

Bulletin 6

Thursday, 9 - Friday, 10 October 2008

# HAVE FUN!



There's no better way to relax than over a friendly game of cards.

ere's hoping everybody has fun and enjoys their day off today. Then tomorrow is a big day for all those teams still scrapping for one of the last qualifying places, so try not to party too hard.

Poland still leads the U28 Championship with 267 VPs, ahead of Israel 260, England 255, Belgium 250 and China 248. However, the Swiss format means that at least another 20 teams still have chances of qualification if they can put together a big day on Friday.

Poland lost 8-22 to Canada in Round 14 of the U26 series, but still has a significant lead. Poland has 281 VPs, followed by Netherlands 258, Australia 240, Canada and Denmark 234. With eight teams to qualify, maybe everyone down to 13th placed Italy still has some chance of making the cut.

France continues to lead the U21 event with 294 VPs, followed by England 280, Bulgaria 268, Chinese Taipei 255.5 and China 249. Short of a truly dramatic last day, probably 11th placed Norway is the lowest team to have realistic chances of qualification.

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U-28 Teams, Swiss 15
U-26 Teams, Round 15
U-21 Teams, Round 15
U-28 Teams, Swiss 16
U-26 Teams, Round 16
U-21 Teams, Round 16
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U-26 Teams, Round 17
U-21 Teams, Round 17

Friday's Schedule













### I\* WORLD MIND SPORTS GAMES

### RESULTS U-26 TEAMS

ROUND 13					
	Match		IMP's	VP's	
Т	NEW ZEALAND	ITALY	15 - 25	13 - 17	
2	CANADA	INDIA	32 - 21	17 - 13	
3	CHINESE TAIPEI	POLAND	41 - 40	15 - 15	
4	NETHERLANDS	GERMANY	22 - 41	-  9	
5	USA	EGYPT	60 - 17	25 - 5	
6	CHINA HONG KONG	ARGENTINA	49 - 38	17 - 13	
7	DENMARK	CHINA	37 - 13	21 - 9	
8	CHILE	INDONESIA	42 - 49	14 - 16	
9	NORWAY	AUSTRALIA	36 - 19	9 -	
ROUND 14					
	Match		IMP's	VP's	

1	NETHERLANDS	CHILE	42 - 26	19 - 11
2	INDONESIA	DENMARK	16 - 29	12 - 18
3	CHINA	CHINA HONG KONG	50 - 47	16 - 14
4	ARGENTINA	USA	17 - 51	7 - 23
5	GERMANY	ITALY	61 - 12	25 - 4
6	AUSTRALIA	CHINESE TAIPEI	43 - 31	18 - 12
7	POLAND	CANADA	26 - 57	8 - 22
8	INDIA	NEW ZEALAND	26 - 44	-  9
9	EGYPT	NORWAY	36 - 26	17 - 13



### **RESULTS U-21 TEAMS**

ROUND 13				
	Mat	tch	IMP's	VP's
I 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	PAKISTAN BULGARIA NORWAY AUSTRALIA USA ENGLAND FRANCE SINGAPORE BOTSWANA	INDONESIA CHINA URUGUAY ECUADOR CANADA NETHERLANDS POLAND ARGENTINA CHINESE TAIPEI	64 - 9 37 - 53 72 - 8 50 - 18 40 - 43 56 - 20 62 - 34 51 - 13 20 - 88	$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$
		ROUND 14		
	Mat	tch	IMP's	VP's
 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	AUSTRALIA ARGENTINA POLAND NETHERLANDS ECUADOR CHINESE TAIPEI URUGUAY CHINA CANADA	SINGAPORE FRANCE ENGLAND USA INDONESIA NORWAY BULGARIA PAKISTAN BOTSWANA	29 - 42 24 - 46 28 - 22 28 - 21 23 - 37 12 - 28 14 - 69 54 - 19 74 - 7	12 - 18 10 - 20 16 - 14 16 - 14 12 - 18 11 - 19 3 - 25 23 - 7 25 - 1



