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# EZ FRANCE



The Ortiz Patiño Trophy for the World Youth Team Championship

France moved into the lead on a day when none of the other leading teams actually had a bad day but neither did they score particularly well. France lost the morning match 14-16 to Brazil, then scored 22 and 19 against New Zealand and Hungary respectively to total 55 on the day. Previous leaders, Poland lost all three matches by 14-16, to Chile, USA2 and Canada. Biggest total for the day went to Chinese Taipei, who had three wins for 59 VPs out of 75.

After nine rounds, roughly the half-way point in the Round Robin, France leads with



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178VPs from Poland on 174 and Canada 172. There is a significant gap to fourth-placed USAI, who are on 151.8. The field is tightly bunched behind the Americans with Israel on 149.7, Australia 146, Japan 144 and Chinese Taipei 141.

China Hong Kong had a good day with three wins, over USA2, Japan and USA1. At the bottom, Pakistan still seek their first win, but Egypt put a lot of daylight between themselves and 17th-placed New Zealand by

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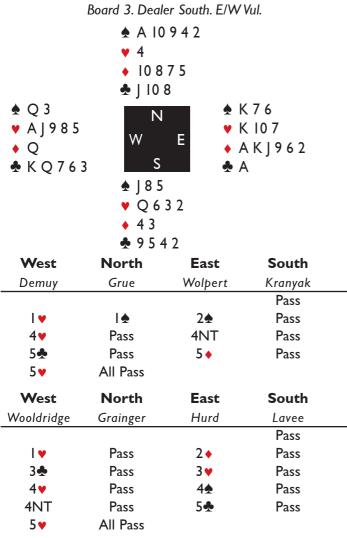
**Round 5** 

# **ROUND ROBIN**



USA I

After four rounds, Canada led the way with 94 VPs out of a possible 100, an impressive start to the tournament, particularly as that included a maximum against the strong French team. Round 5 would be a serious test for the Canadians, as they faced fourth-placed USA1, the pre-tournament favourites.



There were a number of pairs in various slams in other matches – the trick is to avoid playing in hearts, where there is a trump guess, as either 6 or 6NT has twelve tricks once the diamonds break reasonably. Both our pairs got locked into hearts and discovered that a key card plus the heart queen were missing, so stopped in five. In both cases it was East who took control, Hurd's 4 doing the same job as Wolpert's 4NT, and both continuations asking for the  $\PsiQ$ .

After a club lead, Wolpert just lost a heart, while David Grainger cashed the ace of spades then switched to a club in the other room and Joel Wooldridge played hearts from the top to make just eleven tricks; I IMP to Canada.

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Pass	3NT	Pass	4 🙅
Pass	4♥	Pass	6♣
All Pass			
West	North	East	South
Wooldridge	Grainger	Hurd	Lavee
	•	2♠	4♣
Pass	6♣	All Pass	

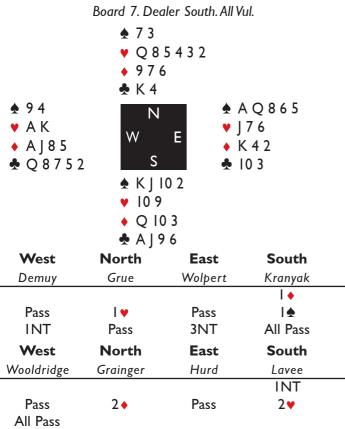
Joe Grue's  $1^{\text{C}}$  opening was Precision, 16+, and John Kranyak's  $3^{\text{C}}$  followed by  $4^{\text{C}}$  showed a game-forcing minor two-suiter. Six Clubs was the practical man's bid – it was just a little unfortunate that there happened to be two aces missing. With West on lead  $6^{\text{C}}$  might well have made on a spade lead, but Gavin Wolpert laid down the ace of hearts and that was that; down one for -100.

Grainger's  $| \bullet$  was either 10-21 with diamonds, unbalanced, or an 18-19 no trump. It looks as though this may



John Hurd, USA

be just a problem hand for their methods, a 1 $\clubsuit$  opening being any 22+, 15-17 balanced, or 15+ with clubs – but no doubt more than just a four-card suit in the last case. Daniel Lavee's 4 $\clubsuit$  catered to both partner's handtypes and Grainger knew where he thought he wanted to play – but the confidence of the leap to slam convinced Joel Wooldridge that a spade lead would not do the trick. He led a heart and that meant the same one down for a flat board.



Vincent Demuy's delayed INT overcall was presumably intended to suggest the minors, but it appears that Wolpert may have misunderstood his intent. Three No Trump went very badly indeed for Demuy. Grue led a heart to the king then played low (Reverse Smith) to suggest a heart continuation when Demuy led a spade up. The  $\bigstar 9$  ran to Kranyak's jack and back came a heart. Demuy won and led his remaining spade then thought for quite some time before putting in the eight, playing for  $\bigstar AK$  onside, when he might still have play for his contract. Kranyak switched to a low club to the queen and king and now the defence cashed the hearts followed by the clubs to hold declarer to just three tricks; six down for -600.

