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Italy Take The Lead



The Seniors in play

LIVE VUGRAPH MATCHES

OPEN ROUND 32 10.00

Italy v Poland

LADIES ROUND 20 13.45

Netherlands v Austria

OPEN ROUND 34 17.30

Denmark v Norway

Italy take over at the top of the Open standings for the first time. A 24-6 VP win over **Switzerland** in the last match of the day secured the top spot for the Azurri as **Russia** were losing 10-20 to **Poland**. **Norway** and **Poland** lie joint third and it looks like these four plus one from **Greece**, **France**, **Israel**, **Denmark**, **Bulgaria** and **Austria** will be going to Bali. Of the chasing pack, those last three will need a big finish to get into the frame.

The **English Ladies** lost 13-17 to their closest challengers, **The Netherlands**, but still hold a comfortable lead at the top. **Germany's** surge continued and they lie third, with Italy also scoring heavily and up to fourth, ahead of **Austria**, **France** and **Israel**. Fourth through seventh are covered by only 7 VPs.

In the Seniors, **France 2**, the holders, are being caught by **Poland 1**, the **French** lead being down to 8.25 VPs. **Sweden** are third with **The Netherlands** and **Italy 2** tied for fourth place. The medals will probably go to those five teams, though nothing is certain in this wonderful game of ours.

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OPEN TEAMS RESULTS

ROUND 30

	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	SAN MARINO	DENMARK	26 - 41	12 - 18
2	PORTUGAL	GREECE	48 - 43	16 - 14
3	SLOVENIA	IRELAND	12 - 28	12 - 18
4	ISRAEL	ENGLAND	49 - 5	24 - 6
5	NORWAY	BULGARIA	65 - 8	25 - 4
6	SWEDEN	LUXEMBOURG	47 - 34	18 - 12
7	ICELAND	CZECH REP	22 - 31	13 - 17
8	SPAIN	UKRAINE	67 - 29	23 - 7
9	WALES	HUNGARY	40 - 75	8 - 22
10	BELGIUM	SCOTLAND	39 - 32	16 - 14
11	AUSTRIA	NETHERLANDS	39 - 44	14 - 16
12	GERMANY	TURKEY	44 - 61	11 - 19
13	FINLAND	CROATIA	36 - 24	17 - 13
14	LATVIA	ROMANIA	58 - 17	23 - 7
15	FRANCE	ITALY	23 - 56	8 - 22
16	LEBANON	LIECHTENSTEIN	71 - 9	25 - 3
17	RUSSIA	SWITZERLAND	37 - 26	17 - 13
18	POLAND	bye	0 - 0	18 - 0

ROUND 31

	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	DENMARK	GREECE	57 - 37	19 - 11
2	SAN MARINO	SLOVENIA	53 - 47	16 - 14
3	ENGLAND	PORTUGAL	50 - 39	17 - 13
4	IRELAND	NORWAY	23 - 39	12 - 18
5	LUXEMBOURG	ISRAEL	39 - 57	11 - 19
6	BULGARIA	ICELAND	51 - 59	14 - 16
7	UKRAINE	SWEDEN	39 - 72	8 - 22
8	CZECH REP	HUNGARY	41 - 70	9 - 21
9	SPAIN	BELGIUM	53 - 32	19 - 11
10	NETHERLANDS	WALES	49 - 49	15 - 15
11	SCOTLAND	GERMANY	51 - 41	17 - 13
12	FINLAND	AUSTRIA	44 - 57	12 - 18
13	ROMANIA	TURKEY	49 - 41	16 - 14
14	CROATIA	FRANCE	37 - 56	11 - 19
15	LEBANON	LATVIA	70 - 35	22 - 8
16	SWITZERLAND	ITALY	12 - 57	6 - 24
17	LIECHTENSTEIN	bye	0 - 0	18 - 0
18	RUSSIA	POLAND	27 - 52	10 - 20



TEAM PHOTOGRAPHS

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

Friday 29th June
(Ladies LineUp desk)

17.00 hrs

Italy Ladies

Aggelos Mallios
EBL Photographer

OPEN TEAMS PROGRAM

ROUND 32

10.00

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

ROUND 33

13.45

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

ROUND 34

17.30

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

OPEN TEAMS RANKING after 31 rounds

1	ITALY	571.00
2	RUSSIA	562.50
3	NORWAY	549.00
4	POLAND	549.00
5	FRANCE	527.00
6	Greece	525.00
7	Israel	522.50
8	Denmark	514.00
9	Bulgaria	511.50
10	Austria	507.00
11	Lebanon	499.00
12	Netherlands	498.00
13	England	498.00
14	Turkey	496.00
15	Belgium	495.50
16	Germany	494.00
17	Iceland	492.00
18	Spain	488.00
19	Scotland	474.00
20	Sweden	470.00
21	Hungary	467.00
22	Wales	461.00
23	Czech Rep	458.00
24	Portugal	442.00
25	Romania	425.00
26	Ukraine	417.00
27	Finland	415.50
28	Switzerland	393.00
29	Ireland	383.00
30	Croatia	383.00
31	Latvia	377.50
32	Slovenia	366.00
33	San Marino	362.50
34	Luxembourg	331.00
35	Liechtenstein	301.00

LADIES TEAMS RESULTS

ROUND 18

	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
21	HUNGARY	GERMANY	26 - 62	8 - 22
22	GREECE	CROATIA	32 - 51	11 - 19
23	CZECH REP	ITALY	18 - 53	8 - 22
24	SCOTLAND	NORWAY	21 - 51	9 - 21
25	SPAIN	RUSSIA	27 - 56	9 - 21
26	POLAND	bye	0 - 0	18 - 0
27	NETHERLANDS	ENGLAND	25 - 14	17 - 13
28	FINLAND	WALES	49 - 28	19 - 11
29	AUSTRIA	SWEDEN	30 - 36	14 - 16
30	DENMARK	SAN MARINO	45 - 37	16 - 14
31	ISRAEL	FRANCE	33 - 27	16 - 14

ROUND 19

	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
21	GERMANY	WALES	67 - 18	25 - 5
22	bye	SCOTLAND	0 - 0	0 - 18
23	DENMARK	POLAND	48 - 48	15 - 15
24	HUNGARY	FINLAND	32 - 45	12 - 18
25	AUSTRIA	ITALY	60 - 71	13 - 17
26	CROATIA	ISRAEL	48 - 46	15 - 15
27	RUSSIA	NETHERLANDS	19 - 50	9 - 21
28	SAN MARINO	FRANCE	72 - 62	17 - 13
29	ENGLAND	SPAIN	40 - 25	18 - 12
30	NORWAY	GREECE	112 - 15	25 - 0
31	SWEDEN	CZECH REP	39 - 52	12 - 18

LADIES TEAMS PROGRAM

ROUND 20

13.45

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
21	FRANCE	GERMANY
22	ISRAEL	HUNGARY
23	NORWAY	CROATIA
24	WALES	SAN MARINO
25	ENGLAND	POLAND
26	SCOTLAND	SWEDEN
27	ITALY	RUSSIA
28	GREECE	CZECH REP.
29	NETHERLANDS	AUSTRIA
30	FINLAND	bye
31	SPAIN	DENMARK

ROUND 21

17.30

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
21	CZECH REP.	GERMANY
22	SWEDEN	WALES
23	FINLAND	SCOTLAND
24	FRANCE	GREECE
25	NETHERLANDS	CROATIA
26	HUNGARY	SPAIN
27	POLAND	ITALY
28	bye	DENMARK
29	RUSSIA	ENGLAND
30	SAN MARINO	ISRAEL
31	AUSTRIA	NORWAY

LADIES TEAMS RANKING after 19 rounds

1	ENGLAND	357.00
2	NETHERLANDS	339.00
3	GERMANY	337.00
4	ITALY	329.00
5	AUSTRIA	327.00
6	France	324.00
7	Israel	322.00
8	Czech Rep	307.00
9	Norway	306.00
10	Spain	306.00
11	Poland	298.00
12	Sweden	290.00
13	Russia	279.00
14	Hungary	262.00
15	Croatia	262.00
16	Finland	259.00
17	Greece	259.00
18	Denmark	218.00
19	Wales	216.50
20	San Marino	210.00
21	Scotland	184.00

SENIOR TEAMS RANKING after 23 rounds

1	FRANCE 2	451.00
2	POLAND I	442.75
3	SWEDEN	412.00
4	Netherlands	399.00
5	Italy 2	399.00
6	Germany I	390.00
7	France I	388.00
8	England 2	387.00
9	England I	379.00
10	Poland 2	377.00
11	Scotland	369.00
12	Italy I	365.00
13	Germany 2	351.00
14	Ireland	342.00
15	Norway	334.00
16	Czech Rep.	331.00
17	Israel I	318.75
18	Belgium	318.00
19	Croatia	310.50
20	Israel 2	306.00
21	Switzerland	305.00
22	Wales I	303.00
23	Portugal	295.00
24	Lebanon	259.00
25	Spain I	258.50
26	Wales 2	253.00
27	Malta	246.00

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ONLINE MATCHES

OPEN	ROUND 32	10.00
Italy v Poland		
LADIES	ROUND 20	13.45
Netherlands v Austria		
OPEN	ROUND 34	17.30
Denmark v Norway		

SENIOR TEAMS RESULTS**ROUND 21**

Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs	
41	bye	CROATIA	0 - 0	0 - 18
42	MALTA	GERMANY 1	15 - 38	9 - 21
43	ITALY 2	FRANCE 1	37 - 27	17 - 13
44	ENGLAND 2	ISRAEL 2	42 - 32	17 - 13
45	FRANCE 2	POLAND 2	38 - 5	23 - 7
46	PORTUGAL	ITALY 1	12 - 29	11 - 19
47	POLAND 1	GERMANY 2	55 - 0	25 - 2
48	SCOTLAND	CZECH REP.	42 - 13	22 - 8
49	ENGLAND 1	WALES 1	52 - 30	20 - 10
50	IRELAND	WALES 2	34 - 27	16 - 14
51	SWEDEN	SWITZERLAND	62 - 7	25 - 2
52	ISRAEL 1	SPAIN 1	39 - 24	19 - 11
53	NORWAY	LEBANON	66 - 16	25 - 3
54	BELGIUM	NETHERLANDS	15 - 36	10 - 20

