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Battle Commences



The Defending Generali Champions relax after the Opening Ceremony

The Generali Open Teams Championship and Ladies Pairs Championship made a smooth start yesterday.

LIVE VUGRAPH MATCHES

Round 3	Sweden v Italy	10.00
Round 4	Norway v France	13.45
Round 5	Denmark v Netherlands	17.30

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EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Tuesday 19 June 2001 at 10.00 am
Salón Gran Canarias, Sir Anthony Hotel

The first session of the General Assembly of the European Bridge League will take place on Tuesday 19 June 2001, 10 am, at the Salón Gran Canarias of Sir Anthony Hotel.

The agenda of the meeting includes the President's report, as well as financial matters (1999-2000 balance sheets, approval of the new membership dues scheme, EBL Budget 2001-02).

The second session of the General Assembly will take place at the same location, on Thursday 21 June 2001, at 10.00 am. Elections for filling four vacant posts on the EBL Executive Committee will take place at this (second) session.

All National Delegates are invited to participate in the General Assembly. Delegates who have not already done so must inform me (c/o EBL Secretariat, Salon Palma de Majorca) of their name and country they represent before the opening of the General Assembly.

Panos Gerontopoulos
EBL Secretary

OPEN TEAMS PROGRAM

ROUND 3 10.00		ROUND 4 13.45		ROUND 5 17.30	
Home Team	Visiting Team	Home Team	Visiting Team	Home Team	Visiting Team
1 DENMARK	HUNGARY	1 BELGIUM	DENMARK	1 DENMARK	NETHERLANDS
2 UKRAINE	BELGIUM	2 HUNGARY	NETHERLANDS	2 BELGIUM	GERMANY
3 NETHERLANDS	ICELAND	3 GERMANY	UKRAINE	3 FINLAND	HUNGARY
4 LUXEMBOURG	GERMANY	4 ICELAND	FINLAND	4 UKRAINE	ROMANIA
5 FINLAND	NORWAY	5 ROMANIA	LUXEMBOURG	5 FRANCE	ICELAND
6 ENGLAND	ROMANIA	6 NORWAY	FRANCE	6 LUXEMBOURG	LEBANON
7 FRANCE	SLOVENIA	7 LEBANON	ENGLAND	7 SWITZERLAND	NORWAY
8 GREECE	LEBANON	8 SLOVENIA	SWITZERLAND	8 ENGLAND	YUGOSLAVIA
9 SAN MARINO	SWITZERLAND	9 GREECE	YUGOSLAVIA	9 SLOVENIA	POLAND
10 YUGOSLAVIA	PORTUGAL	10 POLAND	SAN MARINO	10 RUSSIA	GREECE
11 IRELAND	POLAND	11 PORTUGAL	RUSSIA	11 SAN MARINO	LIECHTENSTEIN
12 RUSSIA	ISRAEL	12 LIECHTENSTEIN	IRELAND	12 ITALY	PORTUGAL
13 LIECHTENSTEIN	BULGARIA	13 ITALY	ISRAEL	13 LATVIA	IRELAND
14 SWEDEN	ITALY	14 BULGARIA	LATVIA	14 ISRAEL	CROATIA
15 LATVIA	CZECH REP.	15 CROATIA	SWEDEN	15 TURKEY	BULGARIA
16 CROATIA	SPAIN	16 TURKEY	CZECH REP.	16 AUSTRIA	SWEDEN
17 WALES	TURKEY	17 SPAIN	AUSTRIA	17 CZECH REP.	SCOTLAND
18 SCOTLAND	AUSTRIA	18 WALES	SCOTLAND	18 SPAIN	WALES

OPEN TEAMS RESULTS

ROUND 1			
Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1 DENMARK	ICELAND	43 - 26	19 - 11
2 LUXEMBOURG	UKRAINE	42 - 58	12 - 18
3 HUNGARY	NORWAY	44 - 54	13 - 17
4 ENGLAND	BELGIUM	7 - 78	2 - 25
5 NETHERLANDS	SLOVENIA	59 - 54	16 - 14
6 GREECE	GERMANY	71 - 20	25 - 5
7 FINLAND	SAN MARINO	55 - 30	20 - 10
8 PORTUGAL	ROMANIA	27 - 38	13 - 17
9 IRELAND	FRANCE	38 - 49	13 - 17
10 LEBANON	ISRAEL	0 - 0	15 - 18
11 BULGARIA	SWITZERLAND	34 - 69	8 - 22
12 bye	SWEDEN	0 - 0	0 - 18
13 POLAND	CZECH REP.	40 - 8	22 - 8
14 SPAIN	RUSSIA	39 - 79	7 - 23
15 LIECHTENSTEIN	WALES	39 - 57	11 - 19
16 ITALY	SCOTLAND	55 - 41	18 - 12
17 AUSTRIA	LATVIA	61 - 35	20 - 10
18 TURKEY	CROATIA	29 - 70	7 - 23

ROUND 2			
Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1 UKRAINE	DENMARK	55 - 51	16 - 14
2 ICELAND	HUNGARY	16 - 41	10 - 20
3 BELGIUM	LUXEMBOURG	44 - 12	22 - 8
4 NORWAY	NETHERLANDS	33 - 36	14 - 16
5 GERMANY	ENGLAND	64 - 49	18 - 12
6 SLOVENIA	FINLAND	31 - 70	7 - 23
7 ROMANIA	GREECE	42 - 44	15 - 15
8 SAN MARINO	FRANCE	6 - 65	4 - 25
9 PORTUGAL	LEBANON	30 - 38	14 - 16
10 SWITZERLAND	IRELAND	65 - 18	24 - 6
11 ISRAEL	bye	0 - 0	18 - 0
12 POLAND	BULGARIA	43 - 46	14 - 16
13 RUSSIA	SWEDEN	67 - 18	25 - 5
14 CZECH REP.	LIECHTENSTEIN	33 - 28	16 - 14
15 ITALY	SPAIN	42 - 32	17 - 13
16 LATVIA	WALES	26 - 58	8 - 22
17 SCOTLAND	CROATIA	26 - 63	7 - 23
18 AUSTRIA	TURKEY	30 - 32	15 - 15



ONLINE MATCHES

Round 3	Russia v Israel
Round 4	Spain v Austria
Round 5	Finland v Hungary

e-bridge need scorers to help record the play in their selected matches. If you are interested please go to Salon 17 - Santorini. **This is a paid job!**

Ladies Pairs Prize Giving

The Ladies Pairs Prize Giving will be held on Tuesday 19 June at 19.45 hours by the Pyramid in the courtyard of the Hotel Cleopatra, where the Opening Ceremony cocktail was held.

