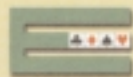




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Netherlands Join The Roll Of Honour

Perhaps another name will be inscribed here in Salsomaggiore, adding to the illustrious history of these remarkable Championships were the concluding lines of the story of the Championships that appeared in the programme.

How delighted everyone is to see that speculation turned into reality by the popular team from **The Netherlands**, **Bep Vriend**, **Marijke van der Pas**, **Jet Pasman**, **Anneke Simons**, **Wietske van Zwol & Femke Hoogweg**, with **Captain Ed Franken** and **Coach Chris Niemeijer**.

As the largest NBO in Europe we can be sure that The Netherlands Bridge Bond will be celebrating long into the night.

Germany took the Silver, and **England** the bronze, with **Italy** fourth and **Sweden** fifth.

Our Congratulations to the Seniors Champions, **France**, represented by: **Christian Mari**, **François Leenhardt**, **Pierre Adad**, **Maurice Aujaleu**, **Philippe Poizat & Guy Lasserre** with **Captain Yves Aubry**.

Israel took the silver, and **Denmark** the bronze.

Prize Giving Ceremony & Victory Banquet

The Prize Giving Ceremony will be held in the VuGraph auditorium, (Europa Room) in the Congressi Palazzo at 19.30 precisely.

The Victory Banquet will follow immediately in the Salone Moresco.

Today's VuGraph Matches

OPEN TEAMS - Round 37

Netherlands v Iceland

10.30

OPEN TEAMS

The Open Room in the last round will be in the Sala de Cariatidi on the ground floor (where the Seniors were playing), the Closed Room remains the same.

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OPEN TEAMS RESULTS

ROUND 34

Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1 LATVIA	FINLAND	46 - 64	11 - 19
2 IRELAND	HUNGARY	56 - 41	18 - 12
3 ISRAEL	POLAND	39 - 27	17 - 13
4 FRANCE	RUSSIA	37 - 26	17 - 13
5 SWITZERLAND	SAN MARINO	31 - 41	13 - 17
6 SLOVENIA	CROATIA	37 - 30	16 - 14
7 PORTUGAL	NORWAY	81 - 72	17 - 13
8 LEBANON	GERMANY	37 - 69	8 - 22
9 CZECH REP	YUGOSLAVIA	56 - 40	18 - 12
10 ITALY	TURKEY	19 - 44	10 - 20
11 MONACO	ENGLAND	50 - 46	16 - 14
12 SCOTLAND	BULGARIA	32 - 49	11 - 19
13 WALES	CYPRUS	54 - 34	19 - 11
14 SPAIN	FAROE ISLANDS	56 - 21	22 - 8
15 ROMANIA	LIECHTENSTEIN	64 - 28	22 - 8
16 AUSTRIA	DENMARK	31 - 17	18 - 12
17 ICELAND	UKRAINE	59 - 43	18 - 12
18 BELGIUM	SWEDEN	54 - 56	15 - 15
19 NETHERLANDS	GREECE	60 - 41	19 - 11

ROUND 35

Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1 POLAND	IRELAND	34 - 69	8 - 22
2 HUNGARY	FINLAND	51 - 55	14 - 16
3 NETHERLANDS	LATVIA	48 - 32	18 - 12
4 GREECE	BELGIUM	29 - 60	9 - 21
5 SWEDEN	ICELAND	54 - 42	17 - 13
6 UKRAINE	AUSTRIA	46 - 54	14 - 16
7 DENMARK	ROMANIA	104 - 16	25 - 0
8 LIECHTENSTEIN	SPAIN	29 - 100	2 - 25
9 FAROE ISLANDS	WALES	30 - 55	10 - 20
10 CYPRUS	SCOTLAND	32 - 52	5 - 25
11 BULGARIA	MONACO	88 - 32	25 - 4
12 ENGLAND	ITALY	53 - 17	22 - 8
13 TURKEY	CZECH REP	40 - 71	9 - 21
14 YUGOSLAVIA	LEBANON	49 - 64	12 - 18
15 GERMANY	PORTUGAL	54 - 66	13 - 17
16 NORWAY	SLOVENIA	36 - 55	11 - 19
17 CROATIA	SWITZERLAND	57 - 48	17 - 13
18 SAN MARINO	FRANCE	56 - 62	14 - 16
19 RUSSIA	ISRAEL	27 - 67	7 - 23

ROUND 36

Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1 LATVIA	HUNGARY	15 - 129	0 - 25
2 FINLAND	POLAND	30 - 35	14 - 16
3 IRELAND	RUSSIA	37 - 43	14 - 16
4 ISRAEL	SAN MARINO	63 - 33	21 - 9
5 FRANCE	CROATIA	104 - 9	25 - 0
6 SWITZERLAND	NORWAY	37 - 90	5 - 25
7 SLOVENIA	GERMANY	36 - 46	13 - 17
8 PORTUGAL	YUGOSLAVIA	62 - 21	23 - 7
9 LEBANON	TURKEY	43 - 64	11 - 19
10 CZECH REP	ENGLAND	40 - 49	13 - 17
11 ITALY	BULGARIA	53 - 30	20 - 10
12 MONACO	CYPRUS	82 - 57	20 - 10
13 SCOTLAND	FAROE ISLANDS	40 - 43	14 - 16
14 WALES	LIECHTENSTEIN	41 - 52	13 - 17
15 SPAIN	DENMARK	32 - 35	14 - 16
16 ROMANIA	UKRAINE	53 - 60	14 - 16
17 AUSTRIA	SWEDEN	36 - 90	4 - 25
18 ICELAND	GREECE	18 - 71	5 - 25
19 NETHERLANDS	BELGIUM	27 - 22	16 - 14

OPEN TEAMS PROGRAM

ROUND 37

10.30

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

The Skill of the Irish

by Seamus Dowling

Ireland's Seniors surprised Poland 20-10 in Round 13. This deal helped.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Fitzgerald	Wilcosz	Olubaigh	Wala
	Pass	INT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

The lead of the five of spades went to the seven ten and ace. Declarer, Sean Olubaigh, ran the eight of clubs and continued the suit, discarding two hearts from hand. North, with few options, threw one spade and two hearts. Olubaigh next played the ace of hearts followed by the ten of hearts and North was helpless. North played three rounds of diamonds but declarer ducked each time. In the end North had to play a spade to dummy's KJ. If South overtakes the third diamond declarer can throw dummy's ♠J and claim the last two tricks.

At the other table play followed similar lines, but North, Alex Montwill, bared his queen of spades on the run of the clubs and declarer took the spade finesse to go down.

OPEN TEAMS RANKING after 36 rounds

1	ITALY	752.00
2	SPAIN	676.50
3	BULGARIA	662.00
4	NORWAY	656.00
5	SWEDEN	645.00
6	POLAND	641.00
7	ISRAEL	627.00
8	NETHERLANDS	623.00
9	FRANCE	622.00
10	ENGLAND	619.00
11	TURKEY	608.00
12	ICELAND	574.00
13	GERMANY	566.00
14	HUNGARY	560.00
15	DENMARK	557.00
16	GREECE	549.00
17	RUSSIA	549.00
18	CZECH REP	548.00
19	AUSTRIA	544.00
20	FINLAND	539.00
21	LEBANON	535.00
22	SCOTLAND	532.00
23	WALES	526.00
24	IRELAND	513.00
25	ROMANIA	511.00
26	PORTUGAL	507.00
27	MONACO	484.00
28	CROATIA	480.00
29	SLOVENIA	470.00
30	BELGIUM	467.00
31	UKRAINE	458.00
32	SWITZERLAND	454.00
33	FAROE ISLANDS	440.00
34	YUGOSLAVIA	423.00
35	LIECHTENSTEIN	373.00
36	SAN MARINO	366.00
37	CYPRUS	323.00
38	LATVIA	314.00

CHAMPIONSHIP WATCHES



To mark the 70th Anniversary of these Championships the EBL has produced special commemorative watches in a limited edition. These watches may be purchased from the Bridge Partner and Danish Federation stand in the Scandinavian Pavilion of the Salone Moresco.

CHAMPIONSHIP & ANNIVERSARY CEREMONY VIDEO

Videos of the Championship and Anniversary Ceremony may be purchased by booking at the Hospitality and Information Desk. Videos cost 25 Euro (includes postage and packaging).

The first part of the video filmed so far is being shown on the screen in the lobby of the Palazzo dei Congressi, just outside the entrance to the Salone Moresco.

WOMEN TEAMS RESULTS

ROUND 22

Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
21 CROATIA	DENMARK	47 - 54	14 - 16
22 Bye	SWEDEN	0 - 0	0 - 18
23 NETHERLANDS	GERMANY	50 - 36	18 - 12
24 FINLAND	SCOTLAND	48 - 47	15 - 15
25 POLAND	ICELAND	85 - 12	25 - 1
26 NORWAY	FRANCE	53 - 62	13 - 17
27 ISRAEL	ENGLAND	40 - 75	8 - 22
28 SAN MARINO	CZECH REP.	14 - 95	0 - 25
29 TURKEY	ITALY	31 - 55	10 - 20
30 FAROE ISLANDS	AUSTRIA	53 - 19	22 - 8
31 SPAIN	RUSSIA	56 - 23	22 - 8
32 IRELAND	HUNGARY	49 - 39	17 - 13

ROUND 23

Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
21 DENMARK	SWEDEN	35 - 27	16 - 14
22 CROATIA	NETHERLANDS	30 - 34	14 - 16
23 GERMANY	FINLAND	98 - 25	25 - 1
24 SCOTLAND	POLAND	22 - 40	11 - 19
25 ICELAND	NORWAY	40 - 61	11 - 19
26 FRANCE	ISRAEL	48 - 48	15 - 15
27 ENGLAND	SAN MARINO	68 - 26	24 - 6
28 CZECH REP.	TURKEY	77 - 12	25 - 3
29 ITALY	FAROE ISLANDS	65 - 18	24 - 6
30 AUSTRIA	SPAIN	48 - 28	19 - 11
31 RUSSIA	IRELAND	16 - 73	4 - 25
32 HUNGARY	Bye	0 - 0	18 - 0

EBL Press Conference

At the Press Conference on Friday, June 28th EBL President Gianarrigo Rona explained some interesting points on the format of the European Championships. In the even years the European Championships will be held as usual. At the moment there is no need to divide the Championship into two divisions. However, when the number of participating countries exceed 40 there is a good case for an A and a B championship. There is a practical reason for that: with more than 40 teams you run out of playing days.

In the odd years the format of the European Championships will be changed. To start with Menton 2003 the EC will be a truly open event, open in the sense that everybody from any zone can play in the event. In other words it might be well possible that for example a team consisting of South-American and Australian players, would become the next European Open Champion. That way, the EC can be well compared with a Grand Slam Tennis tournament like Wimbledon, where a player from any country can become the Open British Champion.

The EBL President further confirmed that at the moment in the open and women's contest the top five will qualify for next year's world championships and the top two from the senior event. The EBL however has the right to delegate the numbers six from the open and the women events when the total of participating countries from the other zones turn out to be an odd number.

Mr. Rona further stated that the results from the drug tests, which had been held last Wednesday, will be known within two or three weeks. He further confirmed that the financial agreement with Spain, following last year's EC at Tenerife, is on schedule and will be completed by the end of the year.

www.worldbridge.org

The WBF website is now available at the address www.worldbridge.org. The old address www.bridge.gr will continue to function for some time for the convenience of the players. We advise the players to start using the new address.