ROUND 22

Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs	
41	CROATIA	ISRAEL 1	28 - 30	15 - 15
42	IRELAND	PORTUGAL	7 - 34	8 - 22
43	FRANCE 1	SCOTLAND	31 - 40	13 - 17
44	POLAND 2	bye	0 - 0	18 - 0
45	LEBANON	BELGIUM	48 - 31	19 - 11
46	SWITZERLAND	MALTA	16 - 42	9 - 21
47	WALES 2	ENGLAND 2	18 - 44	9 - 21
48	ISRAEL 2	ENGLAND 1	17 - 46	8 - 22
49	GERMANY 1	NETHERLANDS	24 - 21	16 - 14
50	WALES 1	NORWAY	20 - 26	14 - 16
51	CZECH REP.	SPAIN 1	22 - 30	13 - 17
52	ITALY 1	POLAND 1	8 - 49	5 - 25
53	GERMANY 2	ITALY 2	19 - 29	13 - 17
54	FRANCE 2	SWEDEN	35 - 27	17 - 13

ROUND 23

Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs	
41	ITALY 1	CROATIA	33 - 29	16 - 14
42	WALES 1	SWITZERLAND	52 - 8	25 - 4
43	SCOTLAND	ISRAEL 2	49 - 11	24 - 6
44	BELGIUM	ISRAEL 1	31 - 17	18 - 12
45	ITALY 2	FRANCE 2	25 - 11	18 - 12
46	SPAIN 1	IRELAND	4 - 57	3 - 25
47	NORWAY	POLAND 2	20 - 42	10 - 20
48	bye	GERMANY 1	0 - 0	0 - 18
49	PORTUGAL	SWEDEN	0 - 64	1 - 25
50	NETHERLANDS	GERMANY 2	25 - 18	16 - 14
51	ENGLAND 1	POLAND 1	9 - 56	4 - 25
52	MALTA	WALES 2	41 - 49	13 - 17
53	ENGLAND 2	FRANCE 1	15 - 29	12 - 18
54	LEBANON	CZECH REP.	24 - 61	6 - 24

SENIOR TEAMS PROGRAM**ROUND 24****10.00**

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
41	CROATIA	MALTA
42	NETHERLANDS	SPAIN 1
43	ISRAEL 2	bye
44	FRANCE 2	ITALY 1
45	FRANCE 1	LEBANON
46	POLAND 1	WALES 1
47	GERMANY 2	BELGIUM
48	ISRAEL 1	PORTUGAL
49	SWITZERLAND	CZECH REP.
50	SWEDEN	ENGLAND 2
51	GERMANY 1	WALES 2
52	IRELAND	NORWAY
53	POLAND 2	SCOTLAND
54	ITALY 2	ENGLAND 1

ROUND 25**13.45**

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
41	CROATIA	IRELAND
42	SWEDEN	POLAND 1
43	bye	ISRAEL 1
44	LEBANON	MALTA
45	SCOTLAND	ITALY 2
46	WALES 2	NETHERLANDS
47	ENGLAND 2	FRANCE 2
48	ITALY 1	SWITZERLAND
49	SPAIN 1	ENGLAND 1
50	CZECH REP.	POLAND 2
51	PORTUGAL	NORWAY
52	WALES 1	GERMANY 2
53	BELGIUM	ISRAEL 2
54	FRANCE 1	GERMANY 1

ROUND 26**17.30**

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
41	WALES 1	CROATIA
42	CZECH REP.	WALES 2
43	ISRAEL 1	ITALY 1
44	ITALY 2	IRELAND
45	ISRAEL 2	FRANCE 1
46	NORWAY	SWEDEN
47	POLAND 2	LEBANON
48	MALTA	SPAIN 1
49	POLAND 1	GERMANY 1
50	ENGLAND 1	BELGIUM
51	SWITZERLAND	GERMANY 2
52	NETHERLANDS	ENGLAND 2
53	FRANCE 2	bye
54	SCOTLAND	PORTUGAL

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Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Simon</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Terraneo</i>
Pass	2♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	3NT	Pass	2NT
All Pass		Pass	6NT

Helgemo led the ♣9 which ran round to South's ace. Declarer went on to cash five heart tricks, West discarding a diamond and a spade and East two diamonds. Next came a low club from dummy, on which declarer allowed East's ♣10 to hold. A spade was returned, Terraneo winning his ace and cashing the diamonds next. Now, West discarded the ♠K on the last diamond. This induced declarer to finesse the ♣J at trick 12 for his contract. Nicely done, Austria +1440.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Schifko</i>	<i>Aa</i>	<i>Gloyer</i>	<i>Groetheim</i>
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♣
Pass	2♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	3♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♦
All Pass		Pass	3NT

No comment. Norway +660, but Austria had won 13 IMPs more.

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Simon</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Terraneo</i>
			1♣
INT	Dble	2♥	Dble
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

East duly led a club in response to his partner's double, and the contract went two down; Norway +500.

West	North	East	South
<i>Schifko</i>	<i>Aa</i>	<i>Gloyer</i>	<i>Groetheim</i>
			1♦
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♠
Dble	4♠	All Pass	

When West kept quiet after the 1♦ opening bid, there was little chance the spades would get lost, as happened at the other table. So the Norwegians found their fit easily and ended up in the proper contract for a further +650 and 15 IMPs.

A slight misdefence but a neat declarer play saved the board below for Austria:

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Simon</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Terraneo</i>
			1♦
1♥	Pass	2♥	3♦
All Pass			

This contract went one down; Norway +100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Schifko</i>	<i>Aa</i>	<i>Gloyer</i>	<i>Groetheim</i>
			1♦
Dble	Pass	2♣	2♦
Dble	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♠	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♣	All Pass

Well, nothing would have been wrong with 3♥, but suddenly East found himself in a tricky contract. When the defence did not

force dummy with continuous diamond leads, he found a neat solution. The spade lead went to the king and a heart went to the king in dummy. South won the second heart and persisted with spades, instead of shifting to diamonds. Dummy won and another heart was led to South, who finally continued $\heartsuit A$ and another, dummy ruffing. A club to the ten and a low club saw the lead come back to dummy, and declarer now simply played hearts through North to make his contract on a trump coup.

A pleasure to watch on Rama; Austria +130 and just 1 IMP more.

The Austrians had managed to carry their lead of about 30 IMPs right through the match, but the last board was a real set-back for them:

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

<p>\heartsuit K 9 \heartsuit A 8 6 3 \diamondsuit J 10 6 3 2 \clubsuit 5 2</p>	<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		<p>\heartsuit Q 3 2 \heartsuit Q 7 4 \diamondsuit A Q \clubsuit A Q 10 6 4</p>	<p>\heartsuit 10 7 4 \heartsuit K J 5 2 \diamondsuit K 9 7 \clubsuit K 8 3</p>
	N											
W		E										
	S											
<p>\heartsuit A J 8 6 5 \heartsuit 10 9 \diamondsuit 8 5 4 \clubsuit J 9 7</p>												

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Simon</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Terraneo</i>
Pass	Pass	INT	Pass
2 \clubsuit	Pass	2 \diamond	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

This contract seems to have one legitimate chance: $\diamond K$ doubleton with North. Helness, however, did not really believe in this chance, even more so because South had led a spade and thus looked marked with spade length already, giving North more room to hold a string of diamonds. So he went for another possibility: $\clubsuit KJ$ under the $\clubsuit AQ10$. Accordingly, he led a club to the ten, Terraneo winning with the jack. When South, not being able to work out what was really going on, decided to cash the $\heartsuit A$ and then returned a heart, Helness had all the time in the world to even get an overtrick; Norway +630.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Schifko</i>	<i>Aa</i>	<i>Gloyer</i>	<i>Groethelm</i>
Pass	Pass	1 \diamond	Pass
1 \heartsuit	Pass	INT	Pass
2 \clubsuit	Pass	2 \diamond	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	Pass

Spade lead as well, but declarer then went for his legitimate chance: diamond to the queen and $\heartsuit A$. When the king did not drop, he continued the $\clubsuit Q$ from his hand. When this proved wrong, the contract went three off for another 300 to Norway, a swing of 14 IMPs to make it 50-36 to Austria, or 18-12 in VPs.

A doubled slam swing

by Steen Møller, Denmark

This board in the match between Spain and Denmark produced one of the bigger swings of these championships (20 IMPs) and at both tables the $\diamond 10$ played an important role.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

<p>\heartsuit - \heartsuit K J 10 6 3 \diamondsuit A K Q 8 7 5 \clubsuit 3 2</p>	<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		<p>\heartsuit 8 7 3 \heartsuit A 9 8 \diamondsuit 10 \clubsuit A 10 8 6 5 4</p>	<p>\heartsuit A K Q J 9 \heartsuit 5 4 \diamondsuit 4 \clubsuit K Q J 9 7</p>
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W		E										
	S											
<p>\heartsuit 10 6 5 4 2 \heartsuit Q 7 2 \diamondsuit J 9 6 3 2 \clubsuit -</p>												

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Goded</i>	<i>Bruun</i>	<i>Lantaran</i>	<i>Blakset</i>
		Pass	Pass
2 \heartsuit	3 \heartsuit	4 \heartsuit	4 \heartsuit
5 \heartsuit	5 \heartsuit	Pass	Pass
6 \heartsuit	Pass	Pass	6 \heartsuit
Dble	All Pass		

2 \heartsuit showed at least 5-5 in the red suits and the rest was natural

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>P Schaltz</i>	<i>Knap</i>	<i>D Schaltz</i>	<i>Wasik</i>
		Pass	Pass
1 \heartsuit	2 \heartsuit	2 \heartsuit	3 \heartsuit
4 \heartsuit	4 \heartsuit	Pass	Pass
5 \diamond	5 \heartsuit	Pass	Pass
6 \heartsuit	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

2 \heartsuit was Michaels and 2 \heartsuit showed heart support. 5 \diamond was lead-directing, but after East's forcing pass West went on to 6 \heartsuit .

It looked as though the Danes went a bit too high in both rooms, but with a little help from their friends...

In the open room East unfortunately led the $\clubsuit A$ and that was all Mathias Bruun needed. He ruffed in dummy (South), crossed to the $\heartsuit A$ and discarded the three heart losers on the clubs. Then he ruffed a heart in dummy and carefully led the $\diamond J$ to prevent East from coming in to lead a trump. Thereafter a complete crossruff let him make the rest of the tricks; +1210 to Denmark.

In the Closed Room Peter Schaltz ruffed North's lead of the $\heartsuit A$. As he knew a lot about the distribution of his opponents' hands and needed the hearts to be 3-2 he crossed to the $\heartsuit A$ and ran (!) the $\diamond 10$. Of course South could (and should) have beaten the slam by covering, but it is not easy to play against an imaginative declarer and in fact West was also playing for the real chance of pinning the $\diamond 9$ in North's hand. After winning the $\diamond 10$ West finessed +the $\heartsuit J$, ruffed a diamond, came back to his hand with a spade ruff, drew the last trump and claimed twelve tricks; another +1210 to the Danes.



