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The Shortest Day



The Nerve Center of the YuGraph

With only two rounds being played the teams had the opportunity to relax and recharge their batteries last night after a day that saw **Germany** hold on to the lead in the Open series. **Norway** and **Sweden** also maintained their positions, but **Russia** has moved into fourth place just ahead of **Italy** - perhaps an ominous sign for the rest of the field?

With more than half the event completed **Germany** has also taken over at the top of the Women's series, ahead of **Italy, France, Spain & Netherlands**.

As the Senior series reached the mid way-point **Italy** retained the lead, chased by **Belgium, Netherlands, England** and **Turkey**.

Wednesday 25th - 10.30			Wednesday 25th - 14.15			Wednesday 25th - 17.35		
4	Norway - Iceland	RAMA	7	England - Italy	RAMA	6	Netherlands - Russia	RAMA
1	France - Turkey	BBO 1	1	France - Israel	BBO 1	1	Czech Rep. - France	BBO 1
9	Denmark - Italy	BBO 2	9	Russia - Poland	BBO 2	9	Latvia - Italy	BBO 2
3	Germany - Israel	BBO 3	5	Germany - Bulgaria	BBO 3	2	Turkey - Germany	BBO 3
33	France - Portugal (W)	BBO 6	2	Sweden - Iceland	BBO 4	3	Sweden - Norway	BBO 4
20	Sweden - Poland (S)	SWAN	14	Scotland - France (S)	BBO 6	29	France - Russia (W)	BBO 6
			16	Denmark - Belgium (S)	SWAN	8	Bulgaria - Denmark	SWAN



WOMEN TEAMS PROGRAM**ROUND 17 10.30**

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
21	GERMANY	NORWAY
22	CROATIA	ENGLAND
23	SCOTLAND	WALES
24	SWEDEN	GREECE
25	SPAIN	ITALY
26	POLAND	NETHERLANDS
27	TURKEY	HUNGARY
28	AUSTRIA	BYE
29	DENMARK	LEBANON
30	ISRAEL	RUSSIA
31	CZECH REP.	ICELAND
32	IRELAND	FINLAND
33	FRANCE	PORTUGAL

ROUND 18 14.15

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
21	SCOTLAND	CZECH REP.
22	ISRAEL	ICELAND
23	RUSSIA	DENMARK
24	LEBANON	FRANCE
25	WALES	NORWAY
26	HUNGARY	POLAND
27	NETHERLANDS	SPAIN
28	ENGLAND	BYE
29	GREECE	IRELAND
30	FINLAND	CROATIA
31	AUSTRIA	GERMANY
32	PORTUGAL	TURKEY
33	ITALY	SWEDEN

ROUND 19 17.35

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
21	NORWAY	AUSTRIA
22	GERMANY	ENGLAND
23	CROATIA	GREECE
24	IRELAND	ITALY
25	CZECH REP.	WALES
26	SPAIN	HUNGARY
27	POLAND	PORTUGAL
28	FINLAND	BYE
29	FRANCE	RUSSIA
30	DENMARK	ICELAND
31	ISRAEL	SCOTLAND
32	SWEDEN	NETHERLANDS
33	TURKEY	LEBANON

SENIOR TEAMS PROGRAM**ROUND 11 10.30**

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
11	WALES	BELGIUM
12	SPAIN	ISRAEL
13	SWITZERLAND	GERMANY
14	FRANCE	AUSTRIA
15	FINLAND	SCOTLAND
16	ESTONIA	DENMARK
17	IRELAND	TURKEY
18	NETHERLANDS	ENGLAND
19	ITALY	NORWAY
20	WEDEN	POLAND

ROUND 12 14.15

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
11	ISRAEL	WALES
12	GERMANY	SPAIN
13	AUSTRIA	SWITZERLAND
14	SCOTLAND	FRANCE
15	POLAND	FINLAND
16	DENMARK	BELGIUM
17	TURKEY	ESTONIA
18	ENGLAND	IRELAND
19	NORWAY	NETHERLANDS
20	SWEDEN	ITALY

ROUND 13 17.35

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
11	WALES	GERMANY
12	SPAIN	AUSTRIA
13	SWITZERLAND	SCOTLAND
14	FRANCE	FINLAND
15	ISRAEL	DENMARK
16	BELGIUM	TURKEY
17	ESTONIA	ENGLAND
18	IRELAND	NORWAY
19	NETHERLANDS	SWEDEN
20	ITALY	POLAND

Today's Schedule

- 10.30** Open Teams FR., Round 8
Women Teams, Round 17 - Senior Teams, Round 11
- 14.15** Open Teams FR., Round 9
Women Teams, Round 18 - Senior Teams, Round 12
- 17.35** Open Teams FR., Round 10
Women Teams, Round 19 - Senior Teams, Round 13

WOMEN TEAMS RESULTS

ROUND 15 - subject to official confirmation

	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
21	WALES	ICELAND	30 - 64	8 - 22
22	IRELAND	AUSTRIA	53 - 38	18 - 12
23	SWEDEN	ENGLAND	64 - 24	23 - 7
24	SPAIN	FINLAND	25 - 33	14 - 16
25	POLAND	GREECE	25 - 35	13 - 17
26	TURKEY	ITALY	40 - 40	15 - 15
27	FRANCE	NETHERLANDS	28 - 39	13 - 17
28	GERMANY	BYE		18 - 0
29	ISRAEL	PORTUGAL	21 - 48	9 - 21
30	CZECH REP.	LEBANON	120 - 26	25 - 0
31	SCOTLAND	RUSSIA	15 - 39	10 - 20
32	CROATIA	NORWAY	73 - 48	20 - 10
33	DENMARK	HUNGARY	72 - 25	24 - 6

ROUND 16 - subject to official confirmation

	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
21	GREECE	WALES	92 - 13	25 - 1
22	DENMARK	POLAND	31 - 50	11 - 19
23	ISRAEL	SPAIN	18 - 43	10 - 20
24	CZECH REP.	SWEDEN	21 - 57	8 - 22
25	SCOTLAND	IRELAND	33 - 38	14 - 16
26	CROATIA	ICELAND	23 - 26	14 - 16
27	LEBANON	GERMANY	2 - 63	3 - 25
28	RUSSIA	BYE		18 - 0
29	HUNGARY	AUSTRIA	25 - 26	15 - 15
30	NETHERLANDS	ENGLAND	21 - 20	15 - 15
31	ITALY	FINLAND	25 - 37	13 - 17
32	FRANCE	TURKEY	43 - 13	21 - 9
33	PORTUGAL	NORWAY	30 - 36	14 - 16

SENIOR TEAMS RESULTS

ROUND 9 - subject to official confirmation

	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
11	WALES	IRELAND	43 - 26	19 - 11
12	SPAIN	ESTONIA	19 - 63	5 - 25
13	SWITZERLAND	BELGIUM	20 - 53	7 - 23
14	FRANCE	ISRAEL	24 - 57	7 - 23
15	FINLAND	GERMANY	56 - 30	21 - 9
16	SCOTLAND	AUSTRIA	24 - 59	7 - 23
17	NETHERLANDS	DENMARK	44 - 23	20 - 10
18	ITALY	TURKEY	19 - 32	12 - 18
19	SWEDEN	ENGLAND	43 - 15	22 - 8
20	NORWAY	POLAND	44 - 24	20 - 10

ROUND 10 - subject to official confirmation

	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
11	ESTONIA	WALES	39 - 24	18 - 12
12	BELGIUM	SPAIN	28 - 37	13 - 17
13	ISRAEL	SWITZERLAND	29 - 18	17 - 13
14	GERMANY	FRANCE	25 - 26	15 - 15
15	AUSTRIA	FINLAND	35 - 28	16 - 14
16	POLAND	SCOTLAND	25 - 31	14 - 16
17	DENMARK	IRELAND	50 - 14	23 - 7
18	TURKEY	NETHERLANDS	33 - 11	20 - 10
19	ENGLAND	ITALY	24 - 43	11 - 19
20	NORWAY	SWEDEN	31 - 37	14 - 16

Sitout exercise 9 - again

ERROR – ERROR. More humble pie:

Yesterday's problem was wrongly presented. The Editor apologizes on behalf of PO Sundelin who asked to remain anonymous.