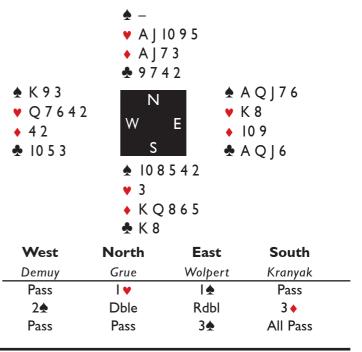
At the other table Lavee opened INT and Grainger transferred him into  $2 \checkmark$ . Wooldridge's club lead ran to the ten and jack and he played a second club on winning Lavee's heart play. Lavee won the  $\clubsuit$ K and, wanting to lead the second heart from hand, tried a diamond to the ten and jack. A third club allowed John Hurd to ruff as dummy pitched a diamond loser and now a diamond to the ace put Wooldridge in to play a fourth club. This time Lavee ruffed with the queen then played a heart to drop the jack and ace together but there was still a spade to lose; down one for -100 and 12 IMPs to USA1.

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West	North	East	South	
Demuy	Grue	Wolpert	Kranyak	
	Pass	I •	4♠	
5 🔶	5 💙	Dble	5♠	
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass	
West	North	East	South	
Wooldridge	Grainger	Hurd	Lavee	
	Pass	I 🔶	4♠	
5 🔶	All Pass			

Both Souths overcalled  $4 \pm$  and both Wests competed with  $5 \blacklozenge$ . Grainger now went quietly and the Canadians soon had their three aces for one down; -100. Grue took the push to  $5 \pm$  but showed his heart card on the way. Kranyak picked up the trumps OK but there was nowhere to get rid of any of the club losers; another down one for -100 and 5 IMPs to Canada.

Up to now the match had been pretty low scoring and it continued that way until the three-quarter point, when finally we started to get some serious action.

#### Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul.



West	North	East	South
Wooldridge	Grainger	Hurd	Lavee
Pass	I 🗸	♠	INT
Pass	2 🔶	Pass	4 🔶
Pass	5 🔶	Dble	All Pass

The Canadian East/West pair did their job when they competed to  $3 \triangleq$  over  $3 \blacklozenge$ . On a good day even  $4 \triangleq$  might be making, but this was not a good day, with bad breaks in the majors plus a losing club finesse. Wolpert had to lose two diamonds, a club, a heart and a ruff for down one; -100.

In the other room, Lavee first showed a spade stopper then a huge diamond fit and little wastage. Grainger's raise to  $5 \\looks$  very aggressive facing a limited hand that must still include something resembling a spade stopper, but the diamond game could have been made. Hurd led a trump, which Grainger won in hand to play a club up. Hurd rose with the ace and tried the ace of spades, which Grainger ruffed. Now he crossed to the king of clubs and ruffed a spade, after which there was no way home; down one for -100 and 5 IMPs to USA1.

But suppose that declarer does not take a spade ruff but instead plays ace then ruffs a heart, bringing down the king. A diamond to hand draws the remaining trumps and now it is simply a matter of giving up a heart, establishing two winners in the process. Admittedly, this all needs a rather favourable lie, but it works.

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

	<ul> <li>▲ A K J I0 5</li> <li>♥ Q 9 2</li> <li>♦ Q J I0</li> <li>♣ Q 9</li> </ul>	
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	<ul> <li>▲ 7 6 4 3</li> <li>♥ K J 8 3</li> <li>◆ A 9 6 5</li> <li>♣ 5</li> </ul>	

West	North	East	South
Demuy	Grue	Wolpert	Kranyak
	INT	Pass	2 🛧
Pass	2♠	Pass	3 🛧
Pass	3NT	Pass	4♠
Dble	All Pass		
West	North	East	South
Wooldridge	Grainger	Hurd	Lavee
	♠	Pass	3 🗸
Pass	3NT	Pass	4♣
Dble	4♠	All Pass	

There is an inescapable loser in each suit and so Demuy's double gained 2 IMPs for his side, right? Wrong! Grainger was given no chance to make his  $4\pm$  contract when Hurd led the  $\pm$ J to Wooldridge's ace and back came the  $\pm$ 9.

Grainger won the  $\bigstar K$ , ruffed his club loser and played a second spade to the ace. Seeing that he had a spade to lose, he tried the diamond finesse and was one down for -50.

Wolpert led a heart against 4<sup>th</sup> doubled and Demuy ducked it to Grue's nine. To trick two Grue led the jack of spades from hand, trusting that the spade had to be offside to justify Demuy's double. Had Wolpert gone in with his queen he could then have collected a heart ruff for down two, but he played low, not believing that anyone could play this way from Grue's actual holding. When the **t**J scored and West followed suit, Grue happily cashed the top spades and simply conceded one trick in each side-suit; a wonderful +590 and 12 IMPs to USA1.

