Closed Room			
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Dong</i>	<i>Banno</i>	<i>Zhu</i>	<i>Sekiyama</i>
1♠	2♥	2♠	1♥
All Pass			3♥

Open Room			
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Iwahashi</i>	<i>Yan</i>	<i>Ohno</i>	<i>Wang</i>
1♣	2♥	2♠	Pass
3NT	All Pass		



Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Dong</i>	<i>Banno</i>	<i>Zhu</i>	<i>Sekiyama</i>
1♦(1)	1♥	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	All Pass
(1) Precision			

Dong's 2♦ ran into the usual array of defensive ruffs (see Board 5) and yielded only eight tricks for +90. Iwahashi's 3NT produced ten tricks, thanks to the three-three club break and South's breaking diamonds ineffectively : +430. Another 8 IMPs to GRYFFINDOR, giving the home side an 11-IMP lead, 30-19.



Michiko Iwahashi

Bd: 9	North		
Dlr: North	♠ KJ985		
Vul: E/W	♥ AK6		
	♦ A74		
	♣ A8		
		West	East
		♠ AQ63	♠ 102
		♥ 94	♥ 7532
		♦ K1082	♦ Q65
		♣ K109	♣ QJ32
	South		
	♠ 74		
	♥ QJ108		
	♦ J93		
	♣ 7654		

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Iwahashi</i>	<i>Yan</i>	<i>Ohno</i>	<i>Wang</i>
Pass	1♣(1)	Pass	1♦(2)
(1) Strong Artificial	1♠	All Pass	
(2) Negative			

Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Dong</i>	<i>Banno</i>	<i>Zhu</i>	<i>Sekiyama</i>
1NT	1♠	Pass	Pass
All Pass	Dbl	Pass	2♥

The play went very well for Yan in 1♠ and she lost only two trumps, two diamonds and a club for +110. Against 2♥ (Sekiyama really should have passed Banno's double) Dong led the ♦2 (not wishing to waste the third-best eight) to the queen. Placing South with four diamonds, Zhu switched to the ♣Q. Sekiyama won the ace and returned a club, Zhu going in with the jack to revert to diamonds to the ten and ace. Declarer crossed to the ♥Q to lead a spade up but Dong took her ace, cashed the ♦K, and led the thirteenth diamond. When declarer ruffed in dummy, Zhu discarded her remaining spade and Sekiyama could not get off dummy without conceding a spade ruff and she was left with a losing club in the end for one down, -50. 4 IMPs to CHINA WOMEN, 23-30.

Against 1NT doubled in England vs Kinki, **Brian Senior** did a good thing for his side by leading the ♠K rather than a lower card and collected 500.

Bd: 10	North		
Dlr: East	♠ J932		
Vul: Both	♥ AJ		
	♦ 92		
	♣ KQ432		
		West	East
		♠ AKQ864	♠ 7
		♥ K87	♥ Q10542
		♦ 43	♦ QJ10865
		♣ 87	♣ 10
	South		
	♠ 105		
	♥ 963		
	♦ AK7		
	♣ AJ965		

Both North players declared 3NT after West overcalled 1♠. Both Easts led the ♦Q. Banno ducked, won the diamond continuation, and tried the ♠10. Dong won and switched to the ♥8, jack, queen. Zhu exited with a club, a strange-looking play that didn't cost. Although declarer ran clubs and cashed the ♦A, West kept accurate track of the play and saved the right cards, so there was no ninth trick: -100.

Yan played differently, winning the first diamond to run clubs. East discarded two hearts, a diamond, and her singleton spade, West three spades. When declarer led a spade from dummy, East discarded another heart as West won. West knocked out the ♦K and led

another spade, and East discarded...another heart. Now, when West switched to a heart declarer could win the ace and establish her spade winner. West's last two cards were the ♥K8, dummy's the doubleton nine. West could take the ♥K but had to concede the last trick to the ♥9. Pain for E/W, excruciating pain! Not to mention 12 IMPs to CHINA WOMEN, back in the lead, 35-30.

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Iwahashi</i>	<i>Yan</i>	<i>Ohno</i>	<i>Wang</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1NT(1)

All Pass  
(1) 15-16

Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Dong</i>	<i>Banno</i>	<i>Zhu</i>	<i>Sekiyamal</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1NT(1)
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♠
Pass	2NT(2)	Pass	3NT

(1) 15-17

(2) No implication of heart length

Against Wang's 1NT Iwahashi led the ♥2, jack, ace, six. Ohno continued hearts and so held declarer to eight tricks, +120. Against 3NT, Dong decided to attack with a club. Alas, that worked poorly, declarer winning the queen in dummy to play diamonds effectively. She had time to play on spades for +630. 11 IMPs to GRYFFINDOR, back on top (so to speak), 41-37.

Bd: 11	North		
Dlr: South	♠ Q7		
Vul: None	♥ KJ65		
	♦ K62		
	♣ AJ92		
		West	East
		♠ 10543	♠ A98
		♥ A2	♥ 10983
		♦ QJ93	♦ A1085
		♣ 1084	♣ 73
	South		
	♠ KJ62		
	♥ Q74		
	♦ 74		
	♣ KQ65		



Yan Ru

The 3NT bid by both N/S pairs really had no chance, but CHINA WOMEN gained a 2-IMP undertrick when Zhu led the ♥10 while Ohno preferred to start with the ♦5, blowing a trick. CHINA WOMEN led 37-30.

GRYFFINDOR struck back forcefully on the next deal:

Bd: 12	North		
Dlr: West	♠ J54		
Vul: N/S	♥ J8		
	♦ Q7643		
	♣ KJ4		
		West	East
		♠ K62	♠ 987
		♥ 10932	♥ AQ754
		♦ 108	♦ K2
		♣ A1098	♣ 763
	South		
	♠ AQ103		
	♥ K6		
	♦ AJ95		
	♣ Q52		

Bd: 13	North		
Dlr: North	♠ QJ109		
Vul: Both	♥ J6		
	♦ A1073		
	♣ J98		
		West	East
		♠ K65	♠ 432
		♥ 9875	♥ AQ2
		♦ KJ9	♦ Q842
		♣ K65	♣ Q42
	South		
	♠ A87		
	♥ K1043		
	♦ 65		
	♣ A1073		

N/S can make quite a few tricks in spades or notrump on this one, but the Closed Room, unsurprisingly, passed it out. In the Open

Room, Wang opened a Precision 1♦ in third seat, then passed Yan's 1♠ response. Iwahashi reopened with 1NT and finished in 2♥ when Ohno moved forward: -200. 5 IMPs to CHINA WOMEN, new leaders at 42-41.

CHINA WOMEN gained 4 IMPs over the next four deals to extend their lead to 46-41, when Board 18 brought the unmistakable sound of opportunity knocking...

Bd: 18	North		
Dlr: East	♠ 9		
Vul: N/S	♥ KQ94		
	♦ AJ87		
	♣ A643		
	West	East	
	♠ KQJ10	♠ A83	
	♥ 62	♥ AJ73	
	♦ 532	♦ K1094	
	♣ KQ102	♣ 97	
	South		
	♠ 76542		
	♥ 1085		
	♦ Q6		
	♣ J85		

card fit after doubling for takeout, there is a serious downside to this strategy, as Banno discovered in the Closed Room. Sekiyama played well after a spade lead and heart switch, piecing together six tricks by leading a low diamond from dummy after winning the second round of trumps, but she too was down 800 for a somewhat unusual push.

The margin was still 5 IMPs to CHINA WOMEN going into the penultimate deal...

Bd: 19	North		
Dlr: South	♠ 3		
Vul: E/W	♥ AQ1064		
	♦ Q1043		
	♣ Q103		
	West	East	
	♠ 2	♠ AKQ65	
	♥ K5	♥ J	
	♦ AK962	♦ J87	
	♣ A9864	♣ K752	
	South		
	♠ J109874		
	♥ 98732		
	♦ 5		
	♣ J		

#### Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Iwahashi</i>	<i>Yan</i>	<i>Ohno</i>	<i>Wang</i>
1♠	Dbl	1♦	Pass
Pass	1NT	Rdbl(1)	Pass
Dbl	All Pass	Pass	2♣

(1) Three-card spade support

#### Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Dong</i>	<i>Banno</i>	<i>Zhu</i>	<i>Sekiyama</i>
1♠	Dbl	1♦(1)	Pass
Pass	3♣	Pass	2♣
Dbl	All Pass	Pass	Pass

It was a bit unlucky for Yan/Wang that 2♣ not only hit Iwahashi where she lived but also that she had a penalty double available to her. West led the ♠K and switched to the ♦2, low, nine, queen. Wang's next play was the ♥10, which ran to the jack, and Ohno switched to the ♣7, eight, ten. Declarer ducked, but won the continuation of the ♣K with the ace. Although she could play ♦A, diamond ruff, spade ruff, she could no longer take a heart trick and finished three down, -800.

Although it's become fashionable to think positively and raise a minimum reply with a four-

#### Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Iwahashi</i>	<i>Yan</i>	<i>Ohno</i>	<i>Wang</i>
1♦	1♥	1♠	4♥
Dbl	All Pass		

#### Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Dong</i>	<i>Banno</i>	<i>Zhu</i>	<i>Sekiyama</i>
1♦(1)	1♥	1♠	3♥
4♣	Pass	4♥	Pass
5♣	All Pass		

Wang's 4♥ really put it to Iwahashi, who countered by doubling for penalty, more or less. Ohno passed and cashed the ♠A before switching to the ♦J. West won and played ♣A, club, allowing Yan to build a club winner. Now she was able to ruff her diamond losers, accurately leading a heart to the queen along the way: +590. West's cashing the ♣A was fatal.

Sekiyama's gentle 3♥ allowed Dong to introduce her clubs at a palatable level and now E/W quit at 5♣ after sniffing at slam. It might have been a more interesting struggle for Dong

had Banno led a spade (although the contract can't be beaten because North can't avoid an endplay), but she had every reason to lead the ♥A. Now declarer had a diamond discard from dummy on the ♥K and so coasted home safely in 5♣ for +600. 15 IMPs to CHINA WOMEN, suddenly ahead by 20, 61-41.

<b>West</b> <i>Dong</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Banno</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Zhu</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Sekiyama</i>
1♦(1)	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♦	Dbl	2♠	All Pass

There were enough conservative actions in the two auctions to delight Margaret Thatcher, and with everything breaking, anyone bidding 4♠ would have made it. As it went, Yan overtook t h e ♣Q to switch to the ♦J, a thoughtful play that cost her two overtricks: +230. At the other t a b l e , Banno let the ♣Q hold and Sekiyama switched t o a low heart: +170. 2 IMPs to GRYFFINDOR.

Bd: 20	North		
Dir: West	♠ 94		
Vul: Both	♥ A1052		
	♦ J8		
	♣ AK1098		
<b>West</b>		<b>East</b>	
♠ 862		♠ AKQ105	
♥ J96		♥ Q73	
♦ AKQ1063		♦ 75	
♣ 4		♣ 652	
	<b>South</b>		
	♠ J73		
	♥ K84		
	♦ 942		
	♣ QJ73		



Wang Yonghong

CHINA WOMEN won the lively match 61-43, 19-11 and served notice that they would be competitive in this strong field.

<b>Open Room</b>			
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Iwahashi</i>	<i>Yan</i>	<i>Ohno</i>	<i>Wang</i>
1♦	2♣	2♠	3♣
3♠	All Pass		

Closed Room

## A Medical Paper on "Doronophobia"

by Pietro Campanile



Doron Yadlin

bridge congresses and championships

The crossover between temporary psychological alterations induced by bridge activity and schizoid manifestations has been a fast developing area of research, especially since the Israeli player Doron Yadlin increased his attendance at

worldwide.

The official definition of "Doronophobia" as published in the latest "Current Medical Therapy" is: "The manifestation in the individual of an increasingly altered immune system response triggered by the close presence of **Doron Yadlin**. In its later stages, the affected patient may react adversely at the mere mention of Doron's name."

The test case, which is mentioned in most of the research on this condition, comes from a widely publicized incident at the 2001 European Teams Championships in Tenerife. The subject, **Miro**

**Tesla**, previously a healthy and easy-going member of the Croatian bridge team, happened to bid on to a rather chancy contract on these cards:

♠ KQ
♥ AKQJ9
♦ AKQ
♣ 432
♠ A8642
♥ 5
♦ J53
♣ AQ97

West	North	East	South
<i>D. Yadlin</i>	<i>Borovkovic / Yadlin</i>		<i>Tesla</i>
			1♠
Pass	2♥	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♠
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♥
Pass	5NT	Pass	6♣
Dbl	7♠	All Pass	

The opening lead was the ♠10.

Clearly **Borovkovic** expected to find a chunkier spade holding with his partner when he pushed to 7♠. Still, the contract was not without chances, especially when the second round of trumps brought the ♠9 from Doron Yadlin, sitting West. According to the recollection of his partner, Tesla now went into a deep trance. It is easy to figure what must have been going through his mind: "East seems marked with ♠J753 and therefore, if I can pitch my clubs on the hearts and then bring the hand to a position where I have cashing winners in dummy and I hold ♠A8 over his ♠J7, I will make this unlikely grand slam with a Grand Coup! Glory, fame, IBPA prize for best hand of the year, WBF prize for best play of the decade—all will be mine!"

Declarer continued by cashing four rounds of hearts, to which East followed, pitching clubs from hand. He then played a club to the ace, a



"Kirin it's not!"

diamond to dummy and ruffed a club in hand to reduce his trump holding to the same length as East's. Finally, his eyes bulging with excitement, he played a diamond to dummy and cashed the last diamond, needing only for East not to ruff. He averted his eyes, then slowly turned to see what had happened. Yes! East had had to follow suit. Time for the final play. His hand reached for the winning heart in dummy and tabled the card with a flourish, executing the final part of the Grand Coup. East trumped with the ♠7, Tesla triumphantly covered with the ♠8 and...Doron overruffed with ♠J!

This was the complete deal:

	♠ KQ	
	♥ AKQJ9	
	♦ AKQ	
	♣ 432	
♠ J109		♠ 753
♥ 1072		♥ 8643
♦ 862		♦ J1094
♣ K1065		♣ J8
	♠ A8642	
	♥ 5	
	♦ J53	
	♣ AQ97	

As we can see, the cunning lead by the Israeli star gave Tesla a losing option, one which he really could not avoid taking.

The unfortunate Croatian declarer looked in disbelief at the ♠J for several minutes. His condition seemed to stabilize, but he then developed the typical early symptoms of "Doronophobia": widespread red blotches on his skin shaped like Doron's facial contours.