Congratulations to all of you who realized that the contract couldn't be made with yesterday's layout

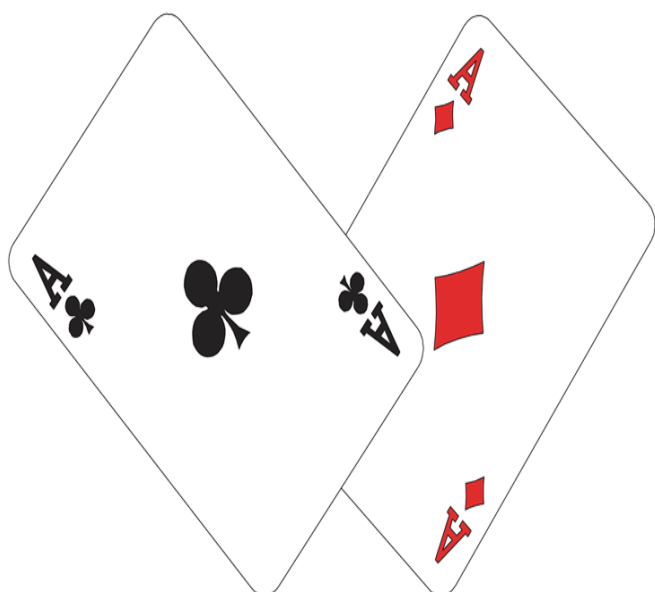
Here follows the correct version:

West plays Five Diamonds after North has bid hearts, raised by South.

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

North leads the king of clubs. South overtakes with the ace and returns the spade three (second or fourth best).

You win with the ace, and play a high trump. North discards a heart. Any ideas?



OPEN TEAMS PROGRAM**ROUND 8 10.30**

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	FRANCE	TURKEY
2	CZECH REP.	SWEDEN
3	GERMANY	ISRAEL
4	NORWAY	ICELAND
5	ENGLAND	NETHERLANDS
6	PORTUGAL	ESTONIA
7	RUSSIA	BULGARIA
8	LATVIA	POLAND
9	DENMARK	ITALY

ROUND 9 14.15

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	FRANCE	ISRAEL
2	SWEDEN	ICELAND
3	TURKEY	NETHERLANDS
4	CZECH REP.	ESTONIA
5	GERMANY	BULGARIA
6	NORWAY	LATVIA
7	ENGLAND	ITALY
8	PORTUGAL	DENMARK
9	RUSSIA	POLAND

ROUND 10 17.35

Table	Home Team	Visiting Team
1	CZECH REP.	FRANCE
2	TURKEY	GERMANY
3	SWEDEN	NORWAY
4	ISRAEL	ENGLAND
5	ICELAND	PORTUGAL
6	NETHERLANDS	RUSSIA
7	ESTONIA	POLAND
8	BULGARIA	DENMARK
9	LATVIA	ITALY

OPEN TEAMS RANKING
after 7 rounds*subject to official confirmation*

1	GERMANY	129.00
2	NORWAY	127.00
	SWEDEN	127.00
4	RUSSIA	115.00
5	ITALY	114.00
6	FRANCE	109.00
	ICELAND	109.00
8	NETHERLANDS	108.00
9	POLAND	107.00
10	BULGARIA	105.00
	ENGLAND	105.00
12	DENMARK	103.00
13	CZECH REP.	98.00
14	TURKEY	97.00
15	LATVIA	95.00
16	ESTONIA	81.00
17	ISRAEL	78.00
18	PORTUGAL	69.00

OPEN TEAMS RESULTS**ROUND 6 - subject to official confirmation**

	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	FRANCE	ESTONIA	54 - 36	19 - 11
2	NETHERLANDS	BULGARIA	44 - 42	15 - 15
3	ICELAND	LATVIA	46 - 49	14 - 16
4	ISRAEL	ITALY	27 - 68	7 - 23
5	SWEDEN	DENMARK	57 - 36	18 - 11
6	TURKEY	POLAND	44 - 74	9 - 21
7	CZECH REP.	RUSSIA	14 - 56	6 - 24
8	GERMANY	PORTUGAL	57 - 55	15 - 15
9	NORWAY	ENGLAND	26 - 36	13 - 17

ROUND 7 - subject to official confirmation

	Home Team	Visiting Team	IMPs	VPs
1	FRANCE	ENGLAND	46 - 26	19 - 11
2	PORTUGAL	NORWAY	38 - 58	11 - 19
3	RUSSIA	GERMANY	56 - 36	19 - 11
4	CZECH REP.	POLAND	41 - 23	19 - 11
5	DENMARK	TURKEY	25 - 49	10 - 20
6	ITALY	SWEDEN	28 - 26	15 - 15
7	LATVIA	ISRAEL	48 - 16	22 - 8
8	BULGARIA	ICELAND	53 - 9	24 - 6
9	ESTONIA	NETHERLANDS	26 - 29	14 - 16

WOMEN TEAMS RANKING

after 16 rounds

subject to official confirmation

1	GERMANY	291.00
2	ITALY	281.00
3	FRANCE	274.00
4	NETHERLANDS	269.00
	SPAIN	269.00
6	RUSSIA	266.00
7	NORWAY	264.00
8	SWEDEN	261.00
9	ENGLAND	260.00
10	ISRAEL	255.00
11	CROATIA	254.00
	DENMARK	254.00
13	CZECH REP.	247.50
14	ICELAND	245.00
	POLAND	245.00
16	HUNGARY	242.00
17	FINLAND	238.00
18	TURKEY	229.00
19	SCOTLAND	217.00
20	PORTUGAL	216.00
21	WALES	200.00
22	IRELAND	199.50
23	GREECE	190.00
24	AUSTRIA	181.00
25	LEBANON	151.00

SENIOR TEAMS RANKING

after 10 rounds

subject to official confirmation

1	ITALY	188.00
2	BELGIUM	182.00
3	NETHERLANDS	171.00
4	ENGLAND	169.00
	TURKEY	169.00
6	SWEDEN	164.00
7	AUSTRIA	159.00
8	FRANCE	158.00
9	DENMARK	156.00
10	ISRAEL	154.00
	POLAND	154.00
12	SCOTLAND	148.00
13	NORWAY	147.00
14	FINLAND	137.00
15	IRELAND	136.00
16	GERMANY	133.00
17	ESTONIA	124.00
18	WALES	113.00
19	SWITZERLAND	110.00
20	SPAIN	107.00

INTERNATIONAL MIND SPORTS GAMES BEIJING VISAS

This year, due to the Olympic Games, the procedure to obtain the visas (even « Touristic » visas) are more complicated than for Shanghai last year.

To obtain the visa you will definitely need an invitation letter from the Chinese organisers and some countries even require it in Chinese.

Each NBO has then to fill a form listing all the players and accompanying people and send it to Lilian Sun - sunchengmo82@yahoo.com.cn - before July 31st. She will then send you via mail the invitations to be produced to the local embassies to obtain the visas.

