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WOMEN & SENIORS JOIN POLONAISE



Motion Trio, Masters of the accordion

Today the competitors in the Women's and Seniors series are in action for the first time, following last night's opening ceremony, which featured another delightful musical interlude, this one given by Motion Trio.

Meanwhile, despite losing their tag as the only undefeated team **Italy** are still on top of the table in the Open series. **Hungary** has moved into second place, and **Norway**, with a couple of maximums, is third. They are followed by **Sweden**, **Germany** and **Netherlands**. Meanwhile, **Poland** cheered their supporters with a pair of good wins to move in the right direction.

Today's VuGraph Matches

Intercontinental Hotel - 2nd Floor

Turkey - Italy	10.30
Sweden - Poland	14.15
England - Norway	17.35

BBO OnLine Transmissions

Israel - Norway	10.30
France - Ireland	10.30
Poland - Denmark	10.30
Italy - Portugal	14.15

Spain - France	14.15
Norway - Croatia	14.15
France - Spain (Women)	14.15
Poland - Bulgaria	17.35
Italy - Russia	17.35
Luxemburg - France	17.35
France - Denmark (Seniors)	17.35

Swan Games OnLine

Germany - Sweden	10.30
Sweden - Denmark (Women)	14.15
Sweden - Italy (Seniors)	17.35

OPEN TEAMS PROGRAM**ROUND 11 10.30**

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	TURKEY	ITALY
2	LUXEMBURG	SPAIN
3	IRELAND	FINLAND
4	LITHUANIA	BULGARIA
5	GREECE	SCOTLAND
6	SAN MARINO	ESTONIA
7	SERBIA	BELARUS
8	GERMANY	SWEDEN
9	LATVIA	HUNGARY
10	SWITZERLAND	NETHERLANDS
11	FRANCE	ICELAND
12	WALES	BELGIUM
13	ISRAEL	NORWAY
14	POLAND	DENMARK
15	CROATIA	RUSSIA
16	PORTUGAL	ENGLAND
	ROMANIA	BYE

ROUND 12 14.15

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	ITALY	PORTUGAL
2	SAN MARINO	LUXEMBURG
3	ICELAND	SWITZERLAND
4	ESTONIA	ROMANIA
5	BELARUS	WALES
6	SCOTLAND	ISRAEL
7	FINLAND	TURKEY
8	IRELAND	LITHUANIA
9	BELGIUM	DENMARK
10	BULGARIA	GERMANY
11	SPAIN	FRANCE
12	RUSSIA	ENGLAND
13	HUNGARY	SERBIA
14	SWEDEN	POLAND
15	NORWAY	CROATIA
16	NETHERLANDS	GREECE
	BYE	LATVIA

ROUND 13 17.35

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	ROMANIA	SAN MARINO
2	ENGLAND	NORWAY
3	POLAND	BULGARIA
4	PORTUGAL	FINLAND
5	WALES	HUNGARY
6	TURKEY	LITHUANIA
7	ITALY	RUSSIA
8	CROATIA	SCOTLAND
9	ISRAEL	NETHERLANDS
10	GREECE	ICELAND
11	DENMARK	BELARUS
12	LUXEMBURG	FRANCE
13	SWEDEN	BELGIUM
14	SWITZERLAND	SPAIN
15	LATVIA	ESTONIA
16	GERMANY	IRELAND
	SERBIA	BYE

OPEN TEAMS RESULTS**ROUND 9 - subject to official confirmation**

Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	LATVIA	BELGIUM	40 - 32 16 - 14
2	SWITZERLAND	NORWAY	33 - 89 4 - 25
3	SPAIN	NETHERLANDS	50 - 18 22 - 8
4	GREECE	RUSSIA	14 - 69 4 - 25
5	TURKEY	CROATIA	19 - 59 7 - 23
6	BULGARIA	ITALY	32 - 63 9 - 21
7	FINLAND	SWEDEN	46 - 45 15 - 15
8	SAN MARINO	HUNGARY	14 - 49 8 - 22
9	LUXEMBURG	ICELAND	25 - 57 8 - 22
10	ROMANIA	BELARUS	35 - 21 18 - 12
11	IRELAND	ENGLAND	43 - 22 19 - 11
12	LITHUANIA	DENMARK	54 - 39 18 - 12
13	POLAND	SERBIA	68 - 23 24 - 6
14	FRANCE	SCOTLAND	57 - 3 25 - 4
15	PORTUGAL	ISRAEL	15 - 66 5 - 25
16	GERMANY	WALES	67 - 37 21 - 9
	ESTONIA		18 - 0

