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# THE FINAL TEST

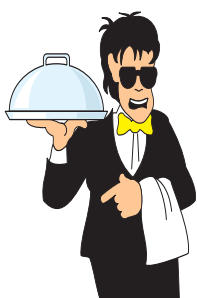


For those of you in black & white the Dutch are in the Orange shirts  
(See the Internet Edition)

Now the nerve racking qualifying rounds are over, the serious business begins as the survivors contest the three Pairs finals.

In the Open the field was led by *Bulgaria's* **Julian Stefanov & Victor Aronov**, in the Seniors it was *Poland's* **Krzysztof Lasocki & Jerzy Russyan** while *Italy's* **Ilaria Saccavini & Simonetta Paoluzi** topped the Women's field.

## Victory Banquet



The Victory Banquet will be held at the playing area – 4th floor – tomorrow 30th at 20.30.

All players are kindly requested to confirm their participation. They should give their names and country at the Victory Banquet Desk that will be located at the Registration/Hospitality Desk and will open today from 09.00 to midnight.

The deadline for confirmation is today at midnight. Thank you for your co-operation.

## Prize Giving Ceremony

The prize-Giving Ceremony of the Pairs (Senior, Women, Open Championships) will be held on Saturday June 30th in the Kremlin Palace playing area – 4th floor.

The following prizes will be awarded:

The three best classified in each A Final (title and medals)

The three best classified European Pairs – coming from the same country – in each A Final (European Trophy to the Federation and replicas to the players)

The three best classified in B & C Finals

## EBL President 's Press Conference

The press conference will be held today, 29th June 2007, at 11.00 at the Elegiya Bar, in the ground floor, adjacent to the games room.

## The Story of the ETI team

The ETI team was sponsored by a famous biscuit and chocolate company (ETI) of Turkey, composed of 4 players and a non-playing captain, all from Ankara, with 2 sets of jerseys (one set in black, the other in white), neither set with any pockets.

### (1) Opening stage (the 1st day)

ETI team started the t(j)ourney with a match versus BO team. Right after we took our seats, my partner asked his screen mate how they played two-level openings. Upon that, opponents had a short talk, which was rather hard to follow, and finally one of them asked the other: “2♦ multi, 2♥ and 2♠ something, OK?” (I was not sure what 2♥ and 2♠ were supposed to be!) The other answered: “Yea, OK”. I never dared ask what their 2♥ or 2♠ was because, at that moment, I could not help thinking: “Oops, might we have come to the wrong town, or been attending the wrong event? Would it have been better if we did not ask how they played 2♦?” No, this is the European Championship, these guys must be kidding, or something else that I did not know yet was going on...

After a few dull deals, the following one came up. I held ♠AJxx ♥QJx, ♦void, ♣AKJ9xx.

My partner opened 1♠ in red, RHO bid 3♦ nonvul, I bid 5♦ (exclusion KCB) and LHO paused for some seconds (2 days later, I found out through the Bulletin that, during those seconds, what he was really doing was something called “mental arithmetic”) and he finally bid 7♣ (!!). My partner doubled (DEPO=showing an even number of KCs), RHO and I passed, and LHO corrected it to 7♦; pass, pass, to me. Well, I paused for some seconds (without any knowledge of mental arithmetic at the time) and doubled. Would the LHO have a void in clubs? It seemed so and I had no way to know; and no need to take a risk in the 1st match of the journey. Well, I led my ♣A, dummy came down with

♠xx ♥10xxxx ♦jxx ♣xxx.

A score of +1700 resulted in a loss of 11 IMPs. So, it was clear that there was something that I did not know yet.

*For further details of this hand, please read the article titled “mental arithmetic” by Jan van Cleeff in Bulletin #9.*

ETI lost its 1st match 7-23. The second match was lost 9-21.

Considering the fact that only the top 3 out of 7 in a group would proceed to Group A, our way to Group B was wide open. The only trouble was that, according to what I kept hearing from friends more experienced in this kind of events, Group B sounded like hell. Just for the sake of optimism, we had to assume that one could survive in the hell.

In such a mood, we took our seats for the 3rd match;

waited for some time, then, we were told that we were not going to play. All right, I thought, “they are telling us to get packed and go home; they will not even let us suffer in the hell”. Weren’t we just lucky being allowed to go home so fast!

Yes, we were really lucky but not because we were being sent home, rather because we had a chance to calm our nerves while getting a score of 18 (2 VPs more than what we had collected in the first two matches combined). Before the last match of the 1st day, we intended to ask the director if it would be possible to have the same treat again, that is, to take a further rest and get another 18; but we did not dare.

We were forced to play bridge and got 25 in a single match! The day was over with a total of 59 in 4 matches (including “the bye”).

### (2) Continuation the SECOND(s) day

We woke up to the 2nd day still aware of the fact that our route to Group B had not changed, because we had 3 matches left to be played against the teams ranked 1st, 2nd and 4th in our group. The 1st match of the 2nd day was versus Orange 1 (the 1st in Group H at that time), the team with many sets of jerseys only in orange, and with Jansma; however, I still do not know which one is Jansma (isn’t that team spirit!).

I cannot exactly remember how, but we got a 21 (missing out on collecting 25 only on the last board of the set). That looked nice because we finally beat a team (a real good team in the real sense of the word “team”); well, still we could not get rid of the belief that it was just a coincidence.

In the 2nd match of the 2nd day, we played the 2nd ranked team in our group, the Forrester team, and it was Robson who sat on my left. I easily recognized him, from his photos in bridge literature. And we had our 2nd win (24-6) of the 2nd day.

Two coincidences or could you call us butter – because we were on a roll!! At that moment, we did not know it but we were headed toward the 2nd place in Group H.

Now, things had changed a bit. Physically, we had risen to the 3rd place in one fell swoop; psychologically, also, our expectations had been subtly altered.....

Our final match in Group H was against a competent German team, who were in the 4th position. So, we still needed an 11 to be in Group A. That German team was sort of unlucky because, at that point, it was very hard to win against a team like ours that had just consecutively beaten Orange 1 and Forrester.

Consequently, ETI team proceeded to Group A, finishing Group H in 2nd place.

Around the middle of the 2nd day, we started the matches in Group A, with an 18 and 12. That was nearly twice as good as our start of the tourney. Well, at this stage, we could (did) not resist feeling that we were in a field where we belonged.

I forgot to mention that, on the 2nd day, we had put on our white jerseys; that was only because the black ones we wore the 1st day had needed to be aired!

### (3) The day before (the 3rd day)

The 3rd day started with a problem: which color of jerseys to wear, black or white?

Since the philosophy of our team called for a free vote as to whether to follow the Principle of Restricted Choice, I and my partner wore black-and-white that day. Everyone had his own approach; I preferred to wear black for creating a contrast with my whitish shorts, my partner had his white jersey on to exhibit that we were whitened. Incidentally, Team Orange would never have such problems.

The 3rd day, our scores were 16, 14, 18, 24 and 16 in order; I am not gonna tell how good or famous most of our opponents were (I'm sure you can have a well educated guess), but I have to tell you that the only team that beat us on the 3rd day was the Bessis team, who did not have any player that I knew of. Finally, ETI team finished Group A in 7th place, with a 3-way tie.

However, in the teams' list handed out during the captains' meeting, we appeared to be the 9th, which was decided through "swiss points", as explained to us by the director. We were the worst of the 7th's.

I have no intention of getting the details of team-selection process, which seemed (and still seems) confusing enough, probably due to my lack of knowledge/experience. After having walked around for a while, getting tired of the sluggish selection process, 3 of us left the place. Only one curious player from our team stayed there, and he managed to get selected by Bessis team, another 7th (with the same VP)! What happened was: "the 8th rank, who was in fact one of the 7th's, picked the 9th rank, who was in fact another of the 7th's.

Please note again that Bessis was the only team that beat ETI the 3rd day. Was it time for revenge, or?

### (4) Finality (the 4th day, down by 4 IMPs)

In the round of 32, Bessis beat ETI by 4 IMPs.

### Post mortem

We, members of ETI team, still keep saying to one another "HAYIRLISI". That's tough to translate, it is something like: "May those with a positive outcome in the long run get what they want".

### As ETI team,

We'd like to thank our sponsors (ETI, ETI, ETI) and hope that they will not give up sponsoring us. We appreciate the efforts of all the people from the EBL, who made such a big organization run so smoothly, and so enjoyably, and we thank them all a lot,

We cannot help thanking the Turkish Bridge Federation and all the people who had something to do with bringing such an event HOME. It's been much better than bringing a crucial contract home, we wish all the bridgeurs and visitors from other countries have a good stay, a good game and a nice trip back their own homes.

### ETI team:

Mehmet Kuranoglu (a retired national volleyball player, the official captain of ETI)

Dogan Uzum (an engineer teaching bridge)

Ahmet Kahraman (MVP, THE one and only professional player of ETI)

Okan Zabunoglu (an academic who wrote this)

## CARRY-OVER FOR THE PAIRS FINALS



The carry-over that will be taken forward into all three finals will be your average score for the four semi-final qualifying sessions, multiplied by one and a half.

This is the same method of calculating the carry-forward as was used two years ago in Tenerife.

## PRIZE MONEY



As soon as possible after the end of the Finals on Saturday we will post the final rankings of all the players who have won prize money.

To collect the money you will have to go to the Registration Desk in the lobby of the Kremlin Hotel,

which will be open as soon as the rankings are known, until 8.30 or so. You will have to identify yourself with your badge. This is the only way to receive your money.