Making it Count

by Mark Horton

'I figure life's a gift, and I don't intend on wasting it. You don't know what hand you're gonna get dealt next. You learn to take life as it comes at you, to make each day count.'

Jack Dawson (Leonardo DiCaprio) from the Hollywood blockbuster Titanic.

The hectic pace of a major Championship leaves little time for anything other than a relatively straightforward account of what happens in a modest number of matches.

In both the Open and Women's events we have many of the World's top ten players – Duboin, Bocchi, Lauria, Versace are ranked 3,4,5 & 6, while Auken, D'Ovidio, Von Arnim, Willard, Vriend & Nehmert are numbers 1, 5, 6, 7, 8 & 10 respectively.

These outstanding players have many qualities, and they, like many of the other players competing here have a happy knack of consistently being at the business end of virtually every event they contest.

Have you ever wondered why?

Is there perhaps some magic formula that they have access to?

Naturally they possess exceptional skills, particularly in card play, but they all share the ability to make things happen at the table.

Is it possible for we lesser mortals to reach such exalted levels?

As card play is an individual skill, the easiest area in which a player can seek to influence the outcome of a match is in the bidding phase.

In former times players were (at least so it seems to me) much less aggressive. When I started playing, the Multi was a novelty, and some of the other outlandish two-suited opening bids had yet to see the light of day. The vast majority of auctions were uncontested and you could be confident an opening bid showed 12 or more points.

It did not take long for us to appreciate that as bridge is a game of mistakes, rather than sit idly by waiting for your opponents to make one of their own volition, you can significantly improve your chances of success by pressurising them during the bidding.

How you choose to do this is a matter for partnership discussion, but one obvious way is to take every reasonable (and some would suggest even every unreasonable) opportunity to enter the auction.

When I played my first International many years ago (against a Welsh team that included Patrick Jourdain) I partnered Richard Winter. His wife, Sarah Teshome is one of the new stars of the English women's team, and in the match against France she demonstrated on more than one occasion how being active in the bidding can make life difficult:

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

Six Hearts is laydown, but the simple expedient of raising partner with four card support created a problem that the opponent's failed to overcome.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Teshome	Neve	Jagger	Bessis
		1♣	1♦
2♣	Dble*	3♣	Pass
Pass	Dble*	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

A more obvious example came a couple of boards later:

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Teshome	Neve	Jagger	Bessis
2♦*	Pass	3♦	Dble
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

Notice not only the emaciated opening, but also the gung-ho raise from East.

While composing this article I spotted this fine effort from one Helgemo during Norway's match with England, Geir opening 2♦ (a poor weak two – sic) on ♠875 ♥K8752 ♦J6 ♣843.

Whatever level you play at, your results are certain to improve if you become more active during the bidding. Remember – Make it Count!

Three No Trumps will always turn out all right

by Peter Ventura

In the match between Sweden and Poland in Round 4 of the Open Series, the very first board created the largest swing of the match.

Board 1. Dealer None. None Vul.

<p>♠ 7 4 3 ♥ 10 8 7 ♦ Q ♣ Q J 9 7 5 2</p>	<table style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: #008000; color: white; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	<p>♠ A J 10 8 6 ♥ A K 6 ♦ K 2 ♣ 10 8 3</p>	<p>♠ K 5 ♥ Q 5 4 3 2 ♦ 7 5 4 3 ♣ A 6</p>
N						
W E						
S						

play the diamond ace to take West's queen. He was very happy to see that it was East who the king, when he played another diamond. East won the king and returned a club. Declarer won in hand and ran all his diamonds, reaching this position before the last diamond was played:

<p>♠ 7 ♥ 10 8 ♦ None ♣ Q J 9</p>	<table style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: #008000; color: white; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	<p>♠ Q 9 ♥ J 9 ♦ 6 ♣ K</p>	<p>♠ A J ♥ A K ♦ None ♣ 10 3</p>
N						
W E						
S						

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Kwiecien</i>	<i>Nystrom</i>	<i>Jagniewski</i>	<i>Bertheau</i>
	2♦*	2♣	2NT**
Pass	3♦	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

* 11-15 HCP's, 5-4 ♦+♣ or 6+ ♦

** Diamond support

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Wrang</i>	<i>Zawislak</i>	<i>Nilsson</i>	<i>Pazur</i>
	INT*	Dble	2♦**
Pass	Pass	2♣	3♦
3♠	All Pass		

* 10-13 HCP's

** Transfer to hearts

In the Closed Room South led a diamond to the ace against Three Spades. North returned a spade to the ten and South's king. A heart switch will now hold declarer to eight tricks, but when South continued with a spade Nilsson could score +140.

Bertheau/Nystrom had high ambitions on the North/South direction in the Open Room, reaching Three No Trumps with only 11 points facing nine.

On a club or a heart lead the no-trump game would duly be defeated, but since East had intervened with Two Spades – and without any sure tricks in the West hand – a spade lead seemed like the normal start for West. East played the spade ten and Bertheau won the first trick in hand with the king. It was crucial to keep West out of the play, so declarer had to

On the last diamond East could not afford to discard anything. If he throws a spade, declarer plays a spade from dummy which will simply establish the ninth trick, and if he discards a club, declarer will cash the king of clubs and end-play East, who sooner or later has to lead from A-J in spades up towards dummy's Q-9. In practice East pitched the king of hearts, but now Bertheau played a heart and claimed eleven tricks, when after winning the heart ace East switched to a club.

As they say, Three No Trumps will always turn out all right. Sweden won the match, 33-13 IMPs, 19-11 VPs.



Peter Bertheau, Sweden

Operation successful, patient died (part 2)

by Jan van Cleeff

As both countries were doing well in the Open series, expectations were high when England met Germany in Round 4. Board 9 offered a huge opportunity for England. Let's have a closer look at the hand of Justin Hackett, sitting North. Green against red, in first position he held:

♠ K 2
♥ Q J 9 8 6 5
♦ 9 7 6
♣ 6 4

West	North	East	South
<i>Dr. Elinescu</i>	<i>Justin H.</i>	<i>Dr. Wladow</i>	<i>Jason H.</i>
	3♥	Dble	4♦*
4♠	5♦	5♥	Pass
6♣	Pass	6♦	Pass
6♥	Pass	7♠	All Pass

*fit-bid, looking for a cheap save

Justin had to find a lead. Mainly due to the Four Diamond bid Justin decided to kick off with a diamond. Not such a good idea; minus 17 IMPs, the whole hand being:

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

♠ K 2
♥ Q J 9 8 6 5
♦ 9 7 6
♣ 6 4

♠ Q J 10 9
♥ K 4 3
♦ 8
♣ A Q 9 8 7



♠ A 8 7 5 4
♥ 10
♦ A Q J
♣ K 5 3 2

♠ 6 3
♥ A 7 2
♦ K 10 5 4 3 2
♣ J 10

Don't mess with the doctors when they are at work. Another perfect example of a succesful operation, this time with a dying English patient. In spite of the huge gain for Germany on the board – in the open room England duly made Four Spades with two overtricks – the hand certainly will be nominated for the IBPA Romex Worst-Bid-Hand of the Zillennium. However, it is not clear yet if North-South or East-West will be the candidate. Probably both.

Talk about great bids. Hila Levy and Adi Asulin, representing Israel in the womens series, have reached the ripe old age of fifteen. I don't recall any other pair, with a combined age of only thirty years, playing at championship level in the history of bridge in a non-junior event. The two curly-haired youngsters are a typical example of the group of young and gifted players their country seems to produce year after year.