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

<ul> <li>▲ 10 7 4</li> <li>♥ 9</li> <li>♦ K Q 10 8</li> <li>♣ 9 7 6 4</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>▲ A K</li> <li>♥ K 7</li> <li>3</li> <li>♣ K Q</li> <li>₩</li> <li>4</li> <li>8</li> <li>4 7</li> <li>♣ A 8</li> </ul>	6 4 10 3 E ↓ 9 ♥ 0 ↓ J ↓ J ↓ J	2
West	North	East	South
Demuy	Grue	Wolpert	Kranyak
			INT
Pass	2 🙅	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♣
Pass	4♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5 📥	Pass	5 🔶
Pass	6 💙	All Pass	
West	North	East	South
Wooldridge	Grainger	Hurd	Lavee
			l 🗸
Pass	4 🔶	Pass	4NT
Pass	5 💙	Pass	5NT
Pass	7♥	All Pass	

Grue used Stayman then agreed hearts. Four Spades asked for key cards and 5♣ for the queen of trumps. Grue was unwilling to play seven off the trump queen so settled



for the small slam. Kranyak won the diamond lead and actually guessed the trumps right to claim the overtrick; +1010.

Grainger splintered, intending to go on even opposite a sign-off, but Lavee liked his controls sufficiently to make a very aggressive RKCB call and, on discovering that all the key cards were present, looked for the grand. With all those spare values, it was impossible not to bid seven with the North hand and Grainger duly did so. The grand slam is around 50% but here Lavee had no good reason to take the finesse after the diamond lead. One down meant -50and 14 IMPs to USA1.

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West	North	East	South	
Demuy	Grue	Wolpert	Kranyak	
Pass	4¥	Dble	Pass	
4♠	All Pass			
West	North	East	South	
Wooldridge	Grainger	Hurd	Lavee	
Pass	3 🗸	Dble	Pass	
3♠	All Pass			
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Grue pre-empted one level higher than did Grainger and, with 4<sup>th</sup> doomed to fail by a trick, that was the right thing to do, wasn't it? Wrong again! Wooldridge managed to bring home 34 for +140. Grainger cashed the VA and switched to a diamond to the queen and ace. Declarer started normally enough but dangerously as the cards lay when he played a club at trick two. Grainger ruffed and forced dummy with a heart. Wooldridge ruffed with the eight, cashed the ace of spades, then came the key play when he ran the  $\bigstar 9$ .

Grue had been brilliant already in the set and now he tried for a second brilliancy by leading the  $\mathbf{v}2$  in search of his club ruff. Dummy was not what he was hoping for. The **V**K scored and Demuy could draw two rounds of trumps then play on clubs, eventually losing just two clubs and a spade; +620 and 12 IMPs back to Canada.

Grue's two pieces of imagination had given USA1 +12 when it might have been -2, and -12 IMPs when it might have been +6 – you have to admire his nerve in making the two plays though. USA1 still ran out comfortable winners, by 60-19 IMPs, converting to 24-6 VPs. The favourites were a lot closer to the top now.



Ticket-holders from the farcical US Grand Prix at Indianapolis in June are now being invited to apply for refunds.

Tyre supplier Michelin announced last month that it would pay back all spectators after only six cars raced following a row about their tyres.



#### Cricket

Sanath Jayasuriya became the fourth man to score 10,000 runs in onedayers as Sri Lanka beat India by 18 runs to win triangular series final in Colombo. The 36-year-old opener, in his 337th match, made 67 from 77

balls before he was run-out in his team's 281-8. Virender Sehwag got the reply off to a fiery start with nine fours and a six in 48 off 22 balls before departing. Rahul Dravid made 71 but five wickets fell for 24 runs in six overs and India were stranded on 263-9 after 50 overs.

#### Soccer

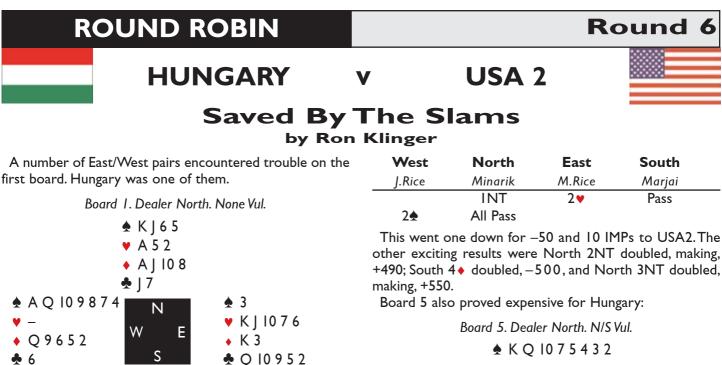
Champions League Third Qualifying Round, first leg



Anorthosis Famagusta 1-2 Rangers Everton 1-2 Villarreal Manchester United 3-0 Debrecen Real Betis I-0 Monaco Valerenga I-0 Club Brugge Wilsla Krakow 3-1 Panathinaikos

# **Need Money?**

Any players wishing to earn \$A20 per hour helping move equipment between 5:00pm and 8:00pm Friday please see David Stern



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Datum: N/S	+140			
West	North	East	South	
Szabo	Crank	Riesz	A Hurd	
	I •	2NT	Dble	
3♠	Dble	4♣	Dble	
4♠	Dble	All Pass		