ROUND 10 - subject to official confirmation

Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	ESTONIA	LUXEMBURG	52 - 32 19 - 11
2	RUSSIA	ISRAEL	15 - 49 8 - 22
3	CROATIA	PORTUGAL	42 - 54 13 - 17
4	BELGIUM	SERBIA	55 - 63 14 - 16
5	ICELAND	SPAIN	38 - 69 9 - 21
6	SWEDEN	LITHUANIA	64 - 21 24 - 6
7	BELARUS	LATVIA	37 - 31 16 - 14
8	DENMARK	GERMANY	22 - 50 9 - 21
9	WALES	POLAND	18 - 45 9 - 21
10	NETHERLANDS	FRANCE	54 - 18 22 - 8
11	SCOTLAND	SWITZERLAND	33 - 15 19 - 11
12	HUNGARY	ROMANIA	71 - 29 24 - 6
13	ENGLAND	TURKEY	20 - 59 7 - 23
14	BULGARIA	FINLAND	51 - 51 15 - 15
15	NORWAY	GREECE	63 - 11 25 - 5
16	ITALY	IRELAND	25 - 42 11 - 19
	SAN MARINO		18 - 0

Tasty, Not Expensive, Not Far!

There is a cafe at the playing area in the Palace of Culture & Science located between the Open & Closed Rooms that has been opened especially for the Championships.

You can try some typical Polish specialities as well as European dishes. Prices are very moderate and given the short interval between matches it is the ideal spot to visit. There have already been numerous recommendations!

Captains Meeting Women & Seniors

Today's captains meetings will be held in the Palace of Culture (seniors 11.30, women 12.15). On entering the building you go to the left, cross the Closed Room (for once this is allowed) and walk through the main room to enter the meeting room at the end.

OPEN TEAMS RANKING after 10 rounds

subject to official confirmation

1	ITALY	196.00
2	HUNGARY	183.00
3	NORWAY	180.00
4	SWEDEN	178.50
5	GERMANY	178.00
6	NETHERLANDS	176.00
7	BULGARIA	167.00
8	ISRAEL	164.50
9	FINLAND	163.00
10	TURKEY	162.00
11	POLAND	161.00
12	IRELAND	160.00
13	ICELAND	159.00
	BELARUS	159.00
15	CROATIA	155.00
	ESTONIA	155.00
17	SCOTLAND	153.00
18	ENGLAND	152.00
19	SPAIN	151.00
20	DENMARK	147.50
21	RUSSIA	145.00
22	FRANCE	141.50
23	ROMANIA	135.00
24	BELGIUM	134.50
25	PORTUGAL	131.00
26	LITHUANIA	129.00
27	SERBIA	128.00
28	SAN MARINO	127.00
29	WALES	126.00
30	LUXEBURG	123.00
31	GREECE	116.50
32	SWITZERLAND	103.00
33	LATVIA	101.00

Calling all Journalists

The title of the Championships is:
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You are kindly requested to make sure you use this in
all your reports.

WOMEN TEAMS PROGRAM

ROUND 1 14.15

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	GREECE	CROATIA
2	SCOTLAND	ITALY
3	DENMARK	AUSTRIA
4	GERMANY	ICELAND
5	HUNGARY	FINLAND
6	POLAND	RUSSIA
7	IRELAND	SAN MARINO
8	ISRAEL	TURKEY
9	NETHERLANDS	ENGLAND
10	NORWAY	SWEDEN
11	FRANCE	SPAIN

ROUND 2 17.35

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	SWEDEN	DENMARK
2	FINLAND	NETHERLANDS
3	ITALY	POLAND
4	RUSSIA	FRANCE
5	SPAIN	IRELAND
6	AUSTRIA	GERMANY
7	ENGLAND	GREECE
8	ICELAND	HUNGARY
9	SAN MARINO	NORWAY
10	TURKEY	SCOTLAND
11	CROATIA	ISRAEL

SENIOR TEAMS PROGRAM

ROUND 1 14.15

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	ISRAEL	IRELAND
2	NETHERLANDS	ESTONIA
3	GERMANY	SWITZERLAND
4	DENMARK	SWEDEN
5	ITALY	FINLAND
6	TURKEY	SCOTLAND
7	ENGLAND	FRANCE
8	POLAND	WALES

ROUND 2 17.35

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	SWEDEN	ITALY
2	WALES	GERMANY
3	SWITZERLAND	ISRAEL
4	ESTONIA	ENGLAND
5	SCOTLAND	NETHERLANDS
6	FRANCE	DENMARK
7	IRELAND	TURKEY
8	FINLAND	POLAND

OPEN TEAMS

Round 8

Sweden v Italy

by Jos Jacobs

The last match on Tuesday would have been the clash between the current leaders if Sweden had maintained the runner-up position they held at the start of the day. As you see, I am already taking it for granted that Italy would still be leading at this stage; they were the only team with five wins when the day started and two matches later they had recorded seven wins. What is more: I have to admit that I would be very surprised if Italy were not going to win again, judging from what we have seen so far.

