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THE FUTURE'S BRIGHT, THE FUTURE'S ORANGE! LA BELLE FRANCE! FORZA ITALIA!



Congratulations to the three new Team Champions at the European Open.

Team Orange: Ton Bakkeren, Huub Bertens, Jan Jansma, Bauke Muller, Louk Verhees, Simon de Wijs.

D'Ovidio: Catherine d'Ovidio, Daniele Gaviard, Bénédicte Cronier, Sylvie Willard.

Fornaciari: Ezio Fornaciari, Carlo Mariani, Adriano Abate, Fabrizio Morelli, Marco Ricciarelli, Franco Baroni.

Schedule of Play

10.30 Open/Women/Senior Pairs
Semifinal A & B Session 2

15.30 Open/Women/Senior Pairs
Semifinal A & B Session 3

Medal Presentations

If you are leaving before the ceremony on Saturday evening you must tell Silvia Valentini at the Bridge Shop no later than this afternoon so that your medal can be formally awarded at 10.00 on Friday before the Press Conference in Salon 5, Palma de Mallorca, opposite the Press Room.

Victory Banquet

The Victory Banquet desk located at the 'Shop desk' in front of the 'Taberna Andaluza' will open on Thursday 30 June at 10.00.

All players are kindly requested to collect their invitations before 20.00 on Friday 1 July presenting their badges.

Tickets for wives, companions and friends are also available from the shop desk priced at Euro 50 each.

Please do not forget to take your invitation with you, otherwise you will not be able to enter the Roman Pool area.

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Prize Giving Ceremony and Victory Banquet

The Prize giving and the Victory Banquet will be held in the Roman Pool area, on Saturday July 2nd

Programme

8.20 please present your invitation card at the entrance and take your place at the dinner table.

8.30 Prize Giving

At the end enjoy the Victory Banquet!
Please be punctual !

The following will be awarded:

-The 3 best classified Teams in Senior-Women - Open Categories. (Titles and medals)

-The 3 best classified Pairs in each category (Titles and Medals)

-The 3 best classified Pairs in the Finals

B&C

-Trophies to the 3 best classified European Pairs in each Category, coming from Europe - same country.

European Trophy to the Federation

Replicas to the Players.

- Overall Cash Prizes

The 3 best classified Player in each category will be called up to the podium to receive their prizes.

The players classified from the 4th on, are kindly requested to get their prizes at the Cybele Room (registration), on Saturday 2nd, from 7.30 to 8.30 pm.

EBL Press Conference

A press conference will be held by the EBL President Gianarrigo Rona on Friday 1 July 2005, at 10.30 am, in Salon 5 - Palma de Mallorca, just opposite the Press Room.

Remembering André Boekhorst

Following the Press Conference, a short ceremony will take place in the same room, dedicated to the memory of

André Boekhorst

former EBL President.

Journalists, EBL & NBO officials as well as any other interested person are welcome to attend these events.

Open Teams Round of 16: Orange I v Zimmermann

by Jos Jacobs

On Monday afternoon, two of the strongest teams who had made it to the last 16 had to meet: Orange I, the Dutch National Team in Malmö, would play a team consisting of Fantoni-Nunes, Quantin-Multon and Saporta-Zimmermann. For the first segment, Bertens-Bakkeren would face Saporta-Zimmermann in the Open Room, whereas Fantoni-Nunes would take on Jansma-Verhees in the Closed Room.

Action right on the first board:

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Saporta	Bertens	Zimmermann	Bakkeren
Pass	I ♦	I ♠	Pass
2♣	2♦	3♦	3♥
3NT	Dble	All Pass	

When West elected to show his clubs first rather than double, the spades got lost when East, as a consequence of having made an opening bid, logically rebid his good six-card suit. West probably should have bid 3♠ as his partner could well have four of them.

The defence against 3NT was easy enough: low heart lead, on which South played the queen and West the king. When the first diamond won the trick, declarer could have cashed out for down two, but when he played to establish clubs, North took the second round, cashed the ♦A and played the ♥J and another heart. Down three for +500, a very good start for Orange I.

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Jansma	Fantoni	Verhees	Nunes
Pass	Pass	2♥	
Pass	4♥	Dble	Pass
4♣	All Pass		

A great action by Verhees at his second turn. He passed in second position, unlike his French counterpart, but when Fantoni raised to 4♥ on his passed hand, East realised that action might well be required. Right he was, and Jansma happily bid 4♣.

The board would still have been a substantial gain had Jansma gone down in 4♣, but he managed to make the contract with some good play:

Heart lead to the ace and the ♣Q back. He won the ace, discarded a club on the ♥K and led a diamond. North rose with the ace and played another heart, tapping dummy. The ♦K

was ruffed and overruffed with the jack, and next the ♣J was successfully run. On the next club Jansma discarded from dummy when North did not cover, South ruffing. The heart return was ruffed in dummy, declarer discarding a club, a diamond was ruffed and the ♠K cashed, drawing South's last trump. Contract made now with the ♦Q and the ♠A good for tricks 9 and 10. Another +420 and 14 IMPs for Orange I.

leaving the blank ♥Q and the ♦Ax in dummy with North to discard from ♥Ax and ♦KJ. By finding this nice strip squeeze Verhees brought home his game and earned his side another substantial swing, 10 IMPs this time. The score now: 25-0.

A few boards later, the same weak NT brought Fantoni-Nunes a much needed success:

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

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

Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Saporta	Bertens	Zimmermann	Bakkeren
Pass	I ♦	I ♠	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♥	Pass
4♣	All Pass		

The French did well to stop in 3♠ as game will be defeated easily if South leads his partner's suit. In fact he did, but Bertens, defending 3♠, did not bother to cash his ♥AK and wait for his club trick, so an overtrick was made.

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Jansma	Fantoni	Verhees	Nunes
Pass	INT	2♠	Pass
4♣	All Pass		

After Fantoni's weak NT, Nunes had a blind lead and, not unreasonably, put the ♥10 on the table. This gave declarer a chance and Verhees immediately seized it. Dummy's jack was taken by the king and Fantoni's only safe exit was a spade. After drawing two rounds of trumps declarer played ♣A and a club to the nine, Fantoni winning the king. Once again, he had no useful card to play, so he exited with a club. When the suit broke 3-3, declarer could cross in trumps, cash the club throwing a red loser on it and play off the last trump,



Pierre ZIMMERMANN, Switzerland

After the natural I♦ opening, East could just find a double that made it easy for West to jump to game. Saporta had to play well to make his game, but he did. The ♣10 lead was covered by the queen and ace. South returned the ♦2 to the ten and ace. As the clubs appeared to be 6-2, North's distribution might well be 3-3-5-2, so Saporta next played a spade to the ace and a spade to the jack. When the ♥K was well placed too, as could be expected, he was home and dry for a fine +620 to his team. A swing seemed likely.