### FRIDAY'S PROGRAM U-26 TEAMS

### ROUND 15

I	ITALY	INDIA		
2	NEW ZEALAND	POLAND		
3	CANADA	AUSTRALIA		
4	CHINESE TAIPEI	EGYPT		
5	NORWAY	ARGENTINA		
6	CHILE	GERMANY		
7	CHINA HONG KONG	INDONESIA		
8	DENMARK	NETHERLANDS		
9	USA	CHINA		
ROUND 16				
	ROUND 16			
1	ROUND 16	DENMARK		
 2		DENMARK CHINA HONG KONG		
 2 3	CHILE			
_	CHILE NETHERLANDS	CHINA HONG KONG		
3	CHILE NETHERLANDS INDONESIA	CHINA HONG KONG USA		
3 4	CHILE NETHERLANDS INDONESIA CHINA	CHINA HONG KONG USA NORWAY		
3 4 5	CHILE NETHERLANDS INDONESIA CHINA ARGENTINA	CHINA HONG KONG USA NORWAY CHINESE TAIPEI		

#### ROUND 17

I	ARGENTINA
2	EGYPT
3	AUSTRALIA
4	POLAND
5	INDIA
6	ITALY
7	NEW ZEALAND
8	GERMANY
9	CANADA

AUSTRALIA

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#### CHINA INDONESIA NETHERLANDS CHILE DENMARK CHINA HONG KONG USA CHINESE TAIPEI NORWAY

NEW ZEALAND

### FRIDAY'S PROGRAM U-21 TEAMS

ROUND 15				
I	INDONESIA	CHINA		
2	PAKISTAN	URUGUAY		
3	BULGARIA	CHINESE TAIPEI		
4	NORWAY	CANADA		
5	BOTSWANA	NETHERLANDS		
6	SINGAPORE	ECUADOR		
7	ENGLAND	ARGENTINA		
8	FRANCE	AUSTRALIA		
9	USA	POLAND		
	ROUND 16			
Ι	SINGAPORE	FRANCE		
2	AUSTRALIA	ENGLAND		
3	ARGENTINA	USA		
4	POLAND	BOTSWANA		
5	NETHERLANDS	NORWAY		
6	CANADA	BULGARIA		
7	ECUADOR	CHINA		
8	URUGUAY			
9	CHINESE TAIPEI	PAKISTAN		
ROUND 17				
Ι	CHINA	URUGUAY		
2	INDONESIA	CHINESE TAIPEI		
3	PAKISTAN	CANADA		
4	BULGARIA	NETHERLANDS		
5	NORWAY	POLAND		
6	BOTSWANA	ARGENTINA		
7	USA	AUSTRALIA		
8	FRANCE	ECUADOR		
9	ENGLAND	SINGAPORE		

## U-26 TEAMS

### RANKING AFTER ROUND 14

I POLAND	281
2 NETHERLANDS	258
3 AUSTRALIA	240
4 CANADA	234
DENMARK	234
6 NORWAY	232
7 USA	229
8 CHINESE TAIPEI	212
9 GERMANY	211
10 CHILE	209
11 INDONESIA	201
12 CHINA HONG KONG	196
13 ITALY	194
14 NEW ZEALAND	179
15 ARGENTINA	175
16 CHINA	170
17 EGYPT	149
18 INDIA	4

### Team Canada



The Canadian Youth (under 28) team and CBF would like to say Thank You to Masterpoint Press for sponsoring Team Jackets.

Left to Right. Michael Yuen (npc), David Grainger, David Sabourin, Erin Anderson, Matthew Mason, Roy Yang Li and Kai Zhou.

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MATCHES
Israel - China (U-28/Round 15)
To be decided
To be decided

## U-21 TEAMS

### RANKING AFTER ROUND 14

I FRANCE	294
2 ENGLAND	280
3 BULGARIA	268
4 CHINESE TAIPEI	255.5
5 CHINA	249
6 SINGAPORE	240
7 POLAND	230.5
8 NETHERLANDS	226
9 AUSTRALIA	225
10 USA	214
II NORWAY	213
12 ARGENTINA	201
13 PAKISTAN	177
I4 CANADA	166.5
I5 ECUADOR	151
16 INDONESIA	134
17 URUGUAY	96.5
18 BOTSWANA	43

### World Championship Book 2008

The official book of these championships will be available around the end of March. On publication the official retail price will be  $\pounds$ 24 Sterling plus postage. You can pre-order a copy at the championships at the reduced price of US\$35 (240 Rmb) including surface mail, by seeing Brian Senior in the Bulletin Room at the BICC (through the back of the Open playing room).