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SESSION 16
LADIES TEAMS



England v Israel



Six rounds to go and the English women were still in the lead, though with Austria breathing down their necks. In Round 16 they faced Israel, who were still very much in the hunt for a medal and a trip to Bali. An important match then for both teams. The match began very well for the English.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ A K 6 3 ♥ J 9 8 7 4 3 ♦ Q 8 ♣ 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		♠ Q ♥ A Q 10 6 ♦ K 10 7 4 ♣ K 8 7 5	♠ J 10 7 4 2 ♥ 5 2 ♦ J 9 6 ♣ 10 9 6
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West	North	East	South
<i>Dhondy</i>	<i>Zur-C</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Levit-P</i>
2♣	2♥	1♣	Pass
		Dble	All Pass

West	North	East	South
<i>Liberman</i>	<i>Brunner</i>	<i>Birman</i>	<i>Goldenfield</i>
2♣	2♥	1♦	Pass
4♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
		5♣	All Pass

Daniela Birman opened 1♦ and heard her partner respond in her other four-card minor. When Michelle Brunner overcalled 2♥. Birman showed a good club raise by cuebidding 3♥. Ruth Liberman showed her diamonds and the partnership came to rest in 5♣. Six Clubs is makeable on a spade lead if you are in it but, of course, Liberman played safe for five; +400.

Nicola Smith had opened 1♣ and heard an inverted raise from Heather Dhondy. When Migri Zur-Campanila also overcalled 2♥ and Smith doubled for penalties. Dhondy passed that and Smith led off with a low club. Dhondy won the ace and continued clubs, declarer pitching a diamond, as she did again on the third club. Now Smith switched to a diamond to the nine, ace and ruffed with the four. Zur-Campanila led the seven of hearts and Smith played low after some thought. Dhondy won her king and played a diamond.

Declarer does not know that the ♠Q is coming down and, with the bidding and play to date suggesting that the suit was more likely to be 3-1 than 2-2, the odds were that it would not do so. If she ruffs the diamond and plays off the top spades and the queen does not fall, East will ruff, cash her remaining hearts and play a minor-suit winner. Declarer has only one trump left so cannot come to a second spade trick and is four down. So Zur-Campanila pitched a spade on the diamond. Smith won the king and cashed a top heart before playing a club. Declarer ruffed the club and played off the top spades, smiling ruefully when the queen appeared. She was three down now for -800 and 9 IMPs to England.



Migri Zur-Campanila, Israel

Had West held ♠Qxx, East could have ruffed the second one and cashed her last heart but would then have had to give a trick to dummy's ♦J, for three down, saving a trick. Or if she discarded on the spade declarer could exit with a trump and again come to a diamond trick.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Dhondy</i>	<i>Zur-C</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Levit-P</i>
2♥	Pass	3♦	Dble
3NT	Pass	4♥	All Pass

West	North	East	South
<i>Liberman</i>	<i>Brunner</i>	<i>Birman</i>	<i>Goldenfield</i>
2♥	All Pass		INT

Dhondy made an intermediate jump overcall and Smith showed a good raise by cuebidding 3♦. Ruth Levit-Porat's double told her partner not to lead diamonds, and now Dhondy bid 3NT - as who would not? Smith did well now, working out that

there might be a serious weakness in a black suit if the partnership had so much in diamonds. She went back to 4♥ and that made a comfortable +620.

The defence led a low spade and South won with the queen. Now, had she returned her low spade and North played a club through, declarer would have had to play hearts for no loss to make her contract; maybe she would play South for K10x. In practice Levit-Porat played ace and another spade and Dhondy was in no danger.

In the other room, Liberman overcalled 2♥ over Rhona Goldenfield's weak no trump and Birman could not scrape up a raise; +140 and 10 IMPs to England.

The score remained at 19-0 to England through a series of flat boards. Then things got even better for the leaders:

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

♠ A Q 10 9		♠ J 6 5 4										
♥ Q 9 8		♥ A J 2										
♦ A 8 6		♦ 10 2										
♣ 10 5 4		♣ K 9 6 2										
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			♣ -									
		♠ 2										
		♥ K 3										
		♦ J 9 5 4										
		♣ A Q J 8 7 3										
West	North	East	South									
<i>Dhondy</i>	<i>Zur-C</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Levit-P</i>									
1♠	INT	4♠	1♣									
			All Pass									
West	North	East	South									
<i>Liberman</i>	<i>Brunner</i>	<i>Birman</i>	<i>Goldenfield</i>									
1♠	2♠	4♠	5♣									
Pass	Pass	5♦	Pass									
5♠	Dble	All Pass										

Five Spades is, of course, a phantom sacrifice, on the assumption that the defence to 5♣ takes its spade trick before declarer can get her singleton away courtesy of the heart finesse. But Birman liked her shape and, expecting her partner to have a fifth spade, went on to the five level as a two-way shot. Five Spades was doubled and drifted two down for -300.

North/ South did not compete so vigorously in the other room, where Zur-Campanila's INT bid dampened her partner's enthusiasm. The lead was a trump, and North must have been pleasantly surprised to find her partner following to the trick. Dhondy won in hand and crossed to a diamond to play a heart up, hoping to find South with AJ or KJ doubleton. Levit-Porat went in with the king and switched to the queen of clubs. That was ruffed in dummy and Dhondy played a second heart to the jack. Back came a diamond, attacking declarer's communications. Dhondy won in hand and played the ♥Q and now Zur-Campanila did something very strange when she won and returned a trump. What she thought was going on is unclear - presumably she had seen a count card from partner that made this defence appear to be safe. Dhondy could simply draw trumps, throwing the fourth diamond on the last trump, and cross to the diamond to

cash the hearts; +420 and 12 IMPs to England, who led by 31-0. Israel got on the board with a 6 IMP partscore swing on the next deal but the next big swing again went the way of England.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

		♠ A K 2										
		♥ J 8 4										
		♦ A 10										
		♣ 10 9 7 6 5										
♠ Q 10 8		<table border="1" style="display: inline-table; vertical-align: middle;"><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		♠ 9 7 6 4
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♦ K 7			♦ 8 6 4 3 2									
♣ Q J 4 2			♣ K									
		♠ J 5 3										
		♥ A 10 2										
		♦ Q J 9 5										
		♣ A 8 3										
West	North	East	South									
<i>Dhondy</i>	<i>Zur-C</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Levit-P</i>									
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♦									
All Pass	INT	Pass	2NT									
West	North	East	South									
<i>Liberman</i>	<i>Brunner</i>	<i>Birman</i>	<i>Goldenfield</i>									
All Pass	INT	Pass	3NT									

Three No Trump is not the greatest contract in the world, but as the cards lie it will normally make. Where Goldenfield simply raised the weak no trump to game, Levit-Porat, who was also facing a weak no trump type, merely invited.

Brunner won the spade lead and played ace and another club. Not wishing to lead any other suit, Liberman simply played two more rounds of clubs to get off play. Brunner made an overtrick now for +630. That was worth 10 IMPs when Zur-Campanila scored +150 in the other room.

England led by 41-6 and looked to be on the way to a big win, however, Israel hit back with two big swings in the last quarter.

Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

		♠ A J 10 3 2										
		♥ A Q 6										
		♦ A 7 6										
		♣ 10 6										
♠ Q 7 5 4		<table border="1" style="display: inline-table; vertical-align: middle;"><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		♠ -
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♣ Q 9 8 7 4			♣ A K J 5 2									
		♠ K 9 8 6										
		♥ J 10 9 3										
		♦ J 5 3 2										
		♣ 3										
West	North	East	South									
<i>Dhondy</i>	<i>Zur-C</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Levit-P</i>									
Pass	INT	Pass	2♣									
Pass	2♠	All Pass										

West	North	East	South
Liberman	Brunner	Birman	Goldenfield
Pass	1♠	2NT	3♠
4♣	4♠	5♣	Pass
Pass	Dble	All Pass	

When Smith was unwilling to come in with her minor two-suiter, Zur-Campanila was left to play in 2♠. Smith cashed a top club and switched to the queen of diamonds, which declarer ducked. Having had no clue from the auction, declarer was a little surprised when the diamond continuation got ruffed. Dhondy switched to a heart and declarer went up with the ace. She continued by cashing the ace of spades, leaving herself with a loser in each major. However, the contract was still safe for +110.

Birman came in immediately in the other room and went on to game when Liberman bid only a slightly cautious 4♣. To defeat 5♣ doubled, North has to find a heart lead. Not altogether surprisingly, Brunner was not up to that one, preferring a trump. Declarer won and played a diamond up, ducked, then cross-ruffed diamonds and spades to establish the diamonds. She came to eleven tricks easily enough for +750 and 13 badly needed IMPs to Israel.

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Dhondy	Zur-C	Smith	Levit-P
Pass	4NT	Pass	3♦
Pass	5NT	Pass	5♦
Pass	6♦	All Pass	6♣

West	North	East	South
Liberman	Brunner	Birman	Goldenfield
Pass	3NT	All Pass	2♦

Brunner did not consider a slam when Goldenfield opened with a weak 2♦ bid. After a club lead into her tenace, she made all 13 tricks for +520. Levit-Portat opened with a weak 3♦, which looks pretty middle-of-the-road to me. Zur-Campanila asked for key cards then, just in case, for kings, settling in the small slam when the response denied a king. Levit-Portat ducked the spade lead, trying to minimise the undertricks should the heart finesse fail. She won the spade return, crossed to hand with a diamond and ruffed the remaining spade high. Now she drew trumps and took the heart finesse; +920 and 9 IMPs to Israel.

England won by 44-29 IMPs, or 18-12 VPs - not as good as it had looked earlier, but they still extended their lead by 2 VPs thanks to Austria's only just pipping Spain by 16-14. Israel also were still very much alive.

The Ballade of Maastricht

David Burn is a member of the England Open Team that is making a late surge up the table. He somehow found the time to pen this amusing article.

England's first match of these Championships against Belgium was something of a massacre, with the Belgians winning 25-2. Now that they have their revenge for the narrow defeat at the hands of England in Maastricht, I hope they will forgive the appearance of this poem, which I wrote to commemorate Gunnar Hallberg's performance on a by now celebrated board. I should add that what follows is in the nature of poetic licence - the Belgian reaction to the incident was in actual fact a model of grace and sportsmanship. I think they have forgiven us - certainly the ballade below has been printed in two Belgian bridge magazines!

A Ballade of Unwarranted Presumption

Playing against a Belgian side
I reached a dodgy contract, where
Although to beat me long they tried,
They hadn't any cards to spare.
Instead of merely sitting there
And waiting for all Hell to freeze,
I rose politely in my chair
And claimed it on a double squeeze.

Directors came from every side
Out of some dark, infernal lair.
"He can't do that!" the Belgians cried,
"It's not allowed! It isn't fair!"
Bill Schoder fixed me with a glare;
"What were you doing, if you please?"
"It's quite all right - don't lose your hair -
I claimed it on a double squeeze."