Enough chit-chat, girl power at work. In the match Israel v. Ireland Hila Levy as South held this hand:

♠ A J 10 4
♥ A J 10 6 4
♦ 7 5 4
♣ 3

Dealer North. N/S Vul.

West	North	East	South
<i>Joyce</i>	<i>Asulin</i>	<i>Kenny</i>	<i>Levy</i>
	1♦	2♥*	?

*weak

What would you bid? Double to show spades or pass and wait? Hila opted for the latter. The bidding continued:

West	North	East	South
<i>Joyce</i>	<i>Asulin</i>	<i>Kenny</i>	<i>Levy</i>
	1♦	2♥*	Pass
Pass	3♦	Pass	?

And what to bid now? An ultra conservative pass, a cuebid of Three Hearts or Four or Five Diamonds? However, Hila bid something completely different: Three Spades! The bidding continued:

West	North	East	South
<i>Joyce</i>	<i>Asulin</i>	<i>Kenny</i>	<i>Levy</i>
	1♦	2♥*	Pass
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	Pass	5♦
All Pass			

Hila corrected Four Spades to Five Diamonds, since with a four-card spade suit, North was likely to have re-opened the bidding with a double. The final contract was made of course:

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ Q 5 3
♥ —
♦ A Q J 9 8 6 2
♣ A J 9

♠ K 9 7
♥ K 2
♦ 3
♣ K Q 8 7 6 5 2



♠ 8 6 2
♥ Q 9 8 7 5 3
♦ K 10
♣ 10 4

♠ A J 10 4
♥ A J 10 6 4
♦ 7 5 4
♣ 3

Note what a clever bid Three Spades was. After Three Diamonds Hila definitely wanted to be in game. But which game? This way she showed her spade stopper and of course good hearts as well. Unsure about the clubs however, she gave the final word to her partner.

OPEN TEAMS

Round 6

Israel v Italy

Norway v England

by Jos Jacobs

Tuesday morning brought an interesting match on Vugraph: England v. Norway. England would have to register a good result to stay in the hunt, whereas Norway needed all the V.P.'s they could get in their bid for the title. Speaking of the title: though Italy have not been doing too well so far, it's far too early to write them off as possible candidates for a medal, as they proved right from the start of their match.

After three boards, the Norway-England scoreboard was still blank but in the Israel-Italy match, it read 22-10 to Italy. What had happened???

Board: 1. Dealer North/None

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Open Room

West <i>Versace</i>	North <i>Pachtman</i>	East <i>Lauria</i>	South <i>Ginossar</i>
	1♠	Pass	2♣
2♥	3♣	Pass	3NT
Pass	4♣	Pass	5♣
All Pass			

The Israeli N/S had arrived at a decent enough contract but Versace found a very good lead: the ♦4. Lauria won the queen and continued the suit, Versace allowing declarer's ♦10 to win the trick, of course. Now the hand can be made by discarding the ♦A on a top heart and then play ♣A and a club, as dummy can ruff a diamond high and proceed to discard the other two red losers on the spades. When declarer crossed in spades and ran the ♣Q he quickly was one down when Lauria got his ruff. The contract even went down two, as Versace scored his ♣10 when declarer next tried to discard his other losers on the top spades. Italy +100.

Closed Room

West <i>Bareket</i>	North <i>Bocchi</i>	East <i>Roll</i>	South <i>Duboin</i>
	1♠	Pass	2♣
2♥	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

Despite the foul trump break, this contract was an easy make on a heart lead, as East had to follow to three rounds of clubs. Italy +420 and 11 IMPs.

On the next board, Israel struck back when the Italians missed a vulnerable game:

Board: 2. Dealer East/NS

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

Open Room

West <i>Versace</i>	North <i>Pachtman</i>	East <i>Lauria</i>	South <i>Ginossar</i>
	INT	Pass	Pass
1♣	2♠	Pass	2♥
Pass	3NT	Pass	2NT
Pass		All Pass	



Ron Pachtman, Israel

In a way, the North hand with its nice diamonds seems too strong for a INT overcall but it worked out well for Israel. Eleven easy tricks on a heart lead, Israel +660.

ond time, Roll had no reason to go on so Italy were left to score another +420 and 11 IMPs in peace.

On board 5, the German doctors produced another fine diagnosis:

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Bareket	Bocchi	Roll	Duboin
		Pass	Pass
1♣	1♦	1♥	1♠
Dble	Redble	2♥	Pass
Pass	Dble	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

1♥ showed at least four, double was support and redouble showed a strong hand. It is not easy to see what other bid Duboin could have made...Italy +200 and 10 IMPs back to Israel.

Another big swing on the next board:

Board: 3. Dealer South/EW

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Versace	Pachtman	Lauria	Ginossar
			1♥
2♦	3♠	Pass	4♠
Dble	Pass	5♦	Pass
Pass	5♠	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

Instead of taking a 200 penalty, the Israelis pressed on and thus conceded -100 when Versace had an obvious double...

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Bareket	Bocchi	Roll	Duboin
			1♥
2♦	3♣	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

3♣ showed 5+ spades. When Bareket did not speak a sec-

Board: 5. Dealer North/NS

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

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Elinescu	Cruzeiro	Wladow	Santos
	Pass	INT	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

What's the problem? Played by East, the contract is unbeatable. If North can lead a spade, however, declarer will probably misguess trumps and go down... This is what happened at most tables.

So 10 IMPs for Germany in their match against Portugal and a shock 10 IMPs to Norway as well when Jason Hackett, defending for England, led a diamond rather than a spade...

Another two boards later, England equalized:

Board: 7. Dealer South/All

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

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lund	Hackett Ja	Helgemo	Hackett Ju
			Pass
1♦	Dble	2♦	2♥
3♦	Dble	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

Once Justin could freely introduce his hearts, reaching game was automatic. England +620 as one black loser goes on the clubs.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Holland	Lindqvist	Armstrong	Brogeland
			Pass
1♦	Dble	2NT	Pass
3♦	Dble	Pass	3♥
All Pass			

When even Brogeland could not act over 2NT, the preemptive jump had done its job. (Though South might have bid 4♥ at his second turn).

Norway +170 but 10 IMPs to England.

The next board was really interesting as it offered a choice of (end)plays. It also mattered if E/W had bid or not.

Board: 8. Dealer West/None

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Versace	Pachtman	Lauria	Ginossar
Pass	1NT	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♦	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

Against silent opposition, Pachtman had to cope with the lead of the ♦Q from East. West overtakes with the king and continues the suit. Time to plan the play.

It looks reasonable now to duck once more, putting your money on the ♣K with West later. As you can see, this line

will fail. As Pachtman had cashed his spade winners before leading ♣A and another, he thus went three down, Italy +150.

Bocchi had other ideas, helped by the adverse bidding:

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Bareket	Bocchi	Roll	Duboin
2♦	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

At this table too, West overtook the ♦Q and continued the suit. Bocchi, however, took the second round and proceeded to read the hand very well. He cashed the ♠KQ, noting the fall of the jack, and then took his three heart tricks, finessing West for the queen after his multi.

With six tricks in the bag already, he had a choice of end-plays but he went for safety by cashing the ♠A and exiting with a spade to East (the 5th spade had been discarded by East on the hearts already). The lead away from the ♣K gave Bocchi his 9th trick for a score of +400 and 11 IMPs to Italy. The score in that match now stood at 34-10 to Italy.