WOMEN TEAMS Final Ranking

1	NETHERLANDS	424.00
2	GERMANY	414.00
3	ENGLAND	408.00
4	ITALY	404.50
5	SWEDEN	385.00
6	NORWAY	384.50
7	DENMARK	380.50
8	CROATIA	379.00
9	SPAIN	379.00
10	RUSSIA	370.00
11	FRANCE	361.00
12	CZECH REP	359.00
13	POLAND	348.00
14	SCOTLAND	347.00
15	FINLAND	336.00
16	ISRAEL	336.00
17	AUSTRIA	329.00
18	HUNGARY	308.00
19	IRELAND	307.00
20	TURKEY	288.50
21	ICELAND	263.00
22	SAN MARINO	212.00
23	FAROE ISLANDS	190.50

SENIOR TEAMS RESULTS

ROUND 19

	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
41	SCOTLAND	DENMARK	25 - 23	15 - 15
42	FRANCE	Bye	0 - 0	18 - 0
43	SWEDEN	CZECH REP.	37 - 63	10 - 20
44	ENGLAND	CROATIA	114 - 37	25 - 1
45	SPAIN	IRELAND	45 - 63	11 - 19
46	TURKEY	NETHERLANDS	54 - 61	14 - 16
47	WALES	AUSTRIA	62 - 24	23 - 7
48	ITALY	PORTUGAL	79 - 21	25 - 4
49	GERMANY	POLAND	21 - 81	3 - 25
50	SWITZERLAND	ISRAEL	38 - 40	15 - 15

Senior among Seniors

by Alex Montwill

This is the 70th anniversary of the European Bridge Championships. It is also the 50th year of international bridge for Joe MacHale of Ireland, who first participated in the 1953 championships in Helsinki. Here he is in action in the 16th round of the Seniors match against Italy.

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

	♠ A 10 8		
	♥ J 10 6 3		
	♦ Q J 9		
	♣ 9 6 2		
♠ 9 5	N	♠ J 7 2	
♥ K Q 8	W E	♥ 9 2	
♦ A 8 7 5 3	S	♦ 10 6 4 2	
♣ K Q 10		♣ 7 5 4 3	
	♠ K Q 6 4 3		
	♥ A 7 5 4		
	♦ K		
	♣ A J 8		
West	North	East	South
Latessa	Montwill	Gigli	MacHale
			1♠
Dble	Pass	2♣	Dble
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

Having avoided the heart game, which has no chance on a top club lead, Joe had to use his 50 yrs experience to make the tricky 4♠.

He ducked the lead of the club king. The defence then continued with the diamond ace and another diamond, which gave declarer the chance he needed.

Joe realised that the point of the deal was to make two heart tricks without losing two hearts. On the queen and jack of diamonds he discarded two hearts, and then played heart ace and a small heart.

West was now end/played. His best exit is a trump, but even that cannot beat the contract. On the lead of spade nine declarer covers with the ten, and establishes two entries to dummy, to ruff a heart, and later reach the established last heart. A small spade covered by the eight leads to the same result, plus 620 and a gain of 12 IMPs to Ireland.

SENIOR TEAMS Final Ranking

1	FRANCE	371.00
2	ISRAEL	361.00
3	DENMARK	347.00
4	NETHERLANDS	330.00
5	POLAND	328.00
6	CROATIA	308.50
7	TURKEY	303.00
8	CZECH REP	299.50
9	ITALY	293.00
10	SCOTLAND	292.00
11	ENGLAND	291.00
12	GERMANY	279.00
13	AUSTRIA	266.00
14	SWEDEN	266.00
15	WALES	248.50
16	IRELAND	228.00
17	SWITZERLAND	211.00
18	SPAIN	208.00
19	PORTUGAL	188.50

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OPEN TEAMS
Round 32
Spain v Bulgaria

When Spain played against Bulgaria on VuGraph the teams were 2nd and 3rd in the rankings with a gap of 14,5VP between them, so Bulgaria needed a big win to stay in the race for the silver.

Already on Board 2, Bulgaria got exactly what it was hoping for:

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mihov	Ventin	Nanev	Lantaron
		1♠	2♠
3♣	4♣	4♣	Pass
Pass	Dble	All Pass	

In the Open Room Lantaron entered the auction with a Michaels cuebid. Though Ventin's card looked promising opposite long hearts and one of the minors, he did well not to go all the way to the five-level. Instead, he doubled 4♣ where the defenders can cash four tricks. Still, South had to find the lead of a red suit. He didn't and after the club lead, declarer was happy to make ten tricks. In fact he even could produce a doubled over-trick due to the favourable position in hearts: win the first club, draw the trumps, pitch your stiff diamond on the last club, ruff a diamond, cross to dummy with the ♠J, ruff the last diamond in hand and exit with a heart.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Stamatov	Buratti	Karaivanov
		1♠	2♦
2♠	2NT	4♣	Pass
Pass	5♦	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

In the Closed Room North never had the intention to defend a spade contract and finally got doubled in 5♦. In this contract, South lost the obvious three tricks. The swing was 12 IMPs to Bulgaria.

Board 4 again was big for Bulgaria where their light 1♦ opening bid paid off in both rooms:

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Stamatov	Buratti	Karaivanov
Pass	1♦	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

Closed Stamatov-Karaivanov stole the part score in 3♠ for exactly nine tricks.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mihov	Ventin	Nanev	Lantaron
		1♥	Pass
1♦	Pass	3NT	All Pass
INT	Pass		

In the Open Room Nanev-Mihov bid 3NT as EW. A spade lead would have led to two undertricks, but of course North led his longest suit. Declarer inserted the queen in dummy and played all the clubs. He then played a spade to South's Ace. South, who already had discarded some spades, switched to a heart. Declarer, who read the position perfectly, rose with the ace, first played another spade and then a low heart from dummy to North, who was endplayed in diamonds. Another 12 IMPs to Bulgaria.

In many Club systems the 2♣ opening is natural. Both Lanzarotti-Buratti and Mihov-Nanev use it, though their style is different as shown on board 7:

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mihov	Ventin	Nanev	Lantaron
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♣	All Pass		Pass

In spite of their aggressive bidding approach so far on Vu-Graph Mihov-Nanev decided to stop in 3♣. Bulgaria +170.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Stamatov	Buratti	Karaivanov
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Lanzarotti-Buratti however bid the excellent 3NT. There was nothing to the play and Spain gained 10 IMP's. The score stood at 21-14 to Bulgaria.

With the score at 34-19, board 17 arrived:

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Stamatov	Buratti	Karaivanov
6♣	2♦	3♣	Dble
	All Pass		

In the Closed Room Buratti-Lanzarotti were allowed to play in 6♣ and made it with an overtrick. Of course, the grand is cold. Spain +940.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mihov	Ventin	Nanev	Lantaron
6♣	2♦	3♣	4♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	6♥
Dble	All Pass	7♣	7♥

On VuGraph we saw good bidding by both pairs. Like at the other table, 2♦ was Multi. South did well to save in 6♥ when the

tray came back to him with 6♣ on it. When Mihov invited for seven with his pass over 6♥, Nanev did the right thing by indeed bidding the grand. And again Lantaron showed fine judgement by saving once more. Very well done by all players, but only +500 to Bulgaria so 10 IMPs back to Spain.

Right on the next board Ivan Nanev was in the spotlight again:

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Stamatov	Buratti	Karaivanov
4♥	All Pass	1♥	Pass

In the Closed Room East declared 4♥. Against this contract, South found the good lead of a heart. North won the ace and returned the suit to declarer's king. A club was ruffed in dummy, followed by a low spade from dummy to queen and king. At this point the contract could not be made any more and in fact declarer went two down. Bulgaria +100.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mihov	Ventin	Nanev	Lantaron
1♦	Dble	1♣	Pass
4♥	All Pass	1♥	Dble

In the Open Room South made the same lead against the same contract. Declarer won the heart return and ruffed a club in dummy, just as in the Closed Room. Quite unexpectedly Ivan Nanev then asked for a diamond, North rose with the ace and played another diamond, ruffed by declarer. Another club was ruffed in dummy and the third diamond in hand, stripping South of the suit. Nanev completed his masterpiece by playing ♣A and ♣Q to endplay South in spades. Brilliant, possibly the best hand played during these Championships so far. Bulgaria +420 here and 11 IMPs more.

The final score: 54-29 to Bulgaria, 20-10 VP Both teams are beginning to look more and more certain of qualification.

Sponsor Corner

The Croatian Women, Open and Senior teams express their gratitude to ATLANTIC TRADE for enabling the teams to compete in these European Championships.

OPEN TEAMS
Round 33
Poland v France

Though Poland started their recovery halfway through last week, at the time this match was scheduled (Thursday evening) their qualification was by no means sure yet. A defeat at the hands of France would therefore mean a serious setback for their aspirations, and at the other hand it would revive the thin French hopes.



Michel Duguet, France

On the first two boards, these hopes certainly were boosted when France took a 6-0 lead.

The came:

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ J 4 3
♥ 3 2
♦ A K 10 8 4
♣ A 9 6

♠ A K 6
♥ A J 9 4
♦ 9 7 5 3
♣ K J



♠ Q 8 7
♥ K Q 8
♦ 2
♣ 10 8 7 4 3 2

♠ 10 9 5 2
♥ 10 7 6 5
♦ Q J 6
♣ Q 5

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bessis	Lesniewski	Rombaut	Martens
INT	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♣	Pass	5♣	All Pass

When Bessis accepted the transfer Rombaut went on, relying on his club length rather than his high-card points, so an odds-against game was reached. When the ♠Q was doubleton where she should be, France chalked up a lucky +600.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Bizon	Duguet	Kowalski	Toffier
INT	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♣	All Pass		Pass

This was a more normal contract in which Bizon played safe for nine tricks. Poland +110, but 10 IMPs to France who led 16-0.

Two boards later, the Poles struck back, and a double blow it was to be:

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ A 9 7 2
♥ K 9 6 5
♦ K Q 9 8
♣ 5

♠ -
♥ Q J 10 4 2
♦ A 6 4 3
♣ 9 8 7 2



♠ K Q 10 8 6
♥ A 3
♦ J
♣ A K Q 10 4

♠ J 5 4 3
♥ 8 7
♦ 10 7 5 2
♣ J 6 3

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bessis	Lesniewski	Rombaut	Martens
3♥	1♦	Dble	Pass
3NT	All Pass	3♠	Pass

As the diamonds are 4-4 you can make nine tricks by first finessing the hearts and then establishing a spade trick. Bessis won the diamond lead and passed the ♥Q, but when he next played a heart to the ace he had established a fifth defensive trick. One down, Poland +50.

On the actual layout, slam in clubs is on and some pairs at other tables bid it. What would happen at the other table in this match?

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Bizon	Duguet	Kowalski	Toffier
3♣	1♦	2♦	Pass
5♣	All Pass	4♣	Pass

Not very much, as you can see. All 13 tricks were made when declarer won the ♦A and led the ♥Q which was covered by king

and ace. Poland +440 and 10 IMPs on a board that might easily have been a push.

And:

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

♠ K 10 3 ♥ 7 ♦ A Q J 10 5 2 ♣ A K Q	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W</td><td></td><td></td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">S</td><td></td></tr> </table>	N		E	W				S		♠ A Q 9 4 2 ♥ J 10 5 3 ♦ K ♣ 9 6 2	♠ 7 ♥ A K Q 9 4 ♦ 7 6 3 ♣ 10 8 5 4
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	S											

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bessis	Lesniewski	Rombaut	Martens
1♦	Pass	Pass	Pass
4♣	All Pass	2♥	Pass

The French standard of showing hearts and longer spades by bidding 2♥ led to a solid contract in quick time. France +680.