They called Committees to decide
If I was mad, or took no care.
"And are you normal?" I replied,
"I try to be, when I declare."
"Are you inferior?" "What! You dare
To ask me questions such as these?
The end position wasn't rare -
I claimed it on a double squeeze."

Envoi

Prince, all the Laws are pure hot air
And made for sheep by chimpanzees.
But that is scarcely my affair -
I claimed it on a double squeeze.

GOLDEN OLDIE

by Patrick Jourdain, Wales

In 1977, when resident in Glasgow, I played two matches for Scotland in the Camrose, with Victor Goldberg as my partner. Now aged 78 (Goldberg, that is, rather than me), in the Seniors, he is showing he still has his skills.

Seniors Round 20

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

<p>♠ 10 4 3 ♥ A K Q J 9 5 4 3 ♦ — ♣ 8 2</p>	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 80px; height: 80px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	<p>♠ Q J 8 7 6 2 ♥ 7 2 ♦ A 10 4 ♣ 10 3</p>	<p>♠ A 5 ♥ 10 8 6 ♦ Q 6 5 3 2 ♣ K 5 4</p>
N						
W E						
S						
<p>♠ K 9 ♥ — ♦ K J 9 8 7 ♣ A Q J 9 7 6</p>						

The bidding was the same at both tables:

West	North	East	South
<i>Gordon</i>	<i>Piekenbrock</i>	<i>Goldberg</i>	<i>Uhlmann</i>
<i>Gromoller</i>	<i>MacLaren</i>	<i>Schneider</i>	<i>Frew</i>
	4♥	Pass	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♦	Dble
All Pass			

A heart was led at both tables. Declarer ruffed and came to hand with the ace of trumps, finding the suit was 5-0.

At the table where Germany 2 was at the helm, declarer next led a spade. David Frew rose with the ace and another heart ensured the game's defeat.

At Goldberg's table, however, at trick three he instead started on the clubs, taking and repeating the finesse, then disposing of his last heart on the third round.

Now he led the spade king and South let it hold. Goldberg switched to playing a winning club. South ruffed and found he was in a Morton's Fork.

Suppose first that he leads another heart without cashing his ace of spades. Declarer discards his losing spade from dummy, ruffs in hand, takes the diamond finesse, and plays winning clubs.

South makes two trumps, but not the ace of spades.

Seeing the danger, South cashed his ace of spades before playing the heart. But Goldberg had the answer to this as well. He ruffed in his hand and played the ten of trumps. South could not afford to cover as dummy would be high. So South played low. Goldberg now pumped winning spades at him. In made no difference when South ruffed. If he does not ruff declarer throws clubs on the spades, and ends with a trump coup. When South ruffed early, Goldberg over-ruffed in dummy, drew the last trump and claimed his good clubs.

Well played!

Another Norwegian Braveheart Bull's Eye

by Jon Sveindal, Norway

The Norwegian Bravehearts surprised the world of bridge by their fine performance in Maastrich during last year's Olympic Championship. In Tenerife the team have not been able to put up their best effort other than occasionally, which is of course reflected in the ladies' ranking. But the players are still bravehearted. Ida Wennevold is no exception, even though she is a newcomer to the team.

Ladies Round 16. Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

<p>♠ 9 7 ♥ A Q 9 6 5 3 ♦ A Q ♣ Q 9 7</p>	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 80px; height: 80px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	<p>♠ K 10 8 3 2 ♥ 10 4 ♦ 8 2 ♣ 8 6 3 2</p>	<p>♠ J 5 4 ♥ J 8 7 ♦ K J 9 5 ♣ A 5 4</p>
N						
W E						
S						
		<p>♠ A Q 6 ♥ K 2 ♦ 10 7 6 4 3 ♣ K J 10</p>				

West	North	East	South
	<i>Lybæk</i>		<i>Ida</i>
1♥	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Not unnaturally, East wanted to protect her diamond holding, and it looked as if no trump was the right game. Had Ida led a pedestrian diamond, 11 tricks would have rolled in - the same number of tricks also being available in a heart game. Courageously, and with the flair of Zia, Ida tabled the queen of spades! Eventually, Tulla Steen Lybæk happily cashed her fifth spade as the setting trick.

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Dealer South. E/W Game

Dealer South. E/W Game			
	♠ 9		
	♥ K J 9 4 2		
	♦ K J 5		
	♣ K 10 6 2		
♠ 10 6 5 4		♠ A Q J 7	
♥ A 8 7 3		♥ -	
♦ 4 3		♦ A Q 8 6	
♣ 9 8 7		♣ A Q J 5 3	
	♠ K 8 3 2		
	♥ Q 10 6 5		
	♦ 10 9 7 2		
	♣ 4		
West	North	East	South
Jacobus	Weichsel	Milner	Meltzer
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
Zmudzinski	Moss	Balicki	Gitelman
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

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

West	North	East	South
Jacobus	Weichsel	Milner	Meltzer
		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
Zmudzinski	Moss	Balicki	Gitelman
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.

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The Lippo Bank World Transnational Open Teams will take place during the second week of the Championships, starting on Sunday 28 October 2001

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:

Semi Final and first session of the Final

On Thursday 01 November, there will also be an IMP Pairs for participants who wish to continue to play bridge.

Friday 02 November: Final and Victory Banquet



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

It is intended that, in the Semi final and Final, participants in the World Transnational Teams will play the same boards as those played in the Bermuda Bowl.

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SESSION 29
OPEN TEAMS



France v Russia



On Wednesday evening, France had to play the first of two consecutive Rama matches. Due to the idiosyncrasies of the schedule, teams who have enjoyed a bye will have to play Russia and Italy in their next two matches. Elsewhere in this issue you can read about the outcome of the France-Italy match, but here we will restrict ourselves to some of the interesting things that occurred in the France-Russia encounter.

On the first four boards, we saw four swings, in different directions.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Petrinin	Multon	Gromov	Quantin
	1♠	Pass	INT
Dble	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	All Pass		

Very much left to their own devices, the Russians could not find a way to bid game; eleven tricks, +200 to Russia.



Andrei Gromov, Russia

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Abécassis	Kholomeev	Soulet	Zlotov
	1♠	Pass	3♠
4♥	All Pass		

When Zlotov found the most aggressive of spade raises, Abécassis was pushed into 4♥, whether he liked it or not. Dummy turned out to be quite useful, so ten tricks were easy; France +420 and the first 6 IMPs of the match.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Petrinin	Multon	Gromov	Quantin
		1♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♣	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Quite natural bidding, and with 25 HCP between E/W the contract looks normal enough. Yet on a diamond lead declarer needs a fortunate layout, but he went for it and found what he wanted: the ♣K10 onside. So it went: ♦K and ♣Q to the king and ace. Of course, the defence had been forced to discard a diamond on the run of the hearts, so leading a spade after the five hearts would have worked as well but; as declarer could not be sure of this, he tried another club to the nine. When this held, he even had an overtrick; Russia +430.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Abécassis	Kholomeev	Soulet	Zlotov
		1♠	Pass
INT	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♥	All Pass		

A transfer sequence saw the French ending up in what was a reasonable enough contract for ten tricks and +170 to them, but the match was level again at 6-6.

On the next board, we saw yet another partscore swing:

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Petrinin</i>	<i>Multon</i>	<i>Gromov</i>	<i>Quantin</i>
2♣	2♦	3♣	Pass
Pass	3♦	All Pass	Pass

Due to their system, E/W could not easily find the spade fit, so they sold out to 3♦. Now, Multon had to play very well to see this contract home, but he did. The defence started off with three rounds of clubs, declarer ruffing. After four more trumps, West had discarded down to three spades, all three hearts and thus no more clubs. So Multon played the ♠A and another, won by West with the ten. The only safe exit card for West was the ♠K, so he duly led it, but Multon ruffed and led a low heart. West won, but with nothing but hearts left, he had to surrender; France +110.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Abécassis</i>	<i>Kholomeev</i>	<i>Soulet</i>	<i>Zlotov</i>
1♣	Dble	1♠	Pass
2♠	3♦	Pass	Pass
3♠	All Pass		

After the natural 1♣ opening, E/W easily found their spade fit and thus could compete to the three level. No less than ten tricks were made, so France scored another +170 and 7 IMPs.

On the next board, the French handed back these IMPs with interest:

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Petrinin</i>	<i>Multon</i>	<i>Gromov</i>	<i>Quantin</i>
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♣
Pass	4♦	Pass	6♣
Dble	All Pass		

Petrinin apparently doubled to draw attention to the spade situation, but it did not matter that Gromov simply led a diamond. Declarer had nowhere to go and had to concede one down; Russia +200. Only finding both major-suit aces on side would have seen the slam home.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Abécassis</i>	<i>Kholomeev</i>	<i>Soulet</i>	<i>Zlotov</i>
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♥	3♦	5♣
All Pass			

Upon hearing his partner bid hearts, Zlotov made the sensible move of not enquiring any further, but simply settling for what he thought was the best contract. He was right and Russia scored +600 here, a swing of 13 IMPs. They were back in the lead.

After two quiet boards, the French had a lucky escape:

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Petrinin</i>	<i>Multon</i>	<i>Gromov</i>	<i>Quantin</i>
2♠	3♦	3♥	INT
4♠	Dble	Pass	Dble
Pass	5♥	Dble	5♣
			All Pass

After the off-shape INT by Quantin, 3♦ showed hearts, so the heart lead against a spade contract seemed likely. On this lead, 4♠ is one off, and the French would no doubt have found this defence. Quantin, however, did not want to defend and settled for 5♣. This would have been down one but, when Multon corrected to hearts, 5♥ became the final contract, two down when the club ruff was easily found after a spade lead to the ace and a club return; Russia +500.

Closed Room

West Abécassis	North Kholomeev	East Soulet	South Zlotov
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

South led the ♣K but then he shifted to a low spade. Declarer now could rise with the ace and take the losing diamond finesse to get rid of his losing heart in time. A lucky +620 for France which brought them 3 IMPs on the deal instead of a loss of 12.



Jean-Christophe Quantin, France

For compensation, here is a board on which it seems that the French, at their turn, did not find the proper defence in the Closed Room.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West Petrunin	North Multon	East Gromov	South Quantin
Pass	1♥	2♣	Pass
Pass	Dble	All Pass	Pass

In the Open Room, Quantin did the obvious thing: he sat the double of 2♣ and collected three undertricks; France +500.

Closed Room

West Abécassis	North Kholomeev	East Soulet	South Zlotov
Pass	1♥	2♣	Pass
Pass	4♥	All Pass	2♥

Zlotov decided not to go for a big penalty, so Kholomeev found himself in what looks like a shaky game. On the lead of the ♣K, declarer can win the ace but what should he do? If he plays for spade ruffs a trump switch will probably cause his undoing. At the table, however, the contract was made when the defenders never touched trumps though declarer did go after the spades. So Russia got their +420 and France gained only 2 IMPs.