All the participants in the Ladies Championships - Ladies Pairs, Ladies Teams and Ladies Cup, together with the Delegates to the Congress, the EBL Officials and Executives and the Local Authorities are kindly invited to participate in the Prize Giving and at the cocktail immediately afterwards.

OPEN TEAMS RANKING after 2 rounds

1	Russia	48.00
2	Belgium	47.00
3	Switzerland	46.00
4	Croatia	46.00
5	Finland	43.00
6	France	42.00
7	Wales	41.00
8	Greece	40.00
9	Poland	36.00
10	Israel	36.00
11	Austria	35.00
12	Italy	35.00
13	Ukraine	34.00
14	Hungary	33.00
15	Denmark	33.00
16	Romania	32.00
17	Netherlands	32.00
18	Lebanon	31.00
19	Norway	31.00
20	Portugal	27.00
21	Liechtenstein	25.00
22	Bulgaria	24.00
23	Czech Rep.	24.00
24	Germany	23.00
25	Sweden	23.00
26	Turkey	22.00
27	Slovenia	21.00
28	Iceland	21.00
29	Spain	20.00
30	Luxembourg	20.00
31	Scotland	19.00
32	Ireland	19.00
33	Latvia	18.00
34	England	14.00
35	San Marino	14.00



TEAM PHOTOGRAPHS

Today is the turn of the following teams to have their photographs taken for the EBL database. Would the captains please ensure that **all players** of the team plus the **npc** are present at the Line-Up desk as follows:

13.20 hrs	Belgium Open	17.05 hrs	Denmark Open
13.30 hrs	Hungary Open	17.15 hrs	Finland Open
13.40 hrs	Germany Open	17.25 hrs	France Open

Aggelos Mallios
EBL Photographer

Ladies Pairs

There are ninety-five pairs participating in the 2001 Championship. This afternoon at 15.30 the first session of both the final and consolation will be played. The carry-over in the final will be the percentage score received in the qualification multiplied by 702, this being the top score on 27 boards played by 28 pairs. In the consolation there is no carry-over. The final will be over three sessions in a barometer and the consolation two sessions in a Mitchell. Pairs who do not wish to play in the consolation are required to inform the Tournament Directors at the end of the third qualifying session. The final takes place in the Imperial room of the Mediterranean Palace Hotel and the consolation in the Tenerife Room.

VuGraph

Both the playing rooms for the VuGraph are separate from the normal playing area. They can be found near the registration area (Salons Cannes and Rhodes). Scorers are not needed in either room.

Regulations

All players are reminded that smoking during the period of play is forbidden. This includes the playing areas, bathrooms and all adjoining hallways.

Mobile phones and any form of electronic equipment capable of transmission or reception may not be brought into the playing area. There will be random checks where players will be asked to show the contents of their pockets, bags, etc.

The deposit for an appeal is 8,000 pesetas.

Tom Kooijman

LADIES **First Qualifying Round** **PAIRS**

For the start of the Ladies Pairs qualifying competition, I sat behind Croatia's Nikica Sver, who has been a member of the Croatian Open team in recent years. She and Marina Pilipovic had a mixed start on a generally dull series of hands.

Board 29. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Wojtiya	Sver	Tomaszewska	Pilipovic
	Pass	1♣	Pass
2♣	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Poland's Anna Wojtiya and Wieslawa Tomaszewska bid up to 3NT - a slightly aggressive decision by Tomaszewska facing a non-forcing 3♣ rebid. Pilipovic led a low spade to the ten and king and Tomaszewska led the nine of clubs to the jack and queen. The spade continuation established one winner for Pilipovic when she won the next club but that was all; +630.

The defence can prevail even after starting with a spade, but you would be pretty pleased with yourself if you found the winning play. Diamonds need to be attacked and the second round must come from North. South has to play her partner for king doubleton club and go up with the ace on the first round to switch to a low diamond. North now wins the first club and leads diamonds through declarer's jack. If anyone found that play, let us know.

Board 30. Dealer East. None Vul.

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



Nikica Sver, Croatia

West	North	East	South
Wojtiya	Sver	Tomaszewska	Pilipovic
		3♠	All Pass

Tomaszewska's heavy pre-empt bought the contract. Perfect defence can get 3♠ three down, but that requires the defence never to touch clubs. Naturally enough, Pilipovic led her singleton club at trick one and declarer won dummy's ace, pitching a heart from hand. She led a heart off dummy and Sver rose with the ace and switched to a low diamond. When Pilipovic won the king and returned a diamond, it needed a trump switch. However, Sver preferred to lead the king of clubs, hoping to promote a trump trick. Tomaszewska could ruff with the jack and take a diamond ruff in dummy. She had eight tricks now for a reasonable looking score of -50.

Board 31. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Honcheva	Sver	Gromova	Pilipovic
Pass	2♣	Pass	INT
All Pass			2NT

West	North	East	South
<i>Ford</i>	<i>Sver</i>	<i>Kirk</i>	<i>Pilipovic</i>
1♣	3♠	3NT	All Pass

Things had been improving for the Croatians after a slow start and this round against England's Janine Ford and Fay Kirk added impetus to their session. Pilipovic led a spade in response to her partner's pre-empt and Kirk won the second round. She ran the diamonds and then had to decide whether to lead a club up, risking going a few down if the ace was offside, or cash the hearts and perhaps still survive with the ace onside if South had to win the third heart. Kirk chose to play three rounds of hearts and Sver had the remainder; down one for -100.



Maria Rahelt, Denmark

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

	♠ K 8 5 3		
	♥ 9 7 6 2		
	♦ 8 7 6		
	♣ J 5		

West	North	East	South
<i>Ford</i>	<i>Sver</i>	<i>Kirk</i>	<i>Pilipovic</i>
1♣	1♦	Pass	Pass
2♣	2♠	All Pass	

East/West might have competed a little further, but with the Croatians holding the spade suit they were always likely to come out on top. Kirk led a club so Ford won, cashed the second club then switched to ace and another heart. Sver ruffed and crossed to the king of spades. When she now played a second spade and the queen appeared she had the rest; +170 looked very good on the scoresheet with the previous tables having played in diamonds.

I left Marina and Nikica looking in pretty good shape at this early stage of the tournament.