In the Norway v. England match, we saw a similar swing:

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Holland	Lindqvist	Armstrong	Brogeland
2♥	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

Lindqvist played along the same line as Bocchi but when



Espen Lindqvist, Norway - John Armstrong, England

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lund	Hackett Ja	Helgemo	Hackett Ju
1♠	Pass	1♣	1♦
		INT	All Pass

As South was on lead, he had all the time in the world to both establish his diamonds and enjoy them too. Down three, England +300 and a juicy 13 IMPs to lead 26-21 now.

On the slam hand below, quite a number of pairs went down in 6♥ on a spade ruff:

Board: 13. Dealer North/All

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Versace	Pachtman	Lauria	Ginossar
	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♠	Pass
5♣	Pass	5♦	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♥	All Pass

Even Lauria-Versace did not reach the best contract...Israel +100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Bareket	Bocchi	Roll	Duboin
	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♠	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♠	All Pass		

This was a much better contract, so Israel added another +1430 and got back 17 IMPs.

The top spot is of course 6NT, duly reached by the Nor-

wegians for no swing, 6♠ being made at the other table in that match:

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lund	Hackett Ja	Helgemo	Hackett Ju
	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♦	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♠	Pass	6NT	All Pass

Near the end of the set, big swings in either match were responsible for the final results:

Board: 18. Dealer East/NS

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Holland	Lindqvist	Armstrong	Brogeland
		Pass	1♦
Pass	1♠	3♣	Pass
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

East led a top club, West playing the five, and shifted to a heart. West took the ace and returned a club, won by declarer (!?). When the diamond finesse lost, West produced a third club, so the contract was down five for +500 to England.

Not many declarers will ever have gone down five in 3NT, vulnerable, twice in one set of 20 boards...

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lund	Hackett Ja	Helgemo	Hackett Ju
		Pass	2♦
Pass	3NT	4♣	4♥
Pass	5♦	All Pass	

This was a much more sensible contract but it failed when the trump finesse did not come off. Norway +100

but 9 IMPs to England who thus won the match 36-26 or 17-13 in V.P. and as a consequence of this win, dropped from 6th to 8th spot!

The Israel-Italy match was decided on the next board:

Board: 19. Dealer South/EW

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

West <i>Versace</i>	North <i>Pachtman</i>	East <i>Lauria</i>	South <i>Ginossar</i>
			Pass
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♥	Pass	5♣	All Pass

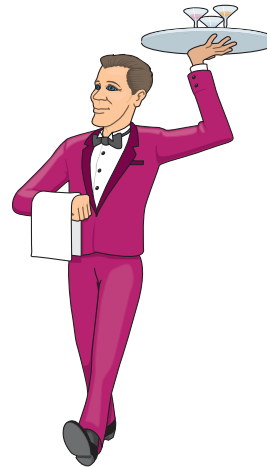
When North led the ♦A, the hand was quickly over when the ♦Q made her appearance in the next round of that suit. Italy +620 as even an overtrick was easy now. Rumours are that some Dutchman here in Pau even made his club slam on this lead...

Closed Room

West <i>Bareket</i>	North <i>Bocchi</i>	East <i>Roll</i>	South <i>Duboin</i>
			Pass
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦	Pass	5♣	All Pass

On a spade lead, this contract was much more difficult to handle. Declarer won, cashed the ♥AK throwing a diamond and led a diamond, the king winning in dummy. A spade was ruffed in hand and the ♦J now went to the ace, South contributing the queen. As this happened to be a true card, South could later overruff a diamond when dummy ruffed low and return his last trump to set the contract by one trick. Italy +100 and 12 more IMPs to make the final score 68-27 or 23-7 V.P. to them. They were right back in the hunt.

VICTORY BANQUET



The Victory Banquet will take place on Saturday, June 28 at 19.00 hrs. in the Jaï Alai, about 12 kms away from the Palais Beaumont.

Invitation cards can be picked up at the Hospitality Desk. Team Captains are requested to pick up the invitations for all their players as well. Staff members should obtain their invitations through their respective department chiefs.

All invitations should be picked up not later than Friday, June 27 at noon.

Other guests who want to attend the banquet can buy their invitation cards at the Hospitality Desk at a cost of 25 euros.

When picking up invitation card(s), you are requested to register all persons involved for the transfer to the banquet venue. Buses will leave at 18.00 hrs. and at 18.40 hrs from the Palais Beaumont. Please note that you cannot change your bus transfer time once you registered.

IMPORTANT NOTE: you are requested to present your invitation card to get access to the bus and also to get access to the Jaï Alai.

TRANSPORT TO PAU AIRPORT ON SUNDAY, JUNE 29

There will be bus transfers to the airport on Sunday, June 29, only.

Team Captains are kindly requested to register at the Hospitality Desk, mentioning the number of persons, the hotel from which each person is leaving and the departure time of each person's flight.

Staff members may also register individually.

Registration will be closed on Thursday, June 26, at the end of the day's play.

Departure times of the buses will be published on Friday afternoon, June 27.

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OPEN TEAMS

Round 5

Norway v Italy

by Jos Jacobs

On Monday evening's menu, the big clash took place between the reigning World Champions and the reigning European Champions Norway v. Italy. Thousands of kibitzers from all over the world were watching; they were treated to a great start by Norway as these were the first two boards:

Board: 1. Dealer North/None vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Brogeland</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Lindqvist</i>	<i>Duboin</i>
2♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♦	Pass
4♠	All Pass	3♠	Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Versace</i>	<i>Aa</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Molberg</i>
2♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
4♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
5♣	Pass	4♦	Pass
		6NT	All Pass

It is difficult to see how EW can ever reach 6♦ played by West. The notrump slam is a reasonable proposition as it needs the spades to come in for five tricks, just over a 50% chance. On the actual layout, declarer had no chance. Norway +100 and 11 IMPs straight away.

Board: 2. Dealer East/NS vul.

♠ 5 3 ♥ A J 9 6 2 ♦ 8 ♣ Q J 9 7 6	<table border="1" style="margin: auto; border-collapse: collapse;"> <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	♠ Q J 10 7 6 ♥ Q 10 4 ♦ K J 9 7 3 ♣ —	♠ A K 8 4 2 ♥ 3 ♦ A 10 6 5 ♣ 5 3 2
N						
W E						
S						

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Brogeland</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Lindqvist</i>	<i>Duboin</i>
1♠	3♣	Pass	1♣
5♠	Pass	4♠	5♣
All Pass		Pass	Dble

As NS did not locate their double fit, the double of the final contract becomes understandable. When Bocchi led his singleton diamond, Brogeland made all 13 tricks for a score of +850 to Norway.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Versace</i>	<i>Aa</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Molberg</i>
1♠	2♥	Pass	1♣
4♠	5♣	4♣	4♥
		5♠	All Pass



Alfredo Versace, Italy

Once Lauria showed his club void, nobody bothered to double the final contract. Versace also made all the tricks but Italy scored only +510 for a further 8-IMP loss. After two boards, the scoreboard read 19-0 to Norway.

From then on, very little happened until we reached board 12 with the score at 25-4 to Norway:

Board: 12. Dealer West/NS vul.

♠ K 10 5 2 ♥ Q J 8 3 ♦ Q 5 ♣ K 8 5	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; 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	♠ A 9 8 7 3 ♥ 10 6 ♦ J 10 9 8 ♣ J 4
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W E					
S					
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Brogeland</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Lindqvist</i>	<i>Duboin</i>
Pass	Pass	2♦	3♣
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Bocchi's little gamble paid off when the clubs broke and the ♦J was led rather than a spade. Italy +600.