The money that is not collected will be used for the benefit of players in future events, who will no doubt be grateful.

## Women's Semi-finals

At the half the Anglo/Israeli (Bulgarian) squad of Penfold led by 19 IMPs, but the match had closed to 11 IMPs when the three decisive boards came along.

Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ – ♥ A 10 6 ♦ A K Q 6 5 2 ♣ A K 4 3	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 10px; margin: 0 auto; width: 60px; height: 60px; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-bottom: 5px;">N</span> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-bottom: 5px;">W</span> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-bottom: 5px;">E</span> <span style="font-size: 2em;">S</span> </div>	♠ A K 10 9 6 3 2 ♥ Q 5 2 ♦ – ♣ Q 10 9
♠ J 8 7 5 4 ♥ K 9 8 7 ♦ J 8 ♣ J 7		

After a sequence starting One Diamond – One Spade – Three Clubs – Three Spades – Three No-trumps, how much is the East hand worth? For the Danes Farholt/Rahelt stopped in Four Spades, and recorded 450, while Senior as West potted Six Diamonds when her partner showed slam interest. No slam has any play as the cards lie (it is tough to know which of spades, diamonds and clubs is best – I vote for clubs). But with 11 IMPs going to Denmark, the match was now level.

Board 25. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

♠ Q J 10 6 2 ♥ A 9 7 ♦ A 7 5 ♣ 6 3	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 10px; margin: 0 auto; width: 60px; height: 60px; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-bottom: 5px;">N</span> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-bottom: 5px;">W</span> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-bottom: 5px;">E</span> <span style="font-size: 2em;">S</span> </div>	♠ A K 9 8 7 ♥ 10 8 ♦ 4 3 ♣ K 8 5 4
♠ 5 4 ♥ Q 3 2 ♦ Q 10 9 8 6 ♣ 9 7 2		
♠ 3 ♥ K J 6 5 4 ♦ K J 2 ♣ A Q J 10		

As North/South, Dhondy/Smith were able to penalize One Spade, as indeed was the case at just about every table in all the other matches. Declarer really has no sensible hope of taking more than two trump tricks and two aces, if that, and 800 was duly recorded elsewhere. But Rahelt played the board with great determination. On the lead of the heart ten, she covered with the queen and ducked the king. Back came a spade to the queen and king, and the defenders then cashed three rounds of clubs, after which South was left on lead when Rahelt discarded a diamond. Smith now elected to exit with a diamond, and declarer

was able to escape for –500.

Would that be 7 IMPs to Denmark? No, Jensen found an unlucky moment to open the North hand One Spade (of course good and bad luck is in the eye of the beholder) and South declared Three No-trumps on Senior's imaginative low spade lead. Declarer took the ace to advance the heart ten, covered by the queen and king, ducked by Senior. Now declarer simply crossed to dummy to play hearts again, and Senior could win cheaply and clear spades for down one. Penfold led by 11 IMPs now.

Board 26. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ A 5 3 2 ♥ K Q J ♦ J 9 3 ♣ J 8 3	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 10px; margin: 0 auto; width: 60px; height: 60px; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-bottom: 5px;">N</span> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-bottom: 5px;">W</span> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-bottom: 5px;">E</span> <span style="font-size: 2em;">S</span> </div>	♠ K Q 8 6 ♥ 8 5 4 ♦ 7 6 2 ♣ K 10 5
♠ J 10 ♥ 10 7 3 2 ♦ A K 10 8 ♣ 7 6 4		♠ 9 7 4 ♥ A 9 6 ♦ Q 5 4 ♣ A Q 9 2

Three No-trumps may be one of the more disgusting cold contracts of the tournament. After you find 3-3 clubs with the king and ten onside, all you need is to generate an extra trick in either diamonds or spades, and of course on a top diamond lead, life is easy. Senior merely invited game as West, and Popilov passed Two No-trumps, making 120 on a spade lead.

In the other room Farholt played Three No-trumps, and Smith as South kept her side in the game by leading hearts. Now if declarer double-finesses in clubs, she will have to guess whether to play on spades or diamonds for the ninth trick. In fact Farholt led a club to the queen and could not recover. (In a parallel position on Yugraph, Gower did pass the club jack, but then played to duck a spade and play on that suit, so also went down.) Farholt went down two, and the eight IMPs to Penfold, gave them a 19 IMP lead, which is where the match ended up.

### Championship Questionnaires



Please hand in your completed Championship questionnaires to the Main EBL office on the third floor or the Registration Desk in the lobby.

These are your championships – give us your opinions!

## Once more with feeling!

We have already seen this deal before a couple of times, when on each occasion declarer was unable to spot the winning line in Six Diamonds on a trump lead.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

<p>♠ A 4 ♥ – ♦ AKQ8432 ♣ K876</p>	<p>♠ 8732 ♥ K532 ♦ J5 ♣ AJ2</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; margin: 5px auto; width: 80px; text-align: center;">             N W E S           </div>	<p>♠ KQ65 ♥ AQJ106 ♦ 97 ♣ 94</p>	<p>♠ J109 ♥ 9874 ♦ 106 ♣ Q1053</p>
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This deal was generally played in Six Diamonds by West, and on anything but a trump or spade lead life is easy. Lilo Popilov led the diamond jack against Six Diamonds, and declarer, Georges Romanowski ran six trumps at once.

On these trumps North was virtually forced to let go two clubs and two hearts; South, Matilda Popilov, had some choice., but pitched the spade jack (reverse) then three hearts.

Now declarer ran the spades and the heart ace, on which South pitched a club. In the three-card ending this position had been reached:

<p>♠ – ♥ – ♦ 2 ♣ K8</p>	<p>♠ 8 ♥ K ♦ – ♣ A</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; margin: 5px auto; width: 80px; text-align: center;">             N W E S           </div>	<p>♠ 5 ♥ Q ♦ – ♣ 9</p>	<p>♠ – ♥ – ♦ – ♣ Q105</p>
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Romanowski paused to reconsider the defence, and decided that South's desire to retain her clubs to the end was more consistent with a holding such as queen-ten-fourth than ace-ten-fourth. So he led the club from dummy and ducked in hand to bring home his slam.

In a way this is an extension of Reese's BOLS prize-winning tip: you should play a defender who discards from a suit to have the king rather than the jack, and the ace rather than the queen. So when they retain their original length in a suit play them for the minor honours.

## Overall Ranking (presented by BEKO Company)

# BEKO

Open Pairs Final A							
1	90	14	53	27	31	40	18
2	86	15	51	28	30	41	18
3	83	16	49	29	29	42	17
4	80	17	47	30	28	43	16
5	76	18	45	31	26	44	16
6	73	19	43	32	25	45	15
7	70	20	41	33	24	46	14
8	68	21	40	34	23	47	14
9	65	22	38	35	22	48	13
10	62	23	37	36	22	49	13
11	60	24	35	37	21	50	12
12	57	25	34	38	20	51	12
13	55	26	32	39	19	52	11

Open Pairs Final B							
1	19	17	10	33	5	49	3
2	18	18	10	34	5	50	3
3	18	19	9	35	5	51	2
4	17	20	9	36	5	52	2
5	16	21	8	37	4	53	2
6	16	22	8	38	4	54	2
7	15	23	8	39	4	55	2
8	14	24	7	40	4	56	2
9	14	25	7	41	4	57	2
10	13	26	7	42	4	58	2
11	13	27	7	43	3	59	2
12	12	28	6	44	3	60	2
13	12	29	6	45	3	61	2
14	11	30	6	46	3	62	2
15	11	31	6	47	3	63	2
16	10	32	5	48	3	64+	1

Women & Senior Pairs Final A							
1	90	8	68	15	51	22	38
2	86	9	65	16	49	23	37
3	83	10	62	17	47	24	35
4	80	11	60	18	45	25	34
5	76	12	57	19	43	26	32
6	73	13	55	20	41		
7	70	14	53	21	40		

Women & Senior Pairs Final B							
1	45	13	28	25	17	37	10
2	43	14	26	26	16	38	10
3	41	15	25	27	16	39	10
4	40	16	24	28	15	40	9
5	38	17	23	29	14	41	9
6	37	18	22	30	14	42	8
7	35	19	22	31	13	43	8
8	34	20	21	32	13	44	8
9	32	21	20	33	12	45	7
10	31	22	19	34	12	46	7
11	30	23	18	35	11	47	7
12	29	24	18	36	11	48	7



FÉDÉRATION MONÉGASQUE DE BRIDGE



## 1st BRIDGE GAMES OF SMALL NBOs

**Location:** Monaco

**Date:** Wednesday 7th November to Friday 9th November 2007

Who may take part? One Open Team of 4 to 6 players, for each NBO of less than 500 members. As it is the first edition, and as we want it to be a friendly meeting between players, if “just bigger” NBOs wish to take part, we’ll welcome them with pleasure.

**Format :** It will depend from the number of teams, but probably a round-robin of one or two groups on Wednesday and Thursday, with Semi-Finals and Final on Friday.

**Entry fees:** No entry fee will be required

**Travel & Accomodation:** Travel remains at the charge of each NBO, and accommodation too. We’ll propose to the teams three kinds of accommodation : flats for 4-6 persons, hotel 2\*\* or 3\*\*\*, hotel 4\*\*\*\*.

What else? Opening cocktail on Wednesday 7th at 12.00. Prize giving cocktail on Friday 9th around 19.00. Visits of Monaco and the area on Thursday and Friday morning. Dinners free or together on Wednesday and Friday evening.