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West Petrunin	North Multon	East Gromov	South Quantin
Pass	2♠	3♦	1♠
4♦	4♠	All Pass	3♥

When the save was not taken, nothing to report, France +620.

Closed Room

West Abécassis	North Kholomeev	East Soulet	South Zlotov
Pass	2♠	3♦	1♠
5♦	Dble	All Pass	4♠

Here the save was taken, so the direction of the swing hinged on the defence. There are six tricks available for the defenders but they have to be very exact to get all of them. Zlotov did very well when he led the ♥A. From here, it should be not too difficult any more: club to the king, spade to the queen, ♠A and club to the ace, club ruff.

When Zlotov did not continue his good work but led another heart instead, the club ruff was gone, as was one of the undertricks. Down only three, Russia +500 and 3 IMPs to France.

With the match still about level, the board below was to decide its eventual outcome of it.



Philippe Soulet, France

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Petrinin	Multon	Gromov	Quantin
1♦	2♣	Pass	Pass
Pass	2NT	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♦
All Pass		Pass	3♠

The light but systemic 1♦ opening was more than the French could cope with. It had become virtually impossible for them to even realise that diamonds might well be a useful suit to play in; Russia +200 when 3♠ was down two.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Abécassis	Kholomeev	Soulet	Zlotov
Pass	2NT	Pass	2♠
Pass	5♦	Pass	3♦
		All Pass	

When Zlotov could open in second position to show his two-suiter, game was quickly reached. Zlotov then guessed correctly in trumps to score his 11 tricks needed and a fine +600 to Russia. The 13 IMPs gained here were enough to secure their 18-12 VPs victory (43-29).

The Largest Seniors Swing

by Nissan Rand, Israel

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

The Israel Senior team here in Tenerife is composed of relatively inexperienced players who are competing in the European arena for the first time. There is one exception in the person of Shaya Levit, who represented Israel many times in the Open Championship during the seventies and eighties and is recognised here as one of the very top Senior players.

In the match between Poland 2 and Israel 2, Levit and his partner, Sagiv obtained one of the very top scores of the Seniors' contest.

In the Closed Room the Israeli ladies, Mrs As Ilana and Mrs Aliza Megged bid and made Four Spades on the East/West cards without interference in the bidding from Jerzy Zaremba and Aleksander Jezioro.

North led his singleton diamond and the defenders took one diamond, one ruff and the ace of trumps; -620.

West	North	East	South
Klukowski	Levit	Markowicz	Sagiv
1♠	4♥	1♦	1♥
Dble	Redble	All Pass	5♥

Sagiv had no problems in making his redoubled contract by ruffing diamonds in dummy, losing just one club and one trump trick. The swing was 18 IMPs and contributed significantly to Israel's victory in the match.

2001 Zonal Championships Book

Brian Senior is producing a book with news, results and action from all of this year's Zonal Championships, including a full list of the qualifiers for Bali.

Available in early August, the book will be approximately 120 A4 pages.

See Brian in the Daily Bulletin Office to order your copy. The price here in Tenerife is Ten Pounds Sterling or the equivalent in any major currency, post free.



Appeal No. 26



Appeal 26

Appeals Committee:

Steen Møller (Chairman, Denmark), Herman De Wael (Scribe, Belgium), Naki Bruni (Italy), Grattan Endicott (England), Eric Kokish (Canada).

Sweden v France

Ladies Teams Round 11

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Lustin	Midskog	Avon	Göthe
		1♦	Dble
3NT	All Pass		

Contract: Three No Trumps, played by West.

Lead: Nine of Hearts.

Result: six tricks, N/S +150.

The Facts: South had thought for some time before making the final pass.

West called the Director, claiming that this hesitation had influenced North in her selection of lead.

West stated the pause had been one minute long. South confirmed the hesitation and did not disagree about its length. North stated that she had not noticed the delay. East said she had.

The Director: Considered the hesitation established, but did not believe the hesitation carried any information affecting the choice between hearts and spades.

Ruling: Result Stands.

Relevant Laws: Law 16A.

East/West appealed.

Present: All players and both Captains.

The Players: South explained that she was usually a fast bidder but she was fixed.

North stated that she believed the final contract had been reached, and she asked questions about the nature of the 3NT bid and started considering her lead. Sometimes the tray stays on the other side, even when the final pass has been made.

She explained the choice of a heart. It was clear to lead a major and she knew partner had certainly at least four hearts. If partner had five or more in any suit, it was more likely to be hearts.

East/West considered that a fast pass would tell partner to choose, whereas a slow pass would indicate that the shortest suit should be led.

The Committee: Considered the hesitation proven.

While it is true that the hesitation carries no information regarding hearts or spades, it does carry the information that there is some interesting lead to be found, and this inclines to suggest North's shorter major.

When in possession of unauthorized information, a player should not take the action that is demonstrably suggested by it, when there are logical alternatives available to that action.

In this case, the action that has been suggested is to lead the shorter suit, and since a spade lead is certainly an alternative, North should not have led a heart.

The Committee's decision: Score adjusted to 3NT by West made, N/S -400.

Deposit: Returned.

Prize-giving Ceremony & Victory Banquet

Change of Starting Time & Programme

The Prize-giving Ceremony on Saturday 30th June has been brought forward to **5.45 p.m.** to give us the wonderful opportunity to see the marvellous Spanish Show, "Carmen Mota: Pasión Española", which will be held in the Auditorium at 9.30 p.m. precisely. Mr Rafael Estartus, Delegado de Presidencia Mare Nostrum Resort, has kindly invited all Championship participants to this show.

Programme

5.45 p.m. - Prize-giving Ceremony in the Auditorium

7.30 p.m. - Proceed to the Roman Pool through Hotel Julio Cesar (passing the Convention Card Desk)

8.00 p.m. - Victory Banquet at the Roman Pool

9.30 p.m. - Show in the Auditorium (entrance through Hotel Marco Antonio)

Please be punctual!

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

Minutes of the Meeting of the EBL Seniors Committee

held on 27th June 2001, Tenerife

The Chairman, Nissan Rand, was thanked for hosting a meal at the Restaurant Italiano.

The Chairman introduced those present. From the EBL Executive, Anna-Maria Torlontano and José Oliveira, Secretary Patrick Jourdain, and members Naki Bruni (Italy), Mario Dix (Malta), Göran Mattson (Germany) and Włod Stobiecki (Poland). Keith Stanley (England) and Marc Verdier (Czech Rep) were present as associate members, and Paul Maris and Judy Rand by invitation.

Future events

José Oliveira outlined the EBL plans for the coming seasons. The Mixed in Ostend next March would be the last in March. The new scheme would start next June, 2002.

In even-numbered years (Salsomaggiore in 2002, with Sweden planned for 2004) there would be the new EBL National Championships, like the current ones but without the Ladies Pairs. Teams events would be held for Open, Ladies and Seniors with only one team per NBO. The Open would be shortened by one day. The Ladies and Seniors would be 10 days bridge. The expected format was 20-board matches in the Open and Ladies, and 16 boards in the Seniors, playing along a similar schedule to the Ladies, and the same boards. Multinational teams would not be permitted except possibly, as suggested at the Seniors Congress, where all players in the team were representing NBOs which otherwise would have no representation.

In odd-numbered years, starting in 2003 (expected to be in Menton, France), also in the second half of June, there would be the European Open Championships with unrestricted entry for Pairs and Teams in the categories Open, Ladies, Seniors and Mixed. It had yet to be decided whether this was transnational or open to non-Europeans.

Masterpoints

Paul Maris described the EBL masterpoint scheme for Seniors. Senior MPs could be won only in Senior events. The scheme had been made retrospective to 1990, so now had 10 years data. Included were all official WBF, EBL and the former EUBL events for Seniors. It would now also include Seniors Congresses run by NBOs but sanctioned by the EBL with a maximum award of 10 points to winners of Pairs or Teams.

In the current event in Tenerife, points would be based only on final ranking, starting with 1 point for 16th place, and rising to 30 for the winners. Players only receive points if they have played at least one-third of the boards. The rules and awards were tabled and can be obtained from Paul Maris at ch.p.maris@wanadoo.nl.

At the moment the Masterpoint list was sent once per year to NBOs. From September it would be shown on the Seniors section of the EBL website and would be updated each time a relevant event had been completed. The current leader was Claude Delmouly of France, with Heinz Humburg of Germany second.

Mr. Dix suggested the EBL award a prize for the Senior winning most points in a year, as with the McKenney race in the USA. Mr. Rand agreed to look into the possibility.

Forthcoming EBL-sanctioned Seniors Congresses

More details (see Seniors Congress minutes for dates and venues) were given about Brighton Metropole Hotel, 13-16 August 2001 (Keith Stanley). Warsaw (Włod Stobiecki), 28-31 August 2001, no venue known, contact > Kielbasinski on kielbasinski@ca-ib.com. Prague (Marc Verdier) at the Hotel Praha, package of 880 euros included bridge, accommodation, meals and trips. For 1100 euros the package would include airfare to Prague with the Czech Airlines and affiliates. Malta (Mario Dix) next April, as this year, but he was expecting better attendance. Promotion by the EBL had been too late this year and should go out in September.

Italy (Naki Bruni) under consideration for May 2002.

Nissan Rand, *Chairman*

Patrick Jourdain, *Secretary*

Festival International De Biarritz



Teams 2/3/4 July

Mixed Pairs 6/7/8 July

IMP 9/10/11 July

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A Question of Time

Many of our members are not as wealthy as some others and it no easy matter to send one team, let alone two, to various Championships. May I suggest that more thought is given to the programme timings.

I would suggest that every effort is made to have the Opening Ceremony late on Saturday evening and the Prize Giving and Banquet on the Friday night. This would allow for charter travel and package deals. I have come to Tenerife via Airtours. Our self catering flat, air flight and insurance cost £450, which is less than some had to pay for their air flight only. However, we had to choose Saturday to Saturday or Sunday to Sunday, arriving too late on the latter for the first day's play.

There are many venues that are popular package deal resorts. Teams might find it cheaper to fly, say, to England and take a package deal.

The Women's Series have a particularly relaxed schedule. Again, it would help many countries finances if the program had been telescoped into the one week, starting on Sunday 24th and running at three a day alongside the Open.

Maureen Dennison
Journalist

SESSION 18
LADIES TEAMS



Netherlands v England



For the second successive round, the Ladies series saw a match between first and second. Having disposed of Austria the day before, leaders England now faced new challengers in the shape of Venice Cup holders The Netherlands.