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Jansma	Fantoni	Verhees	Nunes
Pass	INT	Pass	2NT
3♣	All Pass		

And it duly came when Verhees did not bother to overcall with any major-suit gadget on his flat 12-count. The contract went one down, but 11 IMPs went to Zimmermann.

Zimmermann almost equalised in spectacular fashion on board 12:

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Saporta	Bertens	Zimmermann	Bakkeren
Jansma	Fantoni	Verhees	Nunes
Pass	Pass	INT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

The bidding was simple at both tables, but the declarer play made a difference of 9 tricks!

Nunes in the Closed Room led a top spade and continued with a low spade won by Verhees. To him a successful double finesse in clubs looked like the best chance; this probably is the best practical chance. When this lost to Fantoni's queen, a diamond came back, so the defenders had three more spades and six diamonds for an unusual down seven. Zimmermann +350.

Bakkeren in the Open Room led a low spade, won by Zimmermann who proceeded to cash his hearts, awaiting developments. Right he was, as South was well and truly squeezed. He first discarded his two low diamonds but he had no good discard on the last heart. If he throws a spade, declarer can play a low diamond from hand felling the ace and thus establishing the ♦K as his 9th trick. If he throws a club, as he in fact did, dummy's long suit will produce five more tricks. So Zimmermann scored a magnificent and maybe a little unexpected +460 and 13 IMPs as well. The score was now 25-24 for Orange.

The hand is actually a beauty. South can discard in many ways, but East always has an answer. If, for example, South holds on to two diamonds and thus discards one more spade, he can be thrown in with the third club to cash his spades and present declarer with his 9th trick as he has to give him the ♦K. There are many more variations, of course.

More strange things occurred on the next board, the dreaded no. 13:

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Saporta	Bertens	Zimmermann	Bakkeren
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♠
	2♠	All Pass	

West led the ♦Q which was allowed to hold. On the shift to the ♥10, Bakkeren put up dummy's king which lost to the ace. Zimmermann returned his singleton club. Dummy's ace won, but when Bakkeren next tried to cash dummy's other top club the roof fell in. Zimmermann ruffed, cashed the ♦A, gave his partner a diamond ruff and over-ruffed dummy on the ensuing club return. Another diamond was ruffed in hand by declarer with his ♣K, so a trick had to be lost to

the ♠Q as well for down three, Zimmerman +300.

At the other table, they had much higher ambitions:

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Jansma	Fantoni	Verhees	Nunes
INT	Pass	2♣	
Pass	2♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

East was on lead here, so the defence was much more difficult. He led his singleton club won by declarer who next cashed a top spade and crossed in clubs, probably to finesse spades. Verhees ruffed this, however, and next underled his ♥A, no doubt hoping to get a diamond through. Fantoni won his ♥K and promptly finessed in spades. He drew the last trump, discarded his hearts on the ♣QJ and led a diamond up. The ♦10 thus became the game-going trick. Nicely done and another +620 for Zimmermann, who now led 38-25.

The halftime score was 38-30 as the Dutch had managed to make INT at both tables on board 14.

For the second half there were changes in both teams. De Wijs-Muller would replace Bertens-Bakkeren in the Open Room and Quantin-Multon would replace Saporta-Zimmermann and change rooms as well. It turned out to be a rather unspectacular set of deals, mainly partscores, on which the Dutch did slightly better than their opponents.

Some small pickups had given them a 6-IMP lead, the score standing at 48-42, when the penultimate board arrived:

Board 27. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Nunes	De Wijs	Fantoni	Muller
Pass	1♠	Pass	Pass
INT	Pass	2♥	All Pass

Another quiet partscore and +110 to Zimmermann.

In the other room, the Dutch were very enterprising. As 11 H.C.P. represents an opening bid for them and as an opening bid plus an opening bid means the partnership should



end up in game, this was their auction:

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Jansma	Quantin	Verhees	Multon
1♦	1♠	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

If you bid like this, you have to play well, but Jansma rose to the occasion and brought home his contract in a very elegant way.

He won the ♠Q lead with the ace and immediately advanced the ♥Q. This happens to be the technically correct way to tackle the suit and this time too, it worked. Quantin did not cover, so next came a heart to the 10, the ♥A and a heart to North's king.

Quantin could already feel an endplay coming, but he did his best by playing the ♣Q (!). When Jansma immediately won the ace and led the ♣10 back, Quantin was once again on lead. With only spades and diamonds left, he elected to cash the ♦A and play another diamond rather than lead a spade into declarer's spade tenace. Close analysis reveals, however, that a spade was the only way to set the contract. On the other hand, Jansma could have made sure of his contract by leading the ♣6 rather than the ♣10 after winning the ♣A!. But that was far from obvious and it's fair to say that Jansma did very well, gaining a 7-IMP swing for his team to put the match out of reach with one board to play. The final score: 57-42 to the Orange I team.

Message to all the Senior Players

Göran Mattsson

Chairman of the EBL Seniors Committee



Dear Friends,

As you know the European Bridge League has its own web site at www.eurobridge.org. What you may not know is that, within the site, we have built a special section about Seniors.

There we intend to create various sections:

- Composition of the EBL Seniors Committee
- Contact addresses
- Chairman's communications
- European Championships and Events specifically for Senior Players.
- Calendar

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Bridge, Zia...and You!

by Ace Ventura

Round of 32: Panahpour vs Auken

Some of you must have read the book, 'Bridge, Zia... and Me!'. We could not afford a follow-up by the author Michael Rosenberg, so here is the Tenerife-version - Bridge, Zia... and You!

You will be given some of Zia's hands to see if you can do any better than him. All hands are from the match in the Round of 32 between Panahpour, including the bridge star Zia Mahmood, and Jens Auken's Danish squad. After a first flat board Panahpour scored 3 IMPs on board two.

This was the third hand:

♠ A Q J 8 7
♥ Q 10 8 6 5
♦ A K 9
♣ -

West	North	East	South
			3♣
Pass	5♣	?	

Some kind of action is needed. Do you double, bid 6♣ or do you fancy something else?

Board 3. Dealer South. EW Vul.