And ??? Each team which will stay in Monaco to play the International Teams Tournament (from Friday 9th to Sunday 11th) will pay an Entry fee of 150 Euro instead of 250.

**Registration & Information:** It’s important for us that NBOs confirm their will to come as soon as possible. Send a mail to Jean-Charles Allavena ([jcaconseil@libello.com](mailto:jcaconseil@libello.com)). Use the same address for any information you may need.

**Conclusion:** This is the first edition, and any suggestion concerning any point herein is welcome. The bridge competition will be serious, but the target is to spend three nice days together, have good time and know each other better....

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## Two good deeds deserve a write-up

Last night Marcin Lesniewski came into the bulletin office, and told us about the two good deeds his opponents had produced on consecutive deals from the qualifying.

Marcin was East, Jean-Michel Voldoire was West.

The Good Samaritan sitting North was Jaacov Mintz, and South was Doran Limor.

Board 27. Dealer South. None Vul.

	♠ 7 3 2 ♥ 10 9 6 2 ♦ K 9 4 3 2 ♣ 4											
♠ K ♥ A K 8 7 ♦ A Q J 10 7 ♣ A 8 7	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <table style="border: none; text-align: center; width: 100%;"> <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> </div>		N		W		E		S		♠ A J 9 4 ♥ J 5 4 3 ♦ 8 ♣ 9 6 5 2	
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W		E										
	S											
	♠ Q 10 8 6 5 ♥ Q ♦ 6 5 ♣ K Q J 10 3											

West	North	East	South
<i>Voldoire</i>		<i>Lesniewski</i>	
			2♥*
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass**	5♥
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

\* Spades and a second suit

\*\* See below

The board came up in the semi-finals of the B Open Pairs. Marcin was not paying full attention so that when his screen mate, North, alerted him vigorously to the artificial nature of the Two Heart opening, he did not ask, but assumed it to be hearts and a minor.

He therefore raised what he imagined to be a natural Two Spade bid to Three. His partner, with the World's fair, repeated the cue-bid, and now Lesniewski thought they had arrived at the final resting-place. So when North passed, he reached for the green card. North saw this, and asked 'Are you sure?'. When Lesniewski indicated his intention to pass again, North asked again 'Are you REALLY sure?'

Now Lesniewski got the message. He looked at the card, and realized he had to dig himself out of the pit somehow, so he bid Five Hearts and was raised to slam. Lesniewski

had to play it of course, and with all the discussions he was already under time pressure when dummy appeared. He won the lead of the club king and cashed one top heart, played the diamond ace and ruffed a diamond, cashed the heart jack then crossed to the spade king and passed the diamond queen successfully. When that passed off peacefully, he ruffed out the diamond king, played the spade ace and ruffed a spade, and cashed the diamond jack as North followed suit impotently. The heart king was trick 12 and both defenders took trick 13; contract made.

At this point there was one minute left on the clock and North and South could have avoided playing the second board altogether, but they said they were happy to try and fit the board in. so they rushed to take out their cards. This was the deal:

Board 28. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

	♠ K 7 6 4 3 ♥ 7 3 ♦ K 5 4 2 ♣ 8 5											
♠ J 10 9 2 ♥ A K 8 2 ♦ 8 6 ♣ A 7 6	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <table style="border: none; text-align: center; width: 100%;"> <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> </div>		N		W		E		S		♠ A Q 8 5 ♥ Q 4 ♦ A Q 9 ♣ K Q J 10	
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	♠ – ♥ J 10 9 6 5 ♦ J 10 7 3 ♣ 9 4 3 2											

West	North	East	South
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	6NT	All Pass

The auction took very little time, with Lesniewski taking the inspired decision to play no-trump not spades. On the lead of the heart jack he won in hand and crossed to the club ace to pass the spade jack. After running all his spade and club winners he crossed to dummy in the four-card ending, took the top hearts and had to guess whether to take the diamond finesse or whether he had squeezed South. (Yes after the first spade play it might have been wiser to take the diamond finesse at once!)

As it was he guessed what to do and racked up 13-tricks. For their kindness North-South got a 17% round; but you could argue that in the end justice was done, since they find themselves in the 'A' semi-finals, while their more fortunate opponents are situated in the 'B' semi-finals!

## Medal Winners mix Youth and Experience – and a little Seniority



The new European Open Team Champions demonstrate very clearly that bridge is a game for players of every generation from all over the World.

The Open Champions, a father and son, representing the old guard and the new, France's **Michel Bessis & Thomas Bessis**, alongside two young Israelis, **Eldad Ginossar & Ron Pachtman**.

The Women, Netherlands I, are a combination that epitomises my title, **Carla Arnolds & Bep Vriend, Jet Pasman & Anneke Simons** providing the experience and **Marion Michielsen & Meike Wortel** the product of the Dutch bridge machine that will surely bear even more fruit in the coming years.

The Senior title went to a six-man squad, team **Kaminski (Amos Kaminski & Yeshayahu Levit, Sam Lev & Pinhas Romik – two USA-Israel combinations – and Rami Sheinman & Adrian Schwartz)**

Our congratulations and commiserations go to the runners up in each event,

Texan Aces – the dream team of the championships, an Indian/USA alliance – **Jyotindra Shah & Padmanabhan Sridharan, Krishna Kumar Kanningat & Gopal Venkatesh, Sumit Mukherjee & Badal Chandra Das**.

Penfold – England's **Sandra Penfold, Nevena Senior, Nicola Smith & Heather Dhondy**, together with Israel's **Matlida Poplilov**.

France Seniors – **Francois Stretz & Jean-Louis Stoppa, Philippe Vanhoutte & Patrick Grenthe, Jean Marie Py and Patrice Piganeau**.

You might like to try and work out how many World & European Championships all these medallists have amassed – let us simply observe that they are far too many to list.

## SENIORS MEETING

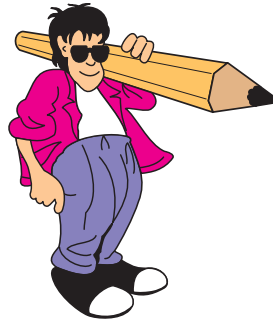
Today – 14.30 to 15.15

VuGraph area – Kremlin Palace

### AGENDA

- Introduction – Nissan Rand
- Communication from the President – Guido Resta
- Considerations on the format – Patrick Jourdain
- Riccione presentation – Göran Mattsson
- Various

## Championship Diary



First Menton, then Tenerife, now Antalya – what do they have in common?

I'll give you a clue; a delightful Turkish lady came into the Bulletin room in search of a photograph. She remarked on how warm it was in our office – the air conditioning doesn't work too well – and then said it was never usually this hot in Turkey.

The answer?

The location of the European Open Championships immediately becomes the hottest place on the planet.

On Wednesday the temperature reached an unbelievable 56°C. Just in time for the open air Press Conference at 12.00.

Wednesday was a very important holiday in most of the Balkans, as on this day in 1389 the Slavs beat the Ottomans in the 'Battle of Kosovo'. In many languages the name of that battlefield is translated (Bataille du Champ des Merles) to reflect that Kosovo is nothing else but the Serbian for Blackbird. Because of that momentous significance, many other events in the Balkans happened on this date, most notably the assassination of Franz Ferdinand in Sarajevo in 1914. In 1919 the date also marked the end of the First World War, with the signing of the Treaty of Versailles.

28 June is also the date of the accession to the throne of two emperors: Charles V of Spain and Austria and Queen Victoria (at one time Empress of India).

Today is also the birthday of King Henry VIII and of Peter Paul Rubens (Herman finally manages to get a famous Belgian into the Bulletin).

Maria Erhart dropped in just before 08.00.

'Every morning I come by and only you and Tacchi are working. What am I to do? I have to fly home on Friday and the final of the Women's Pairs is on Saturday.'

'Don't qualify, or change your flight.'

'But I am flying to Innsbruck and there is only one flight a week to Innsbruck.'

'From anywhere in the World!', quipped Tacchi.

Sabine was checking her email.

'I have a message from Chang G Donovan offering me a bigger instrument.'

'Presumably he is suggesting you upgrade from a ukulele to an electric guitar.'

'I've done something stupid.' Barry

'Never mind.' Mark

'No, it always hurts.' Barry

'There goes a man in constant pain.' Tacchi

(Barry was the first to laugh when we told him.)



## Daniel Auby 1955 – 2007

### Daniel Auby is dead. What can I say?

A good friend and a good man has left us much too early, and he leaves behind a grieving Swedish and global bridge community as well as a brother who was Daniel's only family. Daniel was only 52 years old when he passed away in his home a few days ago.

Daniel started his international career in Geneva 1990, followed by Albuquerque 1994 and Lille 1998. During this period he was assisted the Swedish national team and over the last ten years he acted as NPC, coach, or slave to the team. He frequently enlightened the bulletin with reports from and beside the bridge tables.

My first encounter with Daniel was when he peeked into my scoring office 15 years ago and said that some people had recommended me. He wondered if we could play bridge together. "Why not?" was my reply to this person whom I hardly knew. This led up to the highlight of Daniel's bridge career, namely the bronze medal in the 1994 Rosenblum Cup in Albuquerque.

This period included a lot of training and pressure, because of the 317-pages of system notes. The pressure was mainly on me, since Daniel had written every single word of the document. Together we also provided a 72 page supplementary sheet. The point was that Daniel had originally been a lawyer and since Kokish had written "describe all bidding sequences up to and including the second round of bidding" Daniel and I spent many long nights trying to comply with this.