Closed Room

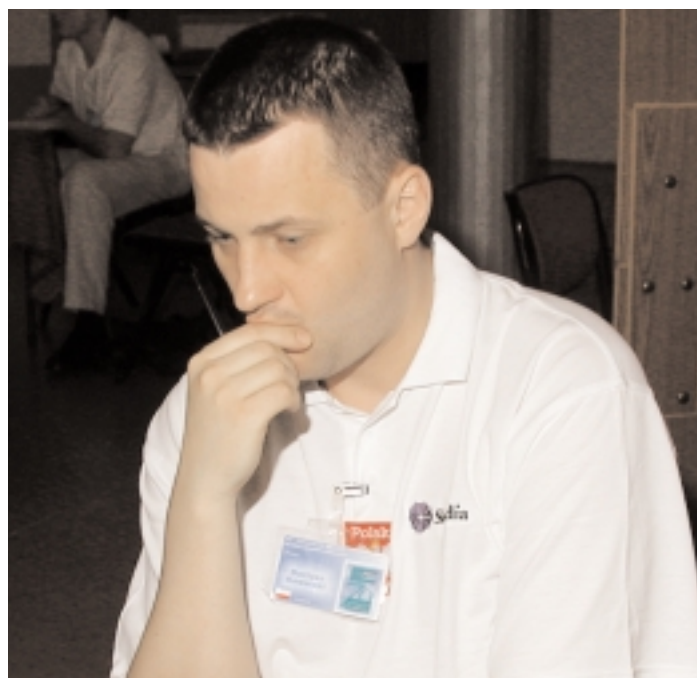
West	North	East	South
Bizon	Duguet	Kowalski	Toffier
Dble	3♥	Pass	2♥
4NT	Pass	4♠	Pass
5♦	Pass	5♣	Pass
6♦	All Pass	5NT	Pass

This time, the French preempts drove the Poles to what turned out to be an excellent slam. 5♣ showed an ace and that was all Bizon wanted to know after Kowalski's jump to 4♣. Poland +1370 and another 12 Imps to lead 22-16 all of a sudden.

They went on to gradually increase their lead, which stood at 39-21 when the decisive board arrived. It certainly was one of the most spectacular boards of the Championships:

Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

♠ — ♥ Q J 10 8 5 ♦ A 8 2 ♣ J 9 7 4 3	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W</td><td></td><td></td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">S</td><td></td></tr> </table>	N		E	W				S		♠ A K J 10 8 2 ♥ A K 7 6 2 ♦ Q ♣ K	♠ Q 9 7 6 4 ♥ 4 ♦ 9 5 4 ♣ A 10 6 5
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Dariusz Kowalski, Poland

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Bizon	Duguet	Kowalski	Toffier
2♦	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♠	Dble
4♦	Dble	4NT	Pass
5♣	Pass	6♥	All Pass

In the Closed Room, the heart fit was revealed when Bizon opened 2♦. After this, there was no way to move the Poles away from the right track. Poland +1430.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bessis	Lesniewski	Rombaut	Martens
Pass	3♦	4♦	5♣
5♦	Pass	6♠	Dble
7♥	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

In the Open Room, West could not open this type of hand, so it was North to kick off. His preempt in diamonds proved a lucky shot that completely led the French astray. Apparently East did not realise that West had not promised a fit in both majors by bidding 5♦. Poland another +200 when the ♣A survived for a juicy 17 IMPs to lead 56-21. The match was effectively over.

The final result became 58-26 to Poland or 22-8 VP. The Polish team had kept their high hopes of qualification firmly intact.

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OPEN TEAMS
Round 34
Israel v Poland

The first match on VuGraph, Friday morning, was the Israel v. Poland encounter. Israel were out of contention for the top five spot, except if a number of miracles would occur, and Poland were in 5th position, 16 VP ahead of Sweden and thus by no means safely booked for Bali. As both teams had been doing well during these weeks, another good match was in sight and so it proved.

After five boards, Poland led 5-0 on overtricks but then Israel struck in a peculiar way:

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Martens	Kalish	Lesniewski	Podgur
1♣	2NT	Pass	4♦
Pass	4♥	Pass	5♦
Pass	6♦	All Pass	

As 2NT showed the two lower of the remaining suits, 4♥, a forward-going move for sure, might well have become the final contract. There is much to say for a direct jump to 6♦ over 4♦, but in the end the Israelis landed on their feet for a fine +920.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Barel	Balicki	Aviram	Zmudzinski
1♣	1♥	2♠	Pass
Pass	4♦	Pass	5♦
All Pass			

In the Closed Room, Balicki was lucky to at all get a second chance of showing a suit. As Zmudzinski could not possibly be aware of partner's exact distribution, slam was out of the question for him. Poland thus only mustered +420 and lost 11 IMPs.

In the Romania v. Liechtenstein match, one North also decided to overcall 1♥. When East felt he did not have enough points to introduce his spades, North played there and just made 7 tricks...

The next board saw Poland come back to 8-11 on an extra undertrick but then, three consecutive boards swung the match Israel's way:

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Martens	Kalish	Lesniewski	Podgur
Pass	1♦	Dble	2♦
2♠	3♦	3♠	All Pass

Sensible non-vulnerable bidding with both East and West holding a little in reserve. Poland +170.

Please note the daring 3♦ by Kalish. This might have gone three off had someone doubled it, but as it was, it changed the meaning of 3♠ from invitational into more competitive.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Barel	Balicki	Aviram	Zmudzinski
Pass	1♣	Dble	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

With the ♣K well-placed, as could be expected from North's opening bid, and with all the club intermediates present, this contract was no problem at all and in fact better than 4♠ as the latter might go down on a heart ruff had the layout been different. The Polish Club did not work well here, as Zmudzinski could not compete like his Israeli counterpart did as South. Israel +400 and 6 IMPs.

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

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

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Martens	Kalish	Lesniewski	Podgur
	2♦	Pass	2♠
Dble	Pass	4♥	All Pass

As the club fit never came to light after the spade Multi, the Poles were allowed to play an undisturbed 4♥ for +650.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Barel	Balicki	Aviram	Zmudzinski
	Pass	Pass	2♣
2♦	4♠	Dble	All Pass

Here, North did not open his unpromising spade suit, so Zmudzinski opened a natural 2♣. When West overcalled 2♦ only and Balicki introduced his spades, the VuGraph audience thought this should imply a club fit as North had not opened. When North surprisingly passed, the Poles lost 800 and 4 IMPs instead of going down only 300 for an 8-IMP gain. Israel 21-8 up now.

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

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	♠ A 8 4 3		
	♥ 8 3 2		
	♦ J 3		
	♣ 9 8 6 4		

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Martens	Kalish	Lesniewski	Podgur
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♦	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Holding only queens and jacks, Lesniewski could not find any good forward-going bid popposite his partner's minor suit reverse. He might have been well off in settling for 3NT, as 6♦ by East will go down on a heart lead, and probably on many other leads as well. Poland +660.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Barel	Balicki	Aviram	Zmudzinski
		Pass	Pass
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♦	Pass
4♠	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♦	All Pass		



Michael Barel, Israel

The Israeli natural auction placed the declaration in the West hand. North now had to lead, and had he selected a trump the contract might still have gone down. As EW had not clearly shown their heart control, Balicki led the ♥10 which immediately paved the way to 12 tricks: four spades, two hearts, five diamonds and the ♣A. In view of the auction a lucky, but also a deserved swing to Israel who increased their lead to 33-8.

The Poles hit back with a successful partscore on both tables to score 6 IMPs, but then the Israelis showed good defence:

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

	N	
W		E
	S	

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Martens	Kalish	Lesniewski	Podgur
		Pass	1♥
2♥	2♠	Dble	3♥
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

On a trump lead, Kalish made ten tricks in peace, Israel +170.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Barel	Balicki	Aviram	Zmudzinski
		Pass	1♠
3♥	3♠	4♣	4♦
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

With the hearts 3-0, a club lead is vital to give the defence any chance at all. Michael Barel did find the ♣A lead and continued the suit. For Aviram it was then easy to see that the ♠J or better with his partner would defeat the contract, so he played the 4th round of clubs, which West duly ruffed with the jack. Well done, one down, Israel +50 and 6 IMPs more: 39-14 now.

This is where it still stood when the last board nearly halved the Israeli advantage:

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Martens	Kalish	Lesniewski	Podgur
Pass	2NT	Pass	5♦
All Pass			

A wild 2NT for minors opening in 2nd position, vulnerable, by North led to a bold jump to game by South. Nobody was nasty enough to double this so the costs were only 400.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Barel	Balicki	Aviram	Zmudzinski
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	INT	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♣	All Pass	

A quiet natural auction brought the Poles in a more sensible contract which was made when Balicki correctly played the ♣Q from hand at the second round of trumps, felling the jack. Poland another +110 and 11 IMPs.

The final score: 39-27 to Israel, 17-13 VP Poland had lost, but their chances of qualifying were not yet really in danger.

Bridge Magazine IMP presents Herman's Bridge Team Ratings

Despite their less than expected performance here, the French Women's team still lead the rankings.

The first number is the rating in VP; the second is the number of (16-board) matches that are taken into account for the rating.

1	France	20.40	136	37	Portugal	12.06	5
2	Germany	20.22	139	38	Monaco	12.05	8
3	United States	20.07	122	39	Chile	12.03	11
4	Netherlands	19.57	128	40	Wales	11.83	58
5	England	19.08	112	41	Ireland	11.67	69
6	China	18.46	100	42	Iceland	11.60	55
7	Austria	18.24	126	43	Morocco	11.56	15
8	Great Britain	18.06	34	44	India	11.50	71
8	Canada	17.93	69	45	Colombia	11.32	30
9	Italy	17.46	93	46	Singapore	11.10	17
10	Norway	17.16	90	47	China Hong Kong	11.09	52
11	Israel	16.75	92	48	Peru	10.37	8
12	Denmark	16.73	103	49	Venezuela	10.32	44
13	Sweden	16.64	91	50	Bolivia	10.24	11
14	Poland	16.54	76	51	Thailand	9.76	27
15	Czech Republic	15.84	71	52	Uruguay	9.73	8
16	Spain	15.77	75	53	San Marino	9.66	44
17	Russia	15.41	75	54	Bermuda	9.45	8
18	Finland	15.29	87	55	Pakistan	9.17	40
19	Belgium	15.12	21	56	Trinidad & Tobago	8.92	4
20	Australia	14.86	74	57	Tunisia	8.87	13
21	South Africa	14.79	71	58	Malaysia	8.61	3
22	Switzerland	14.73	5	59	Zimbabwe	8.08	2
23	Croatia	14.57	74	60	Jordan	7.97	23
24	Chinese Taipei	14.48	58	61	Sri Lanka	7.92	27
25	Scotland	14.16	84	62	Reunion	7.90	18
26	Brazil	14.08	56	63	Bahrain	7.41	13
27	Argentina	13.97	41	64	Philippines	6.73	20
28	Mexico	13.77	20	65	Paraguay	6.37	8
29	Japan	13.63	72	66	South Korea	6.01	26
30	Egypt	13.58	44	67	Barbados	5.89	6
31	Indonesia	13.45	56	68	Jamaica	5.86	26
32	Hungary	13.10	63	69	Faroe Islands	5.17	34
33	New Zealand	13.04	59	70	Guadeloupe	3.87	9
34	Greece	12.98	51	71	Mauritius	2.33	2
35	Turkey	12.86	57	72	Martinique	-1.23	3
36	Northern Ireland	12.67	17				

Italy not the strongest in history

Hasse Halèn writes us an e-mail stating that Italy's victory at these championships may well be the biggest one in the modern era, but not in history. Back in 1963, when the championships were held in Baden Baden, the maximum VP you could get in a match was 6. In 17 matches, Great Britain amassed 100 VP out of a possible 102, and won the event by 16 VP over Italy.

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LEVIT SHAYA

58 years. Business man and owner of a Tel Aviv Bridge Club. Was a member of Israel Open Teams for two decades. Won two silver medals In European Teams Championship and a bronze medal in 1994 World Teams Championship. One of the finest ever Israel Bridge players.