Acting on information received from Steen Møller the Editor went to follow the fortunes of the young Danish pair. They had an up and down session, typified by the following deals.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Russo</i>	<i>Farholt</i>	<i>Tamburelli</i>	<i>Rahelt</i>
Pass	2NT*	Pass	1♥
Pass	4♣*	Pass	3♦*
All Pass		Pass	4♥

When North used a game forcing relay South's rebid promised a balanced hand with extra points. Now North used a splinter but South was not interested and signed off. With a singleton ace of clubs North might have made a further try - you could almost say that she was obliged to - but when she declined to do so the cold slam was missed.

Splintering with a singleton ace is not always a good idea and North might have done better to bid a simple Three Hearts, waiting to hear more from South.

West led the ace of diamonds and when East could not ruff the next round declarer claimed twelve tricks.

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

	♠ A K 3		
	♥ A 8 6 5 4		
	♦ 8 5 4		
	♣ 4 3		

West	North	East	South
<i>De Ianni</i>	<i>Farholt</i>	<i>Orioli</i>	<i>Rahelt</i>
Pass	1♠	INT	1♥
			All Pass

East's natural INT worked well. South started with the ace of

spades and the defenders continued with three more rounds of the suit, declarer discarding a diamond. North switched to her heart and South took the ace and tried a club. Declarer had the rest for a good looking +120.

Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

♠ K 10 9 2 ♥ 10 6 5 4 ♦ 9 3 2 ♣ 10 6	♠ A J 4 ♥ A K 9 8 ♦ J 4 ♣ K 5 3 2 <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 5px auto; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> N W E S </div> ♠ Q 6 5 3 ♥ J 3 ♦ 5 ♣ A Q J 9 8 4	♠ 8 7 ♥ Q 7 2 ♦ A K Q 10 8 7 6 ♣ 7	
West	North	East	South
<i>De Ianni</i>	<i>Farholt</i>	<i>Orioli</i>	<i>Rahelt</i>
Pass	1♣	1♦	1♠
Pass	INT	2♦	3♦
Pass	3♠	Pass	5♣
All Pass			

Despite North's strong no-trump rebid, South wisely checked out the validity of the diamond stop. When North could not bid 3NT she bid the cold club game.

East cashed a diamond and switched to a trump. Declarer took two rounds ending in dummy and when the spade finesse held and there was no miracle in either major she claimed eleven tricks.

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ K Q 2 ♥ 8 6 3 ♦ A 10 8 4 3 ♣ 7 2	♠ A J 4 ♥ J 9 ♦ K J 9 7 6 ♣ Q 10 9 <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 5px auto; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> N W E S </div> ♠ 7 5 3 ♥ A 5 2 ♦ 5 ♣ A J 8 6 4 3	♠ 10 9 8 6 ♥ K Q 10 7 4 ♦ Q 2 ♣ K 5	
West	North	East	South
<i>Zaninotti</i>	<i>Farholt</i>	<i>Azzoni</i>	<i>Rahelt</i>
	INT	All Pass	

South considered a move over her partner's weak no-trump - she might have been right as nine tricks can be made with a good view in diamonds.

East led the king of hearts and followed with the queen, pinning the jack as declarer ducked for a second time. A third heart saw declarer win, cross to the ace of spades and try the queen of clubs. When the king came up she claimed eight tricks.

Their session score of 49.32% meant the Danes had plenty to do in the remaining two qualifying sessions.

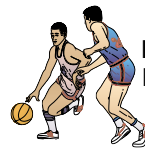
SPORTS NEWS

Rugby Union



France stunned South Africa on Saturday, defeating them by 32-23 in Johannesburg. French fly-half, Gerald Merceron scored 25 of his side's points. The British Lions continued their impressive start to the tour of Australia with a 42-8 victory over Queensland Reds. England rounded off their North American tour with a 48-19 win against USA. The New Zealand All Blacks meanwhile crushed Samoa by 50-6 in Albany, near Auckland, and Wales came from a point down at half-time to beat Japan by 53-30 in Tokyo.

Basketball



Shaquille O'Neill scored 29 points and Kobe Bryant 26 as the LA Lakers defeated the Philadelphia 76ers by 108-96 in the fifth game of their seven game play-off series to win their second successive NBA Championship.

Motor Sport



Audi completed a crushing one-two victory at the Le Mans 24 Hours, while Bentley took third place on their first outing in the event since 1930. The win was the second in a row for Audi drivers

Frank Biela, Tom Kristensen and Emanuele Pirro.

Britain's Colin McRae, driving for Ford, clinched a thrilling win in the Acropolis Rally when team-mate and main challenger Carlos Sainz retired on the final stage. Norwegian Petter Solberg secured his best-ever finish in second position for Subaru, 49 seconds behind McRae.

Tennis



Swede Thomas Johansson overcame a spirited challenge from Frenchman Fabrice Santoro for a 6-3 6-7 6-2 victory in the final of the Gerry Weber Open at Halle.

The Stella Artois Championship at London's Queens Club was won by Australia's Leyton Hewitt, who beat Britain's Tim Henman 7-6, 7-6.

Cricket



England's batsmen were blasted out by Waqar Younis in yesterday's one-day cricket international at Headingley. Waqar took 7 for 36 in his ten overs as England were all out for 156 runs. Pakistan coasted to victory, winning by six wickets with ten overs to spare.

Football



Roma clinched Italy's Serie A Championship by beating Parma 3-1 in Rome. Juventus also won, 2-1 at home to Atalanta, but had to be content with second place. Lazio finished third.

Master Class

How did you fare on our four problems? Jean-Paul Meyer shows you how to approach each deal.

Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

N
W E
S

♠ Q 9 7 3
 ♥ K Q J 6 4
 ♦ 9 2
 ♣ 7 2

West	North	East	South
Pass	4♥	1♦ All Pass	1♥

West leads a diamond. East takes the ace and returns the suit. How do you plan the play?

Jean-Paul Meyer

The secret here is to guard against a 4-2 trump break. After winning the second diamond, declarer should play the ten of hearts. If that holds the king of clubs should come next. That forces out the ace of clubs whilst the eight of hearts stands guard against a third round of diamonds.

The full deal:

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

If declarer makes the mistake of playing a second trump, South wins and plays a diamond, forcing declarer to ruff. Control has been lost and the contract will be defeated.

Ladies Transnational Teams Cup

This event will start on Wednesday 20 June at 3.00 p.m. in the Salon Cibeles at the Hotel Marco Antonio, and will end on Saturday 23rd.

The entry fee is just SF 240 for teams of up to 6 players.