One thing that should be mentioned is that his system's name was "Rather Natural" but with a 16-19 INT -- which to this day I still find an abuse of the word "natural". Later he switched to strong club and 4/6 of the current Swedish open team play the system developed by Daniel.

Daniel's next step in his bridge career was the captaincy of the open Swedish team, something that lasted from 1997-2001. Daniel introduced a number of previously unknown components to that captaincy – extensive system notes, bidding practice with monthly reports to the captain, and documented physical training.

Daniel described this period of his career as one of the toughest times of his life, spending three hours in front of the computer every night dealing with miscellaneous team issues and trying to convince his bridge players (as he saw them) that he knew better what was good for them than they did. We all know the true nature of bridge players, so I assume you can appreciate the difficulty in Daniel's mission.

Daniel was very black and white in his approach to life,

which was always a source of joy or despair depending on whether Daniel at the time was an ally or the enemy. This became especially clear while playing board games – another of Daniel's favourite pastimes. These games could create the fiercest of fights, but we were always friends after the game, happily analysing the finer details of each player's strategy. Daniel was over at our place at least once a month for dinner and gaming. I fear this will not be the same in the future.

Daniel was very skilled at "politicking" to arrive at victory at these board games. One thing that I always pointed out was that Daniel never lied during his efforts of manipulating his fellow gamers. However, he occasionally forgot to include some parts of the truth.

Being a former lawyer, the accuracy of the rules was to Daniel what defined a good game. Undoubtedly holes in the rules were discovered, fought over, and finally in a democratic spirit voted through and set as a precedent. The outcome of the vote was carefully scribbled inside the rule-book for future use, so that we could fight over something else the next time.

One of my personal 'Daniel top-5s' is the extension to the classical board game Risk, which he found too simple. He simply decided to move the game into the late 20th century when he introduced intercontinental missiles! Daniel was very inventive and you never knew what to expect.

As you understand, Daniel had a true interest in bridge and games. There was much more to Daniel than that.

He started out aiming for a career as a teacher, studying history and religion at university. After a few years his father told him to go for a "real" job, at which point he switched to law. After the law degree and a two-year session in court, he switched into software, where he spent the last 20 years as a software developer.

Classical music was another of his interests and he regularly arranged music quizzes. Another was sports: he once borrowed a sports stadium and arranged a decathlon just for the kick of having once done that. Not to mention the yearly summer party with a pentathlon of strange new physical games every year, amongst which pole-throwing is still my favourite.

It is riddle to me why Daniel has been taken from us. We will always remember him as the great and considerate friend he was.

Tomas Brenning

PS. There is also a memory page set up with pictures on the internet at the following address:

[www.swangames.com/main/Photos/Antalya\\_2007](http://www.swangames.com/main/Photos/Antalya_2007)



# Womens Teams Final – Set 3

by Mark Horton

After two hard fought sets Netherlands Women led Penfold 89-70. With the Open Championship apparently decided, BBO had switched their coverage.

The set started in disastrous fashion for Penfold:

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ 10 6 3 ♥ Q 8 5 ♦ A K 7 6 ♣ A 10 4	<table style="margin: auto; border: 1px solid black; background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px;"> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">W     E</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W     E	S	♠ K 9 5 4 ♥ K J 10 ♦ 10 9 5 3 ♣ K 7	♠ A Q 8 7 2 ♥ A 4 ♦ J 4 2 ♣ Q 9 5
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Michielsen</i>	<i>Senior</i>	<i>Wortel</i>	<i>Poplilov</i>
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	INT	Pass	2♣*
All Pass	2♠	Pass	4♠

West led the two of hearts and declarer, not trying dummy's queen, won in hand with the ace and ran the queen of clubs to East's king. East fired a club back to



Meike Wortel

dummy's ten and declarer played a spade to the queen. The fall of the jack makes a spade to the ten the obvious move, but declarer, clearly losing concentration for a moment, played a club to the ace. East ruffed that cashed the king of hearts and waited for her trump trick, +50.

Closed Room

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

West led the seven of hearts, covered in turn by the queen, king and ace. Declarer crossed to the ace of diamonds and played a spade to the queen. Declarer now played a diamond to the king (a spade to the ten looks more natural at this point) and must have been pleased to see the queen appear. The ten of spades was covered by the king and ace, as West discarded a heart. The queen of clubs ran to East's king and she played two rounds of hearts, declarer ruffing the second and playing a club to the ten. When that held she played a trump and with East out of hearts she was home, +420 and 10 IMPs.

A couple of boards later a slam was in the offing:

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ 5 4 ♥ 10 9 7 ♦ 10 8 3 ♣ 10 7 6 5 3	<table style="margin: auto; border: 1px solid black; background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px;"> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">W     E</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W     E	S	♠ K Q 8 7 3 2 ♥ A ♦ J 7 ♣ K 8 4 2	♠ J 10 9 ♥ K Q 6 3 2 ♦ A 6 4 ♣ Q J
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Michielsen</i>	<i>Senior</i>	<i>Wortel</i>	<i>Poplilov</i>
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♦
Pass	2♣*	Pass	INT
Pass	3♠	Pass	2♥
Pass	4♠	All Pass	4♣

North, appreciating the playing potential of her hand – even the jack of diamonds was potentially useful, used the Two Club relay before emphasising her spade suit. Once South had cue bid Four Clubs it was surely incum-

bent on North to bid Four Hearts, which might well have seen South jump to slam. As it was the former European Women's Pairs Champions had to be content with +480.

Close, but no cigar.

Closed Room

West <i>Dhondy</i>	North <i>Pasman</i>	East <i>Smith</i>	South <i>Simons</i>
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♦
Pass	4♠	All Pass	INT

North did not see things in the same light as her counterpart at the other table so once again the slam went a begging, no swing.

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

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

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

Open Room

West <i>Michielsen</i>	North <i>Senior</i>	East <i>Wortel</i>	South <i>Poplilov</i>
Pass	1♥	Pass	Pass
Pass	2♦*	Pass	2♣*
Dble	Pass	3♦	All Pass

- 2♣ Drury
- 2♦ Not minimum
- 2♥ 3-card support

Should West double Two Hearts? It is clear East has a lot of hearts, so the chance of finding a fit is diminished. Change one of East's small diamonds to a spade and East/West could be in trouble. Well, whatever you think that did not happen here, as East, who wisely decided her trumps were not good enough to defend Two Hearts, bid her diamonds.

South led the king of spades and when that held the appearance of dummy was such that there was a chance she might find the essential switch to a trump. No, she pressed on with the queen of spades, followed by the ten.

Declarer ruffed, cashed the ace of hearts, ruffed a heart, cashed the ace of clubs and exited with a club. North won and could do no better than exit with a club. Declarer ruffed, ruffed a heart and played dummy's last spade. North ruffed in with the king of diamonds and exited with the eight of diamonds, but declarer simply played the nine and had to score three more tricks, +110.

Closed Room

West <i>Dhondy</i>	North <i>Pasman</i>	East <i>Smith</i>	South <i>Simons</i>
Pass	1♥	Pass	Pass
Pass	INT	Pass	1♠
All Pass		Pass	2♥

Here North/South were left to play in Two Hearts.

East led a diamond and West took the ace and returned a diamond to declarer's king. The jack of hearts took the next trick, West discarding the seven of spades.

With the 5-0 split disclosed declarer now does best to abandon trumps, but oblivious to the danger she played the five of hearts. East went up with the ace and had only to return a trump to ensure a one trick defeat.

When she played the superficially attractive queen of diamonds declarer ruffed and played the king of clubs. West won and returned the suit. Declarer won and set about the spades. East could ruff the third round and exit with a trump, but declarer won with dummy's king and played the master spade, +110 and a useful 6 IMPs.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

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

Open Room

West <i>Michielsen</i>	North <i>Senior</i>	East <i>Wortel</i>	South <i>Poplilov</i>
1♠	2♥	2♠	1♥
4♠	5♥	Dble	3♣
			All Pass

West led the ten of spades and declarer won with the ace and made the surprising play of a diamond to the ace. I say surprising, because it looks natural to attack trumps by playing low to the queen. (There was some discussion as to the meaning of East's double – it was alerted – so clearly declarer was playing West for three trumps). Declarer's next move was a heart to the king and now the contract was doomed – or was it?

Declarer played a second heart and East won, cashed the ace and played a spade. Declarer ruffed and played the two of clubs. With the setting trick before her West played low and now declarer was home. She won in dummy, came back to the ace of clubs and advanced the jack of clubs for a tremendous +650.



Heather Dhondy

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Dhondy	Pasman	Smith	Simons
1♠	2♥	3♥*	1♥
4♠	All Pass		4♣

North led the queen of clubs and South took the ace and switched to the six of hearts for the queen and ace. Declare ruffed a heart, cashed the king of clubs discarding a diamond and played a club. When North discarded a heart she ruffed, and ruffed a heart with the nine of spades. She ruffed her last club and then played the queen of spades. Now in the endgame North eventually had to surrender a diamond trick, +420 and a massive 14 IMPs, making the score 88-108.

However, there was nothing in the remaining boards and the Netherlands Women were deserving winners, 109 –88.

### WJ05 A Modern Version of the Polish Club



Krzysztof Jassem has published a new book on the Polish Club. It is a modernisation of the previous WJ95 and WJ2000 versions. It complies with all international system requirements and aims to become the accepted version of the Polish Club both inside and outside Poland. The Turkish Bridge Federation stall on the fourth floor has the book on sale for 15.00 Euro.