♠ 9 3
♥ K 3
♦ J 4 3 2
♣ A 10 9 8 4

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

Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Robson	Kampmann	Zia	Auken
			3♣
Pass	5♣	Dble	All Pass

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Schultz	King	Christiansen	M. Panahpour

I♣	I♦	I♥	I♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
1♣	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♦	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♥	Pass
4♦	All Pass		

A small slam can be made easily in either major but how to get there? Jens Auken found a well-timed 3♣ preempt on a six-card suit and Nikolai Kampmann efficiently found a preemptive raise to 5♣. Now Zia, seating East, didn't have an easy choice. In a guessing situation like this you might as well go for the big money and bid 6♣ - but this time West might scent a grand around the corner. Zia doubled, as many of us would have done under normal circumstances, but Andrew Robson slightly pessimistically passed. The club lead was won in dummy, Auken then played a diamond and Zia rose with the king. The aces of spades and diamonds were cashed and Zia then played a spade to Robson's ten. Declarer was now put to the test by a vicious switch to a low heart. However, Auken avoided going for -800 when he read the situation correctly and rose with the king and that was down three for -500.

In the Closed Room Martin Schultz/Soren Christiansen stopped in game, even though they could explore using their relay methods without any interference. East opened a strong club, I♦ was 6-9, I♣ game-forcing, 2♣ showed either a balanced hand or an unbalanced with at least 4-4 in the majors, and then 2♠ showed diamonds. A couple of cuebids followed after 3♣ and it might have been sensible for East to continue with 5♣. Nonetheless, 4♣ with two overtricks was worth 5 IMPs to the Danes.

King/Phanapour went down in a decent 6♦ on board 4 while Auken/Kampmann stopped in game at the other table; 13 IMPs to Auken. Two pushes had follow and the next big swing came. This was the complete deal. It's your turn again to take Zia's place.

♠ A K 9 4
♥ 8 4
♦ A J 9 7 6
♣ A 5

West	North	East	South
			Pass
I♣	I♣	2♦	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♥	Dble
Redble	Pass	?	

The redouble shows some values in hearts. What the ***...Did you really bid 3♥ with two small only? Yes, you have to remember you're now Zia, full of ideas. Your genius bid might have avoided a heart lead through dummy's honour, for instance if South holds something like five to the Q-J-10, dummy king third and North ace third. Man or mouse - are you going for the diamond slam or not?

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

♠ J 10 8 6 3 2
♥ 6 5
♦ 10
♣ K Q 9 2

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

Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Robson	Kampmann	Zia	Auken
			INT
Pass	5♣	Dble	All Pass

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Schultz	King	Christiansen	M. Panahpour

I♣	I♦	I♥	I♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
1♣	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♦	Pass
Redble	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♣	Dble	Rdbl	Pass
5♦	Pass	6♦	All Pass

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Schultz	King	Christiansen	M. Panahpour

I♥	I♦	I♣	I♠
Pass	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Schultz/Christiansen didn't have lofty ambitions and reached game in no trumps. West had shown a canapé in hearts and clubs and East forced to game. Declarer made an overtrick on a heart

lead.

Zia wanted more, so he psyched 3♥ then asked for aces. 5♣ showed one ace and Kampmann doubled. A redouble by Zia presumably showed a control in the suit. After Robson's cuebid of 5♥ game was no longer an option. Dummy didn't have the right honours this time and the contract was doomed to go down since the trump suit had to be played for no losers, impossible today.

We could be wise after the fact and say that EW can avoid the slam if East bids 3♣, instead of a slightly hasty 4NT. When West then cannot make a cue-bid in clubs, it is unlikely that a slam will make. Zia, though, had decided to bid the slam from the start and wanted to make things difficult for the defence. Better luck next time, all you men out there!

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Robson	Kampmann	Zia	Auken
			INT
Pass	5♣	Dble	All Pass

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Schultz	King	Christiansen	M. Panahpour

I♣	I♦	I♥	I♠
Pass	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♠	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Robson opened INT and was left to play there; EW +150.

In the Closed Room Schultz/Christiansen kept the artificial engine running once again. They exchanged quite a lot of information on the first round of bidding: I♣ was strong, I♦ 6-9 HCP, I♥ relay and I♠ was game forcing with hearts. Schultz then wasted a 'huge amount' of space in the auction as he jumped to 2NT, showing his balanced hand. A Puppet Stayman sequence followed to 3NT.



Zia MAHMOOD, USA

North led a club to the jack and declarer's queen. Schatz played the jack of hearts from hand and as North erred by declining to win the trick, South won the king. Back came the club ten to declarer's ace then another club was won by North, who exited in the same suit to Schatz' winning eight of clubs. Now Schatz was in a good position, and he played a heart up towards dummy. North hopped up with the ace and then played another heart leaving this position:

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

On the thirteenth heart the squeeze works and Schatz read the position well; EW +430 and well-deserved 7 IMPs to Auken.

Are you ready to make another decision? I thought so. Here you are:

♠ A 5
♥ A J 9 4
♦ A Q J 10
♣ 7 6 5

West	North	East	South
1♦	Dble	Pass	
2♥	Pass	?	

Your partner's 2♥ is the expected 0-9 HCPs with four hearts. Sitting East, both sides vulnerable, will you push your cards any further?

The score was 50-6 for Auken when Panahpour struck back on the penultimate board in the first session.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Robson	Kampmann	Zia	Auken
1♦	Dble	Pass	
2♥	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♥	All Pass

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Schultz	King	Christiansen	M. Panahpour
1♦	Dble	Pass	
2♥	All Pass		

Zia did well here by looking for game. Meanwhile Christiansen in the Closed Room passed in the same situation. Schatz collected nine tricks on a diamond lead; would Robson do any better on the same lead? Yes, as the card lay he could take three diamond tricks, a diamond ruff, four heart tricks and the two black aces for +620, and that was 10 IMPs to Panahpour. Nonetheless, Auken was up 33 (50-17) after the first session.

Part two will follow in a later bulletin.

Round Robin 3

Some of the brilliances from the Round Robin and Swiss of the teams were written up and were not featured, due to lack of space. Here they are.

A problem from the Swiss;

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

As East you open 4♠ in second seat at favorable vulnerability, and receive the lead of the ♣3. You play low from dummy and take the ♣K with the ace.

You try a trump to the king, and it holds. Maybe now is the moment to lead a top heart from dummy but instead you prefer to play a second trump. North discards the ♥5 (low for encouraging) and South shifts to a low diamond. You put on the ♦K and it holds. Now you try the ♥K, low on your right, so you ruff and draw the last trump. Now when you advance the ♣9 South wins and leads a low diamond... over to you!

When East reached the critical point of the deal he served that South had already shown up by inference with the aces of spades and hearts and the club queen. If he had the diamond ace as well, he might have doubled 4♠. So the percentages favour putting in the ♦10. Nice reasoning -- up to a point, but something had gone totally wrong with the calculation. This was the full deal.