This event is new and especially organised to give the lady players who want to play more bridge after the Pairs has finished, the opportunity to remain for the rest of the week enjoying the atmosphere and sunshine as well as extra bridge.

It is Transnational because this means that you can meet with players from other countries while you are here, and arrange to make up a team and play.

The times of play have been carefully arranged to give you plenty of free time to enjoy the sunshine during the day, and a relaxed dinner after play in the evening... play will be from:

10.00 - 12.30 and from 17.30 - 20.00 each day

Ladies, please, you are still in time to form a Transnational Team. We are ready to help you find partners or team-mates – please tell the Director that you are interested in playing and he will try and help you.

The Captains Meeting will be on Wednesday just before the start of play in the Salon Cibeles.

Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ J 10 7 6 4
 ♥ –
 ♦ K 9 8 7
 ♣ 9 8 5 3

N
W E
S

♠ A K 9 3 2
 ♥ Q 6 5
 ♦ A 10 5
 ♣ 7 6

West	North	East	South
4♥	Pass 4♣	1♥ All Pass	1♠

West leads a small heart. What is your general plan?

Jean-Paul Meyer

Obviously you must ruff this trick and play a spade. If as expected East discards, you win with the ace, ruff a heart and exit with a club. Say the defenders, who cannot attack diamonds, carry on with clubs. You ruff the third round, ruff a heart, and play two rounds of spades. I am imagining the full deal looks like this:

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

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

♠ Q 8 5
 ♥ K J 9 8 3
 ♦ Q 2
 ♣ A 10 4

♠ A K 9 3 2
 ♥ Q 6 5
 ♦ A 10 5
 ♣ 7 6

N
 W E
 S

At the point where you are about to exit with a spade this will be the position:

♠ —
 ♥ —
 ♦ K 9 8 7
 ♣ 9

♠ —
 ♥ A
 ♦ J 6 4
 ♣ K

♠ Q
 ♥ K J
 ♦ Q 2
 ♣ —

♠ 9 3
 ♥ —
 ♦ A 10 5
 ♣ —

N
 W E
 S

West has to win with the queen of spades as dummy discards a diamond. East has to release the ace of hearts and when West exits with a heart East is squeezed in front of declarer's last trump.

Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ A K J
 ♥ J 3
 ♦ J 9 5 3
 ♣ A 10 5 4

♠ 7 5
 ♥ A 6
 ♦ A K 7 4
 ♣ K Q J 8 7

N
 W E
 S

West	North	East	South
2♥	3NT!	Pass	1♣
Pass	6♣	Pass	4♥
		All Pass	

West leads the king of hearts.

Jean-Paul Meyer

After winning with the ace, draw trumps, hopefully in not more than three rounds, and play off the ace and king of diamonds. If the queen falls on the second round you can claim, but if West discards a heart on the second diamond declarer will have to take three rounds of spades, finessing against West and discarding a heart from hand and then play the jack of hearts pitching a diamond. West will have to win and give a ruff and discard. If diamonds break 3-2 but the queen does not fall, take the spade finesse, discard your heart loser on the third spade and give up a diamond.

The full deal:

♠ A K J
 ♥ J 3
 ♦ J 9 5 3
 ♣ A 10 5 4

♠ Q 9 2
 ♥ K Q 9 8 7 4
 ♦ 2
 ♣ 6 3 2

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

♠ 7 5
 ♥ A 6
 ♦ A K 7 4
 ♣ K Q J 8 7

N
 W E
 S

Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

♠ J 9 8 7 2
 ♥ K 8 6 4 3
 ♦ 5 4
 ♣ 7

N
 W E
 S

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

West leads the nine of diamonds. Can you make Four Spades?

Jean-Paul Meyer

You must win, cash the ace and queen of hearts and duck a club. Say the defenders win and play a second diamond. You win, ruff a club and must hope the hearts are 3-3. If the king of hearts lives you ruff a heart with the ace of spades, ruff a club and ruff a heart. You already have eight tricks and the ♠J98 will be worth two more once the ten of spades is overruffed.

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In Bermuda, both teams that reached the final were Transnational and they contested many fascinating deals.

an awkward lead East instructively selected the ace of clubs, the suit in which someone was most likely to hold a singleton and consequently establishing the king would be of less significance.

Seeing dummy it was easy enough to switch to the ace and then the queen of spades. Declarer could discard a diamond on the king of spades, but still had to lose three tricks in the red suits for -300 and a loss of 9 IMPs.

It was another major difference in evaluation that gave the eventual winners another big swing:

Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ J 8 4 ♥ K Q 10 ♦ 10 9 8 6 5 2 ♣ K	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ A 10 2 ♥ 5 ♦ Q 4 ♣ Q J 8 7 6 4 3
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West	North	East	South
<i>Jacobus</i>	<i>Weichsel</i>	<i>Milner</i>	<i>Meltzer</i>
		3♣	All Pass

Three Clubs was the popular action on the East hand, although the suit is moth eaten and there is fair support for one major. The contract drifted three down; -300.

West	North	East	South
<i>Zmudzinski</i>	<i>Moss</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Gitelman</i>
		2♣*	Pass
2♦*	Pass	2♠*	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Balicki's Precision style Two Clubs was no thing of beauty, but it worked like a charm as West discovered his partner was minimum with no four-card major but saw things through to reach a game that proved easy to make after a low heart lead. plus 620 was worth 14 IMPs.

Of course, many of the participants from the Bermuda Bowl and Venice Cup will participate after the Round Robin stage, so it gives everyone a unique opportunity to play against some of the top players in the world, something that rarely happens in any sport.

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Dealer South. E/W Game

♠ 9 ♥ K J 9 4 2 ♦ K J 5 ♣ K 10 6 2	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ A Q J 7 ♥ - ♦ A Q 8 6 ♣ A Q J 5 3
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West	North	East	South
<i>Jacobus</i>	<i>Weichsel</i>	<i>Milner</i>	<i>Meltzer</i>
Pass	1♥	Dble	2♥
Pass	3♥	Dble	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

The 4-1 trump break plus a shortage of entries to the West hand made Four Spades impossible to manage and the contract failed by one trick; N/S +100.