## Double Trump Demotion

by Mark Horton

You must have heard of a trump promotion, and perhaps a few of you have encountered the much rarer double trump promotion. However, I wonder if you have ever seen its counterpart, the double trump demotion?

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

♠ A Q 10 7 ♥ A 7 ♦ A K Q 7 6 ♣ 9 5	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100px;"> <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	♠ K J 9 ♥ 10 9 3 2 ♦ – ♣ Q 10 8 7 3 2
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W E					
S					
♠ 8 6 5 4 2 ♥ K 5 ♦ J 10 8 3 ♣ A 6	♠ 3 ♥ Q J 8 6 4 ♦ 9 5 4 2 ♣ K J 4				

West	North	East	South
Pass	2NT	Pass	2♦*
Pass	4♥	All Pass	3♣*

After South started with an emaciated Multi North enquired and discovering that South was minimum simply jumped to game.

East led the two of clubs and West took dummy's jack with the ace and returned a diamond, which West ruffed. A second club was taken by dummy's king and declarer played a third club.

If West discards on this trick, declarer will ruff and lay down the ace of hearts. Then after the ace of spades and a spade ruff declarer plays the queen of hearts. West wins with the king and plays a diamond for East to ruff.

You will have observed that this amounts to two more trump tricks for East/West.

However, West decided to ruff the four of clubs and declarer overruffed, cashed the ace of hearts, felling West's king, played ace of spades and ruffed a spade and drew East's trumps – a double trump demotion – or as Oscar Wilde would have put it – 'To lose one trump trick may be regarded as a misfortune; to lose both looks like carelessness.'

(John Collings once made a Grand Slam missing KQ10xx of trumps – the suit was divided K – Q10xx by persuading East to ruff in three times.)

## Doubler in Trouble - Solution

North doubled West's Three No-trumps. He led a high heart, cashed the spade ace, and exited with the diamond eight.

Should he have doubled?

Is there or was there a way to make or beat the contract?

<p>♠ 7 6 5 ♥ Q 5 4 ♦ A 9 6 ♣ A K Q 5</p>	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 10px; width: 80px; margin: 0 auto;">             N W     E S           </div>	<p>♠ 4 3 2 ♥ 3 2 ♦ K Q J 10 5 ♣ 9 8 4</p>
	<p>♠ K Q J 10 9 8 ♥ – ♦ 4 3 2 ♣ J 10 7 6</p>	

It looks like it might be possible to run the club nine which South must cover and then endplay South after cashing all the diamonds. But he will cash his winners and exit with the club jack to block the suit. Declarer has nine tricks but can't get to the last club.

However, let us see what happens if you win the diamond return in both hands so to speak. Play the king from dummy and overtake with the ace. Next cash two top clubs and exit with a low diamond from both hands. North has only hearts left and must give you a heart trick.

If he plays ace and a small one South will be squeezed in the black suits on the run of the diamonds.

If he exits with a small heart without cashing the king, South will still come under pressure.

<p>♠ – ♥ K J 10 9 ♦ – ♣ –</p>	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 10px; width: 80px; margin: 0 auto;">             N W     E S           </div>	<p>♠ 4 3 ♥ – ♦ 10 ♣ 9</p>
	<p>♠ K Q ♥ – ♦ – ♣ J 10</p>	

On the last diamond he must hold on to his clubs and can only keep one spade. You throw your club away and establish a spade trick.

So if this was the way North planned to defend, the answer is NO, he should not have doubled.

BUT, the question was also:

Is there or was there a way to beat the contract?

YES, there was. The following devilish defence beats it. North leads the spade ace, then continues with a minor, without touching hearts. Now there is no way to make nine tricks, provided of course that if declarer tries the same diamond throw-in after two rounds of clubs North exits with a small heart!!

There was ONE solver who provided the correct answer (several others, we let them remain anonymous, assured me it was a hundred percent make – in spite of me asking a couple of times Are you absolutely sure?)

THOMAS BESSIS, well done. A set of bidding boxes is waiting for you in the Bulletin office. Watch out for overweight on the flight with boxes, medal, plate etc...

### Wishful thinking

Foolishly, as West after two passes you decide to psyche a spade opening North overcalls One No-trump but your partner's ridiculous trust in you convinces him to bid Four Spades.

North leads the diamond king.

Imagine it is Christmas. Suggest a lie of the North-South hands allowing the contract to make – and describe the play.

<p>♠ K ♥ A Q 10 ♦ 6 5 4 3 2 ♣ 10 3 2</p>	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 10px; width: 80px; margin: 0 auto;">             N W     E S           </div>	<p>♠ A 10 7 3 2 ♥ 5 4 3 2 ♦ A ♣ 6 5 4</p>
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### Anti-doping

Anti-doping information for Shanghai 2007

All players participating in Shanghai in the Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup or Senior Bowl, who, for health reasons, use pharmacological products included in the WADA list, are required to present the relevant medical documentary evidence to the WBF Medical and the Anti-doping Committee prior to the tournament.

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#### TUESDAY, november 6

3.00 pm to 8.45 pm Rounds #8 #9 #10 #11

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10.00 am to 11.15 am Semifinal segment #1

11.45 - Bus to Varadero

2.00 pm Lunch in the Hotel Melia Varadero

4.15 pm to 7.00 pm Semifinal segment #2 #3

7.30 pm to 9.15 pm Final Segment #1

#### THURSDAY, november 8

10.00 am to 11.45 am Final Segment #2

2.15 pm to 4 pm Final Segment #3

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## Açık İkili'de Son Dönemeç

Hazırlayan: Murat Molva

Açık İkili Şampiyonası dışında tüm şampiyonalarda madalya sahipleri belli oldu. Şimdi geriye sadece 4 seanslık Açık İkili Finali kaldı.

Gördüğünüz gibi Avrupa Şampiyonu ünvanı alıp altın (veya gümüş veya bronz) madalyayı boynunuza takabilmek için 12 seans boyunca ter dökmeniz gerekiyor.

Ter dökmek derken gerçekten terlemekten bahsediyorum. Çünkü şu an salonda oynayanlar asıl zorluğu sıcak ortam dolayısıyla çekiyorlar. Yoksa 12 veya 412 seans turnuva oynamak pek sorun değil.

Aşırı sıcaklar yüzünden elektriklerin sürekli kesilmesi ve dolayısı ile klimaların devre dışı kalması yüzünden, çok iyi oynamamıza rağmen, ortağım Turgay ve ben turnuvada başarısız olduk ve Finale kalamadık. Kim verecek bunun hesabını?

Ama şunu size söyleyeyim. Bu turnuvada başarılı olmak için tek yapmanız gereken şey ağzınızla kuş tutmak. Briç bilmeye gerek yok.

Normal şartlarda Türkiye'de oynanan Cumhuriyet İkili ve benzeri turnuvalarda yaptığınız oyunlar, size bu turnuvayı kazandırmak şöyle dursun, yukarılarda bir derece tutturmanıza bile yetmiyor.

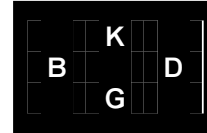
Bültene malzeme toplayayım diye Yarı final 4. seansı oynanırken turnuva salonuna gittim ve Tezcan Şen – Zafer Şengüler çiftini ünlü Fransız çift Bompis – Quantin'e karşı oynar durumda görünce hemen bir sandalye çekip yanlarına oturdum.

**Açık İkili-A, Bord 15; D:Güney, Zon:KG**

Batı Şengüler	Kuzey Bompis	Doğu Şen	Güney Quantin
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4♣ (*)	H.Pas		
(*) Natürel baraj			

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♥ 84  
♦ AJ986532  
♣ J62

♠ J1094  
♥ J  
♦ -  
♣ A10987543



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♦ 104  
♣ KQ

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♦ KQ7  
♣ -

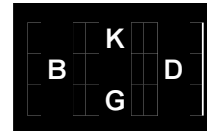
Quantin Güney'deki eli ile 1 pik açtı. Açış o açış. Bir daha Kuzey-Güney'den kimse ses çıkarmadı. Oysa Türkiye'deki bir turnuvada birisi eline 8 kartlı renk ile pas geçerse o oyuncunun başka bir niyeti olduğundan ve askeri darbe filan planladığından şüphelenilir. En azından bir DNA testine gönderilmesinde yarar vardır.

Bompis ise pas geçti ve Şengüler-Şen çifti 4 trefle bir batınca %24 alıp oturdular. Demek ki Avrupa Şampiyonalarında tutucu olmak ve 8 kartlı renk gelse de pas geçmek mi iyi oluyormuş acaba? Hemen bir sonraki ele geçelim:

Batı Şengüler	Kuzey Bompis	Doğu Şen	Güney Quantin
Pas	Pas	1♥	Pas
2♦ (*)	3♦	Pas	Pas
3♥	3♠	Pas	4♦
H.Pas			
(*) Drury			

♠ 109632  
♥ J  
♦ AKQ85  
♣ 97

♠ QJ  
♥ A975  
♦ 106  
♣ A8432



♠ K7  
♥ Q84  
♦ 9742  
♣ KJ65

♠ A854  
♥ K10632  
♦ J3  
♣ Q10



Az önce 8 parça karo ile ölüm sessizliğine bürünen Bompis, bu sefer de pastan geldikten sora 5-5 dağılımı ile bülbüller gibi şakımaya başlıyor.

4 karoya kadar yükselmelerine rağmen karo ve pik renklerinin uygun dağılımı sonucu 4 karo tam oluyor ve Şengüler-Şen çifti bu board'dan da %24 alıp oturuyorlar.