The 2008 book will consist of 380 large pages, 44 more than normal, and this explains the price increase on previous years, which is also partly to offset the higher postal costs. The increased size is to cater to the fact that we have all the Youth events that have not previously been a factor in the World Championship book. By adding extra pages, we don't need to reduce the coverage of the Open etc.

There will be substantial coverage of all events, including every board of the final and semi-finals of the Open and Women's Teams, with full results listings, Butler rankings, photographs etc. Principle analysts will be Brian Senior, Barry Rigal and John Carruthers. This year's guest writers are Mark Horton, Geo Tislevoll and Marc Smith.

If you have a possible hand for inclusion, do feel free to send it to me at bsenior@hotmail.com.

# U-28 TEAMS



# RESULTS



# SWISS 13

Match	IMP's VP's
I POLAND ISRAEL	8 - 43 7 - 23
2 BELGIUM GREECE	40 - 19 20 - 10
3 CHINA HUNGARY	29-21 17-13
4 ENGLAND NORWAY	41 - 24 19 - 11
5 INDONESIA CHINESE TAIPEI	17 - 53 7 - 23
6 CANADA FRANCE	28 - 47 11 - 19
7 ICELAND EGYPT	26 - 14 18 - 12
8 INDIA LATVIA	36 - 7 22 - 8
9 USA ROMANIA	81 - 18 25 - 2
10 CZECH REPUBLIC ECUADOR	47 - 27 20 - 10
I I CROATIA SERBIA	67 - 30 24 - 6
I2 AUSTRIA ITALY	29 - 23 16 - 14
I3 LITHUANIA AUSTRALIA	10 - 58 4 - 25
I4 FINLAND THAILAND	41 - 20 20 - 10
15 TURKEY CHINA HONG KONG	62 - 34 22 - 8
16 ESTONIA BRAZIL	32 - 41 13 - 17
17 JAPAN UKRAINE	56 - 13 25 - 5
18 SINGAPORE SWEDEN	34-61 9-21
19 SPAIN GERMANY	45 - 42 16 - 14
20 IRELAND PORTUGAL	36 - 69 7 - 23
21 PAKISTAN DENMARK	12 - 89 0 - 25
22 TUNISIA NETHERLANDS	50 - 21 22 - 8
23 CAC LEBANON	60 - 17 25 - 5
24 SWITZERLAND SOUTH AFRICA	94 - 26 25 - I
25 RUSSIA VENEZUELA	57 - 15 25 - 5
26 BELARUS ARGENTINA	38-12 21-9
27 PHILIPPINES WALES	15 - 50 7 - 23
28 BANGLADESH SCOTLAND	25 - 73 4 - 25
29 NEW ZEALAND URUGUAY	0-   25-0
30 JORDAN SLOVAKIA	25 - 34 13 - 17
31 BOTSWANA ZIMBABWE	70 - 31 24 - 6
32 SLOVENIA KENYA	67 - 25 25 - 5
33 ARUBA SRI LANKA	73 - 22 25 - 4
34 KOREA ALBANIA	90 - 35 25 - 3
35 COLOMBIA JAMAICA	108 - 18 25 - 0
36 COSTA RICA MONGOLIA	50 - 29 20 - 10
37 PERU MALAYSIA	27 - 79 4 - 25