East might have saved a little by passing  $3 \ge$  doubled. The I was led and in the fullness of time declarer lost two spades, three diamonds and a club for three down; -500. At the other table:



Andras Riesz, Hungary

	Board 5. Deal	er North. N/	S Vul.
	🛦 K Q	1075432	2
	♥ -		
	♦ J I 0		
	📥 A K -	4	
<ul> <li>▲ A J 9 6</li> <li>♥ A K J 9</li> <li>♦ 9 7 2</li> <li>♣ Q 6</li> </ul>	N W S	E 🔸	_  0 8 5 4 3 A 8 6 4 9 7 5 2
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	Y Q 7		
	🔶 K Q	53	
	📥 J 10 8	83	
West	North	East	South
Szabo	Crank	Riesz	A Hurd

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Szabo	Crank	Riesz	A Hurd	
	♠	Pass	INT	
Dble	4♠	5 🗸	Dble	
All Pass				

A significant requirement for winning is patience. West's double looks like an impatient action. Had he passed, he might have had the same result as in the other room.

South led the  $\bigstar$ 8, which East ruffed to lead a club to the queen and king. The  $\blacklozenge$ J came back, taken by the ace. East played another club and North overtook South's ten to play the  $\bigstar$ K. East ruffed and was over-ruffed. South cashed the diamonds and the outcome was N/S +800. At the other table:

West	North	East	South
J.Rice	Minarik	M.Rice	Marjai
	I ♠	Pass	INT
Pass All Pass	4♥	Pass	4♠

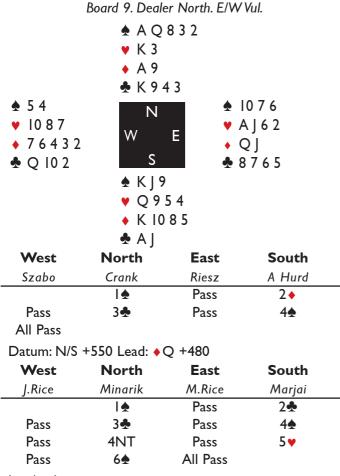
The jump to  $4 \forall$  was a splinter with a self-sufficient spade suit. East led the  $\forall 4$  and North ruffed West's jack. With no inkling of the spade break, North naturally enough started with the  $\bigstar K$ . West took the ace and shifted to the  $\bigstar 6$ .



Jon Rice, USA

Declarer could not avoid losing two more spades and the A for one down; -100, and 14 IMPs to USA2.

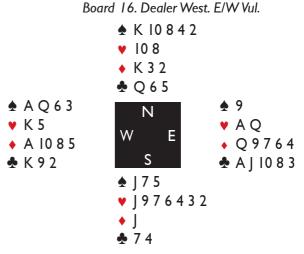
Hungary struck back on Board 9 with a slam versus game swing:



Lead: ♦J

The favourable layout meant it did not matter whether declarer went for club ruffs or cashed the  $\diamond$  A. That was +980 and 11 IMPs to Hungary.

A slam swing went to Hungary on Board 16:



At both tables West began with  $I \blacklozenge$ . At one table North overcalled  $I \oiint$ , at the other N/S were silent. Both ended in  $6 \blacklozenge$ . Crank, who had overcalled  $I \oiint$ , led the  $\checkmark I0$ . Declarer won and played  $\blacklozenge$  A and another diamond. North took the  $\blacklozenge$ K and exited with the  $\blacklozenge$ 3. Although there was a case for placing the club length with South (North had shown up with three diamonds and presumably five spades), declarer judged that the  $\oiint$ Q was more likely to be with the one who bid. He cashed the  $\oiint$ K and finessed against North for +I370.

At the other table the lead was also the  $\mathbf{v}$  10 and, with no guidance from N/S, declarer went one down. That was 16 IMPs to Hungary, who won the match 48-38, 17-13 VPs.

# **Table Recording**

It has been noticed that the quality of recording of the bidding and play of the hands at the table is far below expectation.

At the Captains' Meeting, the Chairman of the WBF Youth Committee explained the situation. Until now, bad hand records merely meant that the teams who made these records would have inadequate information to take back home for later study. Now and in the future, however, the victim of bad recording is not just the recording team. As we are trying to have all matches posted on the internet down to bid by bid and card by card play detail, bad records lead to bridge enthusiasts around the world being deprived of this service. This is simply wrong.

Captains will understand that having the organisation provide recorders would lead to increased cost to the teams. To avoid that, I appeal to all recorders to try their utmost in order to ensure that we get accurate records without being forced to take any measures. This is to the benefit of all of us and to the benefit of bridge.

Thank you very much for your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

**Dimitri Ballas** (Director of Operations)

# Canadian Team Profile

The 2005 Canadian team is loaded with talent and experience.

