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Junior Internationals 2005 Amsterdam

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Result SWISS TEAMS

- 1: Norway
- 2: Andreas
- 3: England

BIDDING QUIZ

Rutger van Mechelen from Belgium had a tough bidding decision. Like always on hands with a solid ten card suit!

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

North/none

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	1 ♥	3 ♠	???

What is your bid?

DECLARER PLAY QUIZ

Some good bridge was played by as well Lars K Nielsen (Denmark) as west who was outgunned by Ran Gruneberg as declarer.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	1 ♣	pass	1 ♥
1 NT	dbl	2 ♦	2 ♥
pass	4 ♥	pass	pass
pass			

North/north-south NORTH
♠ K 5 3
♥ A 9 6 5
♦ K J 10
♣ A K 5

SOUTH
♠ A 6 4 2
♥ Q J 10 8 2
♦ 6 3
♣ 4 2

Against 4♥, west leads ♦2. How did south, Ran(40 years ago a strong junior) play this hand.

Solution to Belgian bidding quiz :

Rutger van Mechelen jumped all the way to 6♣, not showing any fear of two possible losers in spades. Right he was. The dummy:

♠ A 8 5
♥ A K 9 6 3 2
♦ J 8 2
♣ 7

A nice result and the Belgian pair only wanted to know how they should or could have bid the grand.

Solution to declarer play quiz:

How did you play the 4♥ in de declarer play quiz? Lars K Nielsen produced a very nice effort in underleading ♦A. He was however honoured by declarer who put up ♦K and made his contract. Well played by all.

North/north-south	NORTH	
	♠ K 5 3	
	♥ A 9 6 5	
	♦ K J 10	
	♣ A K 5	
WEST		EAST
♠ V 10 9 8		♠ J 7
♥ 4		♥ K 7 3
♦ A 7 6 5 4 2		♦ Q 9 8
♣ Q 10 6		♣ J 9 8 7 3
	SOUTH	
	♠ A 6 4 2	
	♥ Q J 10 8 2	
	♦ 6 3	
	♣ 4 2	

Tim Heeres of the Netherlands was pleased by the way he made a tricky 4♠ contract.

East/all	NORTH	
	♠ 9 6 3	
	♥ 8 5 3 2	
	♦ K	
	♣ A Q J 9 2	
WEST		EAST
♠ K		♠ A 2
♥ Q J		♥ K 10 6 4
♦ J 10 9 7 5		♦ Q 8 6 4 2
♣ 10 8 7 6 3		♣ K 5
	SOUTH	
	♠ Q J 10 8 7 5 4	
	♥ A 9 7	
	♦ A 3	
	♣ 4	

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
3 ♦	3 ♠	1 ♦	1 ♠
pass	pass	pass	4 ♠

The lead against 4♠ was ♥Q an declarer had to cope with two losers in spades plus two losers in hearts. He ducked the first trick and took ♥J with the ace. Then he played ♣A followed by ♣Q. East covered with ♣K and south ruffed. Diamond to ♦K and ♣Q. If east ruffs with ♠A declarer throws the heart loser; if east ruffes low declarer overruffs and ♠A and ♠K crash.