Well, after the second board I started regretting these initial lines a little. If one has to think of a team at all capable of catching up the Italians, Sweden are the first to be mentioned, as they were the worthy runners-up in Malmo two years ago. This is what I saw on board 2:

Board: 2. Dealer: East. N/S vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Versace	Bertheau	Lauria	Nystrom
1♠	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♣	Dble	2♦	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♠	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Once Bertheau took his chance to double the 2♣ check-back the Italians were under pressure, as they had to make nine tricks now without losing the lead. Nystrom led the ♣5 on which Bertheau cleverly played the nine, which held. He continued the ♣Q, Lauria winning the king. With no clue whatsoever as to which finesse to take he exited in clubs, hoping no doubt to get more information from South's discards and North's forced return. As a consequence, he threw two small hearts from his hand, South discarding two diamonds and dummy a spade and a diamond. In the end he took no finesse at all but just played for some sort of squeeze to have developed. When this was not the case he had to accept one down, Sweden +50.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Fredin	Fantoni	Bjornlund	Nunes
1♠	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♦	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

When Nunes led a natural low diamond Bjornlund had ample time to take a heart finesse into the safe hand and end up with no less than 12 tricks for +490 and 11 IMPs to Sweden to lead 13-0.

Three pushes and then a judgement board:

Board: 6. Dealer: East. E/W vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Versace	Bertheau	Lauria	Nystrom
4♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
4♠	4NT	Dble	5♦
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

4♣ was void-showing transfer and 4♥ was a cuebid. Quite understandably, Lauria doubled the save on his solid enough four trumps. He must have felt disappointed to collect only +300 with a slam possible on a correct but unlikely club view.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Fredin	Fantoni	Bjornlund	Nunes
4♦	Dble	1♠	Pass
5♠	All Pass	4♠	5♦

Fredin obviously had other ideas about the trick-taking potential of his hand when he decided to go on to 5♠ in

front of his partner. Well done, +650 and another 8 IMPs to Sweden.

After two more pushes Italy finally got "unblocked" (as they say in Italian) on board 9, scoring their first IMPs of the match.

Board 11 and 12 however were interesting examples of the difference in partscore bidding between the two teams:

Board: 11. Dealer: South. None vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Versace</i>	<i>Bertheau</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Nystrom</i>
1♥	Pass	2♥	1♣
3♥	Dble	Pass	3♦
All Pass			3NT



Claudio Nunes, Italy

Well, 3NT is a perfectly reasonable contract as it depends only on the diamond position. When the king was behind the ace, the outcome was down two instead of a likely overtrick. Italy +100 when Versace, knowing he held a sure diamond entry, decided to lead the ♥A and not a low heart.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Fredin</i>	<i>Fantoni</i>	<i>Bjornlund</i>	<i>Nunes</i>
1♥	Dble	2♥	1♦
3♥	4♦	All Pass	3♦

Fantoni did very well here to compete once more (influenced by the fact that Nunes' 1♦ showed 15+) and he was rewarded when Nunes could not go down on any normal line of play. Italy +130 and 6 IMPs back.

And 6 more on the next board:

Board: 12. Dealer: West. N/S vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Versace</i>	<i>Bertheau</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Nystrom</i>
1♣	1♥	2♦	3♦
Pass	3♥	Dble	Pass
5♦	All Pass		

Once Lauria showed extra values with his double, Versace had an easy jump to game with his outside aces. Just made when the clubs behaved. Italy +400.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Fredin</i>	<i>Fantoni</i>	<i>Bjornlund</i>	<i>Nunes</i>
1♣	1♦	Dble	3♦
3♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	All Pass		

One overtrick, but only +150 to Sweden.

On the next board, Italy leveled the match at 21 all and then came a major disaster for Sweden:

Board: 14. Dealer: East. None vul.

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

Open Room

West <i>Versace</i>	North <i>Bertheau</i>	East <i>Lauria</i>	South <i>Nystrom</i>
		1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	4♣	All Pass

If you look at this hand even superficially, you should immediately ask yourself how Lauria managed to conjure up even eight tricks here. Here is the solution.