**Vincent Demuy & Gavin Wolpert**. These two are expected to provide leadership and skill. Vince and Gavin, both 22, won their first NABC Championship last November at the Orlando NABC – the three day North American Swiss Teams Championship. They also placed second in Spingold (Summer, 2004), and won the CNTC (2003). Gavin just became a Diamond Life Master (5000 masterpoints). Both of them have previous WYTC experience and have one goal in mind – a medal for Canada.

**David Grainger & Daniel Lavee**. David has a Materials Engineering degree from the University of Toronto. At 25, he is the oldest member of the team and plans to make the most of his remaining opportunities to represent Canada as a Junior player. Daniel Lavee, 21, the youngest player on the team, is brimming with enthusiasm and bridge acumen. Daniel won more than 800 masterpoints in 2004, picking up valuable experience along the way! David and Daniel have worked closely with Eric Kokish on a new bidding system – the Nightmare Club – that they are playing here in Sydney.

Tim Capes & Charles Halasi are both full time students at the University of Toronto. Charles will be entering his senior year in September working towards a Bachelor of Commerce degree. Tim just graduated as a Pure Math Specialist. He has received an excellent scholarship to start working on his post-graduate studies in September, ultimately leading to a doctorate. Charles played in the Paris 2003 WYTC. This is Tim's first experience at the world level and he is enjoying every minute of it!

**Jonathan Steinberg**, NPC: Jonathan was NPC of the 2004 Canadian World Schools Team in New York City; the 1999 Canadian Junior Team in Ft. Lauderdale; and the 1999 and 2000 Canadian teams at the International Youth Bridge Festival in the Netherlands. He represents District 2 on the ACBL Board of Directors and is a trustee on the ACBL Educational Foundation.

### Great Games Products Play of the Day

The winner of the Great Games Products Play of the Day Award for Tuesday was Joe Grue of USAI for his play of the jack of spades to make 4<sup>th</sup> doubled against Canada in Round 5, as reported on Page 5 of today's Bulletin.

# Happy Birthday!

We should like to congratulate Miss Charmian Koo, the manageress of the China Hong Kong team, who has her 27th birthday today. China Hong Kong team



# BridgeBase Online Vugraph Matches

Norway - USA 2 & Canada - Egypt	10.00
Hungary - USA I & Japan - Brazil	14.10
Australia - Canada & Egypt - Israel	17.40



Our apologies for using the wrong photo for Egypt's Sherif Noshy in yesterday's Bulletin. This (we hope) is the real Sherif Noshy.

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by Joel Woold	lridge:			Reshef	Grue	Ginossar	Kranyak
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4**♠** Lead: ♥K

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Declarer lost the same tricks for +650 and 13 IMPs to Israel.

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All Pass

In other matches E/W stopped in game nine times. In two

matches slam was bid in both rooms, failing at one table when North passed initially and overcalled 1 later, and making at the other when N/S did too much. The successful E/W pairs were from Australia and Chinese Taipei:

West	North	East	South	
Ware	Mraz	Geromboux	Szegedi	
Wu TL	Green	Wu YH	Happer	
	2♥	Dble	3 💙	
6♠	All Pass			

The  $\mathbf{A}$  was led at both tables and both declarers picked up the trumps for +17 IMPs.

After these results you might want to sneer at the  $2 \checkmark$  opening, but they worked in other matches when East was silent. Have a look at the Poland/Chile match:

West	North	East	South
Robles	Kalita	Pacareu	Kotorowicz
	2¥	Pass	3NT!

All Pass

This enterprising contract went seven shy for -350.A big pick-up for Poland, you think? Not at all see what happened at the other table:

West	North	East	South	
Strzemecki	Smith	Madry	Riedel	
	Pass	Pass	Pass	
♣	2NT	Dble	3 🗸	
Dble	All Pass			

Declarer was two down for -300 and a gain of 2 IMPs to Chile.

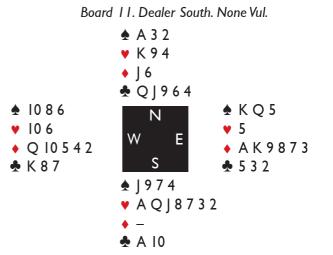
Egypt collected 11 IMPs against New Zealand for bidding



Eldad Ginossar, Israel

4 at one table, +650, while at the other table if went  $2 \checkmark - Pass - 3 \checkmark - All Pass$  for -150.

The second game vs slam failing swing to Israel came on Board 11:



Datum: N/S +510

West	North	East	South	
Wooldridge	Hoffman	J. Hurd	Ofir	
			I 🗸	
Pass	3 🙅	3 🔶	4♦	
Pass	4¥	All Pass		
Lead: ♦2				

Declarer made 12 tricks for +480. At the other table:

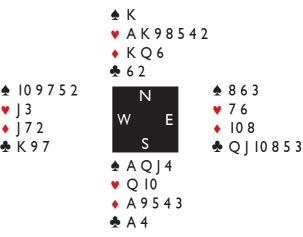
West	North	East	South
Reshef	Grue	Ginossar	Kranyak
			l 🗸
Pass	INT	2 🔶	4♥
5 🔶	6 💙	All Pass	

This slam is also respectable single dummy. It will usually make without a spade lead and has fair chances on a spade lead. On the actual layout it had no chance when Reshef started with the  $\clubsuit 6$ . Declarer ducked in dummy and was one down for -50; 11 IMPs to Israel

In other matches eleven N/S pairs played in game, three made  $6 \forall$  and two failed.