The match was a pretty dull affair, with the Dutch just coming out on top. We take a brief look at what little action there was.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

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

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

West <i>Simons</i>	North <i>Smith</i>	East <i>Pasman</i>	South <i>Dhondy</i>
		Pass	1♠
2♣	4♣	5♣	5♦
Dble	5♥	Dble	5♠
Dble	All Pass		

West <i>Brunner</i>	North <i>Vriend</i>	East <i>Goldenfield</i>	South <i>v d Pas</i>
		Pass	1♠
Pass	4♣	All Pass	

Well, would you overcall with that West hand? Anneke Simons did so, and I cannot see anything wrong with 2♣ non-vulnerable. That led to a fiercely competitive auction, ending with Heather Dhondy declaring 5♠ doubled, to which Simons led the queen of spades. Dhondy won and took the heart finesse. That lost and back came a club to the king and ace. Simons led a second spade and Dhondy won and played a heart to the ace and ruffed a heart. Simons over-ruffed and returned a club, forcing declarer to ruff. Now it was necessary for Dhondy to take the ruffing diamond finesse, but she miscounted her tricks and instead ruffed a low diamond then ruffed the hearts good. Now she realised her error and tried to sneak the ♦Q through but, of course, Simons covered and dummy was left with a losing club at the end; down two for -500.

Michelle Brunner has a more conservative overcalling style and that meant that Marijke van der Pas was allowed to play peacefully in 4♣. Again the lead was the queen of spades and the play followed the same lines up to the point where declarer ruffed the third heart. When Brunner refused to over-ruff, she was eventually able to shut the sixth heart out of the game and leave declarer with a diamond loser in the ending; one down for -100 but 9 IMPs to The Netherlands.

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

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

♠ Q 6 2		
♥ 10 8 6 3		
♦ 8 7		
♣ Q 7 3 2		

West <i>Simons</i>	North <i>Smith</i>	East <i>Pasman</i>	South <i>Dhondy</i>
		1♦	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♦	Pass
4♣	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♦	All Pass

West <i>Brunner</i>	North <i>Vriend</i>	East <i>Goldenfield</i>	South <i>v d Pas</i>
		1♦	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♥	Pass
5♣	Pass	6♦	All Pass

Both East/Wests bid smoothly to the good slam for a push at +1370.

In the Open match between England and Israel, systemic considerations meant that the English East/West pair got the same contract played from the West seat. The auction had made it clear that the spade control was in dummy, and Ophir Herbst led a low spade at trick one. Well, we have all seen it before, but that doesn't make it any easier to put up the king, and sure enough the English declarer played low, losing to the queen. A spade back to the ace meant one down and a 16 IMP swing to Israel, helping them to an important 24-6 victory.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

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

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

West <i>Simons</i>	North <i>Smith</i>	East <i>Pasman</i>	South <i>Dhondy</i> 2♦
Pass	Pass	2NT	Pass
Pass	3♦	All Pass	

West <i>Brunner</i>	North <i>Vriend</i>	East <i>Goldenfield</i>	South <i>v d Pas</i> Pass
Pass	1♦	2♣	Pass
Pass	3♦	Dble	Pass
3♥	All Pass		

Dhondy's 2♦ opening was weak with at least 5-4 in the majors, and Smith, of course, preferred to play in diamonds so passed. When Jet Pasman balanced with 2NT, Smith decided to compete with 3♦ rather than hope to beat 2NT. It made no difference to the score as 2NT would have been down 100, assuming a diamond lead, while 3♦ was cold for +110.

The more normal auction at the other table saw Rhona Goldenfield first overcall then double to show her extra values. Brunner bid 3♥ and played there. Bep Vriend led three rounds of diamonds and Brunner pitched dummy's small spade on the third round. She won the spade switch, cashed the ace of hearts and played three rounds of clubs, ruffing. A spade ruff was followed by a winning club and she soon had nine tricks for +140 and 6 IMPs to England.

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

West <i>Simons</i>	North <i>Smith</i>	East <i>Pasman</i>	South <i>Dhondy</i> 1♣
Pass	1♥	1♠	3♣
3♠	4♦	4♠	Pass
Pass	Dble	All Pass	

West <i>Brunner</i>	North <i>Vriend</i>	East <i>Goldenfield</i>	South <i>v d Pas</i> INT
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

Dhondy's 1♣ opening made it convenient for East/West to come into the auction, while van der Pas' INT got her side a free auction at the other table. Dhondy led king and another diamond against 4♠ doubled and Smith gave her a ruff. Dhondy cashed a

club now before switching to a heart. The defence had to come to a second club trick plus a heart for down three; -500.

Four Hearts was a comfortable make at the other table for +650 and 4 IMPs to The Netherlands.

Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

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

West <i>Simons</i> 1♦	North <i>Smith</i> Pass	East <i>Pasman</i> 3♦	South <i>Dhondy</i> All Pass
West <i>Brunner</i> INT	North <i>Vriend</i> 2♣	East <i>Goldenfield</i> Pass	South <i>v d Pas</i> 2♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

Simons' 1♦ opening got past Smith, who didn't like to come in with such a weak five-card suit, and Pasman made a semi-preemptive raise, buying the contract. Smith led a heart so Simons won, crossed to the ace of clubs and took a spade discard on the ace of hearts. She then played a club to the king and ruffed a club. Smith could over-ruff with the queen and cash the defensive spade trick but there was only the ace of diamonds to come; +130.

Vriend was willing to come in at the two level where Smith had not been prepared to bid a level lower, but Vriend had a bid to show both her suits over the weak no trump. Two Diamonds asked for the longer major and, presumably, the correction to 2♣ was forward-going, as without any interest South could just have responded 2♠ in the first place. Vriend was not interested, of course and passed 2♠. Brunner cashed the ace of clubs and switched to a low diamond, dummy's queen winning. Van der Pas had no problems from here and came home with an overtrick; +140 and 7 IMPs to The Netherlands.

The Dutch won the match by 25-14 IMPs, 17-13 VPs. That wasn't really enough if they wanted to challenge for the gold medal, but kept them firmly on course for some colour of medal and a trip to Bali.

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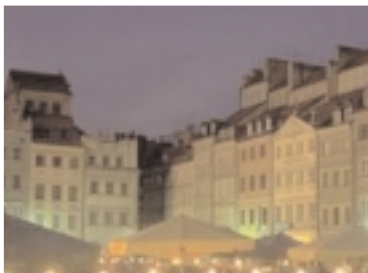
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Tuesday 28 August

17.00 Teams Session 1

Wednesday 29 August

10.00 Teams Session 2
16.00 Teams Session 3
20.00 Pairs

Thursday 30 August

17.30 Butler IMP Pairs

Friday 31 August

14.00 Pairs Session 1
19.30 Pairs Session 2

SPORTS NEWS

Cycling

American Lance Armstrong warmed up for the Tour de France in perfect style by convincingly winning the Tour de Suisse. Last year's champion, Oskar Camenzind mitigated a disappointing performance this time around by clinching the ninth and final leg to collect Switzerland's first stage victory. Armstrong completed the Tour in a total time of 35 hours and 6 seconds, a solid 1min 2sec ahead of recent Giro winner, Gilberto Simoni, with Italy's Wladimir Belli third, 1:34 back.



Golf

Scotland's Colin Montgomerie returned to form with an eight-under-par 63 to lead after the first round of the Murphy's Irish Open.

Athletics

Three-time Olympic champion, Marie-Jose Perec is unlikely to compete this year. An official from her sponsor Reebok was quoted on Wednesday in French sports daily, L'Equipe. "I don't see her returning to running this year," said Patricia Menant. She told L'Equipe that she had been in touch with the elusive French athlete but gave no details of her whereabouts.

Football

The kidnapped Colombian football official is released but the country will not be allowed to host next month's Copa America. The tournament is likely to be held in Brazil, though both Uruguay and Mexico have also expressed an interest in being hosts.



Formula 1

Beirut could become the next stop on the Formula One racing circuit according to a Lebanese company. Property company Solidere, whose founder and biggest shareholder is Lebanese Prime Minister Rafik a-Hariri, has revealed plans to build a racing circuit in central Beirut. The company says talks have been held with Formula One's governing body the FIA about constructing a 4.1km ring on the Mediterranean coast.



Wimbledon Tennis

Men Round 2: Henman bt Lee 6-2, 6-3, 6-4; Roddick bt Johansson 7-6, 6-1, 4-6, 7-6; Sampras bt Cowan 6-3, 6-2, 6-7, 4-6, 6-3; Safin bt Nestor 7-6, 3-6, 1-2 retired; Agassi bt Delgado 6-2, 6-4, 6-3; Rafter bt Dosedel 7-5, 4-6, 6-4, 6-1; Kafelnikov bt Paramr 6-7, 6-3, 6-3, 6-1; Grosjean bt Schuettler 7-5, 6-2, 7-6; Enqvist bt Huet 6-2, 7-6, 6-1; Escude bt Paes 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.



Ladies Round 2: Capriati bt Schiavone 6-3, 6-1; Maleeva bt Bovina 7-5, 7-5; Davenport bt Molik, 6-4, 6-2; Dokic bt Hopkins 6-2, 6-4; Clijsters bt Drake 6-3, 6-1; Elia bt Stevenson 6-3, 6-2; Coetzer bt Loit 6-2, 6-3; Shaughnessy bt Marrero 6-0, 7-5; Petrova bt Plischke 6-1, 6-0; V Williams bt Hantuchova 6-3, 6-2.