Nystrom made an unlucky lead: the ♣A. Now, had he simply continued the ♣Q nothing would have gone wrong but he shifted to a low trump on which Bertheau also played low. When at trick 3 the ♠A collected the two outstanding trumps another likely loser had disappeared. Next, a heart went to the queen and ace and North had to return a heart or club as a diamond would have given Lauria the two discards he needed.

On the heart return, however, Lauria won his king and, noting the fall of the jack, led a low club towards dummy's jack. When South ducked this, Lauria all of a sudden had made his contract...

Italy a most unlikely +420.

Nothing special happened in the other room:

Closed Room

West <i>Fredin</i>	North <i>Fantoni</i>	East <i>Bjornlund</i>	South <i>Nunes</i>
		2♣	All Pass

On the lead of the ♥J this contract went one down in peace. Italy +50 for a 10-IMP gain. They had gone into the lead once again...

On the penultimate board another partscore swing extended their lead to 21 and with the last board likely to be a routine 3NT all over the place another 19-11 VP Italian victory was odds-on.

This was not to be, however, when for once the Italian machine hampered:

Board: 20. Dealer: West. All vul.

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

Open Room

West <i>Versace</i>	North <i>Bertheau</i>	East <i>Lauria</i>	South <i>Nystrom</i>
1♦	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♥	Pass
4♣	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♦	Dble
All Pass			

2♠ showed diamond support, game forcing and 3♥ showed four of the suit with shortness in spades.

Nystrom's double suggested a heart lead so the contract was already down two before declarer got the lead. When Versace misguessed trumps as well, he suffered a three-trick set for -800 that brought Sweden a late 16 IMPs. This settled the result at 16-14 VP for Italy, 43-38 in IMPs.

Just for the record, here is the auction in the other room:

Closed Room

West <i>Fredin</i>	North <i>Fantoni</i>	East <i>Bjornlund</i>	South <i>Nunes</i>
1♦	Pass	1♥	1♠
Dble	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♦	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

No trouble after a spade lead from North and an avoidance finesse of the ♦Q. Sweden +630.



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OPEN TEAMS

Round 5

Netherlands v Norway

by Barry Rigal

A comprehensive win for Netherlands, who seemed to outbid Norway and also to bring home all the contracts where an element of card-play was required.

Board: 1. Dealer: North. None vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Tundal</i>	<i>Westra</i>	<i>Ekren</i>	<i>Ramondt</i>
	1♦	Pass	2♣
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♥
Pass	3NT	Pass	6NT
All Pass			



Bauke Muller, Netherlands

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>De Wijs</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Muller</i>	<i>Helgemo</i>
	Pass	Pass	1♣
Pass	INT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

3NT made a comfortable 13 tricks, but where the stakes were higher Westra had a quite a problem on the lead of a low spade to the ten jack and ace. The simple heart finesse (low to the ten then back to the club jack for another low heart up, on which West did not drop the nine) left declarer with no possibility of a further finesse in the heart suit. He ran the clubs and eventually played hearts from the top and also made 13 tricks when West unguarded his spade honour.

I wonder if there might have been some merit to declarer leading the diamond jack from hand at trick two? You give up on the doubleton heart king onside but do pick up quite a few positions in the diamond suit. As the cards lie, both lines work of course.

Board: 8. Dealer: West. None vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Tundal</i>	<i>Westra</i>	<i>Ekren</i>	<i>Ramondt</i>
	1♦	1♠	Pass
2♦	Pass	Pass	2♠
Pass	Pass	3♦	Pass
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>De Wijs</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Muller</i>	<i>Helgemo</i>
	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♦	All Pass

Muller really earned this swing I think. His bid of three diamonds was a two-way shot, aimed both at perhaps reaching

game his way but more to keep the opponents out of the majors. Of course he was probably more worried about hearts than spades, but as the other room demonstrated, he had the right idea — if for the wrong reason. Both part scores took ten rather than nine tricks for 7 IMPs to Netherlands.

Board: 12. Dealer: West. N/S vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Tundal</i>	<i>Westra</i>	<i>Ekren</i>	<i>Ramondt</i>
3♣	3♦	4♠	Pass
Pass	5♦	Dble	All Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>De Wijs</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Muller</i>	<i>Helgemo</i>
Pass	1♦	4♠	Pass
Pass	Dble	All pass	

Yet again the Dutch declared the contract at both tables, and yet again it was right to do so! Westra's bid of five diamonds looks a tad unilateral but he was perhaps worried that if he doubled partner would pass rather too often... spot on! In the other room one can hardly blame Helgemo for hoping his partner would produce a defensive trick or two but dummy was a huge disappointment to the Norwegians. Another 10 IMPs to Netherlands.