USA1 took advantage of favourable vulnerability late in the match to collect two large swings. This was the first:

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

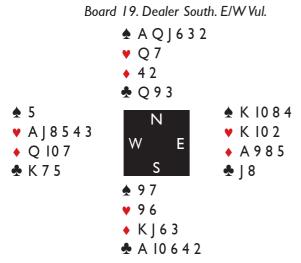


Datum: N/S	+1880		
West	North	East	South
Reshef	Grue	Ginossar	Kranyak
		Pass	♣
♠	2♥	Pass	2NT
Pass	3 🗸	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♣	Pass	5 💙
Pass	7NT	All Pass	

4 RKCB; 4NT 0 or 3; 5 asked for the  $\forall Q$ ; 5  $\forall$  = Yes. There was nothing to the play, of course. At the other table:

West	North	East	South	
Wooldridge	Hoffman	J. Hurd	Ofir	
		3 📥	Dble	
5 📥	6 💙	All Pass		

13 IMPs to USA 1. In other matches three N/S pairs played 4♥, two in 6♥ on free auctions and seven played a grand slam. For Brazil, USA2 and Hungary, East opened 3♣ and kept France, China Hong Kong and Australia to a small slam.



Datum: N/S -140

West	North	East	South
Reshef	Grue	Ginossar	Kranyak
			Pass
Pass	INT*	Pass	3NT
All Pass			
*15-17			

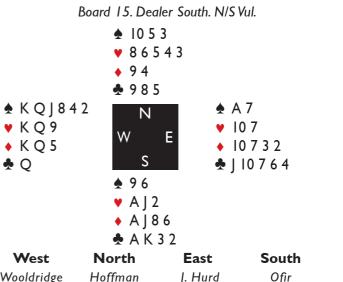
Lead: 🛧 4

Dummy's  $\bigstar$ 9 won and declarer played a low club to the queen and ducked the next club.West overtook the  $\bigstar$ J and shifted to hearts.The contract was four down for +200 to Israel.At the other table:

West	North	East	South
Wooldridge	Hoffman	J. Hurd	Ofir
			Pass
l♥ 4♥	2 <b>≜</b> All Pass	3♠	Pass

#### Lead: 🔶 4

Declarer made ten tricks for +620 and +9 IMPs. The result of the match was 59-46 to Israel, 18-12 in VPs with this board subject to appeal:



Wooldridge	Hoffman	J. Hurd	Ofir	
4 <b>∲</b> All Pass	Pass	Pass	I ♦ Dble	

This went one down for +100 to Israel. At the other table:

West	North	East	South
Reshef	Grue	Ginossar	Kranyak
			♣
Pass	I 🔶	Pass	INT
Dble	2¥	Pass	2♠
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

I  $\clubsuit$  was artificial, strong, I  $\blacklozenge$  a negative. South thought 2 $\checkmark$  was a transfer. The contract was four down for -1100. A dispute as to the meaning of West's double of INT led to an adjusted score of  $3 \pounds$  E/W +140. This ruling has been appealed.

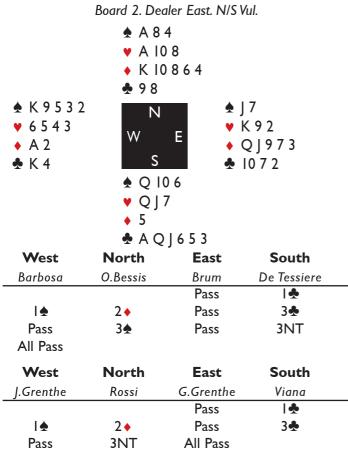


Round

# **ROUND ROBIN**

# BRAZIL

A strong second day had seen France move into second place in the standings and, as we have not yet taken a look at the French team, it is time that we did so.



Do you like Eduardo Rossi's committal 3NT or Olivier Bessis's  $3 \pm$  asking bid? Three Spades will right-side the contract when South has  $\Phi Qx(x)$  but risks missing NT altogether when South has only small spades, which will mean that you have to play  $5 \pm$  instead. There was a major swing on this deal, but it came largely in the play rather than because 3NT was played from different sides of the table.

Roberto Barbosa led a heart against Godefroy De Tessieres, rather than start with his poor spade suit which had not been supported. That ran to the king and Jose Brum switched to the jack of spades for the queen, king and ace. Barbosa ducked smoothly when De Tessieres took the club finesse so declarer played a heart to the ace and repeated the finesse. This time it lost, of course, and Barbosa returned a spade for dummy's eight. De Tessieres had ten tricks now for +630.