West	North	East	South
<i>Zmudzinski</i>	<i>Moss</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Gitelman</i>
Pass	1♥	Dble	4♥
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

With an eye to the vulnerability, (sometimes called 'Vulnerability Syndrome') South made a pre-emptive raise. When East doubled again West was not tempted to try for game. With

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The schedule of play will be as follows:

Sunday 28 October:

3 matches, starting in the afternoon

Monday 29 October:

4 matches

Tuesday 30 October:

4 matches

Wednesday 31 October:

4 matches

Thursday 01 November:

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Friday 02 November: Final and Victory Banquet



from the left: Gianarrigo Rona, Adam Zmudzinski, Peter Weichsel, Rose Meltzer, Alan Sontag, Cezary Balicki, Virgil Anderson

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First Qualifying Round

With so many Italian pairs participating, there would be many all-Italian clashes. Below, we will see hands from a few of them, as well as a few hands as played by the defending champions, Sabine Auken and Daniela von Arnim.

This was the second board of the day at one of our selected tables. Gianardi/Rovera were playing Buratti/Forti. This was the auction:

West	North	East	South
<i>Von Arnim</i>	<i>Moen</i>	<i>Auken</i>	<i>Fossum</i>
1♥	1♠	Dble	Pass
Pass	2♣	3♥	2♣
Pass	Pass	Dble	3♠
			All Pass

This went the obvious two off for 300 to the Germans. If you duck spades once and play for the ♣A to be with South, you might make 3NT, however, as you will see elsewhere in this issue.

The Norwegians got a nice revenge on the other board:

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Gianardi</i>	<i>Buratti</i>	<i>Rovera</i>	<i>Forti</i>
1♥	1♠	Pass	1♦
Pass	3NT	Pass	INT
		All Pass	

Well, diamonds are suspect these days. Opening the suit does not always show a respectable suit. This time, Laura Rovera and Carla Gianardi were well and truly robbed by their opponents. Who can blame poor West for not finding the diamond lead? Nine tricks.

At another table, Sabine Auken was declaring 3♦ after less adventurous bidding. The hand sort of plays itself along cross-ruff lines, but when Canesi was on lead with a spade she returned the ♦9 into dummy's KJ. This innocent-enough looking move induced Sabine to take a finesse against the ♦Q through South later, which made it nine tricks only, but still a good result. Well defended.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

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

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

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♠ K 8 5 3	♠ K 8 5 3
♥ 9 7 6 2	♥ 9 7 6 2
♦ 8 7 6	♦ 8 7 6
♣ J 5	♣ J 5

West	North	East	South
<i>Von Arnim</i>	<i>Moen</i>	<i>Auken</i>	<i>Fossum</i>
1♣	1♦	Pass	Pass
1♥	1♠	2♥	2♠
Pass	4♣	All Pass	

Against the Blue Club, reaching game suddenly became very easy. North could be sure 1♦ would not be passed out, and her next move clarified the situation for her partner. One simple raise was sufficient. When East led a not illogical trump, declarer even had an overtrick.

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

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

How would you play and defend 3NT after West opened

some strong balanced hand and East showed her majors? On a club lead to the ten and queen, Daniela von Arnim made the good move of leading a low diamond away from the AK. Now, there would be no story if North rises, but wanting to save her only entry she might duck. If South wins and returns a club, declarer has 11 tricks and that's exactly what happened!

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

♠ 9 8 5 4 ♥ 9 7 ♦ 10 6 ♣ K 7 6 5 2	♠ Q J 10 7 ♥ 3 ♦ K J 9 3 2 ♣ Q 10 8	♠ 6 2 ♥ K Q J 10 2 ♦ A Q 7 ♣ A J 9	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%; text-align: center; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table> ♠ A K 3 ♥ A 8 6 5 4 ♦ 8 5 4 ♣ 4 3		N		W		E		S	
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On this board, a variety of contracts was reached, some of them very good for either declarer or the defence. The natural approach by Buratti/Forti did not work well. South opened 1♥, North responded 1♠ and South rebid INT which became the final contract. Down three on the obvious club lead and heart switch later on.

Valeria Bianchi had more inspiration on this one. Playing against the holders, she had no hesitation in rebidding 2♦ instead of INT, keeping more options open. She was not pleased when the tray came back empty but, on a spade lead, she won and immediately led a club. Now, if this runs to East a spade comes back with the ♣K serving as entry for the ruff, but even this defence does not beat the contract. Well done by these Italians; +110 when this double-dummy defence was not found.

Immediate action by East made life hard for N/S at yet another table.

West	North	East	South
Bentley	Pasman	Ready	Simons
Pass	1♠	Dble	1♥
2♣	All Pass		Rdbl

On a heart lead, declarer had to suffer a few ruffs but still could come to eight tricks for a good E/W result.

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ Q 7 3 ♥ Q 8 ♦ A Q J 3 ♣ Q 10 8 4	♠ A K 9 2 ♥ K 7 3 ♦ K 10 8 ♣ J 9 6	♠ 10 8 5 4 ♥ A 10 6 5 4 2 ♦ 9 5 ♣ 5	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%; text-align: center; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table> ♠ J 6 ♥ J 9 ♦ 7 6 4 2 ♣ A K 7 3 2		N		W		E		S	
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On this one, many N/S pairs got overboard, but those who were playing a weak no trump would have an easy run. This is how yet another Italian pair dealt with it:

West	North	East	South
Colonna	Buratti	Cividin	Forti
INT	Dble	Rdbl	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♥	All Pass

On the lead of the ♣A and a spade switch, there were just eight tricks. Please note that 3♣ for N/S is already in jeopardy.

On the last board to be shown in this report, a nice switch made the defence very easy:

Board 26. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ J 5 4 ♥ Q 10 7 2 ♦ K 8 6 2 ♣ K 6	♠ A 6 3 ♥ K 4 3 ♦ Q 10 5 ♣ Q J 9 2	♠ K 10 8 ♥ J 9 8 6 5 ♦ A J 9 3 ♣ 5	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%; text-align: center; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table> ♠ Q 9 7 2 ♥ A ♦ 7 4 ♣ A 10 8 7 4 3		N		W		E		S	
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West	North	East	South
Wojtyra	Pasman	Tomaszewska	Simons
Pass	1♣	1♥	Pass
2♥	Pass	Pass	Double
Pass	3NT	All Pass	3♥

Well, 3NT is a fair enough contract but, with both the ♣K and the ♦J wrong, you will go down. When declarer won the heart lead, crossed in spades and presented the ♣Q, Wojtyra shortened proceedings considerably by switching to the ♦K and another after winning her ♣K. A practical play as it makes life so much easier for partner.

Ladies Delegates Meeting

This Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 20, at 09.45 in the Salon Atenas (the EBL Meeting room in the Hotel Marco Antonio).

The Ladies Committee and the Ladies representatives from each European country will discuss many aspects of Ladies Bridge in Europe and its future development.