RAND NISSAN

71 years. Playing Captain of the 2002 Senior Team. World renowned expert on Poultry Nutrition. Was a member of ten Israel Open Teams from 1965 to 1991, and on eight Senior Teams from 1994 to 2002. World Senior Champion in 1994 and 1998. Serves as the dynamic chairman of the EBL Seniors Committee and the WBF Seniors Committee. Member of the EBL Executive since 1995.



SCHWARTZ ADRIAN

58 years. Civil Engineer, government of Israel employee. Has represented Israel since 1968 in many European Championships with Morey Stampf. Won two European Silver Medals. Frequent winner in Israel bridge festivals in Tel Aviv and Eilat. One of Israel's finest ever bridge players.



ROMIK PINHAS

56 years. Computer Engineer. Owner and CEO of E-bridge company. Pinhas won three Silver European medals for teams championship starting with the European Junior Championship in 1972 (Delft) in partnership with Samuel Lev and Shalom Seligman.



SELIGMAN SHALOM

55 years. A computer engineer with the Israel Ports Authority. First time on Israel Senior Team following 30 year career in Israel Junior and Open Teams partnering mainly with D. Birman. Won two European Silver medals, the first as a junior. Shalom won a Bronze medal in the 1985 Bermuda Bowl.



SAGIV YEHUDA

60 years. A leading building contractor. Israel Open Champion with D. Birman in 2002. Member of Israel Senior Team in 2000, 2001, and 2002. A bridge enthusiast competing in all possible events in Israel and abroad.



BEN TOVIM ZVI

71 years. Civil Engineer. President of the Israel Bridge Federation since 2000. Served as General Manager of the Israel Bridge Federation 1980 -1998. Assistant Captain of the current team.

WOMEN TEAMS
Round 22
Netherlands v Germany

This was the top match from the first round of the two the women had to play on the last day of their Championships. One could scarcely have invented a better scenario: the leading two teams playing in a direct confrontation with the gold medal at stake. The Netherlands went into the match, however, having a distinct advantage: they were 13 VP up so they could even afford a slight defeat, provided they would not lose against Croatia, a team looking for its last chance to qualify, in their last match. On the other hand, Germany would have to play Finland in their last match, which looked like an easier task for them, as far as rankings are reliable these days.

The first two boards displayed on VuGraph, 19 & 20, looked a bit indifferent, but on board 1 the match really got underway:

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

	♠ 10					
	♥ AK53					
	♦ 2					
	♣ AKQJ1087					
♠ 9876	<table border="1" style="display: inline-table; vertical-align: middle;"><tr><td>N</td></tr><tr><td>W</td></tr><tr><td>E</td></tr><tr><td>S</td></tr></table>	N	W	E	S	♠ KJ432
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♥ 74		♥ QJ86				
♦ J10864		♦ AK5				
♣ 42		♣ 6				
	♠ AQ5					
	♥ 1092					
	♦ Q973					
	♣ 953					

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Van der Pas</i>	<i>Nehmert</i>	<i>Vriend</i>	<i>Rauscheid</i>
Pass	1♣	Dble	1♦
All Pass	2♥	Pass	3NT

When Bep Vriend doubled with the East hand, slam looked far off for North who made no further move when South opted for a solid 3NT which in this auction clearly promised values in spades and diamonds and little else. Right she was, and Germany chalked up what looked like a routine 430.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Von Arnim</i>	<i>Pasman</i>	<i>Auken</i>	<i>Simons</i>
Pass	1♣	1♠	INT
Pass	2♥	Pass	2NT
Dble	4♣	Pass	4♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	Redble
	6♣	All Pass	

When Auken overcalled 1♠ the situation became less clear-cut for Pasman. Her 4♣ rebid gave a good picture of the hand, but also made it difficult for her partner to evaluate her hand properly. The ♠A looked like a useful value, but the South hand had nothing more to offer. The double of 4♠ denied any interest for a lead in that suit and the redouble of course showed first-

round control.

Had South held a doubleton heart, as her NT bidding could well suggest, 6♣ would have been OK, but on the actual layout it had no chance against correct defence. Sabine Auken led a top diamond, got a count signal (the 8) and switched to a spade, breaking up the squeeze. On any other continuation, declarer can win, play off all the trumps, finesse in spades and squeeze East in the red suits, as in fact happened at a number of other tables.

In this match, Germany thus dealt an important first blow: 10-0 to them.

Two boards later:

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

	♠ K98742					
	♥ Q10					
	♦ 832					
	♣ 87					
♠ Q	<table border="1" style="display: inline-table; vertical-align: middle;"><tr><td>N</td></tr><tr><td>W</td></tr><tr><td>E</td></tr><tr><td>S</td></tr></table>	N	W	E	S	♠ J106
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♥ AK974		♥ J3				
♦ 74		♦ AKQ95				
♣ AQ1065		♣ 932				
	♠ A53					
	♥ 8652					
	♦ J106					
	♣ KJ4					

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Von Arnim</i>	<i>Pasman</i>	<i>Auken</i>	<i>Simons</i>
1♥	1♠	2♦	2♠
Dble	3♠	Dble	All Pass

Overcalling on the North hand is OK at this vulnerability, but why not 2♠? That would solve South's problems at once.

To defend in 3♠ was a joy for the Germans. Three top diamonds followed by a club to the jack and queen. Then came two top hearts, the ♣A and a third heart, ruffed and overruffed. A fourth round of diamonds was ruffed by West with the queen and overruffed by declarer, who went on to play a trump to the ace where she might have gone down only four by finessing the ♠10 through East.

Down five, +1100 to Germany.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Van der Pas</i>	<i>Nehmert</i>	<i>Vriend</i>	<i>Rauscheid</i>
1♥	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♥	All Pass

Please note the difference. North did not bother at all to overcall and thus EW were allowed to score a quiet heart game. That was Netherlands +620, but another 10 IMPs to Germany, who led 21-0. Just what they must have wanted: a flying start.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Van Arnim</i>	<i>Pasman</i>	<i>Auken</i>	<i>Simons</i>
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	All Pass		

2♦ promised hearts. 2♥ showed any minimum, and as any bid by East would be forcing, Sabine Auken decided not to risk getting too high. Ten tricks. Germany +170.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Van der Pas</i>	<i>Nehmert</i>	<i>Vriend</i>	<i>Rauscheid</i>
1♣	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

In the Closed Room, the bidding was mainly the same: 3♥ showing an invitational hand with hearts. Even more so because they already were on the three-level, Marijke van der Pas had no trouble in raising to game. The Netherlands another +620 but this time for a surprise 10-IMP gain.

Both teams had interesting chances on board 6:

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Van Arnim</i>	<i>Pasman</i>	<i>Auken</i>	<i>Simons</i>
Pass	2NT	INT	2♦
Pass	4♠	Pass	3♦
		All Pass	



Anneke Simons, The Netherlands

After the weak NT opening bid, 2♦ showed one major and 3♦ confirmed spades. Now if North bids 3NT there is nothing the defence can do as the clubs are 5-2, West not having an entry. Jet Pasman, understandably so if you look at her club stopper, bid the more normal 4♠ and now the spotlights were on Sabine Auken again. Would she find the lead of the ♣A, the only lead to beat the contract?

A large part of the VuGraph audience sighed in relief when the ♥Q came out. Now declarer was out of trouble, as she could establish a heart for a diamond discard. Of course, on a trump lead declarer will establish a diamond for a heart discard. The Netherlands +420.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Van der Pas</i>	<i>Nehmert</i>	<i>Vriend</i>	<i>Rauscheid</i>
Pass	2♥	1♦	1♠
		All Pass	

After the suit opening (the Dutch play INT to show 15-17 hcp.) Rauscheid overcalled in spades and Nehmert bid a non-forcing 2♥. The contract made, but the chance to halve the board had gone. Germany +110 but 7 IMPs to The Netherlands. The score stood at 21-17 to Germany.

A remarkable difference in approach caused a substantial partscore swing on the next board:

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

♠ 7 5 4 ♥ 6 5 ♦ K Q 6 4 ♣ A 10 8 2

Open Room

West <i>Von Arnim</i>	North <i>Pasman</i>	East <i>Auken</i>	South <i>Simons</i>
1♦	1♥	Dble	Pass
INT	Pass	2NT	All Pass

The Germans did well to stay out of game on a combined 24 count, but even 2NT proved difficult. A heart honour was led by North, West winning the ace and playing a club to the king and South's ace. Simons continued another heart, Pasman playing the jack to drive out the queen and clear the suit. Next came the ♦10 from dummy, covered by queen and ace. A spade went to the ace and a low diamond went to declarer's seven and North's nine! With the ♦K still to come for the defence, the contract was one down, +100 to The Netherlands.


Closed Room

West <i>Van der Pas</i>	North <i>Nehmert</i>	East <i>Vriend</i>	South <i>Rauscheid</i>
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

In the Closed Room, West did very well to pass in second position, vulnerable. North showed a weak hand with majors by opening 2♦ and South gave preference. The EW pair did not take any action, but contented themselves to collect another 300 in some comfort. The 9-IMP swing saw the Netherlands taking the lead: 26-21.

Then, halfway the match, The Netherlands put the match out of reach for the Germans:

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West <i>Von Arnim</i>	North <i>Pasman</i>	East <i>Auken</i>	South <i>Simons</i>
1♠	2NT	4♠	5♦
6♠	All Pass		


Von Arnim gambled a little when she bid 6♠, but this message was not lost on Simons, who judged very well to pass. One down.

Closed Room

West <i>Van der Pas</i>	North <i>Nehmert</i>	East <i>Vriend</i>	South <i>Rauscheid</i>
1♠	2NT	4♠	5♦
5♠	All Pass		

Here, Van der Pas made the standard bid of 5♠ and was allowed to play there as well, of course. The +650 combined with the +100 to bring the score to 39-24. Germany's chances for the gold were looking dim.

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

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

Why is this hand reported in the Bulletin, one might ask? Bidding and play look very easy as long as you do not want to make an overtrick. Germany +420.

Closed Room

West <i>Van der Pas</i>	North <i>Nehmert</i>	East <i>Vriend</i>	South <i>Rauscheid</i>
Pass	1♠	2♠	Pass
3♥	All Pass		

For once, being careful did not pay off. When Marijke van der Pas lost a trick in the play when she called for the wrong card from dummy, Vriend's caution got some reward after all, as nine tricks suddenly were the maximum. The Netherlands +140 and 7 IMPs back to Germany: 41-31.

No further spectacular bridge occurred in the match, which from this point onwards, drew to an end with a disappointing series of rather uneventful boards. The final score was 50-36 or 18-12 VP to The Netherlands. They had made a giant step forward to the country's first-ever victory in the 70 years of these Championships. Our sincere congratulations thus go to the team and we are pleased to see the name and logo of the Nederlandse Bridge Bond, the largest NBO in Europe, finally added to the list of NBO's ever to send a winning team to these European Teams Championships.

The return of Super Mom: Hearts are mine!

by Stefan Back

In the close match against the Scottish women's team Super Mom, a.k.a. Daniela von Arnim, and her partner Sabine Auken got through two difficult deals.

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

♠ 9 6 5 ♥ Q 10 ♦ A K Q 9 8 6 4 ♣ 10	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 60px; margin: 0 auto;"> N W E S </div>	♠ A 10 8 7 3 2 ♥ J 7 6 ♦ 5 ♣ 9 5 2
♠ Q 4 ♥ K 3 ♦ J 7 3 2 ♣ K J 7 4 3	♠ K J ♥ A 9 8 5 4 2 ♦ 10 ♣ A Q 8 6	

In the Closed Room Scotland opened the North hand 3NT and everybody passed. After ♠A and a small spade to the king, declarer played two rounds of diamonds only to find out that the suit split badly. A couple of tricks later she was down three; Germany: +150.