At the other table East, Guillaume Grenthe was on lead and chose the jack of spades in response to his brother's overcall. Rossi played low from dummy and won the ace but could no longer make his contract. He took the club finesse and Jerome Grenthe cleared the spades then waited to get in with the A. When declarer cashed the clubs then took the heart finesse, he was down two for -200 and 13 IMPs to France.

FRANCE

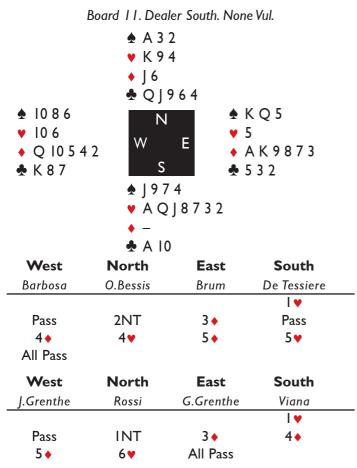
If South's spade queen is played to the first trick, West does best to duck. Now declarer must play a diamond rather than take a heart finesse, and can succeed. A losing heart finesse would see a second spade through the ten and the contract would be defeated.

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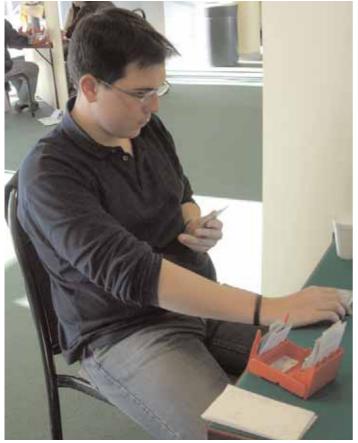
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	♦ A 10						
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	♥ A K 8 7 6						
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	▼ R 7 0 ♣ 7 3	,					
West	North	East	South				
Barbosa	O.Bessis	Brum	De Tessiere				
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Pass	♠	Pass	2 <b>♣</b> (i)				
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Pass	4♥	All Pass					
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West	North	East	South				
J.Grenthe	Rossi	G.Grenthe	Viana				
			Pass				
Pass	ا م ا	Pass	I 💙				
Pass	I ♠	Pass	2NT				
Pass							
1 833	3NT	All Pass					

Though there are four top losers,  $4 \checkmark$  was the place to be. Against 3NT, Jerome led a diamond and the defence had the vital tempo to establish East's suit before declarer could set up his ninth winner in clubs; down one for -50. Barbosa led a trump against  $4 \checkmark$  and De Tessieres won dummy's queen to play the Q, which ran to West's ace. It was now too late to defeat the contract but Barbosa did find the spade switch. De Tessieres ducked this to the king and Brum switched to a diamond. Declarer could play three rounds of diamonds, ruffing, draw trumps and set up a club for the tenth trick; +420 and another 10 IMPs to France.

There were no major swings for a while, then came some good news for Brazil.

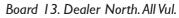


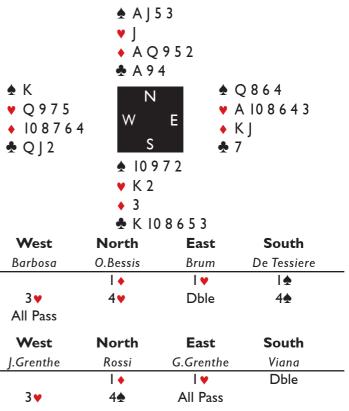
It takes a spade lead to put  $5 \checkmark$  under any pressure at all, but Barbosa led a diamond, normally enough. De Tessieres ruffed, drew trumps and conceded a club; +480.



Guillaume Grenthe, France

Over Rossi's forcing INT response, Guillaume made a weak jump overcall and Levy Viana made an aggressive 4 cuebid. When Jerome now raised to 5, it was clear to Rossi that his partner had a massive distributional hand, probably with a void in diamonds, and he liked his heart support and 10 working HCP sufficiently to try the small slam – after all, South could have had more than his actual hand. The opening lead was more critical here, again a spade being required to defeat the slam. When Jerome led a diamond it was +980 and 11 IMPs to Brazil.

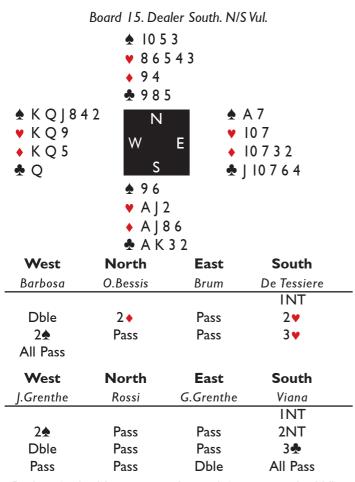




Again the same contract was played but from different sides of the table and again it was the play rather than that fact which created a major swing.

Barbosa led a heart against De Tessieres (South) and Brum won the ace then switched to his club. De Tessiers won the ace and played a second club, winning the king when Brum discarded a heart. Now the  $\bigstar10$  was covered by king and ace and declarer played the third club. Brum ruffed and played queen and another spade, but that was the end of the defence; +620.