If the Ladies delegates from some countries are not present here in Tenerife, we ask the Presidents of the Federations or the Delegates to the Congress or their appointed representatives to participate in this important Meeting.

Anna Maria Torlontano
 Chairman of the Ladies Committee

ROUND I
OPEN TEAMS



Denmark v Iceland



At this year's Europeans, the first of the many Nordic battles was scheduled on top of the first-round draw. As a consequence, nobody looking at the programme even superficially could possibly overlook it, so here is a report on what happened. Denmark won 43-26 or 19-11 in VPs, mainly thanks to one big grand slam swing. The match started off in real traditional Nordic fashion, however, with the weak NT running into all sorts of trouble:

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ K Q 3 2 ♥ K 10 4 2 ♦ K 6 5 4 ♣ 9	<table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ A J 5 ♥ Q 8 6 ♦ A 7 ♣ Q J 7 5 2
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	♠ 9 8 7 4 ♥ 9 7 ♦ Q 8 3 ♣ 10 8 4 3										

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West	North	East	South
<i>Sigurhjartarson</i>	<i>D. Scholtz</i>	<i>Baldursson</i>	<i>P. Scholtz</i>
	INT	Dble	2♣
Dble	2♦	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

2♣ was explained as showing clubs and diamonds, so North retreated into what she thought was an eight-card fit at least. It turned out that she was wrong here, but the defenders had to find out too what was really going on. Now, if the defence leads trumps declarer will be happy to scramble five tricks, but at the table a heart was led to the king and ace. Dorthe Scholtz returned a heart to the eight, nine and ten. Now, if the defenders lead trumps all will still be well for them but, when West first tried his singleton club, the tide had turned. Scholtz won the ace and played another heart. This time, East ruffed in front of dummy with the ♦A and returned the ♦7. West could win and return a trump, but declarer had seven tricks and Iceland had scored only 100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Norgaard</i>	<i>Ingimarsson</i>	<i>Caspersen</i>	<i>Magnusson</i>
	INT	Dble	2♣
3♣	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Same opening, same double, same rescue action and same explanation! When West did not show too much interest in defence, E/W soon were committed to a shakey 3NT. South led a club to North's ace and the ♦J came back. West won and four rounds of spades were cashed, North throwing a heart and a club. Declarer now led a heart to his queen and played a low club, felling the now bare ace. The squeeze had worked; nine tricks, 400 and the first 7 IMPs to Denmark.

Board 2 was flat: a save in 4♠ against a vulnerable 4♥ that could not be made due to lack of entries to dummy. The came a matter of self-restraint:

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ J 9 3 2 ♥ 8 3 ♦ K 10 2 ♣ A Q 9 3	<table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 10 8 7 5 ♥ Q J 10 5 4 ♦ Q J 7 ♣ 6
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Sigurhjartarson</i>	<i>D. Scholtz</i>	<i>Baldursson</i>	<i>P. Scholtz</i>
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♣
Pass	2NT	Pass	2♣
			3NT

No chance, two down; Iceland +100.

But:

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Norgaard</i>	<i>Ingimarsson</i>	<i>Caspersen</i>	<i>Magnusson</i>
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♣
All Pass			2♣

Ten tricks, Iceland +130 and 6 IMPs back for staying at a safe level.

Another chance for either side came by on Board 6:

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

♠ 10 8 ♥ Q J 8 ♦ J 7 6 5 ♣ A 10 6 4	<table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ A 9 ♥ 10 9 6 3 2 ♦ A 8 ♣ 8 7 5 2
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
Sigurhjartarson	D. Schaltz	Baldursson	P. Schaltz
Pass	3♠	2♥	Dble
All Pass		Pass	4♠

When Baldursson led the ♠A and another, there was nothing Dorth Schaltz could do. She played a trump, but Baldursson rose with the ace, led a club to partner's ace and got his ruff; Iceland +50.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Norgaard	Ingimarsson	Caspersen	Magnusson
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♦
Pass	2♠	All Pass	INT

With INT showing 14-16 HCP, this looks like an underbid, but successful this time; Iceland +170 and 6 IMPs.

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Sigurhjartarson	D. Schaltz	Baldursson	P. Schaltz
1♠	2♠	3♠	Dble
Pass	4♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♦	Pass	5NT
Pass	6♣	Pass	7♣
Pass	7♦	All Pass	

2♠ was invitational or better in diamonds, the double of 3♠ showed a fair hand; 4NT was RKCB and 5♦ showed 0/3. 5NT asked for kings and 6♣ showed one. Maybe, 7♣ was an offer for an alternative grand slam, but North saw no reason to accept, so 7♦ became the final contract.

Trumps were led; declarer then drew the last trump, cashed the clubs and ruffed the last club. On the run of the diamonds both defenders then decided to discard all the spades, though Baldursson had shown count by making the ♠6 his first discard. Thus, though there was no squeeze at all, it very much looked like it...Denmark +2140.

Was it necessary?

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Norgaard	Ingimarsson	Caspersen	Magnusson
Pass	2NT	Pass	1♦
Pass	3NT	All Pass	3♥

Something must have gone wrong here...Iceland only 690 and a loss of 16 IMPs. Had Denmark been in the proper slam they would have scored 1370 and still gained 12 IMPs.

On Board 12, Iceland missed a nice defence, but it did not cost very much:

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

♠ Q 9 2		
♥ A K Q 6 2		
♦ K 2		
♣ 9 7 4		

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

♠ A K 3		
♥ A 8 6 5 4		
♦ 8 5 4		
♣ 4 3		

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Sigurhjartarson	D. Schaltz	Baldursson	P. Schaltz
Pass	1♥	3♦	All Pass

Holding ♦Kx, North could not be sure that reopening would hit the jackpot with this one-sided hand. The contract quietly went down two; Denmark +100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Norgaard	Ingimarsson	Caspersen	Magnusson
1♣	1♥	2♦	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Here, North led the ♥A. Now, if he switches to a low diamond, South can win and lead the ♥10, pinning the nine and paving the way for a three-trick set. The pedestrian defence also works here: three top hearts, watch partner's discards and then play ♦K and another. Only down one in that event, so a possible 2 IMP gain turned into a 2 IMP loss.