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

Brad Moss was South and Fred Gitelman North, and both of them had done well in the play, Moss by underleading in diamonds twice and Gitelman by ducking his ♥A in tempo. How had he managed that? Well, he knew that Moss had only three diamonds so East had to have seven spades and three diamonds and at least two clubs. Since declarer would surely have led his heart to dummy at trick two if he had a singleton, a void was the most likely holding.

Brian Senior (playing with Geoff Wolforth) gave me the following problem.

You hold:

♠ 6
♥ A Q 10 4
♦ A K Q 8 4 3 2
♣ 8

With both sides vulnerable, after the auction goes 1♦ by you, 1♠ on your left, INT by partner, 2♥ on your right by your apparently sound opponent. What would your choice be?

Senior chose the agricultural jump to 3NT - not that anything else is much more appealing. The bad news was that he went three down in

3NT with six of a minor cold. The good news...well, have a look at the full deal with the auction from the other table.

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Jagniewski	Al-Shati	Pazur	Isporski
Pass	Pass	1♦	1♠
3♥	4♦	2♥	3♣
Dble	All pass	5♦	6♣

It is hard to blame E/W too much for any of their actions, though a jump to 3♦ by East at his second turn might have led to him playing a partscore! After this start both North and South did remarkably well, to my mind, and the final contract required only a good guess in spades, and Isporski had not come this far to misplay that suit.

A few boards later in the next match the same player had a chance to administer another beating to an opponent he had recently collected a penalty of 2000 against.

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

Some of you may have seen this deal in a different context. When Isporski opened a strong club he knew he was playing against a young and aggressive pair.

West	North	East	South
Schollaardt	Al-Shati	Drijver	Isporski
1♥(1)	Dble	Pass	Pass
2♣	Dble	2♥	Dble

All pass

(1) spades, or four hearts + a minor

Isporski's pass of 1♥ doubled was a gamble, based on his reading of West's temperament. And he had gambled correctly, when West decided his trumps were not good enough to for a double. 2♥ on a trump lead was no fun except for the defenders. Declarer took the second trump and led a diamond to the ♦10 and ♦K, and after one more round of trumps and two clubs, the ♦J held declarer to just three trump tricks: down 1400!

CLASIFICATORIO PAREJAS

Se han disputado ya las 3 sesiones clasificatorias de los respectivos torneos de parejas: Open, Damas y Seniors. En el Open, con una participación de 181 parejas, han pasado para la semifinal un total de 78, entre las que se encuentra la formada por Vincent-Wasik (puesto 48 con un 52.74%) y la de G. Goded-F. Goded (puesto 77 con un 51.31%) mientras que en las Damas de 54 parejas se han clasificado 28, entre ellas N. Almirall-M. Almirall (puesto 2 con un 57.34%), L. Castells-M. Castells (puesto 5 con un 56.33%), Hernández-Mestres (puesto 18 con un 52.95%), León-Hontoria (puesto 19 con un 52.02%) y Franco-Pañella (puesto 27 con un 49.92%).

Mucho suerte en las próximas rondas para todos ellos, así como los que no han podido clasificarse y deben luchar para ser repescados en la semifinal B.

Mano curiosa para la defensa:

Dador Oeste. Todos vulnerables.

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

En la mayoría de las mesas la subasta empezó 1♥ - P - 1♠ - 2♦, pero a partir de allí la subasta de Oeste tomó distintos caminos. Los más prudentes pasaron y defendieron ese contrato (2♦) pero muchos repitieron su palo 6º a corazón, optimistas por la buena colocación de sus honores a ♦ y su ♠A seco. En ese caso, tuvieron que lidiar con el contrato de 2♥ doblados.

La salida en la mesa que yo observaba fue del ♦8 para el ♦A de Sur quien, leyendo la posición del palo, arrastró para el ♥7 y el ♥A de Norte que volvió a arrastrar. Se jugó el ♣2 de trébol para el ♣K y ahora estamos en el momento clave:

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

Si Sur vuelve de ♠ (o de ♦), el declarante puede escapar con una multa. Gana con el ♠A y vuelve del ♣J. Sur debe ganar y jugar otro ♠, fallado. Viene ahora ♥K y ♥ que gana Norte que sólo puede escapar con el K♠. El declarante descarta un diamante y reclama el resto de las bazas para una multa.

Si, en cambio, Sur adelanta el ♠A y vuelve ♠ después, el declarante ya no puede obligar a los contrarios a afirmar el muerto y deberá jugar los diamantes desde su mano. Sur dispondrá de 2 cartas para escapar (el ♠8 y el ♠K) en lugar de una, multando el contrato de 2 bazas. No crea que es una tontería: +200 era una marca de 120 puntos sobre top 178, mientras que +500 valía 157 puntos.

La siguiente mano demuestra que hay que tener suerte en algunas manos, ya que la subasta y el carteо a veces no son suficientes:

Dador Oeste. Norte-Sur vulnerables.

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

Este	Wasik	Oeste	Vincent
Paso	2♦ (1)	Paso	1♠
Paso	2♠	Paso	2♥
Paso	3♥ (3)	Paso	3♦ (2)
Paso	4♣ (5)	Paso	3♠ (4)
Paso	5♥ (7)	Paso	5♦ (6)

Todos pasan

- (1) Natural, forcing a manga
- (2) Corta a diamante
- (3) Control
- (4) Voz de espera para oír el posible control a trébol
- (5) Control
- (6) Fallo a diamante y pregunta sobre el resto de Ases
- (7) Un As de los 4 restantes (incluido el ♠K).

La subasta es muy buena y el contrato es excelente, por lo que habría que esperar una buena nota para N-S. Sin embargo, Vincent no pudo evitar la multa por la mala distribución del ♥ y el triunfo. Con el ♠ 2-2 o bien con el ♥ no peor que 4-2 se cumplía el contrato.

Sin embargo, en 20 mesas el slam fue cumplido (?), seguramente porque cuando el declarante jugó ♦ desde el muerto, Oeste se apresuró a colocar su ♦A. Apuntar +1430 era un 157 sobre 178, mientras que -100 sólo valía 13 puntos de la mano.

Más tarde, nuestra pareja se enfrentó a otro problema de subasta. ¿Qué dice en Sur con las siguientes cartas y la siguiente subasta?

♠ 9 7 2
♥ 5 4 3
♦ A K J 5 2
♣ Q 7

Dador Este. Norte-Sur vulnerables.

Este	Wasik	Oeste	Vincent
Paso	3♦ (1)	2♥	Doblo
Paso	?	Paso	3♥ (2)

(1) Natural, positiva, 8H o más

(2) Pide parada a ♥ para jugar 3ST

Aunque no tengamos parada a ♥, el compañero sí que la puede tener y pedirla porque cree que tal vez sea mejor jugar desde su mano (por ejemplo, si tiene ♥Kxx y busca que sea usted el que reciba la salida con Qx o Qxx).