OPEN TEAMS

Butler Ranking

AFTER ROUND 3 I

Player		avg.	Boards												
		IMPs													
1 Bocchi N	ITA	0.93	500	Schifko M	AUS	0.18	439	Maas A	NET	-0.10	480	Ramondt V	NET	-0.10	480
Duboin G	ITA	0.93	500	Saurer B	AUS	0.18	340	52 Pownall M	WAL	-0.14	420	53 Mykhaylenko	UKR	-0.15	400
2 Helgemo G	NOR	0.79	500	30 Engel Z	BEL	0.17	420	Nemtsev O	UKR	-0.15	400	Szalay G	HUN	-0.15	360
Helness T	NOR	0.79	500	Van Middeltem	BEL	0.17	420	Cuthbertson	SCO	-0.15	420	Matheson J	SCO	-0.15	420
3 Gromov A	RUS	0.71	460	31 Hausler H	GER	0.16	380	54 Mihov V	BUL	-0.16	400	Nanev I	BUL	-0.16	400
Petrudin A	RUS	0.71	460	Spletstosse	GER	0.16	380	55 Kurbalija F	WAL	-0.19	400	56 Szilagy L	HUN	-0.20	340
4 Eidi M	LEB	0.66	560	32 Whittaker W	SCO	0.15	439	76 Tesla M	CRO	-0.20	480	Borevkovic G	CRO	-0.20	480
Harfouche G	LEB	0.66	560	Simon J	AUS	0.15	419	57 Vozabal D	CZE	-0.24	420	Zadrzil M	CZE	-0.24	420
5 Karaivanov K	BUL	0.64	380	Terraneo C	AUS	0.15	419	Briolini G	SMR	-0.24	400	Fiorini F	SMR	-0.24	400
6 Kwiecien M	POL	0.63	500	Steel L	SCO	0.15	439	58 Capucho M	POR	-0.26	380	Lara M	POR	-0.26	380
Pszczola J	POL	0.63	500	33 Knap A	SPA	0.14	418	Matei C	ROM	-0.26	440	59 Savin D	ROM	-0.27	420
7 Multon F	FRA	0.61	460	Wasik A	SPA	0.14	418	60 Senk M	SLO	-0.28	600	Kranjc G	SLO	-0.28	600
Quantin J	FRA	0.61	460	Svoboda O	CZE	0.14	380	61 Koksoy E	TUR	-0.29	279	Ucar A	TUR	-0.29	279
8 Yadlin D	ISR	0.58	400	Hegedus G	HUN	0.14	380	62 Rotaru I	ROM	-0.30	400	63 Micescu V	ROM	-0.31	380
Yadlin I	ISR	0.58	400	34 Kirchhoff E	NET	0.12	200	64 Soroldoni M	SMR	-0.34	399	Zaccaria D	SMR	-0.34	399
9 Trendafilov	BUL	0.53	400	Paulissen G	NET	0.12	200	Lamza V	CRO	-0.34	399	Tomic T	CRO	-0.34	399
10 Dubinin A	RUS	0.51	360	Schaltz D	DEN	0.12	420	65 Fahs B	LEB	-0.44	280	Hamdan F	LEB	-0.44	280
Krasnosselsk	RUS	0.51	360	Schaltz P	DEN	0.12	420	66 Helling S	LUX	-0.45	399	67 Renno I	LUX	-0.48	359
11 Balicki C	POL	0.50	420	35 Ludewig B	GER	0.11	440	68 Juuri-Oja J	FIN	-0.49	299	Utter L	FIN	-0.49	299
Zmudzinski A	POL	0.50	420	Reps K	GER	0.11	440	69 Dousse J	SWI	-0.50	340	Stoekli F	SWI	-0.50	340
Zorlu N	TUR	0.50	580	Kiems O	FIN	0.11	599	70 Alfejeva E	LAT	-0.52	379	Gonca V	LAT	-0.52	379
Assael S	TUR	0.50	580	Koistinen K	FIN	0.11	599	71 Levy R	SWI	-0.54	440	72 Teyluoni F	SWI	-0.54	440
12 Ingimarsson	ICE	0.48	400	36 Kurka J	CZE	0.09	420	73 O'Briain P	IRE	-0.61	380	Roche T	IRE	-0.61	380
Magnusson M	ICE	0.48	400	37 Gal P	HUN	0.08	399	74 Novak M	SLO	-0.62	600	Lipuzic D	SLO	-0.62	580
13 Brogeland B	NOR	0.47	400	38 Hanlon T	IRE	0.06	460	75 Rapoport O	UKR	-0.64	400	Volkov O	UKR	-0.64	400
Saelensminde	NOR	0.47	400	McGann H	IRE	0.06	460	76 Spiljak	CRO	-0.65	360	O'Brien B	IRE	-0.65	360
14 Honti L	HUN	0.40	360	Kannavos P	GRE	0.06	340	Fornaro P	LIE	-0.65	380	Zucchini G	LIE	-0.65	380
Jansma J	NET	0.40	520	Kapayannides K	GRE	0.06	340	Ananijev B	CRO	-0.65	320	Sasek T	CRO	-0.65	320
Verhees L	NET	0.40	520	39 Allegri P	FRA	0.05	380	77 Sasek T	CRO	-0.65	320	76 Spiljak	SLO	-0.69	20
15 Kapayannides A	GRE	0.39	440	Palau JJ	FRA	0.05	380	Kloppenborg	LUX	-0.69	440	Schaaper M	LUX	-0.69	440
Liarakos S	GRE	0.39	440	40 Winkler G	HUN	0.04	559	77 Arnaboldi S	LIE	-0.74	400	Turletti G	LIE	-0.74	400
16 Eliasson PG	LAT	0.37	479	Rometi F	ROM	0.04	380	78 Filippi F	SMR	-0.77	400	79 Pesonen J	FIN	-0.79	300
Magnusson T	LAT	0.37	479	Valeanu V	ROM	0.04	380	Pizza E	SMR	-0.77	400	80 Stubb S	FIN	-0.79	300
17 Hallberg G	ENG	0.36	379	41 Kaplan A	BEL	0.02	380	81 Richter C	LUX	-0.88	379	81 Dietrich A	LUX	-0.93	379
Simpson C	ENG	0.36	379	Polet G	BEL	0.02	380	82 Purgajlis M	LAT	-1.16	380	Romanovskis	LAT	-1.16	380
18 Carcassonne	BEL	0.34	400	42 Goded F	SPA	0.01	439								
Labaere A	BEL	0.34	400	Lantaron L	SPA	0.01	439								
Blakset L	DEN	0.34	440	Jonsson Th	ICE	0.01	420								
Bruun M	DEN	0.34	440	Thorvaldsson	ICE	0.01	420								
19 Kholomeev V	RUS	0.32	380	Murdoch J	SCO	0.01	379								
Zlotov D	RUS	0.32	380	Walker D	SCO	0.01	379								
20 Hopfenheit G	GER	0.31	380	43 Jansa Z	CZE	0.00	340								
Retzlaff R	GER	0.31	380	Nystrom F	SWE	0.00	400								
21 Skoularikis F	GRE	0.30	420	Bertheau P	SWE	0.00	400								
Zotos L	GRE	0.30	420	Nikolayenko	UKR	0.00	400								
De Falco D	ITA	0.30	240	Rybnikov G	UKR	0.00	400								
Ferraro G	ITA	0.30	240	44 Baroudi N	LEB	-0.02	320								
22 Stamatov J	BUL	0.29	400	Nasr C	LEB	-0.02	320								
23 Lauria L	ITA	0.26	460	45 AA T	NOR	-0.03	300								
Versace A	ITA	0.26	460	Groethem G	NOR	-0.03	300								
24 Herbst I	ISR	0.24	459	Barbosa J	POR	-0.03	400								
Herbst O	ISR	0.24	459	Pinto R	POR	-0.03	400								
Caspersen H	DEN	0.24	340	Cuhadar E	TUR	-0.03	380								
Norgaard T	DEN	0.24	340	Arigun C	TUR	-0.03	380								
25 Goodman P	WAL	0.23	400	46 Baldursson J	ICE	-0.05	380								
Sundelin P	SWE	0.23	440	Sigurhjartar	ICE	-0.05	380								
Sylvan J	SWE	0.23	440	47 Duong H	SWI	-0.06	420								
26 Karaivanov I	BUL	0.21	420	Yalcin T	SWI	-0.06	420								
27 Rees T	WAL	0.20	380	Lesniewski M	POL	-0.06	280								
Frances A	SPA	0.20	380	Martens K	POL	-0.06	280								
Torres J	SPA	0.20	380	48 Andersson L	SWE	-0.07	360								
Mratz T	CZE	0.20	420	Gullberg T	SWE	-0.07	360								
28 Abecassis M	FRA	0.19	360	49 Fawcett J	ENG	-0.08	400								
Soulet P	FRA	0.19	360	Liggins G	ENG	-0.08	400								
29 Burn D	ENG	0.18	420	50 Debonnaire J	POR	-0.09	420								
Callaghan B	ENG	0.18	420	Teixeira A	POR	-0.09	420								
Gloyer A	AUS	0.18	439	51 Denning P	WAL	-0.10	400								
Lindermann A	AUS	0.18	340	Thomas A	WAL	-0.10	400								
				Aviram Y	ISR	-0.10	299								
				Barel M	ISR	-0.10	299								