Board: 20. Dealer: West/All

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Tundal</i>	<i>Westra</i>	<i>Ekren</i>	<i>Ramondt</i>
1♦	Pass	1♠	Dble
2♠	Pass	Pass	3♥
Pass	Pass	3♠	Pass
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>De Wijs</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Muller</i>	<i>Helgemo</i>
1♦	Pass	1♠	Dble
Rdble ¹	2♥	2♠	4♥
All Pass			

¹ 3card supp

The doctrine of TTASL (Teach Them A Sharp Lesson) has obviously permeated its way through from the Young Chelsea Bridge Club in Earls Court—where it is a doctrine they live or die by—to Amsterdam. The basic concept is that if the opponents balance against your part score, you must bid game or slam. If they sacrifice against your game, you must bid slam or double them. Here Westra employed the philosophy to its full. It may not have gained his side IMPs but I'm sure it really irritated his opponents — which was almost more important! The point was that when his opponents announced they had an eight-card fit he now knew that his hand would offer diamond ruffs to his partner. Well bid.



Vincent Ramondt, Netherlands

OPEN TEAMS

Round 6

Norway v Iceland

by Jos Jacobs

On Tuesday morning, one of the big Scandinavian clashes was scheduled: Norway v. Iceland. Both sides have been regular BB qualifiers in recent years and sometimes even more than that: I certainly remember the 1993 final in Santiago, Chile when Norway narrowly lost to the Netherlands. And who does not remember the 1991 Bermuda Bowl, won by Iceland. In these Championships, Norway had made a flying start until their heavy defeat at the hands of the Netherlands (again!?) on Monday evening, whereas Iceland had made steady progress throughout. It turned out that the promise of a good match came more than true, though nothing very much happened on the first five boards.

This was board 6:

Board: 6. Dealer: East. E/W vul.

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



Erik Salensminde, Norway

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Baldursson	Helness	Jonsson	Helgemo
1♠	Pass	1♣	Pass
2♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♦	Pass
4♠	Pass	6♥	All Pass

The Iceland relays were in operation here: 1♣ was strong and 1♠ showed 5+ hearts. 2NT was relay again and 2♠ showed four spades. 3♦ was a control asking and 3♥ just showed two. Next, 4♦ was suggesting a slam and 4♠ was accepting it, but also denying a heart control. Now 6♥ was a little gamble, hoping for the ♠A with partner instead of the two kings.

Now imagine Helness' problem. He could not believe his respected opponents would bid a slam missing two aces so he assumed East had to be void of spades. That's why he decided to underlead his ♠A, presenting declarer with his contract...Iceland an incredible +1430.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Brogeland	Thorvaldsson	Salensminde	Magnusson
		1♦	Pass
1♥	1♠	Dble	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♣	Pass
3NT	Pass	4NT	All Pass

More decent bidding in the Closed Room. Brogeland just lost his two aces and 13 IMPs in the process. Iceland led 17-2 at this stage.

On the next board, the Norwegians were unlucky in the other room:

Board: 7. Dealer: South. All vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Baldursson	Helness	Jonsson	Helgemo
Dble	3NT	Pass	1♥
All Pass			4♥

This is a perfectly normal contract, but now look at the West hand. What would you like to lead? Even the ♠A and another only seem to postpone the endplay. As it happened, Baldursson led the ♥Q, giving Helgemo a problem. When he decided to win in dummy and play East for the jack, he was doomed once Baldursson found the next defensive move of exiting with a low club away from his ace. One down, Iceland +100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Brogeland	Thorvaldsson	Salensminde	Magnusson
Dble	1♥	Pass	1♣
Pass	4♥	All Pass	2♥

With North declaring East had a few safe leads available. When he elected to lead a spade declarer was able to insert dummy's ten and thus get rid of his loser in that suit. End of the defence. Iceland +620 and 12 more IMPs.

Norway picked up a few IMPs on the next two boards and them came something more substantial:

Board: 10. Dealer: East. All vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Baldursson	Helness	Jonsson	Helgemo
Pass	2♣	1♥	1♠
Dble	All Pass	Pass	Pass

Once Jonsson opened at the one-level NS were out of trouble, it seemed. Helness could introduce his suit after

partner's overcall without having to worry about the combined strength of the NS hands. As it happened EW had a different view on the hand with penalty passes hidden at both sides of the table...

The ♠K was led and a heart went to the queen and king. The diamond continuation was taken by declarer's ace and Helness' next move was to try and ruff his last diamond. However, East ruffed in front of dummy and the heart continuation gave West the chance to ruff out dummy's ♥A. This way, Helness made only 5 tricks for +800 to Iceland.