The victim is currently recovering in a secluded mountain resort, where all his correspondence is carefully screened to block any mention of the smiling Israeli assassin.



"Losing always makes the room seem to tilt."

## Match Two: Bulgaria vs Iceland

by Eric Kokish

There was a plethora of riches from which to select our featured teams for the second round, and we settled on Bulgaria (**Jerry Stamatov/Ivan Tsonchev, Roumen Trendafilov/Kalin Karaivanov**) vs Iceland (**Throstur Ingimarsson/Bjarni Einarsson** and two guys named **Haraldsson—Anton and Sigurbjorn** (hereafter known as Anton and Sig)—who might well be brothers, two European nations with a strong tradition of international success.

Bd: 1	North	
Dlr: North	♠ Q6	
Vul: None	♥ A1082	
	♦ K1097	
	♣ Q52	
West		East
♠ KJ85		♠ A1092
♥ 543		♥ KQJ6
♦ 53		♦ QJ842
♣ K863		♣ ---
	South	
	♠ 743	
	♥ 97	
	♦ A6	
	♣ AJ10974	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Anton</i>	<i>Stamatov</i>	<i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<i>Tsonchev</i>
	1♦(1)	1♥	2♣(2)
2♥	3♣	All Pass	

- (1) Precision-style  
(2) Nonforcing

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Karaivanov</i>	<i>Ingimarsson</i>	<i>Trendafilov</i>	<i>Einarsson</i>
	1NT(1)	Dbl	3♣(2)

Dbl All Pass

- (1) 10-13  
(2) Preemptive

Against Tsonchev's quiet 3♣ Anton led the ♥5. Declarer took the ♥A and led the ♠6, deuce, seven, eight. Two rounds of hearts followed, Tsonchev ruffing with the ♣7 although West was known to have a third heart (they lead low from two, high from three small). A second spade went to the ace and on the fourth heart declarer had to ruff high, West discarding a diamond. Tsonchev ruffed his remaining spade with

the...♣Q, and suddenly Anton had a second natural trump trick: one down, -50. Ouch!

Against Einarsson's louder 3♣ doubled, Karaivanov led the ♦3, nine, jack, king. Declarer led a spade, West winning the king to continue diamonds. Declarer won the ace and lost the ♠Q to East's ace. Trendafilov switched to the ♥K, which declarer took with the ace to lead the ♦10, discarding his heart loser when East covered. Einarsson ruffed the continuation of the ♦8 with the ♣J as West discarded, but now a spade ruff with the ♣5 left declarer with all the high trumps save the king: +470. 11 IMPs to Iceland and great globs of first blood.



Bjarni Einarsson

Bd: 2	North	
Dlr: East	♠ Q82	
Vul: N/S	♥ KQJ106	
	♦ 95	
	♣ Q109	
West		East
♠ AK106		♠ 943
♥ A7		♥ 8542
♦ AQ42		♦ J8
♣ K54		♣ AJ62
	South	
	♠ J75	
	♥ 93	
	♦ K10763	
	♣ 873	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Anton</i>	<i>Stamatov</i>	<i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<i>Tsonchev</i>
		Pass	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦(1)	Pass	3NT(2)	All Pass
(1) Denies 4/5♥ and 5♠			

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Karaivanov</i>	<i>Ingimarsson</i>	<i>Trendafilov</i>	<i>Einarsson</i>
		Pass	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦(1)	Pass	3♠(2)	Pass
3NT	All Pass		
(1) Denies 5♥/5♠			
(2) Four hearts			

Against 3NT, both North players led the ♥K, asking for reverse count. Declarer ducked, then won the ace, noting South's three-nine. At this point game requires a significant amount of luck, but the cards are custom-made to oblige. Anton tested spades in the course of negotiating his four club tricks and led the ♦J early enough for South to cover it: +400.

There is good luck and there is New York Times Syndrome luck. Karaivanov, borrowing a page from the **Joey "Fast Lane" Silver** book, led a club to the jack, cashed the ♠AK, getting false count from both opponents, finished the clubs (diamonds all around) and exited dummy smartly with a heart. This would indeed have roused Alan Truscott from a well-deserved nap and left the courageous Kalin with a leg up on the Best Played Hand prize had Ingimarsson been dealt 2=5=3=3 with the ♦K, but here, alas, the simple diamond finesse would have been successful. One down, -50; 10 more IMPs to Iceland, 21-0.

Bd: 3	North	
Dlr: South	♠ J54	
Vul: E/W	♥ K87	
	♦ A6	
	♣ J8653	
West		East
♠ Q9		♠ AK1076
♥ J3		♥ Q54
♦ Q105432		♦ K7
♣ AK4		♣ Q72
	South	
	♠ 832	
	♥ A10962	
	♦ J98	
	♣ 109	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Anton</i>	<i>Stamatov</i>	<i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<i>Tsonchev</i>
		Pass	Pass
1♦(1)	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♥(2)	Pass
2♠(3)	Pass	4♠	All Pass

- (1) 4+♦, usually unbalanced or semi-balanced
- (2) Artificial
- (3) Two-card support, minimum

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Karaivanov</i>	<i>Ingimarsson</i>	<i>Trendafilov</i>	<i>Einarsson</i>
		Pass	Pass
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♣(1)	Pass
3♦	Pass	3NT	All Pass

- (1) Potentially artificial

3NT was held to nine tricks on the lead of the ♥9, ducked to the queen (thanks for that jack, Professor K): +400. 4♠ made five when Stamatov switched to the ♥8 when he won the ♦A after trumps were drawn and Tsonchev reverted to clubs, the suit he had led: +450. An unlikely 2-IMP gain for Iceland, 23-0.



Kalin Karaivanov

Bd: 4	North	
Dlr: West	♠ K10653	
Vul: Both	♥ 3	
	♦ A	
	♣ J106532	
West		East
♠ 842		♠ Q7
♥ KJ972		♥ A854
♦ 10652		♦ KQ87
♣ A		♣ Q74
	South	
	♠ AJ9	
	♥ Q106	
	♦ J943	
	♣ K98	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Anton</i>	<i>Stamatov</i>	<i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<i>Tsonchev</i>
		All Pass	
Pass	2♠(1)		
(1) 5+♠/4+m, up to about 10 HCP			

Closed Room

<b>West</b> <i>Karaivanov</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Ingimarsson</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Trendafilov</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Einarsson</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣(1)	Pass
1♦(2)	1♠	2♥	2♠
3♦	3♠	All Pass	

- (1) Natural, balanced minimum, or any GF
- (2) 4+♥, starts at 0 HCP

With a variety of good guesses, N/S can take eleven tricks in spades. Ingimarsson did that for +200. Stamatov did not and took nine tricks for +140. 2 IMPs to Iceland, 25-0. Could have been worse for Bulgaria: the Icemen didn't bid game.

Bd: 5	North
Dlr: North	♠ 82
Vul: N/S	♥ Q432
	♦ A8
	♣ AKQJ10
<b>West</b>	<b>East</b>
♠ 63	♠ A4
♥ 96	♥ A85
♦ Q109764	♦ KJ532
♣ 852	♣ 973
	<b>South</b>
	♠ KQJ10975
	♥ KJ107
	♦ ---
	♣ 64

Open Room

<b>West</b> <i>Anton</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Stamatov</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Tsonchev</i>
Pass	1♣(1)	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♣	Pass	5♦(2)
Pass	5♥(3)	Pass	5♠
All Pass			

- (1) 15+, forcing
- (2) Exclusion RKCB for spades
- (3) One key card for spades

Closed Room

<b>West</b> <i>Karaivanov</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Ingimarsson</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Trendafilov</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Einarsson</i>
	1♣	1♦	1♠
4♦	Dbl(1)	Pass	5♠
Pass	6♠	Dbl	All Pass

- (1) Extra values

The Bulgarian obstruction gave Ingimarsson/Einarsson a hard ride and 6♠ was without hope. Had Trendafilov not doubled, Karaivanov might have led a heart to threaten a two-trick set, but he led a club, thinking Lightner thoughts. One down, -200.

Stamatov/Tsonchev stopped at 5♠ uncontested when they determined two aces were missing, but Anton found the heart lead to give the defense a chance, Sig playing ace and another. When Tsonchev won the second heart he had to decide whether to drive out the trump ace or play for three-three clubs, throwing a heart on the third club and another on the ♦A. He played with the odds and led trumps but Sig won the first round and dealt Anton his heart ruff for -100. Bulgaria was on the board with a 3-IMP gain, 3-25.



Anton Haraldsson

Bd: 7	North
Dlr: South	♠ 10875
Vul: Both	♥ A2
	♦ J107
	♣ Q1084
<b>West</b>	<b>East</b>
♠ ---	♠ AJ9642
♥ 10653	♥ KQJ7
♦ K9654	♦ 8
♣ AJ96	♣ 32
	<b>South</b>
	♠ KQ3
	♥ 984
	♦ AQ32
	♣ K75

Open Room

<b>West</b> <i>Anton</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Stamatov</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Tsonchev</i>
Pass	Pass	2♣(1)	1NT
3♥(2)	Pass	4♥	Pass
(1) Hearts and spades			All Pass
(2) Invitational			

Closed Room

<b>West</b> <i>Karaivanov</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Ingimarsson</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Trendafilov</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Einarsson</i>
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♦
Pass	Pass	2♥	1NT
3♥	All Pass		2♠



Perhaps Trendafilov's reopening 2♥ suggested spade length (I would vote for that interpretation, but no one asked me) but if it did it was news to Einarsson and Karaivanov. The good news for Bulgaria was that 3♥ was not as high as 4♥. The defenders led two rounds of trumps against Trendafilov, the ♥A and a club to the king and ace against Anton. Trendafilov started clubs himself, losing the nine to the ten. A second club went to the king and ace and declarer ruffed two clubs in hand, using a spade ruff as the entry to ruff the last. He made the ♠A and the ♦K for one down, -100.



Throstur Ingimarsson

Bd: 8	North		
Dlr: West	♠ J6		
Vul: None	♥ KQ2		
	♦ QJ97		
	♣ K972		
West		East	
♠ KQ108		♠ 75	
♥ AJ		♥ 986	
♦ A82		♦ K10543	
♣ Q854		♣ AJ10	
	South		
	♠ A9432		
	♥ 107543		
	♦ 6		
	♣ 63		

Bd: 9	North		
Dlr: North	♠ 10542		
Vul: E/W	♥ 3		
	♦ KJ95		
	♣ A1085		
West		East	
♠ 93		♠ AKJ8	
♥ AJ1064		♥ 987	
♦ Q843		♦ A1076	
♣ Q6		♣ K4	
	South		
	♠ Q76		
	♥ KQ52		
	♦ 2		
	♣ J9732		

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Anton</i>	<i>Stamatov</i>	<i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<i>Tsonchev</i>
1♣(1)	Pass	1♠(2)	Pass
1NT	Pass	Pass	2♣(3)
Pass	2♥	All Pass	

- (1) Natural, balanced or any game force
- (2) No four-card major, 0+ HCP
- (3) Hearts and spades

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Karaivanov</i>	<i>Ingimarsson</i>	<i>Trendafilov</i>	<i>Einarsson</i>
1♣(1)	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Dbl	2♥
Pass	Pass	Dbl	Pass
2NT(2)	Pass	3NT	All Pass

- (1) Natural, balanced or any game force
- (2) Suggests 15-17

Ingimarsson's lead of the ♥K left Karaivanov with no chance on the lie of the cards. Einarsson won the ♠A on the first round to cash hearts and 3NT was one down: -50. 2♥ was not down in top tricks but there were six losers in bottom tricks after the music stopped: -50. 3 IMPs to Iceland, 28-6.

4♥ has some double-dummy chances but Sig finished three down on a club lead and spade switch while Trendafilov got out for one on the helpful lead of the ♦2. Those undertricks were a hundred a pop, and Bulgaria recouped 5 IMPs, 11-28.

Bd: 10	North		
Dlr: East	♠ K53		
Vul: Both	♥ 976		
	♦ 8		
	♣ AKQ963		
West		East	
♠ AQ762		♠ J10	
♥ K102		♥ A543	
♦ 5		♦ KQ6432	
♣ J842		♣ 10	
	South		
	♠ 984		
	♥ QJ8		
	♦ AJ1097		
	♣ 75		

Open Room

<b>West</b> <i>Anton</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Stamatov</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Tsonchev</i>
		1♦(1)	Pass
1♠	2♣	2♦	All Pass

(1) 4+♦, usually unbalanced or semi-balanced  
Closed Room

<b>West</b> <i>Karaivanov</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Ingimarsson</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Trendafilov</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Einarsson</i>
		1♦	Pass
1♠	2♣	Pass	Pass
Dbl	Pass	2♥	All Pass

2♦ was a good contract that ran into a foul trump break: -100. 3♥ was a poor contract that ran into a good trump break, which was bad for declarer who lost various ruffs and overruffs for -300. 5 IMPs to Iceland, 33-11.

Bd: 11	North
Dlr: South	♠ K9
Vul: None	♥ A97
	♦ AJ743
	♣ KQ10
<b>West</b>	<b>East</b>
♠ Q	♠ A632
♥ Q10542	♥ 6
♦ 10985	♦ KQ
♣ 973	♣ AJ8652
	<b>South</b>
	♠ J108754
	♥ KJ83
	♦ 62
	♣ 4

Open Room

<b>West</b> <i>Anton</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Stamatov</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Tsonchev</i>
Pass	1♣(1)	1NT(2)	Pass
2♣(4)	Pass	Pass	Dbl(3)
Pass	2NT	Pass	2♠
Pass	3NT	Pass	3♥
			4♠

All Pass

- (1) 15+ forcing, artificial
- (2) Canape into a minor
- (2) Pass or correct

Closed Room

<b>West</b> <i>Karaivanov</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Ingimarsson</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Trendafilov</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Einarsson</i>
			Pass
Pass	1♦	2♣	2♠
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Well, would you know whether 3NT showed this sort of hand or long solid diamonds? Einarsson

didn't know either and 3NT was an awful contract. However, after a club lead around to the ten, the ♠K from hand collected the only card that Ingimarsson wanted to see. Big smile for the camera, Throstur! When East eventually switched to diamonds, declarer ducked and West was later squeezed in the red suits for +460.

4♠ was too easy for Tsonchev with the ♦J setting up and he managed 10 tricks for +420 and a 1-IMP loss. 34-11, Iceland.