Adeta, "Ne alırsan %24" turnuvası...

Eee peki buradan çıkarılacak ders neymiş? Başarılı olmak için 8'li rengin varsa pas geç? 5-5 dağılımın varsa konuş? Bu mudur yani?

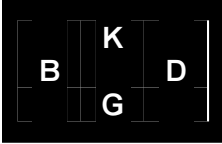
İşin can sıkıcı noktası ise Şengüler-Şen çiftinin %24 gibi tatsız bir skor almalarını gerektirecek hiç bir kabahat işlememiş olmaları. Hani insan kontrolü part skor yaptırır filan da ondan sonra başı önüne eğik bir şekilde pişmanlık krizleri geçirir.



Pişmanlık krizi derken, Avrupa İkili Şampiyonası'nda insan hangi durumlarda pişmanlık krizi geçireceğini de tam kestiremiyor.

Örneğin Türkiye'deki her hangi bir büyük turnuvada şöyle bir el oynasanız:

**Açık İkili-A, Bord 20; D:Batı, Zon:Herkes**

♠ A84		♠ 1053
♥ AKQJ732		♥ 1095
♦ J3		♦ 10652
♣ 5		♣ Q87
♠ J962		♠ 1053
♥ 6		♥ 1095
♦ KQ87		♦ 10652
♣ 10964		♣ Q87
♠ KQ7		
♥ 84		
♦ A94		
♣ AKJ32		

Açık İkili Yarı Final 3. seansında Zafer Şengüler – Tezcan Şen çifti yukarıdaki eller ile Kuzey-Güney yönünden güzel bir deklarasyon yapıyorlar. Tezcan Şen deklarasyon esnasında "Elden çaka alarak trefl rengini sağlamam gerekebilir" diye düşünerek 7 kör'ü tercih ediyor.

Şimdi yukarıdaki elden sonra ne düşünürsüz? Tabii bu sorunun cevabı, cevapçının sosyo-ekonomik ve konjonktürel konumuna göre değişebilir. Örneğin:

Zafer Şengüler veya Tezcan Şen:

"Bu board bize iyi olur. 17 lövelik grandşlem bile en az %70 alır. Allah bereket versin".

Tarafsız bir briçsever seyirci:

"Aferin adamlara gayet bilinçli ve kontrollü bir deklarasyon vererek 7 körü buldular".

Tarafli ve fanatik seyirci:

"Ne var ki bunda? Kabak grandşlemi buldular diye tebrik mi bekliyorlar yani?"

Briç masasındaki standard rakip:

"Allah kahretsin bu eli bula bula oynayacak tam rakipleri bulduk. Başkasının 4 körde kalacağı elle 7'yi buldular. Ben çok bedbahtım".

Yemek masasındaki standard sevgili veya eş:

"Bütün gün briç oynadınız hala bıkmadınız mı bunları konuşmaktan? Benim içime fenalıklar geldi".

Peki, Türkiyedeki durum böyle de Avrupa Şampiyonası'nda durum nasıl?

İşte maalesef burada hazin gerçek ile karşı karşıya kalıyoruz.

Board bittikten sonra masada duran Bridgemate adlı teknoloji harikası cihaz ele alınıyor ve skor giriliyor. Dört çift göz merak ve heyecan ile makinanın en son vereceği skoru merak ile bekliyor...

Ve Bridgemate raconu kesiyor: Şengüler-Şen çifti bu board'dan da %24 alıyor!!! Olamaz!!! Korkunç bir yanlışlık var!!! Nöbetçiler !!!

Fakat maalesef yanlışlık yok. Gerçeklerden kaçılmaz. %24 skoru doğru. Çünkü Avrupa Şampiyonası'nda bu kartları elina alan herkes 7NT deklare ediyorlar. Ve 7 kör'de kalanlara da "Dilerseniz internet ortamında makul fiyatla briç dersleri veriyorum" diye kartvizitlerini veriyorlar.

Eğer ileride Avrupa Şampiyonu olmayı filan düşünüyorsanız kulağınıza küpe olsun. Grandşlemi bulmak yetmez. Hangi grandşlemi oynayacağınızı da bilmeniz gerek.

# OPEN PAIRS - SEMI FINAL A

(standings after 4 sessions - provisional subject to appeals)

Rank	Names	Percentage			
1	Julian STEFANOV - Victor ARONOV	57,11	56	Edmund CZUBAK - Jacek CIECHOMSKI	50,34
2	Waleed EI AHMADI - Tarek SADEK	56,61	57	Jan MARTYNEK - Jakub SLEMR	50,30
3	Georgi KARAKOLEV - Zahari ZAHARIEV	56,42	58	W. ROZWADOWSKI - G. ROMANOWSKI	50,25
4	D. KOWALSKI - Konrad ARASZKIEWICZ	56,15	59	Cem ALTAN - Nejat AYDIN	50,21
5	M.BOMPIS - Jean-Christophe QUANTIN	55,51	60	Apolinary KOWALSKI - Piotr TUSZYNSKI	49,90
6	W. JAWORSKI - Grzegorz NARKIEWICZ	55,40	61	Christophe OURSEL - Godefroy De TESSIERES	49,74
7	Turan YAVUZ - Erdal Olkay ERCAN	55,27	62	Gerard IZISEL - Dominique PILON	49,63
8	Josef PIEKAREK - Alexander SMIRNOV	54,53	63	Ercan KURU - Metin EKSHIOGLU	49,61
9	Krzysztof JASSEM - Krzysztof MARTENS	54,49	64	Enver KOKSOY - Ahmet KAHRAMAN	49,58
10	W. STARKOWSKI - S.GOLEBIOWSKI	54,38	65	Jon-Egil FURUNES - Terje AA	49,58
11	Vladimir MARASHEV - I.TSONTCHEV	54,34	66	Michelle BRUNNER - John HOLLAND	49,37
12	Nicklas SANDQVIST - A. MALINOWSKI	53,98	67	V. N. ISPORSKI - V. I.D. KOVACHEV AL-SHATI	49,30
13	Gabor WINKLER - Geza HOMONNAY	53,92	68	Nezih KUBAC - M. Gokhan YILMAZ	49,19
14	Tony FORRESTER - David BAKHSKI	53,84	69	Christoph PUERSTL - Arno LINDERMANN	49,16
15	Jan JANSMA - Louk VERHEES Jr	53,72	70	Huub BERTENS - Ton BAKKEREN	49,09
16	Vit VOLHEJN - Michal KOPECKY	53,60	71	Joseph ENGEL - Serjio KOVALIU	49,07
17	Cezary BALICKI - Adam ZMUDZINSKI	53,57	72	Assaf LENGY - Amir LEVIN	49,02
18	Vincent RAMONDT - Berry WESTRA	53,40	73	Giampaolo FRANCO - Fulvia GHIA	49,00
19	Erdinc ERBIL - Aydin UYSAL	53,14	74	Jo-Arne OVESEN - Kjell Otto KOPSTAD	49,00
20	Marius IONITA - Ionut COLDEA	53,08	75	Denis DOBRIN - Maxim ZHMAK	48,91
21	J. KHIOUPPENEN - Vadim KHOLOMEEV	53,08	76	Bruno DUTILLOY - Eric BO	48,68
22	Eli SOLHEIM - Ivar M.ANFINSEN	52,63	77	Gunther PURKARTHOFER - Jan FUCIK	48,59
23	Ilija VASSILEV - Ivan NANEV	52,59	78	Sergei ERSHOV - Leonid ROMANOVITCH	48,47
24	Jerzy SKRZYPCZAK - B. GIERULSKI	52,58	79	Doris FISCHER - Bernd SAURER	48,39
25	Tezcan SEN - Zafer SENGULER	52,53	80	Cengiz ARIGUN - Akin UCAR	48,35
26	Alexander ALLFREY - Andrew ROBSON	52,32	81	Franco GIAMPAOLI - Devid CECCANTI	47,95
27	Simon de WIJS - Bauke MULLER	52,27	82	Pierre ADAD - Pascal RINGUET	47,85
28	Tom HOILAND - N. K. KVANGRAVEN	52,26	83	Evgueni SOLNTSEV - Pavel VOROBEI	47,82
29	Stelio DI BELLO - Furio DI BELLO	52,21	84	D. ALLOUCHE - GAVIARD - Eric EISENBERG	47,78
30	Igor KHAZANOV - Maria LEBEDEVA	52,17	85	Paul FEGARTY - Catherine CURTIS	47,44
31	Israel YADLIN - Doron YADLIN	52,04	86	Birol KOCA - Tamer EREN	47,44
32	Gregers BJARNARSON - M.I ASKGAARD	51,82	87	Geoffrey WOLFARTH - Gareth HYETT	47,37
33	Tom TOWNSEND - David GOLD	51,81	88	Patrick SUSSEL - Jean-Michel RUNACHER	47,30
34	Mustafa AKGUL - Toros YUKSEL	51,69	89	Danny MOLENAAR - Tim VERBEEK	47,22
34	Yaacov (Jacob) MINTZ - Doron LIMOR	51,69	90	Sabine AUKEN - Daniela von ARNIM	46,84
36	Marc GIROLLET - Herve FLEURY	51,64	91	Aydin GURSEL - Murat ERKEL	46,82
37	Bjorn FALLENIUS - Martin SCHIFKO	51,61	92	Jorg SCHINZE - Joachim CAPPELLER	46,75
38	Bartosz CHMURSKI - Piotr GAWRYS	51,59	93	Gila EMODY - Lilo POPLILOV	46,65
39	Salim YILANKIRAN - M. SIRIKLIOGLU	51,49	94	Tomasz SIELICKI - Marian KUPNICKI	45,90
40	David BIRMAN - Alon BIRMAN	51,44	95	Mehmet Emin COPUR - Naci DEMIRBAS	45,90
41	Gabor MACSKASY - Peter LAKATOS	51,41	96	Omer KIZILOK - Salih Murat ANTER	45,87
42	Pierre ZIMMERMANN - Franck MULTON	51,34	97	David BURN - Janet DE BOTTON	45,84
43	Ernesto MUZZIO - Ricardo ANGELERI	51,32	98	Cengiz SEKER - Varol OZBELLI	45,83
44	Jan Petter SVENDSEN - Tor HELNESS	51,29	99	Gabriele TANINI - Marco TARANTINO	45,75
45	Karlis RUBINS - Maija ROMANOVSKA	51,17	100	Jonny HANSEN - Roger OLAFSEN	45,42
46	Alain KAPLAN - Philippe COENRAETS	51,15	101	Erhan EVCIMEN - Asli KASIRGA	45,36
47	Sam Inge HOYLAND - Finn BRANDSNES	51,13	102	Leonid PODGUR - Avi KALISH	44,92
48	Przemyslaw JANISZEWSKI - Leszek SZTYRAK	51,11	103	Argun GOGUS - Naci OZKAN	44,86
49	Radoslaw SZCZEPANSKI - Jacek SZUTOWICZ	51,10	104	Andrzej DUDZIK - Marek NOWOWIEJSKI	44,85
50	Vincent de PAGTER - Jacco HOP	51,07	105	Craig GOWER - Alon APTEKER	44,74
51	Jens AUKEN - Soren CHRISTIANSEN	50,99	106	Jacek ROMANSKI - Roman GRZELAK	44,56
52	Rossen GUNEV - Dessy POPOVA	50,81	107	Zeki UCUM - Birol US	44,52
53	Onur M ERTEKIN - Kutluhan UNAL	50,62	108	Massimiliano DI FRANCO - Eugenio MISTRETTA	43,99
54	Fikret AYDOGDU - Nevzat AYDOGDU	50,48	109	Tayfun OZBEY - Suleyman Ufuk KOC	43,76
55	Kudret METIN - Coskun KESGIN	50,38	110	Omer ERDOGAN - Cengiz ALYESIL	42,04
			111	Alexandru FEBER - Ovidiu CERNAT	41,43