Guillaume led his singleton club against Rossi and that went to the jack and ace. Rossi led his heart and Guillaume won the ace and played a second heart to dummy's king. Rossi pitched a club on the heart then led the ten of spades to the king and ace then a spade back to dummy's nine. The four-one trump split was not good news. Rossi led a diamond to the ace then a club to the king, Guillaume pitching a heart. Rossi ruffed a club in hand, Guillaume throwing another heart, then declarer ruffed a diamond, bringing down the king, and played a winning club. Guillaume could ruff and cash the  $\mathbf{Q}$  then run hearts; down two for -200and 13 IMPs to France.



Barbosa's double was penalty and 2 a transfer. When Barbosa continued with 2, De Tessieres looked at his maximum and short spades and competed to 3 - dangerously high. Fortunately, neither East nor West had a comfortable double, so 3 ended the auction. Still, a slightly un-French risk to take. Barbosa led the K and Brum overtook to switch to a low club for the ace and queen. De Tessieres gave up a spade and the defence won and played a third round, ruffed with the ten and over-ruffed. Now

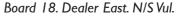
#### Systems

Apologies for any inconvenience caused by the fact that up to now the convention cards and systems of the competitors here have only been available on the website with the use of a password. All system cards are now up on the site and it has now been 'unlocked' so that no password is required in future. The systems address is: http://worldbridge.org/tourn/Sydney.05/Participants.htm

We would like to remind all players that the correct way to give an explanation to your screenmate is by writing it down, rather than verbally. This protects your own rights in case of any dispute, and also ensures that nothing can be overheard on the other side of the screen.

Also, please place the 'Alert' card from the bidding box on a conventional bid rather than tapping. Again, this ensures that your opponent will see the alert and ensures that there is no sound at the other side of the screen. declarer played ace and another trump. Barbosa cashed the last heart winner and switched to the  $\blacklozenge K$ , ducked, then played a spade. De Tessieres ruffed and cashed his winners, down two for -200.

Jerome simply overcalled  $2 \triangleq$  and Viana competed with 2NT, suggesting the minors. When that got doubled he ran to  $3 \clubsuit$  and Guillaume doubled that, ending the auction. Jerome led the queen of clubs, the best start for the defence. Viana won and played the ace of diamonds, Jerome unblocking the king, a nice play. When Viana continued with a low diamond, Guillaume was able to win with his ten and play the  $\clubsuit$ J to declarer's ace. Viana cashed the ace of hearts, which cost him a trick, then ruffed a diamond but, with no entry to hand, could not cash the established jack. The defence had the rest of the tricks now and that was down four for -100 and 14 IMPs to France.



<ul> <li>▲ K</li> <li>▲ A K 9 8 5 4 2</li> <li>◆ K Q 6</li> <li>◆ 6 2</li> <li>▲ 8 6 3</li> <li>♥ E</li> <li>▲ 8 6 3</li> <li>♥ 7 6</li> <li>♦ 10 8</li> <li>♥ Q J 10 8 5 3</li> <li>▲ A 9 5 4 3</li> <li>▲ A 4</li> </ul>					
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Barbosa	O.Bessis	Brum	De Tessiere		
		3♣	Dble		
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Pass	5 💙	Pass	6 💙		
All Pass					
West	North	East	South		
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Pass	3 🗸	Pass	4♣		
Pass Dble	3♥ Pass	Pass Pass	4 <b>♣</b> Rdbl		

Brum's pre-empt made it very difficult for the French pair and seven was never really in the picture; +1460. Given a free run – indeed, what little intervention the French East/West pair made actually saved their opponents' bidding space, Rossi and Viana had a long successful auction to  $7 \checkmark$ . There was nothing to the play; +2210 and 13 IMPs to France.

France won, but only narrowly, by 50-47 IMPs, 16-14 VPs.

# Australian Team Profile

**Daniel Geromboux**, 'The Inspector'. Once described by Peter Gill as 'the tall handsome Frenchman'.

**Griff Ware**, 'The Friar'. At age 23, Griff can still be found carrying teddybears – he has quite a collection. Speak to him to arrange a private viewing.

**Matthew Porter**, 'Borrie'. Currently serving life sentence to the navy.

**Gabby Feiler**, 'Truman'. Walk-in pharmacy for any casualties.

**Daniel Krochmalik**, 'Krochgrabber' or 'The Megaphone'. If you can't hear him within a 2 km radius you need your hearing tested.

**Justin Williams**, 'Rosenkrantz'. Official mascot for Cooper's Brewery (look out for the yellow hat).

**John Roberts** (NPC). It was good of John to stay at the venue, given his penchant for 5 star hotels.



Players and officials will be collected from outside the Novotel Hotel at 12:30am Saturday 13th August 2005 and taken for a Barbeque lunch and visit to Koala Park at Pennant Hills approximately 20 to 30 minutes from the venue. Set among 10 acres of lush Rainforest, Eucalyptus Groves and Native Gardens you will be able to see Koalas, Red & Grey Kangaroos, Dingoes, Wombats, Echidnas, Emus, many Wallaby species and a large collection of Australian Native Birds.

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www.bridgeiscool.com

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