Ivan Tsonchev

Bd: 12	North
Dlr: West	♠ Q954
Vul: N/S	♥ 432
	♦ AQ9
	♣ 985
<b>West</b>	<b>East</b>
♠ AJ63	♠ K872
♥ Q1085	♥ AJ9
♦ 105	♦ 82
♣ Q104	♣ A632
	<b>South</b>
	♠ 10
	♥ K76
	♦ KJ7643
	♣ KJ7

Open Room

<b>West</b> <i>Anton</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Stamatov</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Tsonchev</i>
1NT(1)	Pass	Pass	2♦
Pass	Pass	Dbl	Pass
2♥	All Pass		

(1) 9-12

Closed Room

<b>West</b> <i>Karaivanov</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Ingimarsson</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Trendafilov</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Einarsson</i>
1NT	All Pass		

When Karaivanov lost the heart finesse in 1NT the defense took six diamonds for one down,

-50. The play in 2♥ was quite comfortable after two rounds of diamonds and a switch to the ♣8: +110. 4 IMPs to Iceland, 38-11.

Bd: 14	North
Dlr: East	♠ A4
Vul: None	♥ A42
	♦ 10642
	♣ 9874
West	East
♠ K876	♠ 932
♥ K1076	♥ J5
♦ 5	♦ AK97
♣ KQJ2	♣ A653
	South
	♠ QJ105
	♥ Q983
	♦ QJ83
	♣ 10

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Anton</i>	<i>Stamatov</i>	<i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<i>Tsonchev</i>
		1NT(1)	Pass
2♣(2)	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥(3)	Pass	2♠	All Pass

(1) 9-12

(2) Stayman or Relay

(3) Scramble

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Karaivanov</i>	<i>Ingimarsson</i>	<i>Trendafilov</i>	<i>Einarsson</i>
		1NT(1)	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

(1) 9-12

Would you rather be in 3NT or 2♠ with the E/W cards?

Well, 2♠ looks okay, doesn't it? Not this time. Sig covered the lead of the ♠Q with the king and later misguessed hearts and got forced in the long hand in diamonds for -50.



Sigurborn Heraldsson

Meanwhile, things were going swimmingly for Trendafilov in 3NT. When he ducked the lead of the ♠Q, Ingimarsson made the expert play of the ace to return the four. Declarer was able to build a second spade trick now and after a diamond switch needed only to guess the hearts correctly to make his game. That *thoughtful* spade play paid a huge dividend as Trendafilov thought it consistent with North placing South with a sure entry for his spades. Accordingly, he led a heart to the king and the diamond continuation led to one down, -50. No swing, Iceland, 38-11.

Bd: 15	North
Dlr: South	♠ J9
Vul: N/S	♥ 10
	♦ AK87632
	♣ 1083
West	East
♠ Q8532	♠ A4
♥ J763	♥ K852
♦ J	♦ 10954
♣ A54	♣ QJ6
	South
	♠ K1076
	♥ AQ94
	♦ Q
	♣ K972

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Anton</i>	<i>Stamatov</i>	<i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<i>Tsonchev</i>
			1♦(1)
Pass	3♦(2)	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

(1) Precision-style

(2) Invitational

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Karaivanov</i>	<i>Ingimarsson</i>	<i>Trendafilov</i>	<i>Einarsson</i>
			1♣
1♠	3♦(1)	All Pass	

(1) Invitational

3♦ was a much better contract than 3NT and Ingimarsson was aided in making it by Trendafilov's normal but unfortunate lead of the ♠A: +110. 3NT, despite the gentle defense of a spade to the ace, a heart to the jack and a heart to the king and ace, was two down, -200. 7 IMPs to Iceland, 45-11.

Bd: 16	North
Dir: West	♠ A9
Vul: E/W	♥ QJ972
	♦ 7643
	♣ J2
West	East
♠ 754	♠ KQ106
♥ K1053	♥ 6
♦ 9	♦ Q1052
♣ AK876	♣ Q1053
	South
	♠ J832
	♥ A84
	♦ AKJ8
	♣ 94

Bd: 17	North
Dir: North	♠ 87
Vul: None	♥ KQ65
	♦ A1086
	♣ A92
West	East
♠ 932	♠ AKJ105
♥ 1042	♥ AJ8
♦ KQ95	♦ J3
♣ QJ6	♣ 1075
	South
	♠ Q64
	♥ 973
	♦ 742
	♣ K843

### Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Anton</i>	<i>Stamatov</i>	<i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<i>Tsonchev</i>
1♣(1)	1♥	Dbl(2)	2♦
Dbl(3)	2♥	2♠	All Pass

- (1) Natural, balanced or any game force
- (2) Spades
- (3) Three-card spade support

### Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Karaivanov</i>	<i>Ingimarsson</i>	<i>Trendafilov</i>	<i>Einarsson</i>
1♣(1)	1♥	2♣(2)	3♣
Pass	3♥	All Pass	

- (1) Natural, balanced or any game force
- (2) Revolutionary Bulgarian convention, meaning unknown

2♠ handled nicely for Sig after ♦K, ♥A, heart. He led towards his spade honors twice, took the heart force, cashed his remaining high trump and played on clubs. When Tsonchev ruffed in he was out of hearts and had to give declarer the ♦Q: +110. 3♥ went one down of more-or-less natural causes: -50. 2 IMPs more to Iceland, 47-11.

The rest was all Bulgaria, but it wasn't all that much.



"If he tries to pull his bid out of my box just one more time..."

Sig made 2♠ on normal defense, but Trendafilov made four! Ingimarsson led a low heart from the king-queen in the middle game and then the defensive heart trick disappeared on an established diamond. Furthermore, by then declarer knew about all of North's high cards and could place South with the ♠Q. Rather than try to drop it, he sneaked the five past Einarsson on the first round: +170. 2 IMPs to Bulgaria, 13-47.

Bd: 19	North
Dir: South	♠ A76
Vul: E/W	♥ 82
	♦ 1065
	♣ Q9852
West	East
♠ 532	♠ KQ94
♥ 103	♥ K96
♦ AQ32	♦ J974
♣ KJ106	♣ 43
	South
	♠ J108
	♥ AQJ754
	♦ K8
	♣ A7

### Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Anton</i>	<i>Stamatov</i>	<i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<i>Tsonchev</i>
			1♥

All Pass

### Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Karaivanov</i>	<i>Ingimarsson</i>	<i>Trendafilov</i>	<i>Einarsson</i>
			1♥
Pass	1NT(1)	Pass	2♥(2)
All Pass			

- (1) Semi-forcing
- (2) Constructive, apparently

This was a coup for Stamatov, who passed his partner's conservative 1♥ opening, which was theoretically limited to 14 HCP. 1♥ made three on the unfortunate lead of a club from the king, giving up the defensive club trick and giving declarer a second entry to pick up trumps. Meanwhile, poor Einarsson in 2♥ got a spade lead and a diamond switch and had to fail: -50. 5 IMPs to Bulgaria, 18-47.



Jerry Stamatov

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Anton</i>	<i>Stamatov</i>	<i>Sigurbjorn</i>	<i>Tsonchev</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣(1)	Pass
1♦(2)	Pass	1♥(3)	Dbl(4)
Rdbl	2♣	All Pass	

- (1) Natural, balanced or any game force
- (2) Hearts
- (3) Three hearts
- (4) Takeout of hearts

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Karaivanov</i>	<i>Ingimarsson</i>	<i>Trendafilov</i>	<i>Einarsson</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣(1)	Pass
1♦(2)	Pass	1♥(3)	Pass
1♠(4)	Pass	1NT	All Pass

- (1) Natural, balanced or any game force
- (2) Hearts
- (3) Three hearts
- (4) Puppet to 1NT

Trendafilov made no fewer than nine tricks in 1NT by dint of winning the spade lead and leading a diamond to the seven and queen. That convinced South to break clubs and gave declarer time to work on hearts: +150.



Roumen Trendafilov

Bd: 20	North		
Dlr: West	♠ 109		
Vul: Both	♥ K632		
	♦ J1082		
	♣ J92		
	West	East	
	♠ AJ4	♠ KQ73	
	♥ J754	♥ Q98	
	♦ 963	♦ A74	
	♣ A74	♣ Q106	
	South		
	♠ 8652		
	♥ A10		
	♦ KQ5		
	♣ K853		

Meanwhile, in an unlikely 2♣, Stamatov was permitted to score prodigious numbers of trump tricks and brought it home for a spectacular +90. 6 IMPs more to Bulgaria to conclude their mini-run. Iceland won 47-24, or 20-10 in VP and moved on in search of other giants to slay.



"Grenside's pants are unzipped, pass it on."



"Are those the *real* scores?"

# Snapshots Of Monte Carlo: Recovery Shot From The Rough

by Eric Kokish

Bd: 4	♠ 106	
Dir: West	♥ 7642	
Vul: Both	♦ AQ753	
	♣ Q6	
♠ J954		♠ AQ8
♥ AQ103		♥ K9
♦ 96		♦ KJ8
♣ AKJ		♣ 108742
	♠ K732	
	♥ J85	
	♦ 1042	
	♣ 953	

cleared the suit. As the early play had suggested it would be essential to keep North off play, declarer played ♣AK as she didn't mind losing to the queen if South had it. North cursed herself for not ducking the second diamond, but would that have made any difference?

Alfredo Versace, like Sokolow, tried the eight from dummy and found himself in even worse shape when North ducked the diamond return. Declarer had possibilities for additional winners in three suits and set out to combine his chances. With eight combined clubs he started by trying to drop the ♣Q. Had the queen failed to appear, he would have had to decide whether to play for four heart tricks (probably via a third-round finesse against South) with the simple spade finesse to come, or to rely on the double finesse in spades. But Versace's luck was in, and the appearance of the ♣Q brought him a warm glow. When the ♥J came down in three rounds he made five.

At all four tables in the Monte Carlo Final, West opened 1NT (14-16 or roughly 15-17) and East raised to 3NT. North led a low diamond, its identity turning on the particular lead agreement in place. At two tables, declarer played low, at the other two the jack.

Do you think that either play has anything to recommend it?

Both Wenfei Wang and Eric Rodwell had no problem after the jack held and both dropped the ♣Q to finish with lots of overtricks.

Tobi Sokolow was in trouble at the other Venice Cup table when dummy's eight lost to the ten and South returned the four. Had North saved her ace declarer would have had to drop the ♣Q to make her contract. But North won the ace and

While ace-queen or queen-ten onside are more-or-less equally likely, there is a reason for declarer to play the jack. If the queen-ten are onside and the jack loses to the ace, declarer can duck the second diamond and hope to prevent North from gaining the lead after the suit is cleared. If the ace-queen are onside and declarer plays low from dummy, North can duck the second round and the defenders have control of the suit.

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## Smile, You're on TV

This Thursday, February 12, the crew from TV Kanagawa will be here taping play at the NEC Cup tournament for Channel 5 (the time of the airing will be announced in a later issue). Dress pretty, strike a pose, smile for the camera, and you may be discovered and make it to the big time—or not.



"Is this where the TV auditions are being held?"



"You said 'Strike a pose'."

## First to the Post

by Frankie McTipster



Any betting fans out there?

Anyone looking for some action?

No?

I should have guessed, let's face it, you guys would not be here playing bridge if you knew how much fun you could have by putting all your money on "0" and let the roulette wheel decide where you will sleep the night.

Still not going for it? Ok, I give up. I did not realize I had just dropped in to the 2004 Accountants & Public Notaries Far East Conference.

Still, let's see if I can help you pick some winners in the 2004 NEC Cup. So what do we have here?

Nice big field with plenty of runners, these are the trickiest to guess: you never know when one of the favorites will be tripped by some unfancied outsider.

To my mind, you gotta put the old English bulldog right up there: Senior, Lambardi, Callaghan and Armstrong; they've been here before, done it, bought the t-shirt and already know the way to the podium. That is a big plus in my book: always go for those who already know the track and have performed well there.

Then we have this nice team of young fillies, well matched with a seasoned Canadian stud. Auken, Seamon-Molson, Sanborn and Molson.

Hmm, I don't know, three of them might be too much for him too handle, but I'll be sure to watch this foursome: there will be plenty of fireworks from them. I just hope they won't fizzle out too early.

My money, however, is on the Polish-Russian mix of Blitzky, Zmitzky and so on. These guys have a huge advantage: the weather conditions are all in their favor. Snow, rain, hailstones, Siberian wind are nothing to them. They have been reared in below-zero temperatures and they love it!

Since you ain't gonna make much money betting on these guys, I will give you my absolute, confidential, tell-no-living-soul, keep-it-from-your-momma, tip on an insider that might land you a few bob: the Bulgarians. Temperamental runners, I know, but on a good day they can leave everybody behind and they are at their best in big-money races like this one.

So here it is and don'tcha forget it! You read it here first.

***[Editors' note: Frankie McTipster, a member of the Bulletin staff, is also known as "Don Pietro."]***

### Ms. Manners Calling

The Manners Committee of JCBL has been practicing Zero Tolerance and is appealing to players to recommend a good mannered player. In this NEC Cup, if anyone notices his partner's or opponent's highly ethical conduct, please tell either one of the Daily Bulletin editors or Haruko Koshi, chairperson of the Manners Committee.

## Match Three: Japan Open vs Poland/Russia

by The Three Stooges

One of the positive notes in this festival has surely been the solid performance of the Japan Open team which would now meet its toughest test to date against the star-studded mix from the Slavic countries. **Masayuki Ino/Tadashi Imakura** would be facing the Russians **Andrei Gromov/Sasha Petrunin**, while in the Closed Room **Hideki Takano/Tadashi Teramoto** would try to stem the Polish avalanche of **Cezary Balicki/Adam Zmudzinski**.

culminating in a strong raise of opener's second suit by Balicki. Takano led the ♠3 and when Teramoto switched to clubs, Zmudzinski guessed correctly too and took his nine tricks for +140. No swing.



Cezary Balicki

Bd: 1	North		
Dlr: North	♠ KJ102		
Vul: None	♥ KQ106		
	♦ Q53		
	♣ 62		
West		East	
♠ A5		♠ Q87	
♥ 873		♥ A942	
♦ J9		♦ 1087	
♣ A108754		♣ Q93	
	South		
	♠ 9643		
	♥ J5		
	♦ AK642		
	♣ KJ		

Bd: 2	North		
Dlr: East	♠ 104		
Vul: N/S	♥ AQJ1075		
	♦ KQ10		
	♣ 92		
West		East	
♠ A763		♠ KQJ8	
♥ 4		♥ 98	
♦ AJ853		♦ 96	
♣ Q76		♣ KJ853	
	South		
	♠ 952		
	♥ K632		
	♦ 742		
	♣ A104		

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Gromov	Ino	Petrunin	Imakura
	1NT(1)	All Pass	

(1) 9-12

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Takano	Balicki	Teramoto	Zmudzinski
	Pass	Pass	1♦
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣(1)	Pass	2♥
Pass	2♠	All Pass	

(1) Fourth Suit by passed hand

When Gromov was unwilling to go to the three level to show his one-suiter, Ino's 9-12 mini-NT bought the contract. Petrunin's low heart lead collected small cards from everyone so he switched to the ♣3 when he won the ♥A, reading some suit-preference implications into Gromov's second heart spot. Ino guessed correctly and cashed out for nine tricks and 150.