On Board 15, a two-suited overcall went out of control when the overcaller in fact had nothing but the suit he mentioned:

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Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

♠ J 10 9 6 4		♠ K 3 2									
♥ K 7 5 4		♥ 9 3									
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
Sigurhjartarson	D. Schaltz	Baldursson	P. Schaltz
			I♥
3♣	Pass	4♠	Pass
Pass	Dble	Pass	Pass
5♣	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

Playing with screens, the chance of any unauthorised information due to the failure to alert reaching the other side of the screen is not very great, so there seems little wrong with the way the final contract was reached except for the system error. Down three; Denmark +500.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Norgaard	Ingimarsson	Caspersen	Magnusson
			I♥
2♣	3♥	Dble	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

The double was negative, of course, and the conversion to 3NT the only way out. On the actual layout declarer went down four, but that was a very good save when he found out that 4♥ was on for the other side. Still, Iceland +200.

As it happened, neither N/S pair had come anywhere near reaching 4♥, but 7 IMPs went to Denmark again, the last swing of the match.

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The Quiz Show

We are going to publish a quiz from time to time. Book prizes are being offered by Bridge Magazine and Bridge Plus. The winner will be drawn from the correct answers delivered to the office of the Daily Bulletin by 12.00 today. You can also enter by e-mail, using the same address: tenlim@hotmail.com that is available for entries to the Limerick competition.

Today's question should not prove too taxing.

Which member of the French delegation might be mistaken for a watchmaker?

EBL

Seniors Congress

Mr Nissan Rand announces that the EBL Seniors Congress will take place at 17.30 on Wednesday June 20th in the Appeals Committee Room in the Congress Centre (adjacent to the registration area). The President of the WBF and all EBL Executive Members, members of the EBL Seniors Committee, Captains of the Seniors Teams, Presidents and Senior Officials of all NBO's, Senior Players, those interested in EBL Seniors affairs and the press are all invited.

Agenda

Roll Call

Facts on the 4th European Seniors teams Championship: number of boards per session, etc.

Future EBL Senior events:

Brighton, England, August 13-17, 2001.

Warsaw, Poland, August 25-31, 2001.

Prague, Czech Republic, November 16-20.

The Senior event in Bali, October - November 2001.

Senior events in 2002: Israel, Malta, Italy, England, Poland, France and the Czech Republic.

Selection of members for the EBL Seniors Committee 2001-2003.

Any Other Business

Brothers

The Israeli Open team includes two pairs of brothers, the Herbsts and the Yadlins (the third pair have already apologised for not being brothers).

Does anyone know of previous major championships where two pairs of brothers have played on the same team?

(Our esteemed editor came up with Britain's Tredinicks and Hacketts in Montecatini in 1997 - not only two sets of brothers, but two sets of twins!)

RANKING afer 2 Qualifying Sessions

LADIES	RANKING afer 2 Qualifying Sessions								PAIRS
1	ROMANOVSKA MARI	VOLINA VICTORIA	RUS	60.39	49	GIACOMA M.PAOLA	BENEDETTI ROBER	ITA	50.01
2	VARENNE MYRIAM	HUGON ELISABETH	FRA	60.38	50	RUSSO ESTER BEC	TAMBURELLI ROSA	ITA	49.93
3	POPLILOU MATILD	NOSACKS MICHAL	ISR	59.97	51	NEHMERT P	RAUSCHEID A	GER	49.90
4	DUBUS MONIQUE	BESSIS VERONIQUE	FRA	59.47	52	MCCREADY ANGELA	BENTLEY DETTA	ENG	49.85
5	CAPODANNO LUCIA	BONORI MARISA	ITA	58.71	53	PANELLA ANA	FRANCO MARTA	SPA	49.82
6	DUMONT SYLVIE	CLEMENT MURIEL	FRA	58.67	54	STEEN LIBEK TUL	WENNEVOLD IDA	NOR	49.79
7	STAWOWY BARBARA	FARWIG KATRIN	GER	58.64	55	BAK CLAARTYE	BUHET WIL	NET	49.69
8	HELLERMANN ANNE	MALINOWSKI ANNA	NOR	58.42	56	PENFOID S	SENIOR N	ENG	49.51
9	BACKSTROM S	KOISTINEN R	FIN	58.16	57	HABBARD	BROCHARD	FRA	49.13
10	ROSI TIZIANA	BACOCOLI ANTON	ITA	58.03	58	VANUZZI MARILIN	TORIELLI VANESS	ITA	49.05
11	AUKEN SABINE	VON ARNIM DANIE	GER	57.88	59	MEEHAN PATSY	O'NEILL PETRA	IRE	48.67
12	RAIM BAULT SIMO	MOUTTET MANUELA	FRA	56.96	60	PONOMAROVA TARY	KOULITCHKOVA OX	RUS	48.47
13	GODFREY E	BACO L	FRA	54.98	61	SAXON NETTA	DAN ORA	ISR	48.30
14	SPEELMAN BETTY	DEBETS MARJOLEI	NET	54.84	62	SERF MARIANNE	KITABGI ANNEMAR	FRA	48.05
15	CIVIDIN SARA DE	COLONNA ORNELLA	ITA	54.66	63	PANADERO MARIA	CARVAJAL MARIAN	SPA	47.56
16	PISCITELLI FRAN	PAOLUZI SIMONET	ITA	54.12	64	FISHPOOL CATHER	GIRARDIN S	FRA	47.31
17	HOOGWEG FEMKE	VAN ZWOL WIETSK	NET	53.95	65	ZANINOTTI DANIE	AZZONI PATRIZIA	ITA	47.24
18	BURATTI MONICA	FORTI DARINKA	ITA	53.94	66	MUIR LIZ	RAY GEORGIA	ENG	47.03
19	SENDACKA	NERONOWICZ	POL	53.87	67	KANDOLY OZLEM	YOVAS DILEK	TUR	46.99
20	HIRCHENAUT TONY	CRONIER BENEDIC	FRA	53.64	68	MAGUIRE PAULINE	GANNON ELVA	IRE	46.92
21	CANESI MARINELL	D'ANDREA MARISA	ITA	53.39	69	GONZALEZ HONTOR	LEON PILAR	SPA	46.90
22	ROVERA LAURA	GIANARDI CARLA	ITA	53.19	70	AASAND TONJE	HELNESS GUNN	NOR	46.86
23	GROMOVA VICTORI	KONICHEVA ELENA	RUS	53.18	71	GALMOZZI FRANCA	BRAMBILLA REBEC	ITA	46.62
24	AYSEGUL GATTENI	MEHUES PISAK	TUR	53.13	72	FLEISCHMANN URS	GABLER NORA	AUS	46.42
25	SARNIAK ANNA	GRUNT ANNA	POL	53.12	73	NAPOLI VITTORIA	GUARIGLIA MARIA	ITA	46.36
26	LACROIX F	POULAIN C	FRA	52.98	74	GROMOLLER HELMI	FELLA GUDRUN	GER	46.36
27	SVER NIKICA	PILIPOVIC MARIN	CRO	52.87	75	MOEN VIGDIS	FOSSAN BODIL	NOR	46.28
28	BALDI ELMA	LEVONI MARINA	ITA	52.83	76	POKORNA' JANA	SVOBODOVA' PAUL	CZE	45.95
29	ERDEOVA' JANA	HNA'TOVA DANIEL	CZE	52.58	77	BENHAMON LILIAN	MAITRE ELISABET	FRA	45.65
30	NARCZONA	KA'SA	HUN	52.43	78	DELACOUR PASCAL	BATTIN BRIGITTE	FRA	45.24
31	SACCAVINI ILARI	FRANSOS MARINA	ITA	52.40	79	FARINA ZAMPATTI	FARINA ANNAMARI	ITA	45.17
32	BETTIOL FABRIZI	BRUCCULERI ANNA	ITA	52.40	80	KERR BERYL	CURTIS CATHERIN	ENG	45.04
33	PEIRCE ROBERTA	CAGGESE ANTONEL	ITA	52.32	81	KIRK FAY	FORD JANINE	ENG	44.95
34	SAMY BRIGITTE	LASSALLETTE ISA	FRA	52.23	82	VANDELLI LUCIA	VILLA RENATA	ITA	44.82
35	PANTLE-RIECHERT	VON MALCHUS PET	GER	52.09	83	GIANNINI SILVIA	AZZIMONTI ANNAR	ITA	44.62
36	PASMAN J	SIMONS A	NET	52.09	84	MOSCATELLI GABR	BASILICO PIERA	ITA	44.14
37	MORETTI RENATA	SAUTAUX MONIKA	SWI	51.91	85	SAVOLAINEN PIRR	KULMALA SARI	FIN	44.09
38	FARKAS RUTH	KIRSCH ANALIA	ISR	51.87	86	CORBEEL DENISE	MINTIENS DIANA	BEL	43.52
39	HEITMANN EVA LU	LANGELAND ASE	NOR	51.77	87	SKOPINSKA E	WYCROTKOWSKA G	POL	43.51
40	PERLIA INGRID	ZIMMERMANN MARI	GER	51.75	88	RENOUX MARIE	MENIL RACHEL	FRA	42.64
41	BIRMAN DANIELA	LIBERMAN RUTH	ISR	51.67	89	DE RESCHKO GALA	SUAREZ MARGARA	SPA	42.63
42	TOMASZEWSKA W	WOJTYRA ANNA	POL	51.40	90	ANCHISI PAOLA M	COLOSIMO CARMEL	ITA	42.41
43	FARHOLT STENSE	RAHELT MARIA	DEN	51.11	91	MARTIN PALOMA	NICOLIAS-CORREA	SPA	42.39
44	MARIOTTI ORIANA	BIANCHI VALERIA	ITA	50.69	92	FALCIANI MAURA	PONTELLO LUISEL	ITA	40.88
45	PEDERZOLI GIULI	FUSARI EMANUELA	ITA	50.67	93	CARMONA IRENE	CORRAL MARI CAR	SPA	38.84
46	CROCI GIOVANNA	FERE' MARIALUIS	ITA	50.65	94	CATZEFLIS GENEV	BARRAS LYA	SWI	38.31
47	MACIESZCZAK MAR	SINEK MIRA	POL	50.60	95	DE IANNI TANIA	ORIOLE ALESSAND	ITA	38.29
48	BARLUND B	NIEMISTO R	FIN	50.24					