On the other table, the weak two put more pressure on NS:

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Brogeland	Thorvaldsson	Salensminde	Magnusson
Pass	3♣	2♥	Pass
Dble	All Pass	Pass	3NT

South had to make a further move as North's strength was still unclear. East led a spade and West switched to diamonds. Once the heart finesse lost to the blank king, the scene was set for an 1100 penalty and a surprise 7-IMP gain to Norway to trail 14-29 now.

Three pushes and one more IMP to Iceland on boards 14 had made it 30-14 to them when the grand finale of the match began:



Boye Brogeland, Norway

Board: 15. Dealer: South. N/S vul.

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

better game contract than 3NT would have been, as you still have the diamond guess up your sleeve if the ♣K is wrong. Norway +620.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Brogeland</i>	<i>Thorvaldsson</i>	<i>Salensminde</i>	<i>Magnusson</i>
Pass	3NT	Dble	INT
Pass	Redble	All Pass	Pass

For Iceland, there was no doubt about the meaning of the redouble or at least: if there was any doubt, we will never know. With the ♣K behaving it was not so difficult to score ten tricks for the more exotic species of the 1,400 number. Iceland also gained 13 IMPs for their efforts.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Baldursson</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Jonsson</i>	<i>Helgemo</i>
Pass	3NT	Dble	INT
Pass	Redble	Pass	4♦
Pass	5♣	All Pass	

We will never know if the redouble showed doubt or if Helgemo simply expressed his doubts. Anyway, 5♣ was a



Jon Baldursson, Iceland

Board: 16. Dealer: West. E/W vul.

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

Open Room

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

It all looked so innocuous. Helgemo led the ♦A and Jonsson ruffed. He next crossed in clubs to run the ♥10 but when Helgemo won his queen the roof fell in. Spade to the queen, club ruff, spade to the king, club ruff, spade to the ace and club ruff made it down three within seconds. Norway +300.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Brogeland</i>	<i>Thorvaldsson</i>	<i>Salensminde</i>	<i>Magnusson</i>
Pass	INT	2♦	Pass
2♥	All Pass		

When South led a spade, North cashing three tricks in the suit, the defensive possibilities were gone. Nine tricks,

+140 to Norway and a well-deserved 10 IMPs back. After Norway gained 6 more IMPs on board 17 they were only 13 IMPs down but on 18 their NS pair bid to a hopeless slam to double the deficit.

The Icelanders drove the final nail into the Norwegian coffin on board 19 where a 7-6-0-0 caused havoc all over the room:

Board: 19. Dealer: South. E/W vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Baldursson</i>	<i>Helness</i>	<i>Jonsson</i>	<i>Helgemo</i>
3♥	Pass	6♦	Pass All Pass

Well, the advantage of opening 3♥ was that East had absolutely no way left to conduct a scientific inquiry about partner's support for his suits. So he bid what he thought he could make and was rewarded by the actual layout. As it happens, 6♦ is not a bad contract at all and with the trumps and the spades behaving it made easily. Iceland +1370.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Brogeland</i>	<i>Thorvaldsson</i>	<i>Salensminde</i>	<i>Magnusson</i>
Pass 6♥	5♣ Pass	5NT 6♠	3♣ Pass All Pass

Preempts over preempts are generally considered a bad idea so Magnusson's 3♣ temporarily shut out Baldursson. Thorvaldsson's jump to 5♣ gave Salensminde a nasty problem. His rather unusual "unusual NT" backfired when Brogeland showed a strong preference for hearts but 6♠ was not a hopeless contract at all. The problem of it rather was to find the best line. It seems OK to ruff a diamond, catering for a 4-1 break, and then hope for the ♠K to be onside or possibly the ♠Jx. Playing this way, a number of declarers went down, among them Salensminde.

This final blow of 16 more IMPs gave Iceland a fine 69-33 victory, 22-8 in VP and saw them rise to joint 6th in the table with the Netherlands.

WELCOME MESSAGE FROM THE EBL PRESIDENT TO THE WOMEN AND SENIOR TEAMS

Dear friends,

Good evening and welcome to Warsaw to participate in the 48th-Prokom Software SA European Bridge Teams Championships.

As you know, this year, 2006, the Polish Bridge Union celebrates its 50th Anniversary, the Golden Jubilee and as President of the EBL and also as a lover of bridge I am proud that the Polish bridge players can enjoy it together with their friends from everywhere in Europe.

Let me repeat what I said at the Championship Opening Ceremony, last Saturday: "A great event for a great bridge Federation, which has achieved a tremendous success both in developing bridge, thanks to a remarkable schools bridge-teaching project, and in competing at the highest level in the World and European championships".