# SWISS 14

	Ma	itch	IMP's	VP's	
I	POLAND	USA	48 - 20	22 - 8	
2	BELGIUM	ISRAEL	22 - 52	8 - 22	
3	CHINA	CHINESE TAIPEI	37 - 37	15 - 15	
4	ENGLAND	GREECE	45 - 16	22 - 8	
5	HUNGARY	INDIA	22 - 25	4 -  6	
6	FRANCE	NORWAY	41 - 25	9 -	
7	ICELAND	CROATIA	26 - 25	15 - 14	
8	INDONESIA	CZECH REPUBLIC	17 - 30	12 - 18	
9	CANADA	AUSTRALIA	17 - 32	12 - 18	
10	) EGYPT	JAPAN	18 - 18	15 - 15	
	I TURKEY	FINLAND	11 - 28	-  9	
12	2 AUSTRIA	LATVIA	42 - 25	9 -	
13	B ECUADOR	DENMARK	21 - 57	7 - 23	
4	1 ITALY	SWEDEN	33 - 22	17 - 13	
15	5 PORTUGAL	BRAZIL	45 - 30	18 - 12	
16	5 TUNISIA	ESTONIA	37 - 38	15 - 15	
17	7 ROMANIA	THAILAND	26 - 44	-  9	
18	3 CAC	SWITZERLAND	24 - 71	4 - 25	
19	9 RUSSIA	SPAIN	13 - 26	12 - 18	
20	) SERBIA	GERMANY	61 - 30	22 - 8	
2	CHINA HONG K	ONG LITHUANIA	51 - 28	20 - 10	
22	2 SINGAPORE	UKRAINE	53 - 47	16 - 14	
23	B IRELAND	SCOTLAND	58 - 44	18 - 12	
24	4 WALES	BELARUS	26 - 56	8 - 22	
25	5 NETHERLANDS	NEW ZEALAND	53 - 30	20 - 10	
26	5 PAKISTAN	BOTSWANA	49 - 34	18 - 12	
27	7 ARUBA	LEBANON	19 - 49	8 - 22	
28	3 VENEZUELA	ARGENTINA	34 - 54	10 - 20	
29	9 SLOVAKIA	PHILIPPINES	24 - 15	17 - 13	
30	) Korea	JORDAN	54 - 25	22 - 8	
3	SOUTH AFRICA	SLOVENIA	31 - 37	14 - 16	
32	2 BANGLADESH	KENYA	114-6	25 - 0	
33	3 COLOMBIA	SRI LANKA	47 - 29	18 - 11	
34	1 ZIMBABWE	ALBANIA	61 - 17	25 - 5	
35	5 COSTA RICA	JAMAICA	49 - 40	17 - 13	
36	5 URUGUAY	MALAYSIA	58 - 18	24 - 6	
37	7 PERU	MONGOLIA	36 - 17	9 -	

# U-28 TEAMS

# RANKING AFTER ROUND 14

2         ISRAEL         260           3         ENGLAND         255           4         BELGIUM         250           5         CHINA         248           6         CHINESE TAIPEI         244           7         FRANCE         239           8         HUNGARY         237           INDIA         237           10         ICELAND         233           11         CZECH REPUBLIC         232           12         AUSTRALIA         231           NORWAY         231           14         CROATIA         230           USA         230           16         GREECE         229           17         DENMARK         226           EGYPT         226           INDONESIA         226           INDONESIA         225           23         JAPAN         223           24         SWITZERLAND         221.5           25         TALY         219.5           PORTUGAL         219.5           27         SERBIA         218           7URKEY         218           29         LATVIA         217	I POLAND	267
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# Five Voices

### What are you planning to do on your day off?



#### Tomislav Gracin, Croatia U28

- We are planning going to the Great Wall. Hopefully we go together with Serbia. Then it might be some other sightseeing.

#### Nicolle Serra , Chile U26

- We are going to see the Great Wall, and also try to get some shopping done in any of the markets. I think we will go together with our Open team.





### Hisham Moharam, Egypt U26

- I have to go shopping, flash memories are cheap here. A laptop is also on the list together with some cloths. Then I would like to see the bird nest and the Great Wall.

#### Sapan Desai, India U28

 Very nice here, we have been to the great wall it was amazingly beautiful. Some language problems though. The bridge is going up and down.