**OPEN PAIRS - SEMI FINAL B**

(standings after 4 sessions - provisional)

1	<b>Alexander DUBININ - Andrei GROMOV</b>	<b>59,90</b>	61	Dimitar KAPITANSKI - Stefan IVANOV	51,05
2	<b>P. MARSTRANDER - R. B. ANDERSSEN</b>	<b>59,75</b>	62	Boye BROGELAND - Simon GILLIS	51,01
3	<b>Vytautas VAINIKONIS - J. PSZCZOLA</b>	<b>59,37</b>	63	Raffaele MURRU - Claudio DE MARTINI	51,00
4	<b>Geir-Olav TISLEVOLL - Ole BERSET</b>	<b>59,28</b>	64	Philippe MARILL - Alexander LUCACIU	50,92
5	<b>Dan ZARA - Alexandru ELIAN</b>	<b>59,19</b>	65	Abdulbaki AGAOGLU - Marcu CODRIN	50,71
6	<b>Laszlo GOTTHARD - M. DUMBOVICH</b>	<b>58,78</b>	66	Jerry STAMATOV - Vladimir MIHOV	50,64
7	<b>Juliano BARBOSA - Joao SA</b>	<b>58,55</b>	67	Hasan YALCIN - Ayhan EREN	50,54
8	<b>Michal KWIECIEN - Rafal JAGNIEWSKI</b>	<b>57,90</b>	68	Erik SAELENSMINDE - Rune HAUGE	50,53
9	Mehmet Serif CAMCI - Ekrem OZCIKAN	57,65	69	Jim HOYLAND - Sven Olai HOYLAND	50,52
10	Tevfik GURKAN - Yusuf ISITEMIZ	56,93	70	Jean Francois ALLIX - Eric MAUBERQUEZ	50,39
11	Obay GUR - Yusuf SOHTORIK	56,81	71	Kiril MARINOVSKI - Kamen TCHERVENIAKOV	50,27
12	Bjorn Inge HANSSSEN - Geir ENGBRETSSEN	56,79	72	John HASSETT - Howard MELBOURNE	50,18
13	Jaroslav WACHNOWSKI - A. JELENIEWSKI	56,35	73	Ingvar ERGA - Fred Arne MOEN	50,12
14	Mike ALEXANDER - Justin HACKETT	56,04	74	Erotokritos ALAMANOS - P.TRIANTAFILLIS	49,79
15	Nicolas CHAUVELOT - Quentin ROBERT	55,74	75	Ali INCE - Terje WOLAN	49,35
16	Aymeric LEBATTEUX - Nicolas LHUISSIER	55,37	76	Joris VERACHTEN - Luc DE MESMAECKER	49,22
17	Tobias TORNQVIST - Johan UPMARK	55,35	77	Gerhard POLLAK - Peter ZELNIK	49,13
18	Kalin KARAIVANOV - Roumen TRENDAFILOV	55,20	78	Yuksel SEZGINSOY - Tufan KOSE	49,06
19	Nedim TURSAN - Hasan UZUNER	54,95	79	Evgeni SHANURIN - Vladimir TATARKIN	49,03
20	Peter FREDIN - Gary GOTTLIEB	54,79	80	Cornel TEODORESCU - Federico PRIMAVERA	48,99
21	Giulio BONGIOVANNI - Amedeo COMELLA	54,72	81	Larry CHEMALLY - Joseph ISRAELI ZINDEL	48,94
22	Peter BOTH - Ender AKSUYEK	54,70	82	Irfan TURK - Sadik CETINBAS	48,84
23	Thomas VANG-LARSEN - Anders HAGEN	54,22	83	Huseyin Zeki GUVEN - Sabiha SELEKLER	48,77
24	Jean-Michel VOLDOIRE - Marcin LESNIEWSKI	53,93	84	Ali OLCAY - Ayhan AKBIYIK	48,69
25	Alex GAVRIILOGLOU - Fil LAGOURANIS	53,92	85	Giancarlo MARINI - Stefano CATA	48,63
26	Ismail KANDEMIR - Suleyman KOLATA	53,51	86	Coskun KARADENIZ - Berk BASARAN	48,40
27	Geir BREKKA - Erik RYNNING	53,46	87	Liviu OJOGA - Dan VALIMARESCU	48,36
28	Tony RUSEV - Gencho SOLUKOV	53,45	88	Marianne HOMME - Egil HOMME	48,17
29	Huseyin Kerem AVCIOGLU - Namik KOKTEN	53,39	89	Francesco NATALE - Barbara CESARI	48,14
30	Ceyhan ALTUNDAG - Guray SUNAMAK	53,39	90	Lutfi ERDOGAN - Volkan OZEN	48,05
31	Ozcan PEHLIVAN - Esat ERGIL	53,05	91	Anatoly ZHOKHOV - Georgy YAMURZIN	47,13
32	Michele CAMMARATA - Leonardo CIMA	52,94	92	Hasan KAPTAN - Ertugrul MAYADAGLI	46,81
33	Diego BRENNER - Nina ANIDJAR	52,84	93	Yuksel SEZGINSOY - Ilker AYAZ	46,56
34	Lorenzo SANNA - Marco TOCCAFONDO	52,80	94	Eduard VARDAPETYAN - Lev SEVIYAN	46,56
35	Osman OZCAN - Hakan PEKSEN	52,67	95	David PINHAS - Sinan ONURLU	46,55
36	Burak BASKAN - Bircan OZTURK	52,50	96	Wojciech OLANSKI - Erikas VAINIKONIS	46,47
37	Reda AMIRY - Ahmed SAMIR	52,45	97	Rati BURDIASHVILI - Georgi UCHAVA	46,39
38	Nick ZINKOVSKY - Andrey KISELEV	52,37	98	Mehmet Yasin AKSU - Recep BASALAK	46,30
39	Frankie FRONTAURA - Serge de MULLER	52,30	99	Ekrem ARBATUN - Yener BAYRAM	46,23
40	Sinan TATLICIOGLU - Doga GOZKAYA	52,27	100	Sehmus ERCAN - Irfan ILGIN	46,18
41	Marco BAVARESCO - Claudio BAVARESCO	52,23	101	Mehmet Faruk KEPEKCI - Roko KASAPOGLU	46,18
42	Riccardo BORIOSI - Vieri VANNINI	52,22	102	Nathan HETZ - Asa LEVINGER	45,71
43	Ahmet ARPAT - Abdullah GULSUN	52,10	103	Vesna DACIC - Goran ERAKOVIC	45,58
44	Murat KILERCIOGLU - Halil ATALAY	52,07	104	Sakir SECER - Mehmet KANAR	45,51
45	Muammer KELES - Sadi AKCAOGLU	52,03	105	Haldun CIVGINER - Aden TOLAY	45,32
46	Alberto BENETTI - Andrea RICCIOLETTI	51,98	106	Christophe MARRO - Stephane SANT	45,32
47	Waldemar SKORA - Gregor LEWACIAK	51,96	107	Ipek YILMAZ - Naran DAGEVEN	45,09
48	Luigi ROIATTI - Roberto PERROD	51,89	108	Anil YUCEL - Akin KOCLAR	45,07
49	Ilan BAREKET - Yossi ROLL	51,82	109	Hakan DANACIOGLU - Fusun OZLER	44,89
50	Philippe SOULET - Bernard PAYEN	51,82	110	Ismail KEPENEK - Mustafa SAHIN	44,84
51	Selim AKALIN - Aysegul ERK	51,81	111	Erdal CALISKAN - Ozgur KANLI	44,71
52	Ivan PEICHEV - Nikola BARANTIEV	51,80	112	Ali UCAR - Koray GULCU	44,48
53	Josef OREN - Paul WEINSTOCK	51,74	113	Alex MUNTEANU - Aurelia MUNTEANU	44,41
54	Martin ROKYTA - Michael PALITSCH	51,59	114	Omer ONEM - Sinasi Gursel SAYMAN	44,35
55	Mehmet Remzi SAKIRLER - Yusuf SALMAN	51,35	115	Arberk KORKUT - Muhsin YUCEL	44,23
56	Zeki ARACI - Kazim KUL	51,25	116	Melih Osman SEN - Fusun GULTEKINGIL	43,50
57	Filip FLORIN - Marina STEGAROIU	51,25	117	Mehmet BOZKURT - Vedat SAYIN	42,61
58	Marko MLADENOVIC - Nebojsa KARDZOVIC	51,09	118	Artan XHORI - Armand XHULI	41,26
59	Andrzej CZECH - Piotr BEDNORZ	51,08	119	Eymen BEDIR - Volkan DENIZCI	39,58
60	Tuncay ALTUN - Sukru ALTUN	51,07	120	Kostandin KAPO - Vjollca XHULI	36,01