At the other table the Poles were able to stop in 2♠ after a rare passed hand fourth-suit sequence

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Gromov	Ino	Petrunin	Imakura
		2♣(1)	Pass
		2♠	3♥

2♦(2)

4♠ All Pass

(1) 6+♣ or 5♣/4M, limited

(2) Inquiry

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Takano	Balicki	Teramoto	Zmudzinski
		Pass	Pass
1♦	1♥	Dbl(1)	3♥(2)

All Pass

(1) Four spades

(2) Preemptive



First blood in the match went to Poland/Russia when Petrunin's stomach-churning 2♣ opening propelled his side to game without much anxiety, Gromov's singleton heart growing in stature on the auction. Petrunin lost the obvious three tricks after the ♥3 lead and the ♦K switch: +420. At the other table Teramoto, playing 2/1, could not find a good reason to open. Although Takano opened in third seat he could not bring himself to volunteer 3♠ over 3♥. Teramoto was really worth a second double on the way out but was influenced by partnership third-position style and went quietly. Little did he know that far from giving up on a possible part-score, he was actually saying *sayonara* to a cold game. Balicki had no problems collecting nine tricks and an excellent 140. 11 IMPs to P/R.



Alexander Petrunin

- (2) Inquiry
- (3) Maximum (?) with 5♦

Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Takano</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Teramoto</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
			2♥(1)
Pass	2NT(2)	Pass	3♦(3)

All Pass

- (1) 6-11 5+♥/5+m
- (2) Inquiry
- (3) Minimum with 5♦

One man's minimum is another man's slam try. Imakura, in the "other man's" section, convinced his Ino-cent partner to commit to game. 3NT was not a great contract and finished three down on a club lead to the jack and king. Declarer took the second club and played on hearts, but despite finding the ♥K right, the four-two split in the suit meant that only a miracle layout in diamonds could salvage his contract. When the cards failed to oblige Ino could not avoid going three off, losing a spade, two hearts, a diamond and two clubs: -150. At the other table Balicki passed his partner's minimum rebid of 3♦ and Zmudzinski managed an overtrick, with the assistance of the ♣6 lead and a later diamond switch, which enabled him to lose only one trump trick: +130, and 7 IMPs to P/R, 18-0.



Tadashi Imakura

Bd: 3	North	
Dir: South	♠ KQ842	
Vul: E/W	♥ A8	
	♦ 1076	
	♣ AQ2	
<b>West</b>		<b>East</b>
♠ AJ3		♠ 10965
♥ J975		♥ K4
♦ Q5		♦ K94
♣ K1086		♣ 9743
	<b>South</b>	
	♠ 7	
	♥ Q10632	
	♦ AJ832	
	♣ J5	

Bd: 5	North	
Dir: North	♠ AJ1086	
Vul: N/S	♥ 864	
	♦ 87	
	♣ KJ5	
<b>West</b>		<b>East</b>
♠ 54		♠ Q93
♥ Q3		♥ 10752
♦ K6532		♦ AQ
♣ 9432		♣ AQ86
	<b>South</b>	
	♠ K72	
	♥ AKJ9	
	♦ J1094	
	♣ 107	

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Gromov</i>	<i>Ino</i>	<i>Petrunin</i>	<i>Imakura</i>
			2♥(1)
Pass	2NT(2)	Pass	3♠(3)
Pass	3NT	All Pass	
(1) 8-11 5+♥/5+m			

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Gromov</i>	<i>Ino</i>	<i>Petrudin</i>	<i>Imakura</i>
	Pass	1NT(1)	All Pass

(1) 12+-15

Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Takano</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Teramoto</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
	Pass	1♣	Dbf
2♣	2♠	All Pass	

Petrudin's 1NT was an unhappy contract that finished four down: -200. That looked very good for Japan as the "normal" 2♠ for N/S appeared to be touch and go. Things got a lot better for P/R and Balicki when Teramoto led the ♦A and switched to a low club when Takano discouraged in diamonds. But declarer still had a lot to do and eventually lost to the ♥Q, incurred an overruff in diamonds and lost a trick in the wash to go one down: -100. 7 IMPs to Japan Open, 7-18.

Bd: 6	North
Dir: East	♠ KJ97
Vul: E/W	♥ J3
	♦ QJ9
	♣ AK104
West	East
♠ Q632	♠ 5
♥ 75	♥ KQ1098
♦ A1032	♦ 76
♣ Q85	♣ 97632
	South
	♠ A1084
	♥ A642
	♦ K854
	♣ J

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Gromov</i>	<i>Ino</i>	<i>Petrudin</i>	<i>Imakura</i>
	Pass	2♥(1)	Pass
2NT(2)		3♣	All Pass

(1) 6-9: 5+♥/5+m

(2) Inquiry

Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Takano</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Teramoto</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
		2♥(1)	Pass

3♣(2) All Pass

(1) 6-9: 5+♥/5+m

(2) Pass-or-correct

Both E/W pairs wheeled out their Polish two-bids to great effect, making it very difficult for N/S to find 4♠ or 3NT, although in the Closed Room it

is surprising that neither Balicki nor Zmudzinski took any action over 3♣. At both tables the contract went three off for -300 and an unexpected flat board.

Bd: 8	North
Dir: West	♠ QJ10
Vul: None	♥ 10743
	♦ A32
	♣ A54
West	East
♠ A63	♠ K752
♥ K2	♥ AJ8
♦ KJ654	♦ Q107
♣ K92	♣ 1083
	South
	♠ 984
	♥ Q965
	♦ 98
	♣ QJ76

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Gromov</i>	<i>Ino</i>	<i>Petrudin</i>	<i>Imakura</i>
1NT(1)	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

(1) 12+-15

Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Takano</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Teramoto</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
1NT	All Pass		

Gromov and Petrudin must have been pretty disappointed when their excellent 24-point 3NT failed after North found the excellent lead of the ♥3, South played the nine on dummy's eight, the ♣A was wrong and the ♠Q lead would have allowed the contract to make: -50. At the other table Takano took eight tricks in 1NT after the ♠Q lead although he might well have taken nine in the form of three spades, two hearts and four diamonds: +120. 5 IMPs to Japan Open, 12-18.



Masayuki Ino

Japan Open, 15-18.

Bd: 10	North
Dir: East	♠ QJ1094
Vul: Both	♥ K3
	♦ 762
	♣ QJ3
West	East
♠ K2	♠ 87
♥ QJ74	♥ A965
♦ K83	♦ J95
♣ K1052	♣ A987
	South
	♠ A653
	♥ 1082
	♦ AQ104
	♣ 64

Bd: 11	North
Dir: South	♠ 643
Vul: None	♥ A53
	♦ K974
	♣ K76
West	East
♠ AJ5	♠ K107
♥ J10764	♥ KQ92
♦ 65	♦ J108
♣ 853	♣ AJ9
	South
	♠ Q982
	♥ 8
	♦ AQ32
	♣ Q1042

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Gromov</i>	<i>Ino</i>	<i>Petrudin</i>	<i>Imakura</i>
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1♦(1)	All Pass	1♥	Pass
2♥			

(1) Precision  
Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Takano</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Teramoto</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
		Pass	Pass
1♣	1♠	Db1*	Rdbl
2♥	Pass	Pass	2♠
Pass	Pass	3♣	3♠
All Pass			

Although Petrudin's 2♥ needed a bit of luck, he could not go down in 2♥: +110, endplaying North with the third round of clubs to break diamonds. Once Ino took the view not to overcall 1♠, it was always going to be difficult for the Japanese pair to get into the auction at a later stage.



Andrei Gromov

It's hard to blame Zmudzinski for competing to 3♠ under duress with a hand worth a limit raise but there were no fewer than six losers and Balicki had to lose all of them for -200. 3 IMPs to

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Gromov</i>	<i>Ino</i>	<i>Petrudin</i>	<i>Imakura</i>
			Pass
Pass	1NT(1)	Db1	Pass(2)
2♥	All Pass		

(1) 9-12  
(2) Forces redouble  
Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Takano</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Teramoto</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
			Pass
Pass	Pass	1♣	Pass
1♥	Pass	2♥	Db1
Pass	3♦	All Pass	

The Russians easily found their top spot of 2♥ despite the mini-NT opening by Ino. Gromov got a diamond lead and ruffed the third round of the suit, cleared trumps and guessed the ♠Q, +110.



Hideki Takano

At the other table Zmudzinski, undeterred by his lack of success on the preceding deal, pre-balanced over 2♥ and got his side to a playable eight-card fit. Takano did well, in our view, not to

compete to 3♥. Balicki got a heart lead and a spade switch but eventually managed to avoid a club guess by continuing spades himself and pitching the third club from hand on dummy's fourth spade: -50. 2 IMPs to P/R, 20-15.

Bd: 12	North
Dlr: West	♠ K874
Vul: N/S	♥ Q4
	♦ 95
	♣ AQ843
West	East
♠ A652	♠ Q109
♥ J7	♥ A983
♦ Q7	♦ AJ3
♣ 109752	♣ KJ6
	South
	♠ J3
	♥ K10652
	♦ K108642
	♣ ---



Adam Zmudzinski

Open Room  
**West** **North** **East** **South**  
*Gromov Ino Petrunin Imakura*  
 Pass Pass 1NT(1) All Pass  
 (1) 15-17

Closed Room  
**West** **North** **East** **South**  
*Takano Balicki Teramoto Zmudzinski*  
 Pass Pass 1NT 2♦(1)  
 All Pass  
 (1) 4+♦/5M

Another partscore swing went to P/R when Imakura declined to bid 2♦ (diamonds and a major) at unfavorable vulnerability over Petrunin's strong notrump facing a passed partner. Zmudzinski felt less constrained and although Balicki undoubtedly hated the whole thing, his side had found an eight-card fit at a viable level.

Gromov successfully negotiated 1NT after the ♦6 lead to the queen, a club to the jack, and the ♠Q to North's king. Now, after ducking a diamond and taking the ♦A on the third round of the suit, he continued with the ♠10 and could claim seven tricks when the jack came up, leading a second club down: +90.

Zmudzinski faced a much tougher task in 2♦, but was more than equal to it after a defensive slip let him avoid losing a spade, by pitching one on the ♣A and later successfully overtaking the ♠J with the king: +110. 5 IMPs to P/R, 25-15.

Bd: 13	North
Dlr: North	♠ A7
Vul: Both	♥ KJ92
	♦ A96
	♣ AK72
West	East
♠ 1086	♠ QJ3
♥ 104	♥ A753
♦ KJ743	♦ Q1085
♣ J53	♣ Q8
	South
	♠ K9542
	♥ Q86
	♦ 2
	♣ 10964

Open Room  
**West** **North** **East** **South**  
*Gromov Ino Petrunin Imakura*  
 Pass 1♣ Pass 1♠  
 Pass 2NT All Pass

Closed Room  
**West** **North** **East** **South**  
*Takano Balicki Teramoto Zmudzinski*  
 Pass 1♣(1) Pass 1♦(2)  
 Pass 1NT(3) Pass 2♥(4)  
 Pass 2♠ Pass 3♣  
 Pass 3♥ Pass 4♥  
 Pass 5♣ All Pass

- (1) Polish-style
- (2) Usually artificial negative
- (3) 18-20
- (4) Spades

Facing an 18-19 point hand and with a promising shape, it does seem rather premature for Imakura to let the bidding rest at 2NT when two potential games in the black suits are there to be investigated. After ducking diamonds twice, declarer knocked out the ♥A and the defense could take its five tricks. At the other table the sometimes ponderous Polish Club machinery got

into action and found the top spot of 5♣, which turned to be an easy make and translated into another 10 IMPs gain for P/R, 35-15.

Bd: 14	North		
Dlr: East	♠ AJ1063		
Vul: None	♥ Q102		
	♦ AJ98		
	♣ 8		
		West	East
		♠ KQ97	♠ 8542
		♥ J5	♥ AK3
		♦ 1042	♦ Q53
		♣ QJ96	♣ 1032
			South
			♠ ---
			♥ 98764
			♦ K76
			♣ AK754

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Gromov</i>	<i>Ino</i>	<i>Petrudin</i>	<i>Imakura</i>
Pass	4♥	Pass	Pass
(1) 8-11:	5+♥/5+m	All Pass	2♥(1)

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Takano</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Teramoto</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
Pass	1♠	Pass	Pass
Pass	2♦	All Pass	1NT

After having lost 17 IMPs on the previous three boards, the Japanese regained some sorely needed IMPs after Imakura opened the pair's trademark strongish version of their weak two-suiter and was raised to game. Imakura justified his partner's judgment by bringing home the contract, taking the ♠K opening lead with the ace, cashing the top clubs and ruffing two more clubs in dummy. When the ♥10 was overruffed by the king, declarer had no further problem and had an easy guess in trumps.

At the other table the Poles stopped in 2♦, a contract that was made in some comfort but still led to a 7-IMP gain for Japan Open, now trailing 35-22.

"We had a partnership misunderstanding. My partner assumed I knew what I was doing."

Bd: 15	North		
Dlr: South	♠ J75432		
Vul: N/S	♥ KQ		
	♦ J82		
	♣ 74		
		West	East
		♠ A9	♠ K106
		♥ 4	♥ AJ9875
		♦ AQ643	♦ K5
		♣ QJ653	♣ 92
			South
			♠ Q8
			♥ 10632
			♦ 1097
			♣ AK108

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Gromov</i>	<i>Ino</i>	<i>Petrudin</i>	<i>Imakura</i>
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♠(1)	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	All Pass		
(1) Fourth suit forcing			

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Takano</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Teramoto</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♣	Pass	3♥	All Pass

The excellent spots (and the final result!) appear to justify Petrudin's decision to upgrade his hand and drive to game after his partner had shown a minor two-suiter. The play did not overly tax the mighty Gromov, especially after the ♠4 lead ran around to the nine. Declarer started clubs by leading the queen from hand. When Imakura won the king he continued with the ♣10, and when Gromov covered he was in good shape thanks to the friendly lie of the heart suit. When the smoke cleared (after yet another smoking break) Gromov finished with three spades, a heart, three diamonds and two clubs: +400.