Pero lo que él no sabe es que nuestro ♦ es tan bueno y por tanto puede ser que con una sola parada podamos ganar 3ST. Entonces, nuestra voz correcta es 3♠. Como aquí no puede ser palo (con 4 cartas a ♠ lo hubiéramos dicho antes, aunque tengamos 5 diamantes), en estas posiciones es una voz conocida como "the last train" (el último tren), es decir, el último intento de jugar 3ST. La mano completa:

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

Aunque 3ST es el contrato ganador a cartas vistas, yo comparto la decisión final de Norte de no subastarlo. Hay 2 motivos principales: por un lado, sólo tenemos 2 corazones de As (otra cosa sería tener Axx) y por tanto sólo podremos ceder una vez (cambie un corazón de Sur por un trébol de Este y verá como cambiamos un 3ST = por un 3ST -3); por otro lado, nos faltan Ases en los palos laterales (cambie ♠KQ y ♠KJ por ♠A y ♠A en Norte y verá que se juega más tranquilo).

Por tanto, Norte subastó 4♦, para una nota de 111 puntos sobre 178. Los osados que cantaron 3ST, sin embargo, se vieron recompensados con 151 puntos. Por cierto, si jugara este contrato debe jugar antes un pic y después ceder el ♠A. De lo contrario, ♠Q cedida y ♠K daría oportunidad a Este de jugar ♠A y trébol mientras conserva el ♠A para multar con 3 bazas a ♠, 1 en ♥ y el ♠A.

En el momento de escribir estas líneas se está disputando la primera sesión de la semifinal A.



Arturo WASIK, Spain

'We played the same fouled board'

Board 17

Those of you watching the KO semifinal on the Internet might remember that strange actions were taken on board 17. The reason is that board 17 had to be changed at the last minute, since it was shown on the screen for a couple of seconds during the previous session.

Ton Kooijman

Open Teams Final

Team	(1-14)	(15-28)	(29-42)	Total
Miroglio	11	12	-	23
Team Orange I	54	49	-	103

Women Teams Final

Team	(1-14)	(15-28)	(29-42)	Total
Weber	45	13	41	99
D'Ovidio	57	38	44	139

Senior Teams Final

Team	(1-14)	(15-28)	(29-42)	Total
Szenberg	11	49	25	85
Fornaciari	70	2	78	150

Women Pairs Qualifier

Rank	Name	%
1	Gabriella OLIVIERI - Gianna ARRIGONI	60.09
2	Nuria ALMIRALL - Marta ALMIRALL	57.33
3	Ilaria SACCAVINI - Simonetta PAOLUZI	57.16
4	Lone BILDE - Marianne RASMUSSEN	56.62
5	Marina CASTELLS - Laura CASTELLS-CONRAD	56.34
6	Sandra PENFOLD - Nevena SENIOR	56.29
7	Maryse LEENHARDT - Fabienne PIGEAUD	56.09
8	Cristina GOLIN - Emanuela CAPRIATA	55.72
9	Ann Karin FUGLESTAD - Marianne HARDING	54.66
10	Angela De BIASIO - Donatella GIGLIOTTI	54.60
11	Rita FEDERICO - Marisa CATTANEO BUFFA	54.59
12	Christine LUSTIN - Minnie TANANBAUM	54.31
13	Gabriella MANARA - Caterina FERLAZZO	53.85
14	Margaretha EHLIN - Christina AHL	53.84
15	Ewa MISZEWSKA - Jolanta KROGULSKA	53.50
16	Monica BURATTI - Darinka FORTI	53.41
17	Maddalena SEVERGNINI - Luigina GENTILI	52.95
18	Maria Eugenia HERNANDEZ - Montserrat MESTRES	52.93
19	Pilar LEON - Pilar G HONTORIA	52.05
20	Katalin MEZEI - Eva CSIBY	51.96
21	Pietra COSTANZO - Giuseppina VALENZA	51.18
22	Martine ROSSARD - Elisabeth HUGON	50.85
23	Daniela BIRMAN - Ruth LEVIT-PORAT	50.39
24	Heather DHONDY - Nicola SMITH	50.19
25	Marta FRANCO - Ana PANELLA	49.97
26	Rosa CORCHIA - Rita PASQUARE	49.95
27	Patsy MEEHAN - Rose O'FARRELL	49.94
28	Petra Von MALCHUS - Annaig JACQUEMARD	49.80
29	Pernille LINDAAS - Inger HJELLEMARKEN	49.53
30	Emer JOYCE - Joan KENNY	49.48
31	Maria Cristina PERLINI - Lea M STACCHINI	48.93
32	Maria PEL - Paula SPIL	48.76
33	Kath NELSON - Rhona GOLDENFIELD	48.63
34	Mariella PAPARO - Irene BARONI	48.30
35	Maria De GOETZEN - Emma RICCIO	48.18
36	Eva SARMIENTO - Carmelina, De La FE	47.88
37	Emanuela FUSARI - Paola SCALAMOGNA	47.86
38	Anni KOVACHEVA - Roz WOLFARTH	47.85
39	Merih TOKCAN - Mine BABAC	46.53
40	Noreen PENDER - Gilda PENDER	46.41
41	Aase LANGELAND - Tone-Torkelsen SVENDSEN	46.21
42	Ann FITZGERALD - Lucy PHELAN	46.06
43	Malgorzata JELENIEWSKA - Anna GRUNT	46.05
44	Patrizia CECCONI - Paola RONCHI	45.75
45	Stine HOLMOY - Maja Rom ANJER	45.61
46	Marietta ANDREE - Anila BAHAL	44.89
47	Carla COMPARINI - Enrica DIAMANTI	44.61
48	Joyce BENSON - Michele ALEXANDER	44.29
49	Anna Maria TROTTA - Roberta LANZILLI	44.21
50	Caterina CERCIELLO - Camilla PAOLINI	43.21
51	Adriana SALINAS - Miriam ROSENBERG	43.17
52	Judi RADIN - Virginia CAVE	43.11
53	Patrizia LOMBARDI - Francesca MARANI	43.01
54	Aoife MACHALE - Antoinette MCGEE	41.42