Hand of the Day

By Svend Novrup, e-bridge correspondent

There's an old saying that players celebrating something never play well. In the round one match between Denmark and Iceland Peter Schaltz achieved his 400th cap, but he played well enough and was even lucky on some occasions. The match was, in fact, decided when Denmark gained 15 IMPs on Board 7, played by Peter Schaltz.

Dealer South. All Vul.

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<p>♠ J 4 ♥ A ♦ K Q 8 5 4 3 ♣ Q 9 7 3</p>						

West	North	East	South
Baldursson	Schaltz	Sigurhjartarson	Schaltz
1♠	2♠*	3♠	Dble*
Pass	4♠*	Pass	4NT*
Pass	5♦*	Pass	5NT*
Pass	6♣*	Pass	7♣!
Pass	7♦	All Pass	

2♠ showed strong diamond support, at least game inviting. 4♠ was a cue-bid after which 4NT was RKCB. 5♦ showed three aces, and 5NT asked for vital kings. 6♣ showed ♣K and, believing that North had at most two spades, South decided that 7♣ could be on while 7♦ would go down. North wisely corrected to 7♦ which at least had no trump loser.

West led a trump, and South drew one more round. He continued with three top clubs and a club ruff followed by four more trumps to this position:

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

You will realise that the discards of East/West have not been optimal as Schaltz now found the remaining spades 1-1 and made the last trick with ♠J; 2140 to Denmark. In the other room N/S played in 3NT with 12 tricks; 690 but a swing of 15 IMPs to Denmark, taking the match 19-11.

Championship Diary

The Editor reports on the daily events at and around the Championship venue.

Sunday 17 June 2001

Yesterday's Opening Ceremony went without a hitch and was followed by an excellent buffet. Herman de Wael, Belgium's leading Vexillologist (good on flags!) pointed out at breakfast that England were incorrectly represented by the Union Jack rather than the flag of St. George. He also noted that the flag of Tenerife is identical to that of Scotland - an omen perhaps?

One of the local mobile telephone stations goes by the delightful name of *Movistar* but it appears that only a privileged few get connected to it. My suggestion is that the system only logs on to those deserving of the accolade implied by the title. Hollywood here we come!

Shortly before play gets under way, Steen Møller predicts that there will not be more than ten appeals.

Going into the playing rooms for the first session of the Women's pairs I meet Sabine Auken. She is usually my first port of call at the start of an event, which has frequently been the portent of an indifferent session for the German superstar. One suitable bribe later I am on my way - I was planning to watch another pair in any case!

Ton Kooijman tells us that Madame Lavazza ordered coffee for herself and her guests. Tasting the coffee she remarked that it was not very good, whereupon one her guests suggested that she try her own brand. "Coffee, my own coffee, oh I'd forgotten we could have had that." was her reply!

Following the play on VuGraph during the Italy-Scotland match I overhear one spectator comment 'They look a bit shell shocked, those Welshmen'. I think he escaped in one piece.

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