Tadashi teramoto

Teramoto, reasonably enough, took a more pessimistic view and was left to sunder in 3♥. That went down after the expected accurate defense of Balicki-Zmudzinski developed three heart tricks thanks to repeated club leads. Another 10 IMPs for P/R extended their lead to 23 IMPs, 45-22.

The last five deals were of minor interest, P/R gaining 3 IMPs to win the match 48-22. 20-10 in VP. Of greater interest to the Three Stooges was

a case of disappearing analysis that developed around midnight, causing Larry and Moe to laugh at Shemp, who was forced to rewrite the text of five deals from memory, a tough assignment for a guy with a defective memory card.

Well, maybe you had to be there to appreciate it.

“Say goodnight, Gracie.”



*Paul Chemla*, one of the strongest players in the world, meeting in the corridor an old Italian friend during a championship where Italy was doing very badly, confided to him: “You Italians should make sure that you play

only by night!”. Then after a short pause to further tease his friend baffled at the meaning of this strange statement, he continued with a placid smile: “Why by night? *Mais oui*, because you are playing terrible day after day!”



The famous professional player Eric Paulsen comes back to Upland, his California home town after being a member of the U.S team that had just won the 1976 World Championships in Monte Carlo. The local players are surprised to see him playing with a client at the evening duplicate, but there he is and about halfway through the game he is competing in spades against the opponents who are bidding hearts. Finally, he bids 3♠, loudly, so he won't get doubled. It doesn't work. The player to his left doubles. Paulsen looks at him and says: "Do you know who I am?" The guy says: "Yes I know who you are." The champion continues: "Do you know how many masterpoints I have?" The guy replies, stone-faced: "No, but do you know how many spades I have?"

## Team Canada in Action

by John Carruthers, Toronto  
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Film stars Melanie Griffith and Don Johnson married each other in the 1980s, divorced, then remarried again in the 1990s. Similarly, Allan Graves and George Mittelman have teamed up as a bridge partnership for the second time.

This happened in strange fashion. Last summer, there was a playoff between the 2002 and 2003 winners of the Canadian Team Championships for the right to represent Canada in a two-day match against Mexico. The winner would qualify for the Bermuda Bowl in Monte Carlo. Allan's four-man team had won in 2002 and decided (as the rules allowed) to augment their team for the playoff. Very unusually, though, they asked George Mittelman to play with Allan Graves and John Carruthers to play with Bryan Maksymetz. Normally, one would add a pair in this situation, not two single players.

Maksymetz and Graves had had lots of success as a partnership. Not only had they won the 2002 Canadian Teams, but that summer they had reached the final of the Spingold on a pickup team. So it was a little surprising that they decided to split up the partnership, especially since Maksymetz and Carruthers had never played a board together while Mittelman and Carruthers had had at least some partnership experience together (here in the 2000 NEC Cup, for example). In different partnerships, George and JC had beaten Graves-Maksymetz in the quarterfinal of the 2003 Canadian Teams before losing in the final. Although they lost the playoff to represent Canada, Allan and George decided to give their partnership another try.

Here they are in 1988 winning the International Bridge Press Association award for Best Bid Hand of the Year for this auction conducted in the ACBL 1988 Spring Nationals Open Pairs.

*Many players have their own little ways of deciding which way to finesse for a missing queen. Some play that the queen is always over the jack; hungry players finesse toward the kitchen, romantic players finesse toward the bedroom and practical players finesse toward the bathroom.*

Dir: East	♠ 9843	
Vul: N/S	♥ J874	
	♦ 54	
	♣ 952	
	♠ Q	♠ J107652
	♥ Q1032	♥ ---
	♦ Q9763	♦ AK102
	♣ AKQ	♣ J87
	♠ AK	
	♥ AK965	
	♦ J8	
	♣ 10643	

West	North	East	South
<i>Mittelman</i>		<i>Graves</i>	
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♥
Dbl	2♥	1♠	1NT
3♦	Pass	Pass	Pass
Pass	Pass	4♥	Dbl
5♣	Pass	Rdbl	Pass
		6♦	All Pass

It was a simple matter to set up spades: +920 for a near top. Remarkably, the deal was reported to the Daily Bulletin by their opponents! The journalist was Sue Emery of the ACBL.

Graves had a career deal in the final of the 2002 Spingold in Washington, DC. Maksymetz-Graves' teammates were Mike Moss and Marty Shifko. They were playing against the George Jacobs team (Jacobs-Katz, Lauria-Versace, Bocchi-Duboin), not exactly chopped liver. The Moss team was about 80-IMP underdogs but after this deal, who could blame Graves for succumbing to dreams of sugar plum fairies...

Dir: North	♠ A10532	
Vul: Both	♥ AKQ109	
	♦ A	
	♣ 85	
	♠ K4	♠ J976
	♥ J52	♥ 763
	♦ Q10432	♦ K9
	♣ 732	♣ J1064
	♠ Q8	
	♥ 84	
	♦ J8765	
	♣ AKQ9	

West	North	East	South
Lauria	Maksymetz	Versace	Graves
	1 ♠	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♠
Pass	6NT	All Pass	

Lauria led the ♦2. In desperation, Graves led the ♣5 and poked in the nine. He closed his eyes and opened them to find that it had held the trick! He sat up straighter in his chair. When hearts cooperated Graves was up to eleven tricks, and where there are eleven tricks... Graves next ran the remaining hearts and clubs:

	♠ A1053	
	♥ ---	
	♦ ---	
	♣ ---	
♠ K4		♠ J96
♥ ---		♥ ---
♦ Q10		♦ K
♣ ---		♣ ---
	♠ Q8	
	♥ ---	
	♦ J	
	♣ Q	

On the last club, Lauria made a telling discard. He threw the ♦Q, since he didn't want Versace to do anything brilliant like throwing away the ♦K. Versace threw a spade. When Graves next played the ♦J out of his hand and it went ten from Lauria, spade discard from dummy, king from Versace, Versace was forced to return a spade. It took Graves about one-twentieth of a second to guess that suit for +1440.

Although certainly not intended as such, Lauria's ♦Q discard had the effect of being a "congratulatory queen" for Graves. If Graves had been a betting man like Mittelman, he'd have laid about 10-1 odds that he was going to make 6NT at that point. First, Lauria could not have both the ♦K and ♦Q, otherwise he'd have led an honor. Second, Versace was hanging on to spades, so must not have had only small cards. Third, if Versace had had the ♠K, he'd have discarded the ♦K with alacrity. When Versace won the ♦K, Graves play was not a guess at all!

Bocchi-Duboin reached 4NT at the other table for +630. It would be wonderful to report that this 26 IMP swing resulted in the Moss team beating the Italian stallions, but that was not the case. It merely held down Jacobs's margin of victory.

Last fall, before the World Championships in Monte Carlo, Joe Silver and John Carruthers received an invitation to play in the 2003 Lederer Memorial Trophy in London. They asked Adam Wildavsky and Douglas Doub of the USA2 Bermuda Bowl team to play with them.

The event was close all the way, with four teams battling it out for the victory. The organizers had arranged for the North American team to play against Zia's All Stars in the final match on Vu-Graph. As it happened, both teams needed a blitz to win, since Brian Senior's Gold Cup Team and the Young Chelsea Bridge Club Knockout Teams winners were ahead of them in the standings. Silver and Carruthers were on Vu-Graph against Zia and David Burn as the first board was placed on the table. Simon Cochemé, Tournament Chairman and bridge journalist, wrote it up as follows:

"With one round to go the Gold Cup Winners were back in front, 1 VP ahead of the Young Chelsea Champions. The All Stars had moved up to third and were due to play fourth-placed North America on VuGraph. Either team could still win the overall event, but would need a big margin of victory to do it.

The first board showed the way the three critical matches would go. Joe Silver wasn't going to hang around waiting for good results to fall into his lap.

Dir: North	♠ 32	
Vul: E/W	♥ J10865	
	♦ 832	
	♣ 953	
♠ KQJ6		♠ 985
♥ KQ		♥ A973
♦ AK		♦ QJ10974
♣ KQJ72		♣ ---
	♠ A1074	
	♥ 42	
	♦ 65	
	♣ A10864	

West	North	East	South
Burn	Silver	Zia	JC
	1♥!	Pass	1NT(1)
Dbl	2♣!	2♥	2♠(2)
Dbl	Pass	4♦	Pass
4NT	Pass	6♦	Pass
6NT	Pass	Pass	Dbl
All Pass			
	(1) Forcing one round		



(2) Agreeing clubs, stronger than three clubs

Burn knew that someone was being a bit frisky by the time the bidding came round to him, and when Zia bid 2♥, it was possible that both opponents were at it. The All Stars auction got back on the rails until the 6NT bid, described by its perpetrator as the bid of a man “bewildered by the whole affair.” The audience watching Vu-Graph were equally bewildered, but loved it. Meanwhile, at the other table:

West	North	East	South
Wildavsky	Price	Doub	Simpson
	Pass	Pass	1♠
Dbl	Pass	2♠	Pass
6NT	Pass	Pass	Dbl
All Pass			

All that excitement for a flat board! And that was how the match went as well; two of the favorites slugging it out for a 30-30 draw, a result that didn't help either of them.”

If I may be forgiven a journalistic blunder, I'm going to change to the first person here to relate a very fond memory.

As it happened, this was the second time in my life that I had psyched on the same board as my partner. 1NT is only a very tiny psych, but my proper response was one spade. Joey's was the real psych!

The other time I psyched on the same board as my partner was 29 years ago in the semifinals of the Canadian Team Championship to qualify for the 1976 Olympiad in Monte Carlo. The four teams-of-four were fighting it out to join Murray and Kehela as Canada's team.



Alan Graves

My partner opened 2♣ (11-16 HCP, six or more clubs or five clubs and a major), and I bid 2♠, forcing, on king fifth of spades and out. Partner bid 3♣, all passed, and we went three off non-vulnerable. Partner had king-queen-jack sixth of clubs and out. My LHO that day was Joe Silver! He and partner (George Mittelman) were cold

for 6♦ then as well! They were not pleased.

Interestingly enough, Allan Graves was in the other semifinal that day, and Bulletin Editor Eric Kokish was on the Silver team.

We were all children back then. It must have looked good for the future of Canadian bridge to have three teams with all players in their twenties in the semifinals of the premier event in Canadian bridge. The problem with Canadian bridge today is that we are all still contenders!

The perceptive readers among you will have noted that George Mittelman was earlier referred to as the 'enfant terrible' of Canadian Bridge. Why? Watch...

Dir: South	♠ J2
Vul: E/W	♥ A94
	♦ J1065
	♣ KQJ6
♠ KQ109876	♠ 4
♥ Q5	♥ J1072
♦ 972	♦ Q83
♣ 4	♣ 108753
	♠ A53
	♥ K864
	♦ AK4
	♣ A92

West	North	East	South
Mittelman	Guoba	Gordon	JC
			1♣(1)
3♠	Dbl(2)	Pass	4♥
Pass	5♥	Pass	5♠
Pass	6♥	All Pass	
(1) Strong, artificial, forcing			
(2) Positive response, 8+ HCP			

This deal occurred in a Toronto Team-of-Four League match around 1978. I think we can fairly say that John Guoba and I had no idea what we were doing in the auction. Ah, but the play's the thing...

Mittelman led the ♠K and Guoba proudly put down that miserable collection. I didn't move for ten minutes! It took me the first seven to recover from the shock of seeing the dummy and the realization of the horrible mess we were in.

In the next three minutes I worked out that if Diana held only one spade, four hearts to two honors, queen to three diamonds and any five clubs, I had a chance. I also needed George not

to make a double-dummy play.



George Mittelman

I won the ♠A and led a heart to the nine. Dianna won the jack, but she wasn't fooling anyone. She returned a club (another hurdle overcome) and I won the ace (an essential play). When I next led a heart to the ace, George followed with the queen. I drew the remaining trumps with a finesse for the ten, throwing my useless spade from dummy.

I cashed a high diamond just for practice, then traveled to a high club in dummy to take the diamond finesse. Everyone followed low. Then the ♦K was

cashied, and that valuable low club was used to enter dummy once again, this time to claim the last three tricks, with the thirteenth diamond and the good clubs.

George picked up all thirteen of his cards and threw them about 10 meters across the room! I suggested that he might at least congratulate me on my play. What he replied cannot be printed here.

Yes, there were alternative lines of play, but they wouldn't have worked. Have you noticed that Mittelman could have beaten the contract? He could have led his singleton club, denying me the early heart duck, but with that doubleton queen of trumps he certainly did not want to encourage me to cash my high ones. On the contrary, he was hoping I'd finesse hearts into his queen. It may have been the lowest percentage successful slam in the history of bridge!

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This piece was featured in the 1939 spring bumper issue of the New Yorker magazine and aims its humorous arrows at that most unsung of bridge heroes: the kibitzer.

## The Great Kibitzers' Strike

by George S. Kaufman



Since I was a close observer of events leading up to the national strike of bridge kibitzers some years ago, and subsequently a member of the committee that helped to bring about a settlement, I think it is fitting for me to set down the true story of those turbulent days. There has long been a belief that the trouble started when a kibitzer named Lefkowitz—not Sam Lefkowitz, who later demanded that kibitzers be allowed to double any slam contract, but a cousin of his, named Marty—applied a hotfoot to a player during a six-no-trump contract.

The Lefkowitz hotfoot case was not without its points of interest, and the depositions taken in the hospital are now preserved in the Library of Congress, but it was not the cause of the kibitzers' strike.

On the night of May 12, 1926, in the old Cavendish Club, on East Sixty-Fifth Street, a player named Jymes, or Hymes, or something—the records are unfortunately vague—concealed a queen of spades from a kibitzer, known simply as Commander Smith, during the play of a hand. By holding the spade queen behind the four of diamonds, Jymes completely confused the kibitzer in his calculations, leading him to believe 'that he would make only three spades instead of four. Smith stayed in his place for the rest of the evening, but it was noticed when the game broke up that he failed to ask, "What time are you boys playing tomorrow?"

On the following night, Smith didn't show up. It was the first night he had missed in eleven

years, but still no one was worried; it was simply assumed that he was dead. This had happened before to kibitzers, and the procedure in such cases was well established. One of the players would deal and say, "Did you notice that Bill Chink died last night? One spade," and his partner, when it came to his turn, would say, "Yes, I did. Two spades." Or diamonds, or hearts, or whatever it might be. So the players would kitty out three dollars for flowers, and that would be that. (How times have changed! Under today's rules, the death of a kibitzer calls for the cessation of play for a full ten seconds, and the next four hands are automatically doubled).