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SENIOR TEAMS

Butler Ranking

AFTER ROUND 23

Player		avg. Boards											
		IMPs											
1 Berglund SE	SWE	1.49	70	Stoppa JL	FRI	0.36	182	Sagiv Y	IS2	-0.26	252		
2 Flodqvist S.	SWE	1.24	98	27 Reurer JM	FRI	0.35	210	51 Krizek F	CZE	-0.27	210		
3 Klapper W	POI	1.05	294	Coppolani M	FRI	0.35	210	Subrt J	CZE	-0.27	210		
Russyan J	POI	1.05	294	28 Marcowicz V	PO2	0.33	210	52 Parente M	POR	-0.29	182		
4 Adad P	FR2	0.97	210	29 Hirst M	WAI	0.31	252	Ribeiro G	POR	-0.29	182		
Aujaleu M	FR2	0.97	210	30 Nosek J	CZE	0.28	196	Peri S	ISI	-0.29	140		
5 Rue D	EN2	0.91	224	Hebak P	CZE	0.28	196	Shachar L	ISI	-0.29	140		
Sowter T	EN2	0.91	224	31 Bettinetti G	IT2	0.26	209	Longinotti E	ITI	-0.29	182		
6 Delmouly C	FR2	0.83	224	Marino L	IT2	0.26	209	Resta G	ITI	-0.29	182		
Roudinesco J	FR2	0.83	224	32 Piekenbrock	GE2	0.25	308	53 Manglano J	SPI	-0.30	210		
7 Schroeder D	GE1	0.81	238	Uhlmann HD	GE2	0.25	308	Molero E	SPI	-0.30	210		
Schwenkreis	GE1	0.81	238	Jeziro A	PO2	0.25	308	54 Mykietyn K	PO2	-0.31	154		
8 Wala W	POI	0.76	266	Zaremba J	PO2	0.25	308	55 MacHale J	IRE	-0.34	252		
Wilkosz A	POI	0.76	266	33 Bardin A	IT1	0.22	210	56 MacKenzie G	IRE	-0.40	238		
9 Brkljadic M	CRO	0.72	196	Bettoni T	IT1	0.22	210	57 Goldenfield	ENI	-0.45	196		
10 Bomhof J.W	NET	0.71	251	34 Frew D	SCO	0.20	208	Hirst B	ENI	-0.45	196		
Englander N	NET	0.71	251	35 Nordby H	NOR	0.15	278	58 Greenstein M	ISI	-0.48	238		
11 Diamond D	SCO	0.67	208	36 Collings J	EN2	0.10	210	Harduf M	ISI	-0.48	238		
12 Hackett P	ENI	0.66	154	Jones D	EN2	0.10	210	59 Arachtinsi	LEB	-0.52	154		
Harper R	ENI	0.66	154	37 Luck J	WAI	0.09	280	60 Merhy G	LEB	-0.54	238		
13 Mari C	FR2	0.65	210	Sveindal J	NOR	0.09	222	61 Caric J	CRO	-0.56	182		
Leenhardt F	FR2	0.65	210	38 Rebattu M	NET	0.08	237	Boesiger H	SWI	-0.56	308		
14 Backstrom L	SWE	0.58	266	Van Oppen C	NET	0.08	237	Splengler W	SWI	-0.56	308		
Hallen H.O	SWE	0.58	280	39 Hellemann H	NOR	0.03	208	Boyadji E	LEB	-0.56	210		
Protega B	CRO	0.58	238	40 Imhof H	SWI	0.01	308	62 Parry E	WA2	-0.59	306		
15 Klukowski J	PO2	0.54	252	Frei J	SWI	0.01	308	Powell A	WA2	-0.59	306		
16 Maci G	ITI	0.52	224	MacLaren J	SCO	0.01	208	Debbane J	LEB	-0.59	238		
Mismetti C	ITI	0.52	224	41 Jourdain P	WAI	-0.01	182	63 Almeida E	POR	-0.62	224		
17 Panto J	ENI	0.50	266	Goldberg V	SCO	-0.01	224	Ferreira H	POR	-0.62	224		
Waterlow T	ENI	0.50	266	Gordon I	SCO	-0.01	224	64 Isla J	SPI	-0.63	210		
18 Baxter K	SCO	0.49	208	Brav B	ISI	-0.01	266	JimenezHuert	SPI	-0.63	210		
19 DeVrij H	NET	0.48	126	Zilberbush S	ISI	-0.01	266	65 Leighton C	MAL	-0.70	306		
Polle W	NET	0.48	126	42 Knutsen K	NOR	-0.02	250	Leighton M	MAL	-0.70	306		
20 Baroni F	IT2	0.47	209	43 Chmelik N	GE1	-0.05	168	66 Perasic D	CRO	-0.76	238		
Ricciarelli	IT2	0.47	209	Hoger W	GE1	-0.05	168	67 Gagne P	WAI	-0.81	238		
21 Humburg H	GE1	0.45	210	44 Wenneroed K	NOR	-0.06	196	68 Dix M	MAL	-0.83	306		
Mattsson G	GE1	0.45	210	Montwill A	IRE	-0.06	252	ParnisEnglan	MAL	-0.83	306		
Battistoni G	IT2	0.45	196	45 Gleis M	BEL	-0.17	308	69 Reddy T	WAI	-0.88	280		
Bertolucci E	IT2	0.45	196	Henry J	BEL	-0.17	308	70 Patrick D	WA2	-0.89	306		
22 Jackson D.A	IRE	0.44	252	46 Stanley K	EN2	-0.19	182	Patrick J	WA2	-0.89	306		
23 Hugonet T	FRI	0.43	224	Townsend B	EN2	-0.19	182	Mannor M	IS2	-0.89	196		
Peyronnie C	FRI	0.43	224	47 Filip A	CZE	-0.20	210	Sharon A	IS2	-0.89	196		
24 Ekberg S	SWE	0.42	280	Jires P	CZE	-0.20	210	71 Moe J	NOR	-0.90	70		
25 As I	IS2	0.38	168	48 Gomes DaCost	POR	-0.21	210	72 Alcaraz R	SPI	-0.91	196		
Megged A	IS2	0.38	168	Oliveira J	POR	-0.21	210	DiazRevenga	SPI	-0.91	196		
Barry P	IRE	0.38	238	49 Gromoeller W	GE2	-0.25	308	73 Sver B	CRO	-0.98	238		
26 Alfredsson L	SWE	0.36	238	Schneider W	GE2	-0.25	308	74 Eidi G	LEB	-1.02	182		
Beineix JC	FRI	0.36	182	50 Badir F	BEL	-0.26	308	75 Tedeschi E	CRO	-1.07	140		
				Hendrickx J	BEL	-0.26	308	76 Fayad G	LEB	-1.21	154		
				Levit Y	IS2	-0.26	252	77 Milde A	POI	-1.49	56		
								Stobiecki W	POI	-1.49	56		

LADIES TEAMS

Butler Ranking

AFTER ROUND 19

Player	avg. IMPs	Boards									
1 Auken S	GER	0.81	340	Smederevac J	AUS	0.20	240	38 Barlund B	FIN	-0.18	220
Von Arnim D	GER	0.81	340	23 Erdeova J	CZE	0.18	280	Niemisto R	FIN	-0.18	220
2 DeLucchi F	ITA	0.80	340	Hnatova D	CZE	0.18	280	Gothe E	SWE	-0.18	260
Rosetta A	ITA	0.80	340	Brock S	ENG	0.18	138	Midskog C	SWE	-0.18	260
3 Brunner M	ENG	0.73	220	Courtney M	ENG	0.18	138	39 Clench G	WAL	-0.22	220
Goldenfield	ENG	0.73	220	24 Macieszczak	POL	0.15	200	Harris D	WAL	-0.22	220
4 Dhondy H	ENG	0.72	358	Siwek M	POL	0.15	200	40 Birman D	ISR	-0.23	200
Smith N	ENG	0.72	358	25 Kailiakmani A	GRE	0.14	260	Liberman R	ISR	-0.23	200
5 Levit-Porat	ISR	0.71	340	Mamidakli L	GRE	0.14	260	41 Kulichkova O	RUS	-0.25	240
Zur-Campanil	ISR	0.71	340	26 Hugon E	FRA	0.09	200	Ponomareva T	RUS	-0.25	240
6 Avon D	FRA	0.64	300	Fishpool C	FRA	0.09	200	42 Bilde L	DEN	-0.33	280
Lustin C	FRA	0.64	300	27 Erhardt M	AUS	0.05	280	Henriksen C	DEN	-0.33	280
7 Redermeir A	AUS	0.61	160	Ferlazzo C	ITA	0.05	160	43 Kanellopoulou D	GRE	-0.38	220
8 Paskan J	NET	0.58	220	28 Pilipovic M	CRO	0.03	320	Ekonomou L	GRE	-0.38	220
Simons A	NET	0.58	220	Sver N	CRO	0.03	320	44 Mezey K	HUN	-0.41	300
9 Farwig K	GER	0.56	140	29 SteenLybaek	NOR	0.02	218	45 Perlini MC	RSM	-0.50	200
Stawowy B	GER	0.56	140	Wennevold I	NOR	0.02	218	Stacchini LM	RSM	-0.50	200
10 Hellmann A	NOR	0.55	298	Gromova V	RUS	0.02	240	46 Kyriakidou A	GRE	-0.51	240
Malinowski A	NOR	0.55	298	Khonicheva E	RUS	0.02	240	Lambrinou S	GRE	-0.51	240
11 Matut M	SPA	0.46	280	30 Mueller R	CRO	0.01	240	47 Kulmala S	FIN	-0.53	200
Santos C	SPA	0.46	280	Juriscic I	CRO	0.01	240	Savolainen P	FIN	-0.53	200
12 Pascual M	SPA	0.44	240	Romanowska M	RUS	0.01	240	48 Baldini P	RSM	-0.58	280
Viola C	SPA	0.44	240	Volina V	RUS	0.01	240	Tantini R	RSM	-0.58	280
13 Hoogweg F	NET	0.42	200	31 Sarniak A	POL	0.00	260	49 McGowan L	SCO	-0.61	300
Van Zwol W	NET	0.42	200	Dumon S	FRA	0.00	220	McQuaker F	SCO	-0.61	300
14 Andersson P	SWE	0.39	280	Clement M	FRA	0.00	220	50 Casey J	WAL	-0.65	260
Larsson J	SWE	0.39	280	Arrigoni G	ITA	0.00	219	Kurbalija D	WAL	-0.65	260
15 Van der Pas	NET	0.34	300	Olivieri G	ITA	0.00	219	51 Njaradi I	HUN	-0.67	100
Vriend B	NET	0.34	300	Grunt A	POL	0.00	260	52 Filippi M	RSM	-0.69	240
16 Fisher D	AUS	0.33	280	32 Backstrom S	FIN	-0.05	340	Urbani AM	RSM	-0.69	240
Weigkricht T	AUS	0.33	280	Koistinen R	FIN	-0.05	340	53 Babot M	SPA	-0.76	200
17 Terraneo S	AUS	0.32	200	Evelius-Nohr	SWE	-0.05	179	Sanchiz N	SPA	-0.76	200
18 Hegedus O	HUN	0.30	200	Karlsson-Uis	SWE	-0.05	179	54 Alexander M	SCO	-0.81	280
19 Melech H	ISR	0.28	180	33 Farholt S	DEN	-0.06	280	Outred V	SCO	-0.81	280
Naveh N	ISR	0.28	180	Rahelt M	DEN	-0.06	280	55 Greenland L	WAL	-0.85	240
20 Lancova M	CZE	0.24	180	34 Tichy E	HUN	-0.09	360	Hirst A	WAL	-0.85	240
Tomcikova Z	CZE	0.24	180	35 Welker J	HUN	-0.11	340	56 Brkljacic T	CRO	-1.03	160
21 Svobodova P	CZE	0.23	260	Heitmann E	NOR	-0.11	200	Petrovic I	CRO	-1.03	160
Pokorna J	CZE	0.23	260	Langeland A	NOR	-0.11	200	57 Kirstan M	DEN	-1.29	200
22 Tomaszewska	POL	0.20	260	36 Nehmert P	GER	-0.14	240	Krefeld C	DEN	-1.29	200
Wojtyra A	POL	0.20	260	Rauscheid A	GER	-0.14	240	58 Gerrard C	SCO	-1.39	140
				37 Topolyi M	HUN	-0.17	140	McGeagh A	SCO	-1.39	140

Championship Diary

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

Thursday 28 June 2001

Ace of Trumps won the 20.55 at Hamilton on Wednesday night, but the local bookmaker would not take our bet!

Over the years we have learnt to accept both compliments and complaints with equal fortitude. It is a fact of life that for every word of praise one generally receives ten complaints, but we appreciate the comments of those who have taken the time to congratulate us on the appearance and content of the Daily Bulletin. The compliments are not confined to those present in Tenerife. Ray Lee, owner of Master Point Press e-mailed 'I've never seen better-looking Bulletins.' The Internet reader who mailed 'Mark, you and your team are the **absolute greatest**.' wishes to remain anonymous, but he can rest assured that the cheque is in the post.

Four Superstars, let's call them *The Three Musketeers*, **Michel Bessis, Giorgio Duboin, Frank Multon** and **Patrick Alegrini**, were all born on the same day, 30 September. To celebrate this remarkable coincidence they issue a challenge to any team of four - the only condition being that all their opponents must have been born on the same day (but not necessarily in the same year!)

Profiles in advance?

We noticed that in Round 22 of the Seniors the line-up for the match between Poland I and Italy I saw T. Bettoni playing South in the Open Room and also West in the Closed Room. This Herculean task proved to be beyond him as Italy lost 5-25.