**WOMEN PAIRS - SEMI FINAL A - (after 4 sessions)**

1	Ilaria SACCAVINI - Simonetta PAOLUZI	57,07	19	Darina LANGER - Ruth NIKITINE	50,10
2	Simonetta GROSSI - Katia PIGNATTI	57,01	20	Gabriella OLIVIERI - Gianna ARRIGONI	50,05
3	T. PONOMAREVA - Victoria GROMOVA	55,44	21	Carmen GOLDBERG - Shula GRODECKY	49,83
4	Chantal HAMMERLI - Maria ERHART	54,76	22	Marianne HARDING - Aase LANGELAND	49,77
5	Nikica SVER - Marina PILIPOVIC	54,62	23	Elke WEBER - Ingrid GROMANN	49,26
6	M. ZUR-CAMPANILE-ALBU - M.VARENNE	54,34	24	Maritza TAMBASCIA - Laura SPALLANZANI	48,57
7	Grazyna BREWIAK - Anna SARNIAK	53,99	25	Claudia van der SALM - Anke WIJMA	48,31
8	Nathalie FREY - Veronique BESSIS	53,98	26	Diana BUDKIN - Aida de VRIES SALDZIEVA	48,16
9	Renate HANSEN - Filiz Uygan ERDOGAN	53,03	27	Aytug OZALTIN - Nur OZTURK	48,11
10	Giulia POZZI - Annalisa ROSETTA	51,92	28	Serap ELLIALTI - Emine SEN	48,09
11	Miriana MITOVSKA - Valya YANEVA	51,81	29	A. M. De ALONSO - M.A. DE BALDASARRE	47,88
12	Y De M. Claudia POMARES - V.TORIELLI	50,80	30	Malgorzata JELENIEWSKA - E. BANASZKIEWICZ	47,66
13	Phoebe LIN - Faith MAYER	50,73	31	Diane GREENWOOD - Hedy GREY	46,85
14	Gunn HELNESS - Siv THORESEN	50,47	32	Jorunn FENESS - Tina OVENSTAD	45,28
15	Maria Marit RAHELT - Stense FARHOLT	50,42	33	Pina SALNITRO - Mariella POLIMENI	44,65
16	Elena KHONICHEVA - Alexandra NIKITINA	50,33	34	Astrid DEKKER - Rosaline BARENDREGT	43,41
17	Malgorzata PASTERNAK - Ewa HARASIMOWICZ	50,28	35	Mehves PISAK - Meltem OZUMERZIFON	42,87
18	Lale GUMRUKCUOGLU - Mine BABAC	50,26	36	Nese DIRIM - Deniz ANAPA	41,13

**WOMEN PAIRS - SEMI FINAL B - (after 4 sessions)**

1	Martine ROSSARD - Johanna RACZYNSKA	56,88	13	Roz WOLFARTH - Anna LEKOVA-KOVACHEVA	50,10
2	Belis ATALAY - Guler VAHABOGLU	56,60	14	Cristina GOLIN - Paola SCALAMOGLA	49,93
3	Giusy BERNABEY - Clara LAUS	55,51	15	Montserrat MESTRES - M.Eugenia HERNANDEZ	49,62
4	Ipek SAGTEKIN - Karen McCALLUM	54,17	16	Zeynep ALP - Sevil NUHOGLU	48,97
5	Paula LESLIE - Suzanne SHEASBY	54,09	17	Claudia CASTIGNANI - Rita PASQUARE	48,90
6	Anna MINASYAN - Banu ALTINOK	53,98	18	Antonella DI MARCO - Marcella ARNONE	48,87
7	Oya BAYULKEN - Mey ZAIM	53,14	19	Rozalia RONEN - Lea SHACHAR	48,72
8	Gunn Tove VIST - Randi NYHEIM	51,99	20	Ora DAN - Ruth FARKAS	48,47
9	Lucia GARRONE - Elma BALDI	51,12	21	Judith BEN YEHUDA - Hana GELBERT	44,45
10	Rose O'FARRELL - Patsy MEEHAN	51,08	22	Silva IMPICCIATORE - Caroline EDGAR	42,66
11	Solvi REMEN - Kristine BREIVIK	50,49	23	Madelaine GERSTEL - Elisabeth WAELCHLI	41,91
12	Guler UYANIK - Nuray AKGUL	50,40	24	Tatyana TAZENKOVA - Marina RYZHKOVA	41,30

**SENIOR PAIRS - SEMI FINAL A - (after 4 sessions)**

1	Krzysztof LASOCKI - Jerzy RUSSYAN	58,73	17	Marco RICCIARELLI - Franco BARONI	48,75
2	Ergun KORKUT - Orhan EKINCI	56,37	18	Albert FAIGENBAUM - Romain ZALESKI	48,64
3	Bill PENCHARZ - Irving GORDON	56,14	19	Aleksander JEZIORO - Julian KLUKOWSKI	48,34
4	Julian FRYDRICH - M. (Moti) GELBARD	55,40	20	Faik FALAY - Emin BASARAN	48,13
5	Christo DRUMEV - Ivan Tanev BONEV	55,32	21	Enver DURULMUS - Zafer OZKAN	48,08
6	L. KWIATKOWSKI - Kazimierz OMERNIK	55,32	22	Victor MELMAN - Shalom ZELIGMAN	47,90
7	Paul D HACKETT - Ross HARPER	54,47	23	Goran MATTSSON - Nissan RAND	47,84
8	Christopher DIXON - Peter CZERNIEWSKI	53,59	24	Elizabeth (Liz) MCGOWAN - David LIGGAT	47,57
9	G. BETTINETTI - Leonardo MARINO	53,17	25	Eugenio BERTOLUCCI - Giampiero BATTISTONI	47,19
10	Jozef POCHRON - Jacek LEW	52,58	26	Harald NORDBY - Jostein SORVOLL	47,12
11	Stanley WALTER - Christian MARI	51,53	27	Ursula HARPER - Martin HOFFMAN	45,82
12	Janusz RADECKI - Andrzej BEREZECKI	51,05	28	Stella SAGIV - Yehuda SAGIV	44,91
13	Nico KLAVER - Roald RAMER	50,62	29	Hastings CAMPBELL - Greer MACKENZIE	44,63
14	Roger JACKSON - Anthony N GORDON	50,50	30	Angela DELOGU - Elena FORTE	44,19
15	Guido RESTA - Dano DE FALCO	49,79	31	Samim OZTEK - Turkatasever GEDIK	43,62
16	Nico DOREMANS - Jaap TROUWBORST	49,16	32	Jacqueline JARIGESE - Ross RAINWATER	43,30

**SENIOR PAIRS - SEMI FINAL B - (after 4 sessions)**

Rank	Names	Percentage			
1	Mike TEDD - Patrick JOURDAIN	59,29	9	Oznur ABACIOGLU - Erdal ABACIOGLU	50,12
2	Andrew THOMPSON - Anthony CLARK	56,26	10	Enrico LONGINOTTI - Giampao JELMONI	49,45
3	Kath NELSON - Alan NELSON	55,05	11	Renate HOEGER - Walter HOEGER	48,78
4	R. GOLDENFIELD - B. GOLDENFIELD	54,62	12	Esin TURAN - Gunver TURAN	48,20
5	Albert ITTAH - David YOGEV	53,09	13	Judith PERI - Shalom PERI	47,20
6	Henk HEMMERS - Bob HOLL	52,65	14	Erwin OTVOSI - Marek BOREWICZ	46,88
7	Adalberto DALLACASAPICCOLA - Giovanni MACI	52,60	15	Lino VANINI - Paolo FARINA	46,41
8	Ayhan IZGI - Umer AKAY	50,83	16	Rita SEAMON - Ruth LEVKOFF	45,79
			17	Lola BENZARAY - Shlomo BENZARAY	45,63