Norberto Bocchi, Italy

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Versace</i>	<i>Aa</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Molberg</i>
Pass	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♠	All Pass

Lauria's very light opening bid and Versace's Drury effectively kept NS out of the bidding, even more so when South did not bother to overcall.

The contract went three off at 50 per trick, so scoring -150 netted Italy 10 IMPs.

And the next board:

Board: 13. Dealer North/All vul.

♠ A K 8 3 ♥ J 10 9 7 4 ♦ 7 3 ♣ 7 5	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; 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 10 9 5 ♥ 8 6 5 3 ♦ 9 6 ♣ A 6 4
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Brogeland</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Lindqvist</i>	<i>Duboin</i>
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1♦	Dble	Pass	3♣
Dble	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

This was the normal contract but, of course, it did not survive the filthy trump break. One down, Italy +100.

In the other room, a few things went wrong...

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Versace</i>	<i>Aa</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Molberg</i>
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1♦	1♥	Dble	Pass
2♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

In a sense, the Norwegians were unlucky. Not only did North's overcall block the Italians' road to 4♥ but their auction, the 4-4 fit having been missed, also induced North to lead the ♥4 rather than the jack. Versace put up dummy's five which won a surprise trick, and next ran the ♦9 suc-

cessfully...

It won't come as a shock to you any more that he ended up with an overtrick. Italy +630 and another big gain: 12 IMPs to grab the lead: 26-25.

Their lead had gone up to 36-25 when board 19 arrived:

Board: 19. Dealer South/EW vul.

♠ 9 8 5 ♥ K 5 3 2 ♦ K J 10 7 4 ♣ 6	<table style="border: 2px solid green; width: 60px; height: 60px; 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	♠ K Q 4 ♥ 7 6 ♦ Q 8 3 2 ♣ Q 10 5 4 ♠ A 10 6 ♥ Q J 9 8 ♦ A 9 6 5 ♣ 7 2 ♠ J 7 3 2 ♥ A 10 4 ♦ — ♣ A K J 9 8 3
N					
W E					
S					

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Brogeland</i>	<i>Bocchi</i>	<i>Lindqvist</i>	<i>Duboin</i>
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♣
Pass	3♣	All Pass	2♣

It is not that easy to bid game against silent opponents...Italy +150.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Versace</i>	<i>Aa</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Molberg</i>
1♦	1NT	Dble	1♣
Pass	3♣	3♦	2♣
Pass	Pass	Dble	3NT
Pass	5♣	Pass	4♣
Dble	All Pass		Pass

Even against talkative opponents, bidding game is difficult, as the Closed Room auction clearly proved. It took Molberg a long time to produce his 3NT bid. Whether this inspired Lauria to make a double, we will never know but Molberg did not fancy his chances too much, so he ran. He was right, as 3NT would have gone at least one off with East on lead (a heart lead/switch even beats it by two tricks).

North, however, had the last word in this auction when he raised 4♣ to five. Versace made a logical enough double, only to find out that EW could not beat this contract...

Norway thus scored +550 for a gain of 9 IMPs, so the score now stood at 36-34 to Italy, a winning draw, and there it rested on the last board.

Exit Available

by Patrick Jourdain (Wales)

The good play on this deal by Lindqvist against England in round 6 of the Open is reported elsewhere (see page 11). There was a variation in the Senior (round 9) match between Ireland and Wales:

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ J 4 ♥ Q 9 8 7 3 2 ♦ K 9 ♣ 10 8 4	<table style="border: 2px solid green; width: 60px; height: 60px; 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	♠ A 9 8 6 ♥ A J 6 ♦ A 8 4 ♣ A 9 5 ♠ 10 7 5 3 2 ♥ 5 ♦ Q J 10 6 3 ♣ K 6 ♠ K Q ♥ K 10 4 ♦ 7 5 2 ♣ Q J 7 3 2
N					
W E					
S					

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Dowling</i>	<i>Gagné</i>	<i>Godden</i>	<i>Sheridan</i>
2♦*	Dbl	Pass	3♣
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>J. Hand</i>	<i>Comyn</i>	<i>P. Hand</i>	<i>Moran</i>
2♦*	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

The atmosphere between the Celtic Seniors is always friendly so I cannot resist mentioning that during the auction there was a delay on one side of the screen. Waiting for the tray to return one player whispered to his screen-mate "Perhaps they are discussing their former wives." The reply came at once "then we may have a long wait."

As usual North was in Three Notrumps after a Multi (or Two Heart) opening from West and a diamond lead from East. Both declarers won the third diamond, losing the exit card with which Lindqvist had later end-played East. The Irish declarer picked up the hearts but relied on West for the club king to go one off. 50 to Wales.

Gagné for Wales showed that winning the third diamond does not matter provided, as one might expect, East also held long spades. After winning the third diamond, declarer unblocked the spades and picked up the hearts with a finesse against West. The third heart squeezed East in three suits. East actually unguarded spades. 400 to Wales and a 10 IMP swing which contributed to the Welsh win 43-26 or 19-11 in VPs.

OPEN TEAMS

Round 6

Denmark v Sweden

by Peter Ventura

Sweden and Denmark were lying third and fifth respectively in the Open Series after five rounds, so when the two Scandinavian medal aspirants clashed in Round 6 we were expecting a tough Nordic battle.

Denmark kicked-off faster, thanks to the optimism of Upmark/Cullin.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Upmark</i>	<i>Bilde</i>	<i>Cullin</i>
	1♣*	1♠	2♥*
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♥*
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♠
Pass	5♣	Pass	6♣
All Pass			

After a strong club opening Two Hearts was forcing with at least five clubs. South might have settled for game, but he can hardly be blamed for taking a shot at the small slam. East led the queen of diamonds. With the trump king off-side the slam had no play, except on a spade lead. Declarer took the losing trump finesse, so West could win the king, cash the king of diamonds and give partner a diamond ruff. That was two off, N/S -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Wrang</i>	<i>Askgaard</i>	<i>Nilsson</i>	<i>Bjarnarson</i>
	1♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♦
Pass	3♥	Pass	3NT
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

East was not tempted to copy the light overcall from the Open Room, which led to the spade game for North/South, a contract that can be made despite the bad trump break. On a diamond lead, declarer will set up the

diamonds for a club discard in hand and with any other lead the clubs can be established. In practice East led a heart; N/S +420. That was 11 IMPs to Denmark and a flying start for them.

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Upmark</i>	<i>Bilde</i>	<i>Cullin</i>
			Pass
1♦	Dble	2♦	2♥
3♦	Dble*	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

The second double showed extras. East/West's diamond bids kept the Swedes away from the bad no-trump game and it directed them to Four Hearts, which is of course a



Johan Upmark, Sweden

far better contract. Declarer won the diamond lead and could eventually discard the losing spade in dummy. Sweden +620.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Wrang	Askgaard	Nilsson	Bjarnarson
			Pass
1♦	Dble	Pass	1♥
Pass	INT	Pass	2NT
All Pass			

North needed either to bid Three Hearts over Two No Trumps, which would have given the Danes slightly more hope of reaching the heart game, or to try for the no-trump game.

Declarer won the spade lead, played a spade and received a diamond shift, thus one down, -100, and that was 12 IMPs to Sweden.

On Board 8 Johan Upmark found the nice endplay, which is described in another place in today's bulletin. Well done!