At the other table Auken - von Arnim reached different game:

West	North	East	South
	<i>Auken</i>		<i>von Arnim</i>
	1♦	Pass	1♥
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

Here West led ♠Q to partner's ace, who switched to ♦5. There are a lot of inferences to draw from these two tricks and "Super Mom" is not the one to miss a single one of them. First of all, West's honour lead suggests that she only holds a doubleton spade. East therefore has six cards in spades with probably no further points, otherwise she wouldn't have passed after the 1♦-opening. Unfortunately this also means that the ♣K is bound to be offside. Last but not least, the diamond switch clearly marks East with a singleton, so Daniela knew about the 4-1 split in that

suit as well.

According to this analysis she played the hand as follows. Club to the ace, club ruff, spade to the king, club ruff and the ♦K. If East discards, Daniela gets rid of her last club. If East ruffs low, Daniela is able to over-ruff and loses only one trump trick and a club. If East ruffs in with ♥J - this is what East actually did - South can either over-ruff or simply discard the last club to lose either a heart and a club or two trumps respectively; Germany: +420 and 11 IMPs to cut down the lead of the Scottish ladies at that time in the match.

It was only two boards later - Scotland had scored another 10 IMPs in the meantime - Daniela picked up another decent heart suit:

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

♠ A 8 6 ♥ A 5 3 ♦ Q 2 ♣ K Q 8 7 3	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 60px; margin: 0 auto;"> N W E S </div>	♠ K Q 7 ♥ 7 ♦ K J 9 8 7 6 ♣ 10 6 4
♠ J 10 9 4 3 ♥ J 10 4 ♦ A 10 5 4 ♣ J	♠ 5 2 ♥ K Q 9 8 6 2 ♦ 3 ♣ A 9 5 2	

This hand fitted perfect into Sabine's and Daniela's methods, as South was able to open the hand on the one-level and afterwards tell partner virtually everything important about her hand. And Sabine is not the one to miss such an opportunity:

West	North	East	South
	<i>Auken</i>		<i>von Arnim</i>
			1♥ ⁽¹⁾
Pass	2♣ ⁽²⁾	Pass	2♦ ⁽³⁾
Pass	2♥ ⁽⁴⁾	Pass	3♥ ⁽⁵⁾
Pass	3♠ ⁽⁶⁾	Pass	4♦ ⁽⁷⁾
Pass	4NT ⁽⁸⁾	Pass	5♠ ⁽⁹⁾
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

⁽¹⁾ four (+) hearts, canapé possible, 10-15 HCP

⁽²⁾ artificial game force

⁽³⁾ no canapé, no 5-5 distribution

⁽⁴⁾ asking

⁽⁵⁾ one-suiter (with a minimum hand 6-4 is treated like that)

⁽⁶⁾ asking

⁽⁷⁾ shortness in diamonds

⁽⁸⁾ Roman keycard

⁽⁹⁾ 2 keycards and the queen of trumps

West led a small spade and declarer had no problems to collect six hearts, five clubs and ♠A to come to twelve tricks; Germany +980 and another 11 IMPs, when in the Closed Room against Rauscheid and Nehmert Scotland stayed in game.

Germany finally closed the gap and won this high-scoring encounter 60-49, 17-13 to stay on top of the leaderboard.

Malmö 2004



Don't miss your chance to visit the Scandinavian room to find out what a wonderful experience you are going to have in Sweden in two years time. As well as an audio

visual presentation you can enjoy some Swedish hospitality.

The schedule for team visits is below.

Today at 10.15

EBL Executive Committee

You will all be able to meet the Mayor from Malmö and his staff and drinks and snacks will be served.

First Italian European Senior Congress

Viareggio (Lucca) October 22nd - October 27th 2002

The Congress consists of two main events, the Pairs Tournament and the Teams Tournaments, alongside with other Tournaments, which will be open to all other categories of players, but having each special prize for Seniors Contestants. The EBL will award plaques to the winners, and EBL Master Points to the leading Pairs and Teams awarded in accordance with the normal EBL scale as posted by the EBL Master Point Secretary prior to the event being played.

The Pairs and the Teams Tournaments of the Event will be conducted with the sponsorship of the European Bridge League. The Tournaments will be played under the Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge 1997 and the EBL's Conditions of Contest such as in Salsomaggiore Seniors European Championship. EBL's System Policy and WBF Code of Practice will apply.

The other Tournaments will be conducted under the auspices of the Federazione Italiana Gioco Bridge (F.I.G.B.), played under the Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge 1997 and the F.I.G.B.'s General Conditions of Contest for Tournaments. F.I.G.B.'s System Policy will apply.

Viareggio is a wonderful venue spread along the Mediterranean Sea, famous for its beaches - crowded from early April to late October -, its sunny weather, its elegant shops where the most known fashion designers are present, and its Bars and Restaurants. Only 25 km. Away from Viareggio there are Pisa - with the world famous Square of Miracles and the amazing Leaning Tower - and Lucca, where you can look at wonderful buildings, monuments and estates of the late Middle Ages. A bit further, 70 and 100 km. respectively, are Firenze and Siena, reachable through what is probably the best country in the world, possibly visiting on the way S. Gemignano and Volterra. Communications are excellent too, with the International Airport of Pisa only 22 km. away, and a train each half an hour from there (anyway transfers will be arranged on request)

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Bridge Laws Mailing List

by Herman De Wael

Daniel Auby suggests there should be an Internet forum regarding the writing of the new Laws. As Daniel is well aware of, such a forum already exists: blml, the bridge-laws mailing list. Many top-level people regularly contribute their views there.

To subscribe to this mailing list send an email to major-domo@rgb.anu.edu.au. Leave the subject line empty. In the body of the email you include: subscribe bridge-laws.

Festival Schedule

Tuesday 22/10

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| h. 16.00 | Open Pairs | Mitchell 2/0/22 boards
single session event |
| h. 21.00 | Open Teams | Board-A-Match 24 boards
single session event |

Wednesday 23/10

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| h. 16.00 | Seniors Pairs
1st session | Mitchell 20/22 boards |
| h. 21.00 | Seniors Pairs
2nd session | Mitchell 20/22 boards |

Thursday 24/10

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| h. 16.00 | Seniors Pairs
Final Session
Final A
Final B (C) | Barometer 22 boards |
| h. 21.00 | Individual | Mitchell 20/22 boards
Rainbow Mitchell 20/22
boards single session event |

Friday 25/10

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| h. 14.00 | Seniors Teams
1st session
Students & NC
Teams 1st session | Lagged Swiss 4x8 boards
Lagged Swiss 4x8 boards |
| h. 21.00 | X-IMPs Open
Pairs | Mitchell 20/22 boards
single session event |

Saturday 26/10

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| h. 14.00 | Seniors Teams
2nd session
Students & NC
Teams | Lagged Swiss 4x8 boards
Lagged Swiss 4x8 boards |
| h. 21.00 | Mixed Pairs | Mitchell 20/22 boards
single session event |

Sunday 27/10

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| h. 10.00 | Seniors Teams
3rd session
Students & NC
Teams 3rd session | Lagged Swiss 2x8 boards
Lagged Swiss 2x8 boards |
| h. 15.00 | Seniors Teams
KO Final
Students & NC
Teams KO Final
PRO-AM Pairs | 2x12 boards Stanzas
2x12 boards Stanzas
Mitchell 20/22 boards
single session event |

CAMPIONI D'EUROPA 2002

AL BLUE TEAM IL QUINTO TITOLO CONSECUTIVO

Giorni incredibili, bridge stellare, demolito qualunque avversario, che pareva sedersi al tavolo quale vittima sacrificale già dal board I di quasi tutti gli incontri; una superiorità addirittura imbarazzante. Questo il Campionato del Blue Team.

Nessun paragone possibile con gli avversari, surclassati in tutti i fondamentali del gioco. Nell'efficacia dei sistemi dichiarativi, che ha spesso consentito ai nostri di aggiudicarsi il contratto, nello stesso board, in entrambe le sale, quando questo portava guadagno, e di lasciar invece giocare gli avversari quando sarebbe a noi sarebbe costato caro forzare la dichiarazione.

Nella scelta della carta d'attacco, che pareva ad ogni occasione essere pescata dal cilindro come per magia.

Nel gioco con il morto e in controgioco; è accaduto di continuo di guadagnare decine di match points quando si era alle prese con lo stesso contratto giocato sui due tavoli.

Nessuna sconfitta in cifra singola; 14 vittorie a 25, media superiore al 21.

Gli azzurri hanno giocato a livelli mai visti, e vi posso assicurare che poter seguire in diretta ogni loro board di questo Europeo è stato per me, appassionato amante del bridge quanto tifoso sfigurato dei nostri colori, una libidine senza fine.

La squadra ha avuto un rendimento globale siderale. A tratti si è avuta l'impressione di avere a che fare non con giocatori di bridge, ma con supereroi dei fumetti, cui nulla è precluso e che più

degli umani possono.

Lorenzo Lauria, poi, in questo Campionato è parso provenire da un altro pianeta, sul quale invece dei cinque sensi terrestri ve ne sono sei o sette, di cui almeno due dedicati al bridge.

La Butler parla chiaro; a poche mani dal termine Lorenzo è primo assoluto con 1.51 su 520 mani giocate, una media incredibile, secondo Alfredo con 1.43; quinti Norberto e Giorgio con 1.19. Semplicemente strepitoso!



When in Rome....

In their match against Czech Republic in Round 16 of the Seniors, Turkey's Korkut found himself in four hearts after a bidding sequence better left unmentioned, where East/West had bid and supported spades.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

<p>♠ A Q 10 8 6 ♥ 8 6 ♦ Q 5 4 ♣ 6 5 4</p>	<p>♠ J 5 ♥ 10 ♦ A 6 3 2 ♣ A K J 8 7 3</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 60px; margin: 0 auto;"> <p style="text-align: center;">N W E S</p> </div>	<p>♠ K 9 7 2 ♥ A J 5 3 ♦ J 10 ♣ Q 10 2</p>
	<p>♠ 4 3 ♥ K Q 9 7 4 2 ♦ K 9 8 7 ♣ 9</p>	

With all four hands in sight it is impossible to make the contract even after a favourable small diamond lead, but declarer was not about to give up. He cashed the top clubs, discarding a spade from his hand (The best chance is to take the club finesse, but that would have failed here).

Then he ran the ten of hearts and when it held he ruffed a small club, the queen appearing from East.

South now led the king of hearts, discarding a spade from dummy, won by East.

These cards were left:

<p>♠ J ♥ - ♦ A 6 3 ♣ J 8 7</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 60px; margin: 0 auto;"> <p style="text-align: center;">N W E S</p> </div>	<p>♠ K 9 7 2 ♥ J 5 ♦ J ♣ -</p>
<p>♠ A Q 10 8 6 ♥ - ♦ Q 5 ♣ -</p>	<p>♠ 3 ♥ Q 9 7 ♦ 9 8 7 ♣ -</p>	

East cashed the king of spades, and should have continued the suit. When he switched to his remaining diamond declarer won in dummy and played a club, ruffed and overruffed. He drew the last trump and gave up a diamond, making the last two tricks with the seven of hearts and the seven of diamonds, (the beer card!)

Be first to get the Malmo Mascot

The Malmo Elk is on sale for a mere 1000 Euro – or to the highest bidder!

The records of Salsomaggiore

It has become an superb championship in many respects. Let me try to describe it with some figures.