I am sure that you, representing 22 countries, will contribute to the success of this great bridge event, which has

been possible to be organized thanks to the Polish Bridge Union and the Organising Committee, who have worked with dedication and enthusiasm to achieve this result.



To all of them, to the Authorities, to the main sponsor Prokom Software and to all the other our sponsor friends, and moreover to my colleague and dear friend Radek Kielbasinski, President of the Polish Bridge Union, go our most sincere thanks.

I do not want to bore you longer and I do not want to repeat what I have already said, but I want only to say that I am sure that together with Open Teams players you will show, once again, the real values of

bridge and will contribute to reinforce our message of friendship, solidarity and peace.

Enjoy the Championship and good luck to you all.

Un abbraccio to you all.

Gianarrigo Rona

OPEN TEAMS

Round 9

France v Scotland

by Mark Horton

Handily placed Scotland against a French team in need of a change of fortune — who would enjoy their lunch more?

Board:6. Dealer. East. East/West Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Matheson</i>	<i>Bompis</i>	<i>Short</i>	<i>Sainte Marie</i>
5♣	Dble	4♣	Pass
		All Pass	

East was probably pleased he was not employing Four Clubs as a conventional bid. I will leave you to decide if West was unlucky when he raised — as you can see North South have no making game - and when North doubled South had a relatively easy decision.

The defenders took two spades and a club, +200.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Levy</i>	<i>Sime</i>	<i>Mouiel</i>	<i>Sanders</i>
5♣	Dble	4♣	Pass
Dble	All Pass	Pass	5♦

South was unwilling to play for a penalty — but he had to pay one. He lost three red suit tricks, -100 and France had 7 IMPs.

Board:8. Dealer. West. None Vul

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Matheson</i>	<i>Bompis</i>	<i>Short</i>	<i>Sainte Marie</i>
2♦*	Pass	2♥*	2♠
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

West led the king of hearts and East played the eight, upside down count. (It may have been better to overtake and switch to a diamond, as if the defenders play four rounds of the suit declarer has to guess both black suits.) He continued with a second heart and declarer ruffed, drew trumps and played East for the queen of clubs, +140.

A few spectators suggested that East should have bid Two Spades over the multi. The problem is that West is usually allowed to jump to Four Hearts with a maximum, and you do have quite a lot of defence.

I will confess to a sneaking admiration for South's overcall.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Levy</i>	<i>Sime</i>	<i>Mouiel</i>	<i>Sanders</i>
2♥	Pass	3♥	All Pass

This was a simple affair, +140 and another 7 IMP pickup for France.

Board:9. Dealer North. East/West Vul

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Matheson</i>	<i>Bompis</i>	<i>Short</i>	<i>Sainte Marie</i>
	3NT*	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

The opening bid promised a a good four level bid in either major.

West led his diamond and East won and returned the two, declarer following with the queen as West ruffed. Rather than cash the ace of hearts he returned the jack of clubs, covered by the queen and ace. When East returned a club declarer could win, draw one round of trumps, ruff a club and discard dummy's heart on the jack of diamonds for a miraculous +420.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Levy	Sime	Mouiel	Sanders
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

East led his heart and West won and switched to his diamond. East cashed the ace of clubs and when West played the five he switched back to diamonds, one down, +50 and 10 IMPs for France.

Board: 12. Dealer West. North/South Vul

♠ Q 8 7 4 2
♥ K 4
♦ K Q 3 2
♣ A 6

♠ 9
♥ J 6 3
♦ A 9 7 6 5
♣ K 9 8 5



♠ 5 3
♥ 9 8 7 5
♦ J 8 4
♣ Q 10 7 3

♠ A K J 10 6
♥ A Q 10 2
♦ 10
♣ J 4 2

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Matheson	Bompis	Short	Sainte Marie
Pass	1♠	Pass	2NT*
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♦*
Pass	4♥*	Pass	4NT*
Pass	5♦*	Pass	6♠
All Pass			



Marc Bompis, France

West found the best lead of a club, but declarer could draw trumps and take a discard on the third round of hearts, a well bid +1430.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Levy	Sime	Mouiel	Sanders
Pass	1♠	Pass	4♦*
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

The problem with the splinter was that North was unlikely to be able to do much looking at poor trumps, especially if he held wasted values in diamonds. Maybe South should make another move with such terrific spades, despite the slight risk involved.

That was another 13 IMPs to France, who were in control, ahead by 42-3 IMPs.