Senior Pairs Qualifier

1	Jim ROBISON - John ONSTOTT	56.56
2	Kaare KNUTSEN - Harald NORDBY	55.39
3	Willem BOEGEM - Onno JANSSENS	55.07
4	Lino VANINI - Enrico LONGINOTTI	55.01
5	Roman BUDZIK - Walter HOEGER	54.95
6	John HASSETT - Bill HIRST	54.86
7	Roman KIERZNOWSKI - Krzysztof SIKORSKI	54.01
8	Eugenio METE - Massimo IANNETTI	53.94
9	Loek VERHEES SR - Hans WOENSEL VAN	53.83
10	Pierre D'OVIDIO - Marie Louize DAS	53.19
11	Elizabeth McGOWAN - Ken BAXTER	52.90
12	Jan SUCHAKIEWICZ - Stefan KOWALCZYK	52.35
13	Ross HARPER - Paul D HACKETT	52.24
14	Erik de JONGH - Elly SCHIPPERS-BOSKLOPPER	52.21
15	Wlodek BUZE - Zdzislaw KOWALEWSKI	51.89
16	Hanspeter BOESIGER - Walter SPENGLER	51.85
17	David A JACKSON - Greer MCKENZIE	51.70
18	Jean- Claude FOUASSIER - Marianne SERF	51.48
19	Jaap TROUWBORST - Nico DOREMANS	51.28
20	Vincenzo DI GIROLAMO - Franco SANTOLINI	51.11
21	Roger JACKSON - Anthony N GORDON	50.45
22	Gerry LINK - Luciano CARONI	50.45
23	Jozef POCHRON - Kazimierz OMERNIK	49.95
24	Zdzislaw LASZCZAK - Jan KANDYBOWICZ	49.86
25	Niels Joergen TOBIASEN - Erik LUND	49.60
26	Koos VRIEZE - Harry PEPPEL	49.57
27	Piet BORST - Gerrit KAMERBEEK	49.51
28	Kazimierz PUCZYNSKI - Henryk KOSIANKO	49.48
29	Marie-France RENOIX - Antoine DELCOURT	49.26
30	David LIGGAT - Roy BENNETT	48.78
31	Ursula FLEISCHMANN - Alfred FLEISCHMANN	47.89
32	Eduardo MOLERO - Josefina MANGLANO	47.45
33	Nicole SCHULMANN - Jacques GONFREVILLE	46.62
34	Antonio De SANDRO - Renata CROCOLI	46.30
35	Antonio LATESSA - Mario MAGGIO	46.28
36	Andrzej GORZYNSKI - Wieslaw MALACZYNKI	45.95
37	Ruth LEVKOFF - Rita SEAMON	45.95
38	Danielle AVON - Lewis KAPLAN	45.92
39	Michael MCDONAGH - Sean O'LUBAIGH	45.43
40	Joseph FREI - Hugo IMHOFF	45.13
41	Mike HIRST - Patrick JOURDAIN	42.95
42	Sergio ARNABOLDI - Giovanni TURLETTI TOLA	42.30
43	Maria FLEISCHMANN - Herbert FINZ	39.62

Women Semifinal A Session I

Rank	Name	%
1	Maria ERHART - Jovanka SMEDEREVAC	59.62
2	Angela De BIASIO - Donatella GIGLIOTTI	59.31
3	Marion MICHAELSEN - Martine VERBEEK	59.01
4	Gabriella OLIVIERI - Gianna ARRIGONI	58.20
5	Susanne KRIFTNER - Chantal HAMMERLI	58.10
6	Femke HOOGWEG - Wietske Van ZWOL	57.19
7	Heather DHONDY - Nicola SMITH	55.97
8	Lynn BAKER - Karen (kate) MCCALLUM	55.77
9	Rosa CORCHIA - Rita PASQUARE	55.57
10	Christina AHL - Margaretha EHLIN	53.85
11	Daniela BIRMAN - Ruth LEVIT-PORAT	53.64
12	Victoria GROMOVA - Tatiana PONOMAREVA	52.94
13	Sandra PENFOLD - Nevena SENIOR	52.94
14	Marina CASTELLS - Laura CASTELLS-CONRAD	52.63
15	Anna SZCZEPANSKA - Ewa SOBOLEWSKA	51.92
16	Maria Eugenia HERNANDEZ - Montserrat MESTRES	51.72
17	Christine LUSTIN - Minnie TANANBAUM	51.52
18	Martine ROSSARD - Elisabeth HUGON	50.51
19	Gabriella MANARA - Caterina FERLAZZO	50.30
20	Marianne RASMUSSEN - Lone BILDE	50.00
21	Nuria ALMIRALL - Marta ALMIRALL	49.60
22	Ilaria SACCAVINI - Simonetta PAOLUZI	49.60
23	Sylvia TERRANEO - Terry WEIGKRICH	49.49
24	Ewa HARASIMOWICZ - Małgorzata PASTERNAK	48.99
25	Fabienne PIGEAUD - Maryse LEENHARDT	48.58
26	Marleen VAN GELDER - Monique VAN DE SANDE	48.38
27	Jet PASMAN - Anneke SIMONS	48.18
28	Cristina GOLIN - Emanuela CAPRIATA	47.47
29	Rita FEDERICO - Marisa CATTANEO BUFFA	46.66
30	Marianne HARDING - Ann Karin FUGLESTAD	46.56
31	Pietra COSTANZO - Giuseppina VALENZA	45.45
32	Marta FRANCO - Ana PANELLA	44.13
33	Katalin MEZEI - Eva CSIBY	44.03
34	Ewa MISZEWSKA - Jolanta KROGULSKA	44.03
35	Darinka FORTI - Monica BURATTI	43.93
36	Petra Von MALCHUS - Annaig JACQUEMARD	43.52
37	Pilar LEON - Pilar G HONTORIA	42.21
38	Maddalena SEVERGNINI - Luigina GENTILI	40.99
39	Anna SARNIAK - Grazyna BREWIAK	40.38
40	Patsy MEEHAN - Rose O'FARRELL	37.15