We had a record breaking staff of 112 people. When I heard that at the beginning I hardly could believe it, but after Thursday evening when Gianarrigo Rona congratulated them all there is no escape any more, we were with that many.

I'll present a couple, starting with the duplication group. They were fantastic and settled a record. They duplicated 45,176 boards, including some inevitable side games. That probably is a record itself, but most impressing is that they didn't make any mistake, which you may consider to be a mistake in itself, since such a record can't be broken anymore. Disappointment is ahead of us.

With 45,080 boards in the championships it won't surprise that the same amount of scores were entered in the computers to provide the results, scores for the VuGraph and the butler. And some 43,000 score slips were prepared together with thousands of other forms by the staff of Fulvio Colizzi, where a lot of bright smiles always welcome you.

Where do you think of when I mention the number 481? Don't guess, it is too hot for that. It is the sum of the daily highest temperatures during 14 days here in Salsomaggiore. A record? I am not sure, since I was in Wiesbaden 1983. But if not it certainly earns a comfortable second place.

What about the drinks? We consumed an estimated 7,000 litres of water included the vitaminized, a lot of coffee, with nothing but vitamins for me, and some barrels of wine, not counting your evening habits. And personally I had more spinach from the salad bar than in three years in my country. Don't think I needed it for my muscles (I am not a sailor man), with this staff everything went as smoothly as a manager may wish. Which made it even possible to find the time to ask your attention for our laws. I am grateful for your reactions, though we need more to get a good idea of how to develop our sport in the future.

Your captains came to the line up desk more than 2,300 times all together and were in time almost all the time. The screams from Jan Louwerse there, quite poorly imitated by his staff when he wasn't around, were restricted in number. At the result desk we had to move, subtract or add a couple of hundred imps in total to get the right results out, having effect on a couple of dozens of victory points. Not a record, the captains did better than in most team Olympiads.

The biggest number effects the number of sheets we have used. Think of the daily bulletin, for which the editors produced more than 300 pages and the photo-copier some 250,000 (125,000 sheets). The hand records used another 25,000, and with almost 10,000 line up sheets and a couple of thousand convention cards and other crumbs we arrive at a roughly estimated 165,000 (mostly two-sided) copied sheets.

I enjoyed Salsomaggiore, thanks to a fantastic staff and very friendly and nice players and captains. One last remark related to another record. I have to rely on the open teams to make the next championship more exciting. You have to beat them!

Ton Kooijman

Malmö 2004

We took the opportunity to talk to the Chairman of the Organising Committee for the next edition of the European Team Championships, Lars Persson.

Our host is the delightful City located in the South West of Sweden. Although you can fly direct to Malmö the recommended route is to go to Copenhagen, where the organisers will arrange for you to be shuttled across the magnificent Oresund Bridge that now joins Sweden to Denmark.



Lars Persson is going to be very busy for the next two years!

will get a lot of them for your money!

The weather is unpredictable, but we can expect a maximum of 25 degrees with cool evenings, and more daylight hours than usual as we will be in the land of the midnight sun.

English is the second language of Sweden, good news for readers of the Daily Bulletin!

Play will take place in the magnificent MalmöMässan, a new hi-tech convention centre. The VuGraph will hold 1,500 people and the centre boasts every facility you might need, coffee, snacks as well as more substantial meals at lunch and dinner.

Sweden is a member of the European Union, but has not yet joined the Euro. So, the krona is still king, and you



The Mayor of Malmö, Ilmar Reepalu, describing the many attractions of the City.

The Championships will run alongside an established Bridge Festival that will attract more than 2,000 players. There will be daily competitions open to everyone.

22 hotels with more than 2,000 budget, standard or high class rooms are waiting for you to make your reservations.

You can find everything you need to know in the detailed literature available in the Scandinavian Room or at the Championship web site: www.bridgefestival.net.

FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL

TROPHÉE ACCOR Tournoi IMP

2, 3 juillet à 17 h - 4 juillet à 16 h

Classement handicap *	
Premier Prix	1 500 €
2 ^e prix	1 000 €
3 ^e prix	650 €
4 ^e prix	450 €
5 ^e prix	300 €
6 ^e prix	225 €
du 7 ^e ou 10 ^e prix	150 €
* réservé aux paires d'indice inférieur ou égal à 120	

Jouez en duplicate, ... à deux

PATTON À HANDICAP AGF-LAVAZZA

8 et 9 juillet à 17 h - 10 juillet à 16 h

Classement handicap		Classement scratch	
Premier Prix	2 000 €	Premier prix	1 800 €
2 ^e prix	1 200 €	2 ^e prix	1 100 €
3 ^e prix	800 €	3 ^e prix	750 €
4 ^e prix	500 €	4 ^e prix	650 €
5 ^e prix	300 €	5 ^e prix	500 €
du 6 ^e ou 10 ^e prix	260 €	6 ^e prix	500 €

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Premier de chaque ligne : 250 €

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Épreuves en 3 séances	65 €	Forfait 13 séances	220 €
		1 ^{er} & 2 ^e série	
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		4 ^e série	110 €
Amis		11 € par séance	

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Tournoi OPEN

le 5 juillet à 20 h
le 6 juillet à 17 h
le 7 juillet à 15 h

Classement handicap *	
Premier Prix	3 000 €
2 ^e prix	2 250 €
3 ^e prix	1 500 €
4 ^e prix	1 000 €
5 ^e prix	600 €
6 ^e prix	450 €
du 7 ^e ou 10 ^e prix	300 €
du 11 ^e ou 15 ^e prix	250 €
du 16 ^e ou 20 ^e prix	200 €
du 21 ^e ou 30 ^e prix	150 €
* réservé aux paires d'indice inférieur ou égal à 120	

Classement handicap *	
Premier prix	900 €
2 ^e prix	750 €
3 ^e prix	500 €
4 ^e prix	350 €
5 ^e prix	350 €
du 6 ^e ou 10 ^e prix	225 €
du 11 ^e ou 15 ^e prix	180 €
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TROPHÉE CASINO DE BIARRITZ

Tournoi MIXTE

le 12 juillet à 20 h
le 13 juillet à 17 h
le 14 juillet à 15 h

Classement handicap *	
Premier Prix	2 000 €
2 ^e prix	1 300 €
3 ^e prix	800 €
4 ^e prix	650 €
5 ^e prix	500 €
6 ^e prix	350 €
du 7 ^e ou 10 ^e prix	250 €
du 11 ^e ou 15 ^e prix	220 €
du 16 ^e ou 20 ^e prix	180 €
* réservé aux paires d'indice inférieur ou égal à 120 ouvert aux paires Dames d'indice inférieur ou égal à 80	

Classement handicap *	
Premier prix	600 €
2 ^e prix	400 €
3 ^e prix	300 €
4 ^e prix	260 €
5 ^e prix	200 €
du 6 ^e ou 10 ^e prix	150 €
* réservé aux paires d'indice inférieur ou égal à 120 ouvert aux paires Dames d'indice inférieur ou égal à 80	



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IL NUMERO PERFETTO? CINQUE!... ...MA PUO' ESSERE AGGIORNATO...

di Gianarrigo Rona

" Omne trinum est perfectum " recita un adagio latino, ma noi che amiamo la lingua viva abbiamo voluto attualizzare il numero e portarlo a cinque. E, siccome l'appetito vien mangiando, non trascuriamo l'eventualità di un aggiornamento periodico costante.

Credo che a caldo sia impossibile non enfatizzare una impresa di portata straordinaria, storica mi permetto di dire. Vincere per cinque volte consecutive il Campionato d'Europa a Squadre Maschili, la gara più difficile, più stressante e più faticosa del mondo, rappresenta un fatto epocale. Essere ininterrottamente Campioni in carica dal 1995 al 2004, quasi due lustri, ha un significato fantascientifico che stravolge le leggi della statistica, oltre che quelle dell'equilibrio.

Nessuno era mai arrivato a tanto nel Campionato d'Europa, neppure il mitico Blue Team e credo che ben difficilmente in futuro sarà possibile ad altri tagliare questo impressionante traguardo. Chapeau ! direbbero i francesi con una inimitabile sintesi idiomatica che racchiude, consenso, ammirazione, stima, onore, plauso e amore.

Una superiorità disarmante, fuori discussione, da tutti accolta, accettata, rispettata e onorata come un segno del fato. Una vittoria acquisita aritmeticamente a tre turni dalla conclusione della gara, ma virtualmente aggiudicata già dopo un solo terzo di gara, quando ha preso vita una fuga che ricorda le leggendarie imprese di Fausto Coppi, "un uomo solo al comando", il più grande campione che la storia dello sport abbia mai annoverato. I nostri ragazzi avevano vinto in vari modi in passato, allo sprint, in rimonta, con uno scatto all'ultimo chilometro. Quest'anno hanno cambiato tattica. Hanno preso la testa al primo turno, hanno adottato un rapporto che soli potevano spingere e, con una progressione costante e armoniosa, stupefacente nella sua apparente semplicità realizzativa, se ne sono andati indisturbati al traguardo. E poi tutti sotto la doccia ad aspettare il gruppetto degli inseguitori.

In questi giorni sentiamo celebrare le imprese di Ronaldo, Rivaldo, Roberto Carlos nel calcio, di Schumacher e Valentino Rossi nel motorismo, di Shaquille O'Neal e Kobe Bryant nel basket, di Agassi e le sorelle Williams nel tennis, di Tiger Woods nel golf. Secondo me (e absit injuria verbis) nessuno di questi inarrivabili campioni ha saputo raggiungere nel rispettivo campo d'agone il traguardo toccato dai nostri Fenomeni. Sarebbe ora che i Media si cospargessero il capo di cenere, venissero a Canossa e dessero il giusto rilievo alle "Missioni Impossibili" anche se realizzate nella palestra del bridge.

Se è vero che è giusto innalzare peana al grande Collina che arbitra la finale mondiale del football e dedicargli pagine e pagine, è una ignominia che lo stratosferico successo azzurro nel bridge venga segnalato con molta non calanche se non addirittura snobbato. Ricordatevi cari amici dei Media che il bridge non solo è un grande sport ma è anche e forse soprattutto un inarrivabile maestro di vita!

I nomi dei nostri Campioni sono definitivamente scolpiti nell'oro e comunque vada, qualsiasi cosa succeda saranno sempre indelebili nella storia del bridge e dello sport. Lorenzo Lauria, cinque volte Campione d'Europa, il terzo di sempre in Europa, il più grande in attività, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin e Alfredo Versace, quattro volte Campioni d'Europa e una vita davanti per battere tutti i record, Antonio Sementa, due volte Campione d'Europa, soltanto perché probabilmente ha avuto meno chanch-

es, ma anch'egli pronto a staccare un biglietto per un fantastico viaggio nel futuro, Francesco Angelini, Campione d'Europa al primo assalto, un amore, una passione, una volontà e un entusiasmo, una strameritata vittoria sul campo che l'hanno portato immediatamente nell'Olimpo dei campioni.

Ma lasciatemi dire che non basta conoscere l'arte dello squeeze per vincere. Occorrono solidarietà, spogliatoio, armonia, tolleranza, rispetto, spirito di sacrificio, senso di appartenenza al gruppo. Doti che i nostri hanno potuto consolidare e ottimizzare grazie alla maestria del loro condottiero Maria Teresa Lavazza, una grande, i cui meriti non sono mai abbastanza sufficientemente sottolineati, sorretta da una competenza, un amore, una passione e un entusiasmo senza pari e grazie alla ineguagliabile dedizione del coach Massimo Ortensi, un credo incorruttibile, una professionalità e una disponibilità apicali, ma soprattutto un cuore tetragono a qualsiasi attentato.