Board: 16. Dealer West. East/West

♠ J 10 8 6
♥ 6
♦ K J 9 7 6 3 2
♣ 2

♠ A 3 2
♥ K 9 8 2
♦ A 4
♣ 10 9 7 6



♠ K Q 9
♥ 10 5 4
♦ 10 8 5
♣ A 5 4 3

♠ 7 5 4
♥ A Q J 7 3
♦ Q
♣ K Q J 8

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Matheson	Bompis	Short	Sainte Marie
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♥
Pass	INT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	All Pass	

Declarer lost three spades, a diamond and a club, +90.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Levy	Sime	Mouiel	Sanders
Pass	2♦	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	2♥	Pass
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♦
All Pass			

That is not my idea of a weak two bid, and I am not sure you would find too many supporters of North's second positive contribution to the auction.

East led the four of hearts and in an attempt to make the contract declarer finessed. That meant he was two down, -100 and another 5 IMPs for France.

Scotland could make no impression over the final four boards and lost 57-3 IMPs, 25-4 VP.

POLSKA – SERBIA

Marek Wójcicki

Nasza drużyna w końcu zaczęła wygrywać. Miejmy nadzieję, że jest to początek szybkiego marszu naprzód. Oto kilka rozdań z meczu z Serbią, które walnie przyczyniły się do zwycięstwa 24:6.

Rozd. 2. Rozdawał E/NS po partii.

♠ DW 10 3		♠ A									
♥ DW 8 7		♥ K 9 6 4 3 2									
♦ 5		♦ W 9 7									
♣ D 9 6 2		♣ 10 5 3									
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♦ K 10 6 4	♦ A D 8 3 2										
♣ A W 8	♣ K 7 4										

Pokój zamknięty

West	North	East	South
Gierulski	Radisic	Skrzypczak	Zipovski
		2♦ ¹	ktr.
rktr.	pas	2♥	pas
pas	ktr.	pas	3♦
pas	3♠	pas	3BA
ktr.	pas...		

¹ multi

Para serbska wyraźnie pogubiła się w licytacji i została za to boleśnie skarcona. Gierulski wyszedł ♥10. Rozgrywający położył ze stołu damę, która wzięła lewą i zagrał damę pik. Skrzypczak po lewie na asa zagrał ♦9 – dama, król. Gierulski zagrał teraz w pika, a rozgrywający po wzięciu lewy na ósemkę w ręce zagrał blotkę karo. Gierulski wskoczył dziesiątką i wyrobił sobie pika. Rozgrywający przeszedł do ręki asem kier, odegrał dwa kara i zagrał w trefla. Gierulski wzięł na asa i odegrał fortę pik. Bez dwóch, 500 dla Polski.

Na drugim stole nasi przegrali 1BA bez jednej. 9 imp dla Polski.

Rozdanie 9. Rozdawał N/EW po partii

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

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Gierulski	Radisic	Skrzypczak	Zipovski
	1♣	1♦	1♥
pas	1♠	pas	2♦
pas	4♠	pas...	

Skrzypczak wyszedł ♦A, który wzięł lewą (rozgrywający dodał z ręki szóstkę). Pozycja karowa była niejasna, więc Skrzypczak pociągnął jeszcze asa trefl, do którego Gierulski dołożył lavinthala – ♣5. Skrzypczak zagrał więc karo do przebitki i kontrakt został obłożony bez jednej.

Na drugim stole obrońca przeciwko kontraktowi 4♠ także ściągnął dwa asy w takiej samej kolejności jak Skrzypczak, ale teraz pomknął w kiera do przebitki. W zabił asem i odwrócił w kiery, ale Chmurski przebił figurą i zrealizował kontrakt.

Rozdanie 18. Rozdawał E/NS po partii.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Parezanin	Chmurski	Duricic	Gawryś
		1♥	ktr.
2♦	3♦	pas	3BA
ktr.	pas...		

Gawryś dał trafną kontrę wywoławczą z ręką, z którą nie każdy by się na to zdecydował i nasza para wylądowała w ostrym kontrakcie 3BA, skontrowanym przez W. W nie trafił jednak kładącego wist w pika (kto by go dał?), tylko wyszedł królem karo. Gawryś zabił od razu asem (ze stołu kier), ściągnął króla trefl, aby sprawdzić, czy przypadkiem kolor ten nie dzieli się 4-0 i zagrał kiera do waleta. E pobił asem i wyszedł ♦9. Piotrek dołożył ósemkę, a W przejął dziesiątką i wyszedł piątką, dając nadróbkę. 950 dla Polski i 13 imp, jako że na drugim stole Serbowie wygrali 3♣ z nadróbką.

Obymy dalej oglądali równie skuteczne poczynania Polaków!



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