Women Semifinal B Session I

Rank	Name	%
1	Tone-Torkelsen SVENDSEN - Aase LANGELAND	65.29
2	Gilda PENDER	

Open Pairs Qualifier final results

Rank	Name	%	61	Tomasz PILCH - Leszek SZTYRAK	52.10	122	Frances HINDEN - Jeff ALLERTON	48.37
1	Carlo CARPENTIERI - Mario GUARINO	59.18	62	Christophe MARRO - Stephane SANT	52.07	123	Krzysztof KUJAWA - Slawomir OLECH	48.29
2	Arno LINDEMANN - Martin SCHIFKO	58.20	63	Pierre-jean LOUCHART - Jean-Louis STOPPA	52.03	124	Prit HALLER - Vassili LEVENKO	48.21
3	Tony FORRESTER - Jack MIZEL	58.18	64	Bengt-erik EFRAIMSSON - Anders MORATH	51.98	125	Domenico CHIARO - Mario BACCETTI	47.92
4	Tom TOWNSEND - David GOLD	57.71	65	Grzegorz LEWACIAK - Tomasz KRYSZTOFIAK	51.97	126	Tony CUENCA - Michel HIRCHENAUT	47.87
5	Jurek CZYZOWICZ - Darren WOLPERT	57.45	66	Dominique BEAUMIER - Alain NAHMIAS	51.83	127	Michel BESSIS - Thomas BESSIS	47.80
6	Johan UPMARK - Tobias TORNVIST	57.16	67	Jerzy KOZYCKOWSKI - Laszlo GOTTHARD	51.73	128	Balazs SZEGEDI - Mate MRAZ	47.80
7	Sjoert BRINK - Ricco Van PROOIJEN	56.97	68	Vladis Nikolov ISPORSKI - Valentin Ivan KOVACHEV	51.50	129	Robin FELLUS - Giuseppe DELLE CAVE	47.66
8	Piotr BIZON - Michal KWIECIEŃ	56.72	69	Piotr WALCZAK - Wojciech ROZWADOWSKI	51.50	130	Dominique PILON - Gerard IZISEL	47.64
9	Josef ROLL - Ilan BAREKET	56.06	70	Tom HOILAND - Nils Kare KVANGRAVEN	51.44	131	Rudy MASCARUCCI - Giacinto PARRELLA	47.56
10	Vincent KROES - Jan Van CLEEFF	55.96	71	Ulf NILSSON - Leif BREMARK	51.42	132	Geoffrey WOLFARTH - Brian SENIOR	47.52
11	Barbara CESARI - Francesco NATALE	55.93	72	Wojciech OLANSKI - Włodzimierz STARKOWSKI	51.42	133	Maciej WRECZYCKI - Stanislaw GOLEBIOWSKI	47.49
12	Jean-Paul BALIAN - Philippe TOFFIER	55.92	73	Miklos DUMBOVICH - Gabor WINKLER	51.40	134	Paulo SARMENTO - Antonio PALMA	47.44
13	Alexander DUBININ - Andrei GROMOV	55.21	74	Jim SEXTON - Terry WALSH	51.32	135	Jan-olov ANDERSSON - Goeran PETERSON	47.30
14	Waleed El AHMADI - Tarek SADEK	55.14	75	Cezary BALICKI - Tomasz SIELICKI	51.25	136	Ann-mari MIRKOVIC - Stein Atle JUVIK	47.27
15	Thierry De SAINTE MARIE - Marc BOMPIS	55.10	76	Ata AYDIN - Ildeniz OZAN UCAN	51.20	137	Gilles-Ren QUERAN - Bogdan MARINA	47.27
16	Ivan NANEV - Ilia VASILEV	55.06	77	Claude DELMOULY - Iain SIME	51.17	138	Luc DE MESMAECKER - Eric DEBUS	47.19
17	Simon GILLIS - Boye BROGELAND	54.95	78	Lars-Goran EHLIN - Per JANSSON	51.11	139	Tormod ROREN - Odin SVENDSEN	47.11
18	Bartosz CHMURSKI - Mariusz PUCZYNSKI	54.89	79	Furio DI BELLO - Stelio DI BELLO	51.08	140	Mehmet EKSIOLGU - Temel AKSOY	47.00
19	Andrzej JASZCZAK - Konrad ARASZKIEWICZ	54.65	80	Lorenzo STOPPINI - Leonardo CIMA	50.96	141	David MOSSOP - Gojko ZIVKOVIC	46.98
20	Albert BITRAN - Jean-pierre ROCAFORT	54.62	81	Gonzalo GODED MERINO - Federico GODED	50.95	142	Antonio CACCIAPUOTI - Manlio TOMASSINI	46.91
21	Desislava Borissova POPOVA - R.G. GUNEV	54.58	82	Hani DAGHER - Magy NADIM	50.82	143	Ingvar ERGA - Fred Arne MOEN	46.90
22	Asbjorn KINDSBEKKEN - Ole BERSET	54.41	83	Marcin KRUPOWICZ - Piotr LUTOSTANSKI	50.82	144	Matilde LONGHI - Mario D'AGOSTINO	46.89
23	Arne LARSSON - Pia ANDERSSON	54.26	84	Ferenc ZOLD - Gyorgy MARJAI	50.72	145	Didier MASSE - Philippe MARILL	46.68
24	Vladimir MIHOV - Julian STEFANOV	54.15	85	Pierre ZIMMERMANN - Pierre SAPORTA	50.68	146	Gyorgy SZALAY - Peter LAKATOS	46.51
25	Joao Maria LARA - Manuel D'orey CAPUCHO	53.88	86	Edouard BEAUILLAIN - Marlene DUGUET	50.62	147	Epko STEINMETZ - Anton van UITERT	46.50
26	Andrew ROBSON - Moza PANAHPOUR	53.86	87	Jacques HENRI - Jean-pierre LAFOURCADE	50.61	148	Victor MILMAN - David KENDRICK	46.34
27	Bas DRIJVER - Maarten SCHOLLAARDT	53.85	88	Jacek PSZCZOLA - Vytattas VAINIKONIS	50.61	149	Maurice PANIS - Lea HESS	46.33
28	Entscho WLADOW - Michael ELINESCU	53.77	89	Herve VINCIGUERRA - Christian MARI	50.50	150	Dmitri PROKHOROV - Igor CURLIN	46.29
29	Tor HELNESS - Rune HAUGE	53.75	90	Pascal RINGUET - Cornel TEODORESCU	50.36	151	Gadi LEIBOVITZ - Josef ZWILLINGER	46.14
30	Verino CALDARELLI - Bruno SAPUTI	53.71	91	Jim KREKORIAN - Drew CASEN	50.27	152	Georges JAUNIAUX - Philippe BUSQUIN	46.03
31	Doron YADLIN - Israel YADLIN	53.63	92	Zbynek LAUER - Vladimir NULICEK	50.26	153	Cian HOLLAND - Gay KEAVENEY	45.99
32	Vladimir GONCA - Elena ALFEJEVA	53.57	93	Nick BOSS - Paul MARTIN	50.22	154	Livio TRETA - Giuseppe ROCCHI	45.98
33	Gianpaolo RINALDI - Ruggero PULGA	53.49	94	Carlos LUIS - Nuno PAZ	50.22	155	Vincenzo BURGIO - Salvatore GATTO	45.48
34	Jacques STAS - Eric COLINET	53.47	95	Patrick GRENTHE - Michel DUGUET	50.17	156	Maria Pia TOTARO - Carlo TOTARO	45.35
35	Michael GROMOELLER - Andreas KIRMSE	53.47	96	Yuri ANDREEV - Pavel VOROBEI	50.17	157	Andrew THOMPSON - Anthony CLARK	45.34
36	Victor ARONOV - Ahu ZOBU	53.46	97	Tadeusz RALKO - Roman GRZELAK	50.16	158	Enzo DITANO - Alessandro PIANA	44.99
37	Janusz MAKARUK - Paweł NIEDZIELSKI	53.45	98	Pierre ZUKER - Denis SERGENT	50.09	159	Jean Francois ALLIX - Erick MAUBERQUEZ	44.88
38	Fiorenzo FIORINI - Renzo MIETI	53.44	99	Georg NORRIS - Henrik NORMAN HANSEN	50.08	160	Andris SMILGAJS - Maris MATISONS	44.62
39	Gunnar NORDBY - Anders FODSTAD	53.32	100	Boguslaw PAZUR - Rafal JAGNIEWSKI	50.07	161	Lila PANAHPOUR - Zia MAHMOOD	44.47
40	Sam Inge HOYLAND - Sven Olai HOYLAND	53.31	101	Marcin LESNIEWSKI - Jean-Michel VOLDOIRE	49.93	162	Dan MANEA - Gabriel BALITA	44.39
41	Michael BAREL - Yaniv ZACK	53.30	102	Roger OLAFSEN - Hans MELBY	49.78	163	Luisa VENINI - Daniele MEREGAGLIA	44.22
42	Tomasz GOTARD - Josef PIEKAREK	53.19	103	Jan CHODOROWSKI - Irena CHODOROWSKA	49.67	164	Jonas HOUMOLLER - Lars Kirkegaard NIELSEN	44.08
43	Karlis RUBINS - Maija ROMANOVSKA	53.15	104	Andreas BABSCH - Wolfgang BIEDER	49.65	165	Arturo ERA - Clara LAUS	44.04
44	Marco ARRIGONI - Sergio BEVILACQUA	52.95	105	Alex ADAMSON - Harry SMITH	49.65	166	O. RODZIEWICZ-BIELEWICZ - M. NOWOSADZKI	44.04
45	Peter FREDIN - Gary GOTTLIEB	52.90	106	Anthony J. VALK - Eva BOUWMAN	49.57	167	George COLTER - Helen COLTER	44.02
46	Joe BRAININ - Sascha WERNLE	52.86	107	Yeshayahu LEVIT - Ron TOR	49.55	168	Jari BACKSTROM - Juha SAARIKOSKI	43.93
47	Ivars RUBENIS - Ugis JANSONS	52.81	108	Laszlo HONTI - Gyula BODIS	49.54	169	Erik RYNNING - Geir BREKKA	43.17
48	Herve VINCENT - Arturo Herve WASIK	52.74	109	Alberto GULLOTTA - Francesco SCRATTOLI	49.49	170	Nicola RIZZUTI - Rita D'APICE	43.02
49	Larysa PANINA - Michael ROSENBLUM	52.72	110	Guy VAN MIDDELEM - Philippe COENRAETS	49.49	171	Anna MATWIJOW - Bernard JADCZAK	43.01
50	Krzysztof BURAS - Grzegorz NARKIEWICZ	52.67	111	Kenneth SKOV - Haldor SUNDE	49.35	172	Bogdan NEAGU - Calin STIRBU	42.94
51	Vladimir REKUNOV - Sergei SOLNTSEV	52.67	112	Gaetano LEONETTI - Vincenzo ROBERTI	49.28	173	Lucas CONTRERAS - Manuel NEGRIN	42.56
52	Leonid PODGUR - Avi KALISH	52.60	113	Edwin RUITER - Flip BOER	49.28	174	Giuseppe PAGANO - Umberto RAIOLA	42.34
53	V. CARCASSONNE-LABAERE - Alain LABAERE	52.55	114	Lilo POPLILOV - Serjio KOVALIU	49.20	175	Kamen TCHERVENIAKOV - George HRISTOV	42.26
54	Andrzej DUDZIK - Marek NOWOWIEJSKI	52.50	115	Siv THORESEN - Jo-Arne OVESEN	49.19	176	Dennis BILDE - Emil JEPSEN	42.22
55	Christian TERRANEO - Franz TERRANEO	52.39	116	Naci DEMIRBAS - Aydin UYSAL	48.93	177	Dario MARMONTI - Gaetano MASSA	41.56
56	Jon-Egil FURUNES - Jan Petter SVENDSEN	52.35	117	Matteo MONTANARI - Marco VILLANI	48.75	178	Patrizia JEREBO - Santino CASADIO	41.33
57	Kauko KOISTINEN - Sue BACKSTROM	52.30	118	Ozcan PEHLIVAN - Ugur ER	48.68	179	Peter FEHER - Csaba CZIMER	41.30
58	John ARMSTRONG - Tony WATERLOW	52.22	119	Carlo MAGNANI - Enrico CASTELLANI	48.57	180	Giorgi ABZIANIDZE - Revaz BERIASHVILI	41.04
59	Jakub SLEMR - David VOZABAL	52.16	120	Tarek NADIM - Mohamed Samy Ahmed HESHMAT	48.56	181	Aureliano YANES - Angelo GAIONI	40.27
60	Maurizio PATTACINI - Stefano CAITI	52.15	121	Bruno RUBENIS - Janis NEIMANIS	48.54			