Grazie ragazzi, a nome di tutto il bridge italiano. Grazie a Voi ancora una volta i nostri cuori, le nostre menti e i nostri occhi sono pieni di un azzurro che più intenso non si può. Grazie perché ancora una volta avete dato a questo vecchio presidente pedante e brontolone, ma che Vi ama, stravede per Voi e Vi tiene tra i suoi affetti più cari, una gioia incommensurabile che lo accompagnerà per tutto il cammino che la buona sorte si compiacerà di accordargli.

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Championship Diary

Excluding time penalties, can you think of another cerebral sport apart from bridge where you may be penalised for thinking?

The highlight of the presentation to the staff on Thursday evening was when Rahmi Iyilikçi, the tournament director who imposed the smoking penalty on Lorenzo Lauria was called forward by Gianarrigo Rona. Lorenzo was out of his chair like a sprinter, took the plaque from the President and presented it himself. The crowd roared with laughter at this spontaneous moment that captured the tremendous spirit and sense of fun surrounding these Championships.

In the Italy/England match from Round 35 of the Open series, the table that saw Bocchi/Duboin face the Hackett twins finished their twenty boards in one hour six minutes, an average of three minutes eighteen seconds a board. Is this a record?

2002 EBL CHAMPIONS CUP

CA-IB TROPHY

Warsaw, Poland
25th-27th October 2002

The EBL is proud to announce the first ever European Champions Cup in collaboration with CA-IB Bank. The event will be held in Warsaw, Poland, from 25th to 27th October 2002.

Right to participate

The EBL Champions Cup - CA-IB Trophy is an official EBL competition reserved to EBL NBOs which have has their own National Open Teams Championship structured in series, with a pyramidal format.

The Open Team Champions of the first 7 NBOs classified in the European Open Teams Championship in Salsomaggiore Terme, June 2002, plus the Team Champions from the Host Country, will be allowed to participate. If the Host country is already classified in the first seven positions of the ranking, the 8th will also be allowed to participate. An official invitation from the EBL will be sent to the Federations of all these teams before 1st July 2002.

The Federation should send their replies, with the name of the Teams, Captain and Players, by 31st July 2002. After the approval from the EBL Credentials Committee, confirmation will be sent to the Federations in the next 48 hours.

If a Federation is unable or not permitted to participate, the Champions Teams of the following NBOs in the ranking of the European Open Teams Championship will be invited.

Format

The Teams will be divided into two groups of four which will play a complete Round-Robin of 20 board matches after which the two top teams of each group will play a 32 board K.O. semi-final match. The winning teams will play a 32 board K.O. final match for the 1st place and the loser a 24 boards K.O. play-off match for 3rd place. The other four Teams will play another two matches to classify for 5th place.

Schedule of Play

Friday 25th	- 16.00	Welcome Cocktail
	- 16.30	Round-Robin 1st Match
	- 20.45	Round-Robin 2nd Match
Saturday 26th	- 10.00	Round-Robin 3rd Match
	- 15.30	Semi-finals / Consolation
Sunday	- 11.00	Final / Play-off
	- 19.00	Prize-giving & Victory Banquet

Prizes

The EBL Champions Cup - CA-IB Trophy will be awarded to the winning Team and replicas to the players. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded to the players of the first 3 Teams classified.

Cash prizes totalling \$15.000 will be awarded:

1st team \$7.000, 2nd \$3.500, 3rd \$2.250, 4th \$1.250, 5th \$1.000.

SENIOR TEAMS FINAL BUTLER RANKING

1	Lasserre Guy	FRA	1.04	(200)	Short Brian	SCO	-0.03	(260)
	Poizat Phili	FRA	1.04	(200)	Gothe Eva-Li	SWE	-0.03	(240)
3	Romik Pinhas	ISR	0.89	(240)	Gothe Hans	SWE	-0.03	(240)
4	Schippers El	NET	0.87	(260)	Korkut Ergun	TUR	-0.03	(360)
	Schippers He	NET	0.87	(260)	Sarimsakci S	TUR	-0.03	(360)
6	Zeligman Sha	ISR	0.84	(240)	59 Harper Ross	ENG	-0.09	(240)
7	Adad Pierre	FRA	0.83	(259)	Silvestone V	ENG	-0.09	(240)
	Aujaleu Maur	FRA	0.83	(259)	61 Graf Werner	AUT	-0.10	(240)
9	Lund Peter	DEN	0.71	(359)	Rapf Karl	AUT	-0.10	(240)
	Moeller Stee	DEN	0.71	(359)	63 Gigli Giusep	ITA	-0.11	(160)
11	Levit Yeshay	ISR	0.65	(360)	Latessa Anto	ITA	-0.11	(160)
12	Schwartz Adr	ISR	0.58	(360)	65 Mattsson Gor	GER	-0.15	(260)
13	Filip Anatol	CZE	0.51	(240)	Humburg Hans	GER	-0.15	(260)
	Jires Petr	CZE	0.51	(240)	67 Panto Ian	ENG	-0.18	(240)
15	Wala Wlodzim	POL	0.50	(260)	Priday Tony	ENG	-0.18	(240)
	Wilkosz Andr	POL	0.50	(260)	Esteruelas J	SPA	-0.18	(280)
17	Klapper Wit	POL	0.48	(260)	70 Frew David	SCO	-0.20	(240)
	Russyan Jerz	POL	0.48	(260)	Liggat David	SCO	-0.20	(240)
19	Baxter Ken	SCO	0.47	(240)	72 Gagne'Paul	WAL	-0.23	(360)
	Murdoch John	SCO	0.47	(240)	Harris Diana	WAL	-0.23	(360)
21	Collings Joh	ENG	0.45	(240)	74 Lamza Vladim	CRO	-0.24	(160)
	Jones David	ENG	0.45	(240)	Tomaskovic V	CRO	-0.24	(160)
23	Caric Jurica	CRO	0.44	(300)	76 Weiss Fredy	SWI	-0.28	(360)
24	Kulovic Esad	CRO	0.40	(340)	Weiss Leo	SWI	-0.28	(360)
25	Sver Boris	CRO	0.31	(220)	78 Pollak Gerha	AUT	-0.34	(240)
26	Leenhardt Fr	FRA	0.29	(259)	Thomasberger	AUT	-0.34	(240)
	Mari Christi	FRA	0.29	(259)	80 Langston Mar	WAL	-0.35	(360)
28	Poklepovic S	CRO	0.28	(260)	Langston Pet	WAL	-0.35	(360)
29	Bankoglu Erg	TUR	0.27	(360)	82 Gracia Aurel	SPA	-0.38	(280)
	Yalman Ali	TUR	0.27	(360)	Montwill Ale	IRE	-0.38	(360)
31	Dahl Fleming	DEN	0.26	(359)	MacHale Jose	IRE	-0.38	(360)
	Norris Georg	DEN	0.26	(359)	85 Schroeder Di	GER	-0.40	(200)
33	Chmelik Nekl	GER	0.20	(260)	Schwenkreis	GER	-0.40	(200)
	Schneider We	GER	0.20	(260)	Jansa Zdenek	CZE	-0.40	(240)
	Klukowski Ju	POL	0.20	(200)	Krizek Frant	CZE	-0.40	(240)
	Zaremba Jerz	POL	0.20	(200)	89 Fitzgerald R	IRE	-0.54	(360)
	Kral Franz	AUT	0.20	(260)	O'Lubaigh Se	IRE	-0.54	(360)
38	Rundgren Stu	SWE	0.18	(260)	91 Cabot Antoni	SPA	-0.65	(260)
	Bretz Per	SWE	0.18	(260)	Nikitine Nic	SWI	-0.65	(100)
40	Fornaciari E	ITA	0.17	(300)	93 Real Carlos	POR	-0.73	(260)
	Vivaldi Anto	ITA	0.17	(300)	94 Karrer Charl	SWI	-0.75	(360)
42	Rand Nissam	ISR	0.16	(120)	95 Gomes da Cos	POR	-0.77	(260)
43	Baroni Franc	ITA	0.12	(260)	96 Saesseli Max	SWI	-0.78	(260)
	Ricciarelli	ITA	0.12	(260)	97 Ferreira Her	POR	-0.80	(260)
45	Boegem Wille	NET	0.10	(240)	98 Sanderfelt H	SWE	-0.83	(220)
	Janssens Onn	NET	0.10	(240)	Skogsberg Ov	SWE	-0.83	(220)
	Hebak Petr	CZE	0.10	(240)	Vilardebo Mi	SPA	-0.83	(280)
	Nosek Jan	CZE	0.10	(240)	101 Oliveira Jos	POR	-0.84	(220)
49	Sagiv Yuda	ISR	0.05	(120)	102 Almeida Mane	POR	-0.85	(240)
50	Sova Otto	AUT	0.04	(240)	103 Faull Ulrike	SPA	-1.02	(240)
51	Kokkes Jaap	NET	0.01	(220)	104 Simoes Joao	POR	-1.03	(200)
	Verhees Loek	NET	0.01	(220)	105 Cabestany J.	SPA	-1.18	(100)
53	Paterson Jac	SCO	-0.03	(260)				

46th European Team Championships

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Seniors
Series

Team	FRA	ISR	DEN	NED	POL	CRO	TUR	CZE	ITA	SCO	ENG	GER	AUT	SWE	WAL	IRL	SUI	ESP	POR	Bye	Pen	Team	Total	Rank
FRANCE		19	18	16	13	20	21	23	19	17	14	16	19	25	23	25	21	25	19	18	1	FRANCE	371	1
ISRAEL	11		14	25	25	19	16	14	25	16	19	20	15	24	19	25	15	16	25	18		ISRAEL	361	2
DENMARK	11	16		7	13	25	24	18	24	15	16	15	24	13	21	25	18	25	19	18		DENMARK	347	3
NETHERLANDS	14	4	23		20	12	16	12	18	19	19	8	24	20	25	21	18	19	20	18		NETHERLANDS	330	4
POLAND	17	5	17	10		10.5	12	19.5	13	17	21	25	18	25	15	10	25	25	25	18	1	POLAND	328	5
CROATIA	10	11	4	18	18.5		2	25	21	18	1	23	15	23	23	22	23	8	25	18	0.5	CROATIA	308.5	6
TURKEY	9	14	6	14	18	25		22	14	16	7	16	16	25	16	15	23	15	14	18		TURKEY	303	7
CZECH REP	7	16	12	18	9.5	5	8		11	22	23	13	10	20	20	20	25	20	22	18	0.5	CZECH REP	299.5	8
ITALY	11	4	6	12	15	9	16	19		15	10	21	22	7	18	17	25	23	25	18	2	ITALY	293	9
SCOTLAND	13	14	15	11	13	12	14	8	15		8	19	25	15	14	18	10	25	25	18		SCOTLAND	292	10
ENGLAND	16	11	14	11	9	25	23	7	20	22		11	15	7	10	17	18	21	16	18		ENGLAND	291	11
GERMANY	14	10	15	22	3	7	14	17	9	11	19		14	15	18	11	19	22	21	18		GERMANY	279	12
AUSTRIA	11	15	6	6	12	15	14	20	8	4	15	16		16	7	23	25	19	16	18		AUSTRIA	266	13
SWEDEN	5	6	17	10	5	7	4	10	23	15	23	15	14		17	16	19	20	22	18		SWEDEN	266	-
WALES	7	11	9	4	15	7	14	9.5	12	16	20	12	23	13		12	13	8	25	18	0.5	WALES	248.5	15
IRELAND	5	5	3	9	20	8	15	10	13	12	13	19	7	14	18		13	19	7	18		IRELAND	228	16
SWITZERLAND	7	15	12	12	4	7	7	4	4	20	12	11	2	11	17	17		11	20	18	2	SWITZERLAND	211	17
SPAIN	0	14	3	11	4	22	15	10	7	3	9	8	11	10	22	11	19		11	18		SPAIN	208	18
PORTUGAL	11	5	11	10	0	0	16	8	3.5	4	14	9	14	8	5	23	10	19		18	0.5	PORTUGAL	188.5	19