But to get back to Smith, when the next day's papers carried no obituary notice, the players began to be worried. That evening, Smith was absent again, and this time one of the players put in a phone call to Smith's house. Smith was home, reading a book. Not a bridge book, either—some sort of novel.

The following night, two more kibitzers were missing, and from then on the thing grew by leaps and bounds. Smith held an indignation meeting at his home on the fourth night, with nearly fifty kibitzers in attendance. Subcommittees were formed and chairmen were appointed in Queens and the Bronx; inside of three weeks there was not a kibitzer on duty in Greater New York. Picketing was started in front of the Knickerbocker Whist Club, and a rock was shied at Oswald Jacoby's head as he was entering the club. Happily, it hit an old lady who was not even a bridge player.

There was, of course, consternation within the clubs. With no kibitzer to say, "You should have played it the other way around" or "Only a fathead would have led the king of diamonds," post-mortem discussions were routine and without color. Without kibitzers, the players became careless and listless; games simply dragged along, sometimes without comment of any sort. The players began to lose weight, had no appetites. In many cases, games were actually cancelled.

Jymes, or Hymen, or whatever his name was, eventually offered public apology to Smith for concealing the spade queen, but by then it was too late. Sympathy strikes were springing up all over the country, a national kibitzers' union was formed, and card players were presented with an ultimatum in the form of a set of rules. Among

the stipulations were these:

- 1) Recognition of the union as the only bargaining force for kibitzers, and an agreement that no game should be started without at least two kibitzers in attendance.
- 2) Cessation of play if a kibitzer was called to the telephone.
- 3) The right of the kibitzer to call a revoke if it was confirmed by another kibitzer.
- 4) If a kibitzer had to go home before the end of the game, the results were to be telephoned to him as soon as the game was over.
- 5) The right of the kibitzer to put his glass of water on the bridge table.

And many others.

Negotiations were deadlocked for four months, and in that time there were many outbreaks of violence and sabotage. In a Minneapolis bridge club, the six of clubs exploded in a player's hand, and was found afterward to have been dusted with TNT. In Dallas, a deck of cards was found to have three aces of spades in it, and this crime was traced to a kibitzer who had managed to get a job in a card factory. In New York City, fifteen thousand kibitzers held an indignation meeting in Union Square, and many were beaten by the police when they tried to parade without a permit. In the ensuing riot, three people were trampled to death. In Seattle, a player who went down one on a cold slam claimed that he had been quietly given a needle by a kibitzer who had jostled him on the sidewalk. Ely Culbertson was burned in effigy.

On September 28, President Coolidge appealed to both sides to settle the controversy before there was further property damage or loss of life. Leaders of the two factions assembled in the White House on October 9, and on the night of October 22, at a little after ten o'clock, the formal announcement of peace was made.

I do not want to claim too much credit for the settlement, but when the conference had been deadlocked three days over the question of penalties for a kibitzer's foot on a player's chair, it was I who suggested a happy compromise. The foot, I said, should be amputated, not burned off.

## NEC Team Profile: Israel (a.k.a. The Knights of Zion)

by Pietro Campanile

How it all started:

“Gold loving, victory seeking red-head looks for suitable teammates. For squeezes and end-plays in the land of the rising-sun”

This was the ad published in “Bridge Soul-Mate Weekly” by Migry Zur Campanile, when she heard from Chief “Kokes”-san about the great tournament to be staged in Yokohama. The replies came back in their thousands but after a careful screening based on the candidates with the flattest EEG results, these are the components of the team she chose to accompany her in this long adventure.



Michael Barel

### Israel and Doron Yadin

The legendary brothers from Petah Tikva stubbornly claim to be still in their very late forties. 2003 European Open Teams champions and regulars of the Israeli Open Team, they have been playing together for fourteen years and are still on excellent shouting terms. Doron is a computer wizard while Israel is a full-time jokester with a soft spot for his saxophone.



Israel and Doron Yadin

### Michael Barel

Despite having reached one of the critical palindromic birthdays, Michael remains a lifetime member of the junior team (either as a player or as captain). Would-be chess champion and a recognized authority in “HarryPotterologia”, he has the dubious privilege of having to live up to the huge expectations that come when partnering the Migry.

### Migry Zur-Campanile

The alpha and the omega of finessing, the zenith and the nadir of over-bidding. These are but a few of the comments that experts have used trying to define the incommensurable bridge genius of the Mig (or “Migrush” for friends). She has confounded pundits for the last two decades by proving that you can win two world championships simply by counting to 13 and following suit. Will she be able to repeat her amazing feat here? We cross our fingers and wait...



Migry Zur-Campanile

## Light Openings—At the Top of the Hill

by Zar Petkov

Final board of the final session of the final match of the 2003 Bermuda Bowl Championship. It was a dramatic match already—maybe the most dramatic in the history of Bermuda Bowl, according to the commentators—but the last board made it even more so...

At the table where Meckstroth-Rodwell for USA 1 cased Italy's Bocchi-Duboin.

West	North	East	South
<i>Duboin</i>	<i>Rodwell</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Meckstroth</i>
Pass	1♦	2♦	Pass
2♥	3♦	Pass	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

Note that **both** North players (Lauria and Rodwell) opened this **10 HCP** hand 1♦, so let's have a look at the Zar Points in this hand: 10+3+11+6=**30 Zar Points!**

In the E/W position, Bocchi went four down in 4♥ for -400, a contract which had good chances if the primary suits had not split 5-1 and 4-1.

The auction at the other table is also very instructive. South has 9+1+10+4=24 **Zar Points**, but **no direct fit** for his partner's suits! Note, that NS are **missing 8 out of 12 controls**, a good indicator for trouble at the higher levels. Note also that despite the fact that two-thirds of the controls are missing, if you **switch majors** in South's hand, you would have a fit in hearts and 54 **Zar Points**: a laydown 4♥ despite **8 missing** controls with no void in either hand and **only 19 HCP!** That's the power of **Zar Points**.

Dir: West	♠ 2
Vul: N/S	♥ AJ93
	♦ KQ109865
	♣ 5
♠ J10	♠ A6543
♥ 543	♥ KQ1086
♦ A7	♦ 42
♣ K10764	♣ A
	♠ KQ987
	♥ 7
	♦ J3
	♣ QJ983

At the table where Lauria-Versace for Italy faced Hamman-Soloway for USA 1.

West	North	East	South
<i>Hamman</i>	<i>Luria</i>	<i>Soloway</i>	<i>Versace</i>
Pass	1♦	2♦	Dbl
2♥	3♦	Pass	Pass
3♥	5♦	Dbl	All Pass

### 9<sup>th</sup> NEC Bridge Festival Daily Schedule

Day/Date	Time	Event	Location
Wednesday (Feb. 11)	10:00-12:50	NEC Cup Swiss - Match 4	F201/202
	12:50-14:00	Lunch Break	
	14:00-16:50	NEC Cup Swiss - Match 5	
	17:10-20:00	NEC Cup Swiss - Match 6	
Thursday (Feb. 12)	10:00-12:50	NEC Cup Swiss - Match 7	F201/202
	13:10-16:00	NEC Cup Swiss - Match 8	
	16:00-17:10	Lunch Break	
	17:10-20:00	NEC Cup Quarter-Final 1	
Friday (Feb. 13)	10:00-12:50	NEC Cup Quarter-Final 2	F206
	12:50-14:00	Lunch Break	
	14:00-16:50	NEC Cup Semi-Final 1	
	17:10-20:00	NEC Cup Semi-Final 2	
Saturday (Feb. 14)	10:00-12:20	NEC Cup Final 1 & Playoff for 3 <sup>rd</sup>	F206
	12:30-14:50	NEC Cup Final 2 & Playoff for 3 <sup>rd</sup>	
	14:50-16:00	Lunch Break	
	16:00-18:20	NEC Cup Final 3	
	18:30-20:50	NEC Cup Final 4	
	10:00-17:00	Yokohama Swiss Plate	
Sunday (Feb. 15)	10:00-17:00	Asuka Cup	F201-204
	18:00-19:00	Closing Ceremony	F205-206



# DATUM

## Qualifying Round 1

Bd	DATUM	ENGLAND		ICELAND		GER/USA		ISRAEL		CANADA		POL/RUS		INDONESIA		CHINA	OPEN	CHN	LADIES	C.T.LADIES		USA		AUSTRALIA		BULGARIA	
		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
1	-90	0	-4	13	-4	4	2	1	-4	4	-5	-1	2	-1	2	-2	1	-1	0	-1	0	-2	1	-1	1	1	2
2	-50	3	-11	3	-6	-4	14	4	9	3	13	-9	13	11	-3	3	-4	3	11	3	-4	4	14	4	-3	3	-8
3	70	2	-2	-3	-2	-5	-2	-3	-2	1	-2	-6	-2	2	-2	1	-2	1	-2	2	7	2	-2	1	-2	1	5
4	-70	5	-5	5	1	-1	3	4	4	-4	4	-4	1	5	2	-1	4	-4	1	5	3	5	2	-4	4	-1	2
5	-540	-6	13	2	11	12	6	11	-3	-6	6	12	11	4	11	3	-11	10	-4	12	11	12	6	4	6	-11	-3
6	-510	12	-12	-3	4	-3	4	-4	3	12	3	-3	4	12	3	-3	4	-3	-12	12	-12	-3	4	-4	3	-4	4
7	-60	12	3	-3	-5	-3	1	-1	1	-3	1	5	2	-1	-5	-3	1	-3	-5	-11	3	-4	-6	5	-5	-11	1
8	-270	8	-3	3	4	3	4	-7	-4	3	-5	3	-2	-4	4	-4	5	-4	-5	-4	4	5	-3	-4	-3	3	-4
9	10	10	2	4	-3	-3	3	-2	3	-5	-3	3	3	3	3	-3	-3	3	2	4	4	3	3	3	3	4	5
10	120	10	6	-6	6	0	6	-6	-12	-6	-10	10	1	5	6	10	-2	10	6	2	0	-6	0	10	6	10	6
11	-10	5	-3	-3	1	9	3	2	3	-1	3	-3	3	4	3	-1	3	-1	3	10	3	4	3	-3	-4	-1	3
12	120	-6	6	2	-5	-9	1	1	1	0	1	11	2	11	8	0	1	0	-11	1	6	11	8	-8	-11	12	1
13	70	1	2	1	-3	4	2	2	2	1	2	1	-1	-5	0	4	2	4	2	1	2	4	2	1	2	2	-1
14	-360	9	2	-3	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	1	-2	2	9	2	-2	1	-2	2	9	-9	11	2	-1	2	-2	1
15	-60	5	1	-1	10	-4	-4	-4	1	-4	-5	-1	6	12	-5	3	-5	-1	4	4	-4	-4	1	4	1	8	1
16	-80	7	2	5	-5	5	2	-1	2	-2	2	7	2	5	2	5	2	-1	2	7	1	-2	1	5	1	-1	2
17	-630	5	-4	-8	8	-8	8	-8	8	-8	-4	-8	-5	12	8	-8	7	-8	8	4	-4	4	8	-8	-4	-8	-12
18	-310	5	-5	5	-5	5	-8	5	10	-3	3	-5	13	5	5	5	5	-10	10	4	5	3	-5	5	3	5	-5
19	-40	13	2	12	-4	-2	11	10	11	4	2	-12	-6	4	10	13	11	12	11	-6	-4	11	12	-11	-8	10	11
20	-380	5	6	-6	7	-6	6	-6	-5	-6	-5	6	6	6	6	-6	-6	4	-5	5	7	7	-6	11	-6	6	6
IMP +		117	45	55	54	42	78	40	60	28	41	58	71	110	75	47	47	47	62	85	56	86	67	53	32	65	50
IMP -		12	49	36	42	50	14	44	30	50	39	54	16	11	15	33	33	38	44	22	37	21	22	44	46	39	33

Bd	DATUM	HAPPY BRID		DUM DUM'S		AMANTE		ACACIA		YEH BROS		NACS		JAPAN OPEN		JPN	LADIES	JPN	SENIOR	SLAM	DUNK	NAGASAKA		HAYASHI		MIDORI-KAM	
		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
1	-90	4	-5	-2	2	-2	-4	-2	5	-2	1	1	2	0	3	1	1	5	1	-1	1	-2	2	4	2	-2	1
2	-50	4	-3	4	9	-9	9	4	-3	3	-4	5	-8	8	-4	4	9	11	9	5	9	-9	-5	11	-5	-13	-4
3	70	-3	-2	2	-2	2	5	2	-1	2	-2	1	-1	-3	5	2	-2	-3	-1	1	5	-3	-2	4	-2	1	3
4	-70	-1	1	-2	-5	-4	1	-4	1	-2	2	4	2	5	1	5	1	-1	-2	-1	-9	5	-5	-1	-2	2	3
5	-540	-6	-4	-6	-1	-11	-1	-6	6	11	6	12	6	1	-11	12	-4	4	-4	-6	11	1	-1	-6	-4	-6	6
6	-510	-4	3	-3	4	-3	4	-4	3	-3	4	-3	-12	13	4	-4	4	-4	3	-3	3	-4	4	12	3	-3	4
7	-60	-3	-5	-3	-5	-1	-5	-1	-6	-3	1	4	-5	13	1	-3	1	5	1	-1	3	-12	2	-1	-5	-3	1
8	-270	-4	-3	-4	4	3	4	2	-2	-4	-3	-4	-3	9	-3	3	4	3	4	-7	4	2	4	3	-3	3	9
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10	120	-6	6	0	0	11	6	-6	-1	-6	-2	-6	6	11	-2	0	6	1	6	-6	6	0	1	10	0	0	6
11	-10	9	-9	9	1	-3	1	-3	1	-1	1	-3	1	-3	3	-1	3	10	1	-1	3	-3	1	-3	1	-3	1
12	120	-6	6	0	8	2	2	-8	-2	2	2	11	0	-1	1	11	6	1	8	-8	0	-6	-10	12	6	-8	9
13	70	1	2	-2	-4	2	2	-2	-1	0	-2	1	2	1	2	-2	-1	2	2	-2	2	1	2	1	2	0	-2
14	-360	-3	2	-2	-9	9	2	-3	2	-1	2	-2	2	-2	3	-2	2	9	2	-2	2	-3	2	-2	-9	-2	4
15	-60	-4	-5	-4	1	-12	4	12	-5	12	8	-4	1	5	10	-1	6	-1	-5	5	4	6	6	4	10	-1	1
16	-80	-1	2	-4	2	-3	2	-1	2	-1	2	-2	3	-1	2	-2	-5	-2	1	0	3	0	2	5	2	5	-5
17	-630	12	-4	3	8	10	-5	4	8	4	-4	4	8	4	-3	-8	-12	4	-4	5	-4	-8	-4	12	-5	12	-4
18	-310	4	-4	5	-10	4	-9	-5	-4	5	13	4	13	6	13	4	-8	-5	13	5	-6	8	0	-5	5	4	-4
19	-40	-11	10	-2	-10	13	-12	-2	-12	-2	-4	4	10	4	2	-10	-13	-6	-4	6	6	10	-8	-11	12	-13	2
20	-380	4	-7	-6	-5	4	6	6	-6	10	6	4	-6	6	-6	-6	6	5	-6	-6	6	-6	7	5	6	-6	6
IMP +		41	34	26	41	60	51	34	30	52	48	64	58	95	52	42	49	63	56	36	72	33	33	83	52	27	56
IMP -		52	51	40	51	50	36	47	43	25	24	24	35	10	29	42	48	22	26	44	19	58	38	33	35	65	22