In the Closed Room Nilsson saw the endplay coming, so he discarded a club early. However, declarer worked out the position and painlessly dropped the bare club king, which gave him two overtricks and 2 IMPs to Denmark, trailing by 12-25 now.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Hansen	Upmark	Bilde	Cullin
			1♠
Pass	INT	2♣	Dble
4♣	4♥	All Pass	

East tried to cash the ace of clubs on opening lead, but declarer ruffed, ran the nine of spades to East's king and ruffed the club switch. A spade was won by West's ace and the defence played a third club, ruffed in dummy. At this point declarer was void in spades and clubs, so he easily could draw trumps and even though he lost a trick to the diamond queen he still had ten tricks; N/S +420.

West	North	East	South
Wrang	Askgaard	Nilsson	Bjarnarson
			1♠
Pass	Pass	2♣	Dble
2♠	3♣	3NT	Pass
Pass	Dble	4♣	All Pass

Nilsson gave the Danes a second chance to reach game, when he reopened with Two Clubs. However, as the bidding continued, particularly when Nilsson bid game, it was too difficult for the Danes to reach their optimal spot.

In Four Clubs the defence had their four obvious tricks, thus Denmark +50, although 9 IMPs to Sweden, who at this point were leading by 32-25 IMPs.

The last large swing in the match went to Sweden.

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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



Gregers Bjarnarson, Denmark

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Hansen	Upmark	Bilde	Cullin
			Pass
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦*	Pass	3NT	All Pass

This might be the auction many of us would have produced. With the diamond ace onside, the game was just made; Denmark +600.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Wrang	Askgaard	Nilsson	Bjarnarson
			Pass
1♣*	2♦	Dble	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♣	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♦*	Pass
4NT*	Pass	5♦*	Pass
6♣	All Pass		

When Wrang found the key bid of Four Clubs he opened the way to the small slam, though East surely contributed to reaching a rather poor spot by cuebidding Four Diamonds.

North led a spade to the ace. Declarer cashed the heart ace and king, pitching a diamond in dummy, and then ruffed

a heart before drawing two rounds of trumps. The diamond ace had to be onside, and when that was the case declarer had twelve tricks. That was Sweden +1370 and 13 huge IMPs to them.

That last swing board helped the Swedes advance to 57-36 IMPs, 19-11 VPs. However, the final result was changed to 18-11 due to slow play by the Swedes.



No Guess

by Rob Cliffe

Heather Dhondy of England neatly avoided a guess on this hand against France from Round 11:

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

Playing in Four Spades from South after a transfer auction, Heather got a club lead from Sylvie Willard to the jack and ace. Since it was hardly possible to avoid a heart loser if the king was wrong, she played a heart to the jack, then a spade. East, Benedicte Cronier, won with the ace and chose to exit with a club to the seven, queen and ruff. East won the next spade and exited with a club to the nine, dummy discarding a diamond.

Heather now cashed the jack of spades and then the king of clubs throwing a heart. When these were 4-4 as seemed likely from the carding, she played a heart to the ace, diamond to the ace, heart ruff, king of diamonds. The diamond loser and East's trump fell at trick 13. Note that East was known to have no more than three hearts (West still holding the king) so was bound to follow to the second diamond. If East had been able to ruff the second or third heart, she would have been forced to lead a diamond, so Heather's line was 100% safe.

Sitout exercise 10

How many spades can East-West make?

Few contracts are so bad that they can't be made with a helpful enough defence. On this deal North-South can make Six Spades (among other slams). But how many spades can East-West make if the defenders do their worst?

Let them lead the ♥K. South unblocks the queen, and we go from there...

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

Open Series Round 4

by Jos Jacobs

Here are two boards from Monday afternoon's round 4.

Board: 7. Dealer South/All vul.

♠ A K 9 2 ♥ A 9 ♦ K ♣ A Q 7 6 4 2	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white;">N</td><td></td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white;">W</td><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white;">E</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white;">S</td><td></td></tr> </table>	N			W	E			S		♠ Q ♥ 10 8 6 5 3 ♦ 9 8 5 3 2 ♣ 5 3	♠ 8 7 ♥ K Q 4 2 ♦ A Q J 10 6 ♣ J 9
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W	E											
	S											

The popular contract was 6NT which makes easily, as you only need two club tricks and thus can afford to play ♣A and another.

The interesting contract, of course, is 7NT. Not that it should be bid, but what is the best line? It mainly depends on where the spades are. If they are in West, as is actually the case, you should cash the ♠AK as a double Vienna Coup. After that, a simple squeeze played as a double squeeze will develop automatically. If East guards the spades, cashing ♠AK destroys the major suit squeeze on East but is a necessary play to execute a ♥/♣-squeeze on either defender later. Of course, East cannot be squeezed in the blacks.

The entry position is not so straightforward, however, as the diamonds are 5-2. You cannot overtake the ♦K, though you would have to do so if you wanted to squeeze East in the majors; two club tricks have to be cashed first in that case. So, even on a spade lead, the major suit squeeze on East will not work.

Needless to say that, since the ♣K has to be right anyway, there is no hurry to finesse in clubs.

On board 9, the German doctors brought off a tremendous coup against the Hackett twins:

Board: 9. Dealer North/EW vul.

♠ Q J 10 9 ♥ K 4 3 ♦ 8 ♣ A Q 9 8 7	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white;">N</td><td></td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white;">W</td><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white;">E</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="background-color: #008000; color: white;">S</td><td></td></tr> </table>	N			W	E			S		♠ K 2 ♥ Q J 9 8 6 5 ♦ 9 7 6 ♣ 6 4	♠ A 8 7 5 4 ♥ 10 ♦ A Q J ♣ K 5 3 2
N												
W	E											
	S											

♠ 6 3
♥ A 7 2
♦ K 10 5 4 3 2
♣ J 10

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Waterlow</i>	<i>Piekarek</i>	<i>P. Hackett</i>	<i>Smirnov</i>
	2♦	2♠	3♥
4♠	All Pass		

England +680, a fair result, as slam is slightly odds-against.

Bizzare things were happening, however, in the other room:

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Elinescu</i>	<i>Hackett Ja</i>	<i>Wladow</i>	<i>Hackett Ju</i>
	3♥	Dbl	4♦
4♠	5♦	5♥	Pass
6♣	Pass	6♦	Pass
6♥	Pass	7♠	All Pass

After this sequence, both doctors having strongly suggested heart voids, can you really blame Jason for leading a diamond?

When the trump finesse also worked, the Germans had scored an incredible +2210 and 17 IMPs on their way to beating England 53-15 or 23-7 V.P.

As a BBO commentator said: "It's good to have two doctors present at this table, as the twins may well need some medical treatment now ..."



Josef Piekarek, Germany

FORZA

Est-ce parce que Wimbledon vient de débuter ? Toujours est-il que les protégées de Dano de Falco qui ont choisi de faire la course en tête ont réalisé, hier matin contre les Turques, un score très tennis, à savoir 40-40, autrement dit 40 A, ce qui, en points de victoire, se traduit d'ailleurs par 15 A.

QUESTION D'ENTAME

Dans le même ordre d'idées, des experts attachent fréquemment la même importance au service en tennis et à l'entame au bridge; Mais quand donc aura t-on droit à deux entames? Je sais des joueurs que cela arrangerait.

RARE REPARTITION

Rencontre d'hier matin en Open entre l'Allemagne et le Portugal. Un bug informatique fait que les 13 Piques sont en Sud, les 13 Coeurs en ouest et le reste à l'avenant. J. Dos Santos ouvre de 2 Trèfles la main de Sud et M.Elinescu ne se prive pas d'intervenir à 7 Coeurs sous les yeux médusés



Xavier et Nicole Schurer

du scoreur qui avait sous les yeux le diagramme réel, au demeurant assez banal .Les quatre joueurs réalisèrent rapidement la situation et c'est au milieu d'éclats de rire que M. Elinescu déclara : « Je commençais à me demander où étaient les Piques ».