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1	Tom TOWNSEND - David GOLD	62.20	53	Elena ALFEJEVA - Vladimir GONCA	50.20	1	Roman GRZELAK - Tadeusz RALKO	63.40
2	Desislava Borissova POPOVA - Rosen Georgiev GUNEV	61.10	54	Maija ROMANOVSKA - Karlis RUBINS	50.20	2	Goeran PETERSON - Jan-olov ANDERSSON	62.50
3	Jon-Egil FURUNES - Jan Petter SVENDSEN	60.30	55	Alain LEVY - Herve MOUIL	50.10	3	Marcin LESNIEWSKI - Jean-Michel VOLDOIRE	62.00
4	Nils Kare KVANGRAVEN - Tom HOILAND	59.60	56	Tom HANLON - Hugh MCGANN	50.00	4	Gyula BODIS - Laszlo HONTI	61.60
5	Steve GARNER - Howard WEINSTEIN	59.30	57	Eric COLINET - Jacques STAS	49.60	5	Nick BOSS - Paul MARTIN	60.90
6	Gonzalo GODED MERINO - Federico GODED	59.00	58	George JACOBS - Alfredo VERSACE	49.30	6	Maris MATISONS - Andris SMILGAJS	60.90
7	Jakub SLEMR - David VOZABAL	58.90	59	Arne LARSSON - Pia ANDERSSON	49.20	7	Bernard JADCZAK - Anna MATWIJOW	