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		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
1	-90	5	-4	0	1	4	2	-1	-1	-5	2	-1	-5	-1	1	-1	2	5	-4	-2	-4	-2	1	4	-13	-1	2
2	-50	3	-4	-11	-3	-9	9	-9	-4	3	-4	-9	-11	3	-4	-14	-4	-13	-3	-14	4	3	-11	6	-3	4	-3
3	70	2	3	2	-1	-5	-2	2	-2	1	-2	1	3	2	-1	2	-2	2	-1	2	5	2	-2	2	3	2	-2
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5	-540	4	6	4	-10	1	11	4	-12	-6	6	4	-4	-6	-4	-6	-12	-6	6	-6	-12	-11	-4	-11	-2	-6	-11
6	-510	-3	4	12	3	-4	3	-4	4	-3	4	-3	4	-3	4	-4	3	-3	-12	-4	3	-3	-12	-4	3	-4	3
7	-60	5	3	5	3	5	1	-1	3	6	1	-1	-5	5	-5	6	4	-1	3	-1	3	5	1	5	3	-1	3
8	-270	3	4	5	4	-4	-3	-4	-3	2	-2	-4	-3	3	4	3	-5	5	-3	-4	-3	-4	4	-4	-3	3	4
9	10	-2	-3	-2	-3	-3	2	3	3	-2	-4	-5	-3	-3	-3	-3	3	5	-3	3	-3	-3	3	-4	3	-3	
10	120	-6	6	-6	-10	-6	-11	-6	0	1	6	-6	-1	-6	-10	6	10	6	-6	0	-6	-5	-6	6	2	6	6
11	-10	9	-9	-3	1	-1	3	-3	1	-1	3	-1	-10	4	3	-3	-4	-3	1	-3	-9	-3	-4	-1	3	-1	1
12	120	-6	6	11	0	-2	-2	-6	-11	2	8	-8	-1	11	8	-8	-11	-1	0	-1	9	-8	-11	5	-2	-2	-2
13	70	-2	-1	-2	-4	-2	-2	1	2	1	2	-2	-2	-2	-1	-2	-4	-2	-1	-2	-4	0	5	3	-1	2	0
14	-360	-2	3	-2	2	-2	-9	-2	2	-2	3	-2	-9	-2	1	-2	-11	-1	2	-2	2	-2	-9	-2	3	-2	1
15	-60	5	4	-4	1	-4	12	-6	1	5	-12	5	1	-1	-4	-1	4	5	4	4	4	5	-12	-10	1	-8	-12
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17	-630	4	-12	-8	8	5	-10	12	8	-8	-4	4	-4	4	8	-8	-4	4	8	-8	8	-8	-12	-8	8	4	-4
18	-310	4	-4	-10	10	9	-4	8	-4	4	5	-13	5	-3	-5	5	-3	-3	3	8	-5	-5	-5	5	-5	-13	-5
19	-40	-10	11	-11	-12	12	-13	13	10	12	2	4	6	8	11	-12	-11	-2	-4	-11	2	-10	-4	4	-12	4	2
20	-380	7	-4	5	-4	-6	-4	-6	6	6	-6	6	-5	6	-11	6	-7	5	6	-6	6	-6	-6	-7	6	-6	-10
IMP +		51	52	44	38	36	50	48	42	43	47	26	22	46	44	22	21	39	50	14	50	15	11	42	36	24	25
IMP -		34	41	62	47	51	60	49	42	30	34	56	63	32	53	67	86	41	28	78	42	75	110	54	55	48	52

Bd	DATUM	NETORA		NANIWADA		GOOD	LUCK	KATSUMATA		MY-BRIDGE		COSMOS		KINKI		ATHENS		MATSUBARA		KONISHI		FAIRY	TALE	POODLE		AKQ	
		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
1	-90	-1	1	-2	2	-2	-1	4	-1	-3	0	-1	2	4	0	0	1	-2	-4	-2	-1	-1	2	-2	2	-2	1
2	-50	-9	-5	-9	-4	8	-5	-9	-4	4	-8	4	-3	11	-3	4	-3	5	-11	8	-3	4	13	5	9	-13	9
3	70	-5	-1	2	-2	1	-1	2	3	-5	3	2	-1	2	-2	-7	-2	2	-4	-5	-1	-3	-1	2	3	2	6
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5	-540	-11	6	1	6	-6	-12	3	-11	11	-1	11	-3	-13	6	-11	-12	4	6	3	11	-6	6	1	-1	-11	-12
6	-510	-3	3	-4	3	12	3	-3	4	-4	-13	-4	3	12	-12	12	-12	-3	-12	-4	4	-4	3	-4	4	-4	3
7	-60	-3	1	5	3	5	-4	-1	1	-1	-13	-1	3	-3	-12	-3	11	5	1	-1	11	-1	3	-2	12	-2	-5
8	-270	-4	7	-4	4	3	4	4	7	3	-9	-5	4	3	-8	-4	4	3	-3	4	-3	-9	-3	-4	-2	2	-3
9	10	-4	-9	-2	-3	-2	-9	-3	2	-2	-9	3	3	-2	-10	-4	-4	-3	4	-5	-4	3	5	3	2	-3	-3
10	120	-6	6	0	0	-6	6	12	6	2	-11	2	-10	-6	-10	0	-2	0	-10	-6	-10	-6	0	-1	0	-1	-10
11	-10	-3	1	-1	-9	-1	3	-3	-2	-3	3	-3	1	3	-5	-3	-10	-1	3	-3	1	-1	3	-1	3	-3	3
12	120	0	8	-8	0	0	-11	-1	-1	-1	1	-1	0	-6	6	-6	-1	-6	-12	-1	-12	-9	8	10	6	-2	-11
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14	-360	-2	2	9	2	-2	2	-2	2	-3	2	-1	2	-2	-9	9	-9	9	2	-1	2	-4	2	-2	3	-2	2
15	-60	-4	-5	-1	4	-1	4	-1	4	-10	-5	5	-3	-1	-5	4	-4	-10	-4	-1	-8	-1	1	-6	-6	-6	1
16	-80	-3	0	-2	4	-3	2	-2	1	-2	1	-2	-5	-2	-7	-1	-7	-2	-5	-2	1	5	-5	-2	0	-2	-7
17	-630	4	-5	-8	-3	-8	-4	-8	8	3	-4	-7	8	4	-5	4	-4	5	-12	12	8	4	-12	4	8	5	8
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IMP +		19	44	51	40	35	24	30	44	29	10	33	33	49	12	37	22	35	33	33	39	22	65	38	58	16	54
IMP -		72	36	41	26	58	64	60	40	52	95	47	47	45	117	56	85	52	83	50	65	56	27	33	33	71	58

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Bd	DATUM	ENGLAND		ICELAND		GER/USA		ISRAEL		CANADA		POL/RUS		INDONESIA		CHINA	OPEN	CHN	LADIES	C.T.LADIES		USA		AUSTRALIA		BULGARIA	
		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
1	0	11	3	10	2	2	2	-4	3	9	4	9	3	2	9	3	9	-3	4	-3	-9	-3	-11	-11	11	-2	-10
2	-250	-4	4	7	4	9	-7	-5	4	7	4	7	4	-5	-7	7	-7	-4	5	-4	-7	-4	4	7	4	-4	-7
3	-580	-1	3	-1	2	-2	1	-1	2	-3	1	-1	1	-1	1	10	3	-2	1	-1	1	-3	1	-3	1	-2	1
4	90	0	-2	3	-2	0	-3	11	-2	0	0	11	-2	2	-3	11	0	2	-11	2	-11	2	0	0	6	2	-3
5	270	-9	-9	-10	9	-13	10	9	9	-18	9	-10	-9	9	-9	9	9	-9	-9	9	10	9	9	-9	-9	-9	10
6	-610	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	-12	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	20	-4	-2	2	-5	5	-7	-4	4	3	4	5	4	-13	4	4	3	-4	4	-4	-5	2	4	-6	-3	5	-2
8	-260	-4	5	7	-5	-5	4	8	5	2	4	8	-4	-4	4	8	5	-5	-8	4	-8	-5	4	-4	-1	5	-7
9	10	3	-3	3	-7	5	12	3	-5	5	-5	3	-3	3	12	3	-3	5	-3	3	-3	3	-3	5	12	7	-3
10	100	9	0	5	0	-14	5	0	-3	3	0	0	-3	3	-14	0	12	3	0	3	0	0	-9	0	-3	0	-5
11	250	9	3	5	-5	5	-5	5	2	-7	2	5	-5	2	-9	5	7	-2	-5	5	-5	-3	-9	5	4	5	-5
12	50	2	-2	0	4	2	4	2	2	-4	-2	2	4	-6	4	3	0	-2	-2	-4	-2	2	-2	0	-2	-4	0
13	-90	-1	3	-2	2	5	7	-2	-5	-2	-7	-2	3	-1	2	-3	2	5	2	-3	2	-3	1	6	2	-2	2
14	-100	4	-5	4	-4	4	-4	-7	7	4	-5	4	-5	6	-4	6	-6	-7	7	5	-4	5	-4	4	7	4	-4
15	-60	5	-5	5	4	-6	-5	4	8	5	4	-4	-5	5	-5	5	-5	-8	-4	5	4	5	-5	-4	6	-4	-5
16	-20	-4	1	-1	3	4	1	-3	3	4	1	-1	1	-3	-5	3	1	-3	3	-1	1	-1	4	-2	1	-3	1
17	-100	4	0	-2	0	-1	1	6	0	-1	0	4	5	0	0	0	1	0	-6	-5	-4	0	-4	0	1	0	2
18	-420	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	0	-3	-4	-2	-4	3	-4	-3	-3	4	2	4	3	-2	-4	-2	2	3	3	-3	-4	4	3	-2	-3	4	2
20	-80	0	0	-2	-5	-1	3	-1	2	-2	0	5	1	-1	-5	0	1	-2	1	-1	-5	0	0	0	0	5	2
IMP +		47	22	51	30	44	50	48	51	46	35	79	29	32	36	77	55	18	31	36	18	32	30	27	55	37	20
IMP -		30	32	20	37	42	35	31	18	37	19	18	36	36	65	5	21	51	48	29	79	22	47	41	21	30	51

Bd	DATUM	HAPPY	BRID	DUM	DUM'S	AMANTE		ACACIA		YEH BROS		NACS		JAPAN	OPEN	JPN	LADIES	JPN	SENIOR	SLAM	DUNK	NAGASAKA		HAYASHI		MIDORI-KAM	
		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
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2	-250	-5	4	-5	5	-4	-3	-4	4	8	-7	7	-9	7	5	-5	-7	-13	4	7	-8	-4	5	-4	13	-4	-7
3	-580	-1	-13	-2	-12	-1	1	-1	1	-3	2	-1	2	-1	1	-1	3	-1	3	-2	3	13	1	-3	1	-1	3
4	90	0	-3	3	0	-11	7	-7	0	1	-2	3	0	3	-2	0	-2	-6	-12	2	-1	3	0	12	6	-6	0
5	270	9	-9	-13	-8	-9	10	9	-9	-10	-8	-10	13	9	-9	9	-9	-9	13	8	10	9	-9	-13	9	9	9
6	-610	0	0	0	0	0	10	-1	0	-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	20	2	-4	2	-2	-4	-3	2	4	5	12	7	-5	-4	13	2	-2	2	-2	-12	-5	4	-2	2	-2	3	6
8	-260	-4	-7	-5	-7	-11	5	-4	-3	8	-7	-4	5	-4	4	9	4	-4	5	7	-8	7	4	-5	4	1	4
9	10	-12	-5	5	-3	-12	-5	5	-5	-12	-3	-12	-5	-12	-3	3	-5	3	-3	3	12	5	12	3	-3	-12	-5
10	100	0	9	0	0	2	6	3	0	0	-5	14	14	-3	0	5	0	-3	0	0	-9	0	3	0	3	0	0
11	250	-8	-5	-3	-5	-7	8	5	7	5	5	5	-5	9	-2	-10	7	5	-5	-5	-5	5	8	5	-5	-4	-5
12	50	-4	-2	-4	4	3	0	0	-2	-4	-2	-4	-2	-4	6	-4	0	3	0	2	4	2	4	0	-3	2	0
13	-90	-1	1	-5	1	-2	2	-3	-5	-2	2	-7	-5	-2	1	-5	2	5	5	-2	2	-1	1	-5	-5	-2	-6
14	-100	4	-5	-7	-4	-8	7	4	2	-2	7	4	-4	4	-6	4	-4	4	7	-7	2	5	-4	-7	-4	-7	-4
15	-60	-1	1	4	1	-6	1	5	6	5	10	5	6	5	-5	4	-5	-6	-5	-10	-5	-1	1	5	6	-6	4
16	-20	-1	-4	4	2	-2	4	4	3	-1	6	-1	-4	5	3	-4	1	-1	-4	-6	1	4	1	4	1	-1	2
17	-100	-1	0	-1	-4	0	0	-1	0	0	1	-1	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	-1	0	0	1	0	-2	-1	0
18	-420	6	-10	-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	-6	0	0	0	0
19	0	4	-3	-2	-3	4	3	-3	-5	-2	3	4	-3	4	2	-4	2	4	2	-3	2	3	-4	-2	-4	3	2
20	-80	0	-5	-3	0	0	0	0	1	-1	0	-3	1	5	1	-1	0	-3	0	0	1	5	0	0	3	0	0
IMP +		25	15	21	13	12	64	40	28	32	50	35	42	65	36	31	32	28	39	32	42	78	41	37	47	21	41
IMP -		41	78	52	50	77	13	24	32	42	32	50	44	36	32	37	34	47	37	50	32	15	25	39	28	55	27