UN HOMME ORCHESTRE

C'est un orchestre de famille que Xavier Schurer pourrait diriger en ce Championnat. Responsable des retransmissions BBO et des scoreurs, il compte dans son équipe: sa maman, Nicole et plus accidentellement son épouse Angélique ou son père, Philippe, tandis que le petit frère Stéphane est également chauffeur et diffuseur du présent bulletin.

Morgane, sa fille de 9 ans, attendra un peu, même si elle excelle déjà à disposer sur les tables les feuilles de prévision à Deauville, Biarritz ou Lacanau.

Xavier a parfois dû, au prix d'un racolage éhonté (c'est lui qui le dit) faire appel à divers kibbitz pour compléter son équipe jusqu'au chiffre de 35 scoreurs en simultanément, parfois. Parmi eux, citons Patrick Bocken qui a défendu les couleurs belges la semaine dernière et qui admet avec humour que la deuxième semaine au cours de laquelle il voit les quatre jeux, est, à tout prendre, plus facile pour lui que la première.

UN POINT COMMUN

Il existe un point commun entre nos champions et les jeunes filles: ils ne commettent jamais deux fois la même erreur.

L'INTERDIT

L'excellent François Stretz, membre de l'équipe de France Seniors, s'est interdit de casino en France. Nous l'avons vu, alors qu'il était au Touquet, pousser une pointe jusqu'à celui d'Ostende. Gageons que, concentré sur les résultats de l'équipe, François n'effectuera pas le voyage de Pau à San Sebastian, lieu de perdition le plus proche.

UN PEU GONFLE

Entendu dans la bouche de l'un de nos tout bons joueurs, alors qu'il s'apprêtait à rencontrer une équipe supposée plus faible : « Je suis désolé de vous le dire, mais je souhaite que les meilleurs gagnent. »

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AUKEN Sabine	ARNIM Daniela von	0.76	280	Germany	FARHOLT Stense	RAHELT Maria Marit	-0.05	200	Denmark
GROMOVA Victoria	PONOMAREVA T.	0.69	220	Russia	McGOWAN Elizabeth	McQUAKER Fiona	-0.06	240	Scotland
MEZEI Katalin	CSIPKA Szilvia	0.63	200	Hungary	DHONDY Heather	SENIOR Nevena	-0.06	219	England
ARRIGONI Gianna	OLIVIERI Gabriella	0.60	199	Italy	KHONICHEVA Elena	NIKITINA Alexandra	-0.08	180	Russia
ALBERTI Anja	SCHRAVERUS-MEUER	0.57	140	Germany	SIGURJONSDOTTIR	NIELSEN Ragnheidur	-0.08	220	Iceland
HODEROVA Pavla	JANKOVA Jana	0.56	200	Czech Rep.	CHUBAROVA S.	VOROBICHKOVA O.	-0.12	200	Russia
ALMIRALL Nuria	ALMIRALL Marta	0.52	240	Spain	CLENCH Gilly	WOODRUFF Laura	-0.12	240	Wales
PASMAN Jet	SIMONS Anneke	0.50	238	Netherlands	LAMBRINOU Sophie	TSIRIKOU Eleni	-0.13	240	Greece
NEHMERT Pony Beate	GROMANN Ingrid	0.46	180	Germany	FERREIRA Isabel	ROSADO Alexandra	-0.13	199	Portugal
THORESEN Siv	VIST Gunn Tove	0.45	260	Norway	MARTIN Anne	ADAMSON Sheila	-0.15	180	Scotland
LEVIT-PORAT Ruth	PORAT Liri	0.44	220	Israel	TESHOME Sarah	JAGGER Catherine	-0.15	220	England
PAOLUZI Simonetta	SACCAVINI Ilaria	0.42	220	Italy	LEVY Hila	ASULIN Adi	-0.16	197	Israel
HARDING Marianne	FUGLESTAD Ann Karin	0.40	200	Norway	ADUT Vera	GUMRUKCUOGLU L.	-0.18	220	Turkey
IVARSDOTTIR Anna	OSKARSDOTTIR G.	0.38	240	Iceland	THOMASBERGER H.	STIGLEITNER Helga	-0.24	220	Austria
PILIPOVIC Marina	SVER Nikica	0.35	280	Croatia	NURMI Pia	AHONEN Hulda	-0.25	320	Finland
SJOBORG Emma	RIMSTEDT Sandra	0.34	180	Sweden	HAMORI Zsuzsa	ZALAI Agnes	-0.30	220	Hungary
ANDERSSON Pia	RIMSTEDT Cecilia	0.32	240	Sweden	VELAITOU Polina	MITSI Georgia	-0.31	240	Greece
BACKSTROM Sue	TUOMI Raija	0.31	320	Finland	BABOT Mari Carmen	PANADERO Maria	-0.31	180	Spain
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BORDALLO CORTINAMATUT M.		0.27	180	Spain	BROGELAND T.	SVENDSEN Tone	-0.39	140	Norway
PASTERNAK M.	HARASIMOWICZ Ewa	0.27	180	Poland	MULLER Renata	PETROVIC Izvorka	-0.41	140	Croatia
CRONIER Benedicte	WILLARD Sylvie	0.27	200	France	LINDENLAUF Diana	MULIAR Andrea	-0.43	220	Austria
COMMINS Elizabeth	SHEA Sheila Ann	0.27	200	Wales	JAKOBSDOTTIR E.	KRISTJONSDOTTIR V.	-0.44	140	Iceland
VRIEND Bep	ARNOLDS Carla	0.26	180	Netherlands	MIDSKOG Catharina	BERTHEAU Kathrine	-0.44	180	Sweden
JOYCE Emer	KENNY Joan	0.25	200	Ireland	CARROLL Helen	KULCHYCKY Jill	-0.45	199	Ireland
NEVE Joanna	BESSIS Veronique	0.21	180	France	ALEXANDER Michele	BENSON Joyce	-0.49	180	Scotland
BRKLJACIC Tihana	MARTINOVIC Slavica	0.21	180	Croatia	LANCOVA Milena	MEDLINOVA Blanka	-0.53	200	Czech Rep.
WORTEL Meike	MICHIELSEN Marion	0.19	219	Netherlands	RAGI Daad	KOTEIT Eva	-0.55	100	Lebanon
ATALAY Belis	ZAIM Mey	0.17	200	Turkey	TOKCAN Merih	MERZE Sukriye	-0.58	180	Turkey
BEKKOUCHE Nadia	BINDERKRANTZ Trine	0.15	220	Denmark	WUFKA Michaela	SCHOBER Maria	-0.76	199	Austria
SARNIAK Anna	BREWIAK Grazyna	0.15	260	Poland	ABOUSLEIMAN Leila	CHAMMAA Iman	-0.77	160	Lebanon
MANARA Gabriella	FERLAZZO Caterina	0.12	220	Italy	VENETAKI Athina	GEORGIOU Anna	-0.93	160	Greece
NYARADI Gabriella	NYARADI Ibolya	0.09	220	Hungary	NAMOUR Marella	RAMADAN Youmna	-0.96	216	Lebanon
LAZAR Naomi	ARAMI Ruth	0.05	180	Israel	CLEARY Ena	FITZGERALD Jeannie	-1.03	200	Ireland
ERDEOVA Jana	TOMCIKOVA Zdena	0.04	200	Czech Rep.	PATRICK Daphne	GARDNER Betty	-1.69	160	Wales