#### Jovana Marinkovic, Serbia– U28

 We are going to the Great Wall.
 We also might go to the "Forbidden City" and I want to see the "Temple of Heaven". Some shopping would be nice as well.

# Final Series of the U21, U26 and U28 Teams

The top eight teams qualify in each category, ties being broken as in the Conditions of Contest.

There is a Captains' Meeting at 8.00 pm on Friday October 10th in the vugraph theatre.

Carry-overs in all series are as in 7.8 of the Supplemental Conditions of Contest.

Recorders are required for every match. It is the responsibility of every team to provide a recorder for the table at which they play North/South.

Draw: All Series Ist chooses from 5th to 8th 2nd chooses from the three remaining teams 3rd chooses from the two remaining teams 4th plays the remaining team

In addition, the 1st placed team may select the other quarter-final match to be in their bracket, such that the two winners of these matches will meet in the semi-final.

Seating Rights For The Quarter-finals

The teams may, in turn, by draw, select a session and decide they want to line-up before or after their opponents. There shall be a coin toss to decide which team has first choice to select a session, and the winner also has right of choice in the remaining session after each team has chosen once.

Session Times for Saturday 11th October (3 x 16-Board Sessions) 11.00 - 13.20 14.20 - 16.40 17.10 - 19.30



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During Round 13 of the U21s, England met the Netherlands with England in a comfortable second place and Netherlands in a less comfortable seventh. The two teams know each other well, having been competing for years in the annual Channel Trophy between England, Netherlands, France and Belgium, and the two countries dominate the event, with their head to head match frequently deciding the outcome – as it did this year when England won.

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

This deal saw declarer conned by a cunning switch.

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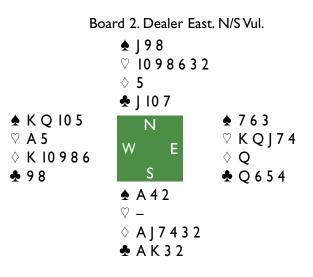
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One SOS redouble in an auction is common, two is rare, three is exceptional. Take a look at this deal from the U28 Round 13 clash of Balkan rivals Croatia and Serbia.



West	North	East	South
Brguljan	Maksimovic	Ruso	Jurisic
_	—	20	3♢
Dble	Pass	Pass	Rdbl
Pass	3♡	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	Pass	Rdbl
Pass	3♠	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	Pass	Rdbl
All Pass			

Lara Ruso's  $2^{\heartsuit}$  opening showed five hearts plus a fourcard or longer minor, weak. When Marko Jurisic overcalled  $3^{\Diamond}$  he no doubt thought that he had a pretty decent hand, but Karlo Brguljan doubled with a confident air and when the bidding came back to Jurisic he decided to try to find a better spot. The auction developed a curious symmetry from here, with Jurisic alternating between pass and redouble, Brguljan between pass and double. By the time that the third SOS redouble came through the screen, Nikola Maksimovic had had enough and passed.

You might not think that a weakish three-three fit redoubled at the three level, vulnerable, would be a great success, but look at the spade position – East cannot over-ruff in diamonds! A trump lead would have left declarer a trick short (and perhaps is indicated on this auction?) but, after the actual lead of the queen of hearts, there were three top tricks in the minors and six trump tricks on a grand crossruff. Maksimovic wrapped up nine tricks for a wonderful +960 – a nice result against anyone, but all the sweeter against their local rivals.

★ K 10 9 8
 ★ J 9 5 4 3
 ♥ 9 8 5 4 3
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🛧 A | 7 6 5 3

	♡KIC ◇A9 ♣4		
West	North	East	South
T. Paske	Helmich	Jones	Нор
_	$\diamond$	2 桊	20
Pass	40	All Pass	

Tom Paske led the queen of clubs to the king and ace and Ed Jones found the dastardly switch to the five of diamonds!

Declarer, fearing a singleton on his right, rose with the ace of diamonds and went one off. At the end of the hand his comment was, "I didn't believe you...." But perhaps when two old friends meet it is a case of who is bluffing who?