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		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
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2	-250	7	4	-4	-7	-4	-7	-4	4	7	5	7	-7	-5	4	-4	4	3	4	-5	4	-4	4	-4	4	-5	4
3	-580	-1	1	12	1	-1	3	-1	1	-3	1	-2	1	-1	1	-3	2	-1	1	-1	3	-3	2	-1	-12	-3	1
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5	270	9	-9	9	-9	-9	18	9	-9	9	-9	9	-9	9	13	8	-8	-10	9	-9	10	9	10	-10	10	-9	-9
6	-610	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	1	-5	0	0	-12	0	0	0	0	-10	0	0	0	0	0	0	-12	-10	0
7	20	2	-3	2	-2	-4	-3	-4	-2	2	-2	3	-2	2	-2	2	4	3	4	2	-2	2	4	-15	4	2	4
8	-260	2	5	-5	5	-4	-2	3	4	-4	-9	-5	5	-4	7	7	4	-5	11	-4	-8	7	5	-4	-7	7	5
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12	50	0	-2	0	-2	2	4	2	0	0	4	2	-2	2	-2	2	4	0	-3	2	0	2	0	2	-6	2	-3
13	-90	7	1	5	-5	7	2	5	3	-2	5	-1	2	10	3	-1	-5	-2	2	-2	1	5	11	5	2	-2	2
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15	-60	-6	1	-6	-5	-4	-5	-6	-5	5	-4	5	1	5	6	-6	-5	-1	6	-4	-5	-4	6	5	-5	5	-4
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18	-420	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	0	3	3	-2	2	-2	-4	5	3	-2	4	-2	3	-3	3	-2	-5	-3	-4	4	2	-2	2	-3	2	-3	2
20	-80	0	1	0	-5	0	2	-1	0	0	1	-1	1	0	0	-1	0	0	0	5	-5	0	1	0	0	5	0
IMP +		55	29	35	26	19	37	32	24	34	37	42	32	43	44	33	34	13	77	33	26	40	69	17	35	40	34
IMP -		7	31	45	51	35	46	28	40	32	31	26	47	24	23	43	41	64	12	39	37	23	6	61	63	59	33

Bd	DATUM	NETORA		NANIWADA		GOOD	LUCK	KATSUMATA		MY-BRIDGE		COSMOS		KINKI		ATHENS		MATSUBARA		KONISHI		FAIRY TALE		POODLE		AKQ	
		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
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2	-250	-4	5	7	-7	-4	5	7	4	-4	4	-5	5	-4	4	7	5	-7	-7	-4	4	-4	5	-4	-7	-5	-7
3	-580	-1	3	-3	-10	-3	1	-1	-12	-2	3	12	2	-2	3	-1	-10	-1	2	12	1	-1	1	-1	1	10	1
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5	270	9	9	-9	-9	-10	9	9	-9	-10	-9	8	13	8	-8	9	9	-9	-10	10	-13	-9	9	-9	-9	-9	-9
6	-610	0	10	0	0	0	0	-5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	20	-4	-2	-3	-4	2	-2	2	-2	-4	-2	2	-2	-4	-2	-12	-2	2	-3	-4	15	2	-2	3	-2	2	12
8	-260	-5	-7	-5	-8	8	4	-5	5	-5	-7	7	5	-4	-7	-4	-2	-5	5	7	4	-7	4	-5	-2	2	4
9	10	3	12	3	-3	5	-5	5	-3	3	-3	3	-5	-3	-5	3	-5	-12	12	3	12	7	-3	5	-5	5	-3
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11	250	-7	7	-7	-5	5	-8	-7	2	-7	-5	5	3	-8	-5	-7	-5	5	-5	-8	2	5	-5	5	-5	5	7
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14	-100	-7	-4	6	-6	4	7	0	7	-7	7	4	7	4	-4	-7	8	4	-4	5	1	-7	2	-7	-5	-8	7
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20	-80	0	-5	-1	0	5	-5	5	0	-1	0	0	3	0	1	-1	1	-1	1	0	0	0	0	-1	0	-1	1
IMP +		33	59	21	5	37	39	51	45	6	23	50	52	41	43	24	45	47	26	63	61	23	24	31	7	33	48
IMP -		34	40	55	77	26	33	26	35	69	40	13	21	34	33	48	33	32	42	35	17	44	43	29	55	45	24

# DATUM

## Qualifying Round 3

Bd	DATUM	ENGLAND		ICELAND		GER/USA		ISRAEL		CANADA		POL/RUS		INDONESIA		CHINA	OPEN	CHN	LADIES	C.T.LADIES		USA		AUSTRALIA		BULGARIA	
		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
1	70	2	-2	-5	-2	-3	3	2	-2	2	3	2	-2	-3	-2	2	-2	1	-2	-3	3	2	-1	-6	3	3	-2
2	-200	-6	6	-6	-8	-6	0	-6	-8	1	6	8	6	-9	-8	-6	6	-6	-1	1	6	0	6	-6	6	8	-1
3	180	0	1	-1	2	-6	6	0	3	-2	-6	-2	8	-2	2	-1	0	6	0	-2	-6	-1	0	6	0	-2	2
4	-110	-2	1	7	0	0	5	-1	0	0	1	0	0	1	-1	2	1	-5	0	9	-3	3	-1	0	0	1	
5	90	0	-1	-7	1	2	-2	2	7	1	5	-5	-3	2	-1	1	0	2	-3	-7	0	1	-2	2	1	-5	-2
6	360	3	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	-2	2	-2	2	-3	-9	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	-2	-10	9
7	100	3	0	1	7	2	-1	0	-5	-7	7	1	-1	1	-2	0	-3	1	-1	1	0	-7	-1	1	-2	1	0
8	-170	1	6	6	-1	-6	6	2	0	0	0	2	-6	6	6	-6	-1	2	0	2	0	1	-2	-6	-2	6	-2
9	150	0	0	0	0	-1	-7	-1	0	0	-6	0	0	-1	0	0	0	-6	0	0	0	0	-5	-1	0	1	
10	-120	-2	-1	1	-1	-2	2	-2	2	-2	-3	-2	0	-2	1	1	2	1	-1	1	-1	1	2	-2	1	0	2
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12	0	3	3	2	-3	12	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	-3	3	-3	-3	-3	3	7	-2	3	-3	3	-2	3	3
13	260	8	3	-8	8	-8	8	8	8	-8	4	8	4	8	8	-3	-8	-3	8	-3	8	9	4	8	3	8	4
14	280	4	-4	4	4	4	-4	4	4	4	4	-5	-4	-3	-3	4	-4	4	8	4	-6	4	4	5	-4	4	-4
15	-180	6	-2	6	7	2	-1	6	-2	-1	6	6	6	6	6	2	-6	-6	-1	6	-6	1	0	0	-6	0	6
16	80	-2	-2	2	-3	2	-1	1	-1	8	5	2	-1	-4	5	2	2	3	5	-4	5	8	6	-4	4	2	-2
17	440	-1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	-1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
18	550	2	-2	2	-2	2	12	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	-12	-2	2	-2	2	9	2	11	2	-2
19	-50	-2	0	-2	0	11	0	-2	2	5	2	-2	2	4	2	0	2	-2	1	4	-4	-2	2	-2	0	0	2
20	-30	-5	-4	12	-12	-2	2	-2	2	-2	-5	5	-4	4	5	4	5	-2	-5	6	-12	5	5	-5	2	-5	-5
IMP +		35	22	45	32	39	47	30	40	33	40	39	33	37	40	20	20	24	28	39	32	39	43	31	31	43	30
IMP -		20	20	29	34	34	21	14	20	28	34	18	23	30	23	22	35	43	29	19	44	13	11	39	22	22	23

Bd	DATUM	HAPPY BRID		DUM DUM'S		AMANTE		ACACIA		YEH BROS		NACS		JAPAN OPEN		JPN	LADIES	JPN	SENIOR	SLAM	DUNK	NAGASAKA		HAYASHI		MIDORI-KAM	
		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W
1	70	2	-2	-2	-3	-3	3	-3	3	-3	3	1	-2	2	-2	-3	3	2	-1	-3	6	2	3	2	5	2	-2
2	-200	1	-1	1	-1	-6	-1	1	-1	0	6	-9	-1	-6	-8	1	-1	1	9	-6	6	3	6	8	6	2	-1
3	180	-1	-6	0	2	6	2	0	2	-6	6	6	0	-8	2	-2	0	0	-6	0	-6	-1	8	-2	1	0	-6
4	-110	-2	0	-1	5	-9	0	0	0	-5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	-5	0	1	-2	2	0	-7	6	1	
5	90	1	0	1	-1	0	7	3	-2	2	-2	2	-1	3	5	2	-3	1	-2	-1	-2	1	-2	-1	7	-5	-1
6	360	2	-2	2	-3	2	-2	3	-2	2	-2	3	-1	-2	2	2	-3	1	-3	2	-2	3	-2	2	-2	2	-2
7	100	1	-2	0	-1	0	-1	-5	0	1	-2	-5	0	1	-1	0	5	0	5	2	-1	11	0	-7	-1	2	0
8	-170	1	6	-6	7	0	-2	6	-2	-6	6	-6	-2	6	-2	2	-6	2	6	2	6	2	1	1	-6	2	-2
9	150	-1	6	7	0	0	0	-1	5	7	1	1	0	0	0	-5	1	0	-1	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	-120	1	2	1	2	1	-1	1	-1	-2	2	3	2	0	2	1	-1	-2	-3	-1	2	1	-6	1	-1	1	2
11	-40	3	3	-2	3	3	-3	3	0	3	0	-2	2	-2	0	0	-3	-2	2	3	2	-2	-3	-2	0	3	-3
12	0	3	-2	2	-5	2	-7	-3	-3	-3	-12	-3	-2	-3	-3	3	3	2	3	2	-3	3	3	-2	3	3	
13	260	-4	-8	-3	4	-8	3	-4	-8	-8	8	8	-8	-4	-8	8	4	8	-8	-3	-8	8	4	-8	8	-4	8
14	280	4	-4	4	8	6	-4	-4	-4	4	-4	-3	-4	4	5	4	4	4	3	4	-5	4	8	-4	-4	-4	4
15	-180	1	6	-6	-6	6	-6	6	1	-2	0	6	-6	-6	-6	6	6	-6	0	6	0	-7	-1	-7	-6	1	-1
16	80	3	4	6	4	-5	4	-5	-8	1	-2	2	5	1	-2	8	5	-5	-2	-4	4	8	-2	3	-2	3	-2
17	440	0	1	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-2	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0
18	550	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	-12	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	-11	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2
19	-50	-2	2	4	0	4	-4	5	0	0	-11	4	0	-2	2	0	-5	0	-4	0	2	-2	2	0	2	-2	0
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IMP +		29	35	36	40	44	19	24	18	21	34	37	17	23	18	33	33	23	33	22	39	48	39	34	29	29	20
IMP -		10	29	20	22	32	39	33	33	47	39	33	23	33	39	18	24	17	37	31	31	19	18	32	45	17	22

# DATUM

## Qualifying Round 3

Bd	DATUM	ESPERANZA		GRYFFINDOR		DRAM1		ALICE		GIRASOL		SKOTII		AOGUMI		SPICE		PS-JACK		KACHOFUJET		KOSAKA		OZAWA		SWAN		MERRY QUEE		
		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	
1	70	2	-2	2	5	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	1	-2	-3	-2	-3	-2	2	-2	2	-1	-3	-2	2	-1	-3	3	-3	-2	
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3	180	-3	0	-1	2	-2	-1	6	0	0	1	6	-1	-8	1	6	1	-1	0	0	6	0	-6	-6	-6	-6	-6			
4	-110	0	1	9	0	0	1	-1	-6	0	-7	1	0	-2	2	0	2	7	0	-1	1	5	-1	-1	0	0				
5	90	-7	-2	2	9	1	-1	1	5	2	-2	2	-1	2	-1	0	-1	2	-2	1	-1	3	-2	2	-2	-1	-2			
6	360	2	-2	-9	-2	2	9	2	-2	2	-2	3	-1	2	-3	2	-2	2	-2	2	9	2	9	-9	-2	2	-2			
7	100	5	0	1	7	1	0	0	-2	1	-11	1	0	0	-11	2	-1	11	-1	1	-2	1	-1	2	0	2	7			
8	-170	0	-2	-6	-1	2	-2	2	-2	2	-1	1	0	-1	-2	-6	-1	1	-2	0	-6	0	-2	-1	-2	2	-2			
9	150	0	1	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	6	0	5	0	0	-6	1	-6	0	0	0	6	0	6	0	-1	-1			
10	-120	-2	2	-2	-3	-1	-6	-2	-1	1	2	-1	2	6	-1	-2	-1	-2	-1	1	-6	1	-1	1	2	-12	2			
11	-40	-2	-3	-2	2	3	2	3	-3	-2	3	-2	2	3	2	-3	-3	-3	2	-2	3	-2	-3	-2	2	-2	-5			
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13	260	-8	-8	8	-8	-4	8	-8	4	-10	4	8	-8	-4	-8	8	4	-4	10	-2	-8	-8	3	-10	3	8	-8			
14	280	-4	-4	-4	8	4	-4	-4	4	4	5	-3	8	-8	-4	4	-4	-5	-4	-8	-4	-8	-4	-4	-3	-4	-4	5		
15	-180	-6	-1	0	-1	1	6	1	-1	6	-1	0	-1	1	7	-6	-1	1	-6	6	0	1	6	-6	-6	0	-2			
16	80	1	-1	2	-1	-5	-2	2	-3	2	-1	-5	4	2	-8	-4	-3	1	-2	2	-1	-5	-3	3	-2	-2	4			
17	440	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	-1			
18	550	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	-2	2	12	-12	-2	-12	-2			
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IMP +		20	14	33	46	23	40	22	17	24	23	33	28	18	19	29	10	33	22	18	24	29	43	28	15	27	20			
IMP -		40	30	29	18	17	36	20	29	22	33	17	32	39	48	35	29	23	24	20	37	28	24	63	35	48	38			

Bd	DATUM	NETORA		NANIWADA		GOOD LUCK		KATSUMATA		MY-BRIDGE		COSMOS		KINKI		ATHENS		MATSUBARA		KONISHI		FAIRY TALE		POODLE		AKQ			
		N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W	N-S	E-W		
1	70	2	-2	-5	-2	-3	-2	2	-3	2	3	1	-2	2	3	3	2	-3	3	2	3	2	3	-3	-2	2	3		
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