WOMEN TEAMS FINAL BUTLER RANKING

1	Penfold Sand	ENG	0.80	(240)				
	Senior Neven	ENG	0.80	(240)				
3	Torielli Van	ITA	0.70	(180)				
	Vanuzzi Mari	ITA	0.70	(180)				
5	VonArmin Dan	GER	0.69	(280)				
6	Auken Sabine	GER	0.68	(380)				
7	Dhondy Heath	ENG	0.58	(380)				
	Smith Nicola	ENG	0.58	(380)				
9	Pasman Jet	NET	0.55	(280)				
	Simons Annek	NET	0.55	(280)				
11	Nehmert Beat	GER	0.53	(340)				
	Rauscheid An	GER	0.53	(340)				
	Pilipovic Ma	CRO	0.53	(440)				
	Sver Nikica	CRO	0.53	(440)				
15	Weber Elke	GER	0.50	(260)				
	VanDerPas Ma	NET	0.50	(320)				
	Vriend Bep	NET	0.50	(320)				
18	Hoogweg Femk	NET	0.47	(280)				
	VanZwol Wiet	NET	0.47	(280)				
20	Almirall Mar	SPA	0.45	(340)				
	Almirall Nur	SPA	0.45	(340)				
22	Gromann Ingr	GER	0.42	(160)				
23	Andersonn Pi	SWE	0.41	(360)				
	Larsson Jess	SWE	0.41	(360)				
	Breivik Kris	NOR	0.41	(280)				
	Harding Mari	NOR	0.41	(280)				
27	Galaktionova	RUS	0.37	(320)				
	Romanovska M	RUS	0.37	(320)				
29	DeLucchi Fra	ITA	0.36	(360)				
	Rosetta Anna	ITA	0.36	(360)				
31	Bekkouche Na	DEN	0.35	(280)				
	Binderkrantz	DEN	0.35	(280)				
33	Farholt Sten	DEN	0.32	(240)				
	Rahelt Maria	DEN	0.32	(240)				
35	Pokorna Jana	CZE	0.29	(320)				
	Svobodova Pa	CZE	0.29	(320)				
	Arrigoni Gia	ITA	0.29	(360)				
	Olivieri Gab	ITA	0.29	(360)				
	Bamberger Ga	AUT	0.29	(360)				
	Fisher Doris	AUT	0.29	(360)				
41	Avon Daniele	FRA	0.27	(320)				
	Pigeaud Fabi	FRA	0.27	(320)				
43	Maitova Elen	RUS	0.22	(280)				
	Ponomareva T	RUS	0.22	(280)				
45	Hellemann An	NOR	0.21	(320)				
	Malinowski A	NOR	0.21	(320)				
	Poplilov Mat	ISR	0.21	(440)				
	Zur-Campanil	ISR	0.21	(440)				
49	Erdeova Jana	CZE	0.20	(280)				
	Hnatova Dani	CZE	0.20	(280)				
51	Gronkvist Ma	SWE	0.19	(220)				
	Forsberg Cat	SWE	0.19	(220)				
53	Backstrom Su	FIN	0.18	(440)				
	Tuomi Raija	FIN	0.18	(440)				
	Topolyi Magd	HUN	0.18	(260)				
56	Brunner Mich	ENG	0.17	(260)				
	Goldenfield	ENG	0.17	(260)				
	Coheb Suzann	SCO	0.17	(380)				
	Leslie Paula	SCO	0.17	(380)				
	Miszewska Ew	POL	0.17	(340)				
	Pasternak Ma	POL	0.17	(340)				
62	Remen Solvi	NOR	0.15	(280)				
	Thoresen Siv	NOR	0.15	(280)				
64	Evelius-Nohr	SWE	0.14	(300)				
	Karlsson-Uis	SWE	0.14	(300)				
66	Koch Ulla	DEN	0.12	(360)				
	Klemmensen C	DEN	0.12	(360)				
68	McGowan Liz	SCO	0.10	(340)				
	McQuaker Fio	SCO	0.10	(340)				
70	Cronier Bene	FRA	0.07	(300)				
	Willard Sylv	FRA	0.07	(300)				
72	Lancova Mile	CZE	0.06	(300)				
	Tomcikova Zd	CZE	0.06	(300)				
	Brkljadic Ti	CRO	0.06	(280)				
	Jurisic Iva	CRO	0.06	(280)				
76	Bessis Veron	FRA	0.05	(260)				
	D'Ovidio Cat	FRA	0.05	(260)				
	Budzyn Bozen	POL	0.05	(240)				
	Lesiecka Bar	POL	0.05	(240)				
80	Cafranga Car	SPA	0.03	(320)				
	Frances Ana	SPA	0.03	(320)				
	Jeleniewska	POL	0.03	(300)				
	Macieszczak	POL	0.03	(300)				
84	Welker Jacin	HUN	0.00	(280)				
85	Altinok Banu	TUR	-0.02	(280)				
	Kandolu Ozle	TUR	-0.02	(280)				
87	Matijevic Iv	CRO	-0.14	(160)				
	Ruso Sandra	CRO	-0.14	(160)				
89	Kerekes Zsuz	HUN	-0.19	(280)				
90	Ahonen Hulda	FIN	-0.21	(440)				
	Nurmi Pia	FIN	-0.21	(440)				
92	Ozan Eren	TUR	-0.23	(300)				
	Tokcan Merih	TUR	-0.23	(300)				
94	Kindelan Bea	SPA	-0.24	(220)				
	Leiva Cristi	SPA	-0.24	(220)				
96	Meehan Patsy	IRE	-0.28	(280)				
	O'Neill Petr	IRE	-0.28	(280)				
	Gromova Vict	RUS	-0.28	(280)				
	Khonicheva E	RUS	-0.28	(280)				
	Redermeier A	AUT	-0.28	(240)				
	Schnitzer Su	AUT	-0.28	(240)				
102	DowlingLong	IRE	-0.29	(300)				
	Horan AnneMa	IRE	-0.29	(300)				
104	Melech Hanit	ISR	-0.30	(240)				
	Naven Nurit	ISR	-0.30	(240)				
106	McMahon Patr	IRE	-0.35	(300)				
	Ryan Patrici	IRE	-0.35	(300)				
	Mezei Katali	HUN	-0.35	(300)				
109	Martin Anne	SCO	-0.38	(160)				
	Mercer Joan	SCO	-0.38	(160)				
111	Nielsen Ragn	ICE	-0.47	(320)				
	Sigurjonsdot	ICE	-0.47	(320)				
113	Dan Ora	ISR	-0.50	(200)				
	Saxon Neta	ISR	-0.50	(200)				
115	Gudjonsdotir	ICE	-0.53	(280)				
	Skuladottir	ICE	-0.53	(280)				
	Popp Karin	AUT	-0.53	(280)				
	Semmelrath K	AUT	-0.53	(280)				
119	Babac Mine	TUR	-0.59	(300)				
	Yavas Dilek	TUR	-0.59	(300)				
121	Hegedus Orso	HUN	-0.63	(320)				
	Tichy Estzer	HUN	-0.63	(320)				
123	Grunnveit Jo	FAR	-0.75	(300)				
	Johansen Maj	FAR	-0.75	(300)				
125	Axelsdottir	ICE	-0.78	(280)				
	Gudnadottir	ICE	-0.78	(280)				
127	Perlini Cris	SMR	-0.85	(300)				
	Stacchini Ma	SMR	-0.85	(300)				
129	Filippi Mimm	SMR	-0.87	(300)				
	Urbani AnnaM	SMR	-0.87	(300)				
131	DeCrescenzo	SMR	-1.00	(280)				
	Violante Lau	SMR	-1.00	(280)				
133	Mikkelsen Ar	FAR	-1.03	(320)				
	Restorff Mar	FAR	-1.03	(320)				
135	Christiansen	FAR	-1.63	(260)				
	Danielsen La	FAR	-1.63	(260)				

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NETHERLANDS		18	15	25	16	19	14	16	14	23	16	20	25	15	19	17	11	17	22	24	25	16	19	18		NETHERLANDS	424	1
GERMANY	12		8	13	19	24	8	8	22	18	16	19	20	17	25	22	15	19	20	25	25	16	25	18		GERMANY	414	2
ENGLAND	15	22		14	17	18	8	18	16	16	12	11	11	10	13	22	25	25	25	18	25	24	25	18		ENGLAND	408	3
ITALY	5	17	16		9.5	14	25	25	15	20	10	23	14	15	25	12	25	11	12	20	24	25	24	18	0.5	ITALY	404.5	4
SWEDEN	14	11	13	20		23	14	15	14	13	10	16	16	25	18	17	13	17	14	17	17	25	25	18		SWEDEN	385	5
NORWAY	11	6	12	16	7		15	17	19	13	13	14	19	25	15	17	22	21	22	19.5	19	25	19	18	0.5	NORWAY	384.5	6
DENMARK	16	22	22	3	16	15		16	15	10	6	15	21	11.5	18	25	22	21	4	25	10	24	25	18	0.5	DENMARK	380.5	7
CROATIA	14	22	12	5	15	13	14		11	18	15	19	13	19	14	17	25	19	13	10	23	25	25	18		CROATIA	379	8
SPAIN	16	8	14	15	16	11	15	19		22	21	10	16	9	19	14	11	21	25	17	16	25	21	18		SPAIN	379	-
RUSSIA	7	12	14	10	17	17	20	12	8		21	25	19	11	15	19	17	21	4	10	24	24	25	18		RUSSIA	370	10
FRANCE	14	14	18	20	20	17	24	15	9	9		14	16	11	20	15	19	7	22	15	11	22	11	18		FRANCE	361	11
CZECH REP	10	11	19	7	14	16	15	11	20	5	16		15	17	17	19	11	15	24	25	14	25	15	18		CZECH REP	359	12
POLAND	4	10	19	16	14	11	9	17	14	11	14	15		19	6	16	13	15	16	16	25	25	25	18		POLAND	348	13
SCOTLAND	15	13	20	15	4	4	18	11	21	19	19	13	11		15	16	12	7	22	15	15	19	25	18		SCOTLAND	347	14
FINLAND	11	1	17	5	12	15	12	16	11	15	10	13	24	15		13	13	17	19	13	16	25	25	18		FINLAND	336	15
ISRAEL	13	8	8	18	13	13	4	13	16	11	15	11	14	14	17		11	22	21	19	14	19	24	18		ISRAEL	336	-
AUSTRIA	19	15	3	5	17	8	8	5	19	13	11	19	17	18	17	19		15	17	20	23	15	8	18		AUSTRIA	329	17
HUNGARY	13	11	1	19	13	9	9	11	9	9	23	15	15	23	13	8	15		13	20	14	16	11	18		HUNGARY	308	18
IRELAND	8	10	4	18	16	8	25	17	3	25	8	6	14	8	11	9	13	17		17	21	10	21	18		IRELAND	307	19
TURKEY	6	3	12	10	13	9.5	5	20	13	20	15	3	14	15	17	11	10	10	13		16	10	25	18	0.5	TURKEY	288.5	20
ICELAND	3	4	0	6	13	11	20	7	14	6	19	16	1	15	14	16	7	16	9	14		21	13	18		ICELAND	263	21
SAN MARINO	14	14	6	4	4	1	6	1	4	6	8	0	0	11	3	11	15	14	20	20	9		23	18	2	SAN MARINO	212	22
FAROE ISLANDS	11	0	4	6	4	11	0	3	8.5	2	19	15	5	1	3	6	22	19	9	0	17	7		18	0.5	FAROE ISLANDS	190.5	23