Ed Jones – England

### ROUND 12

### NORWAY



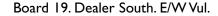
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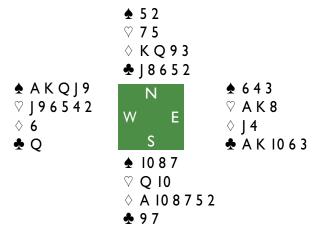
Poland has looked to be the powerhouse team in the Under 26 Championship so far and they did nothing to dispel that view in their Round 12 match-up with another traditionally strong country, Norway.

U-26 TEAMS

POLAND

It seemed that everything that could go wrong for the Norwegians did in this match.







Piotr Wiankowski - Poland

West	North	East	South
Eide	Nawrocki	Livgard	Sikora
_	-	-	3◇
<b>4</b> ◇	5♢	6♡	All Pass
West	North	East	South
Wiankowski	Lindqvist	Nowosadzki	Berg
_	—	_	Pass
♠	Pass	2 뢒	Pass
2♡	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♡	Pass	<b>4</b> ♡	All Pass

For Norway, Erik Berg passed the South hand and heard his opponents have a two-over-one auction to  $4^{\circ}$ . I thought that Michal Nowosadzki, who was looking at two ace-kings, was slightly cautious with the East cards – surely, having not repeated the clubs earlier,  $4^{\bullet}$  would have been a clear slam try for one of partner's suits, but he was no doubt put off by the weak spades.

Slam is neither here nor there, basically needing hearts two-two or the bare queen, so just with the odds but not by a lot. Here, Piotr Wiankowski received a diamond lead but soon claimed 12 tricks for +480.

In the other room, Jan Sikora opened the South hand  $3\diamond$  – not automatic even at favourable vulnerability, but very effective on this occasion. Petter Eide showed his two-suiter and, when Piotr Nawrocki raised the level of the pre-empt, Allan Livgard closed proceedings with a jump to  $6\heartsuit$ .

That meant 11 IMPs to Norway, right? Wrong! After ace of diamonds and a spade switch, Livgard won, played a heart to the ace and, when the ten appeared, crossed to the queen of clubs to run the jack of hearts; down one for -50 and 11 IMPs to Poland. Of course, declarer had heard the opening pre-empt and expected South to be short in another suit.

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

	<ul> <li>▲ A 10</li> <li>♡ J 9 5</li> <li>◊ K J 9 7 5</li> <li>♣ 8 5 2</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>▶ K 9 4</li> <li>♀ Q 7 2</li> <li>◊ Q 8 4 3</li> <li>▶ A 6 4</li> </ul>	N W E S	<ul> <li>▲ J 8 5 3 2</li> <li>♡ K 10 6 4</li> <li>◇ A</li> <li>▲ K Q 10</li> </ul>
E A O T	<ul> <li>▲ Q 7 6</li> <li>♡ A 8 3</li> <li>◊ 10 6 2</li> <li>♣ J 9 7 3</li> </ul>	

West	North	East	South
Eide	Nawrocki	Livgard	Sikora
_	_	-	Pass
Pass	Pass	♠	Pass
2 📤	Pass	2♡	Pass
4♠	All Pass		
West	North	East	South
Wiankowski	Lindqvist	Nowosadzki	Berg
_	_	-	Pass
Pass	$ \diamond$	♠	INT
Dble	All Pass		

We have all opened light in third seat at times and, even vulnerable, that North hand doesn't look to be such a terrible hand for such an opening, including as it does a decent five-card suit which you would certainly like to see partner lead. But the price was a high one as Berg bid INT over Nowosadzki's spade overcall and got doubled.

Wiankowski led the  $\bigstar 9$  against INT doubled and that went to the ten, jack and queen. Berg ran the ten of diamonds to the bare ace and back came a spade to dummy's ace. He crossed to the ace of hearts and repeated the diamond finesse but, when the suit proved to be four-one, could only cash the  $\Diamond K$  for down two; -500.

In the other room, Nawrocki did not open the North hand so his opponents had a free run and reached spade game.With too many holes in the major suits, there is a lot of work to do to make this contract but both majors are very well placed so declarer had chances.

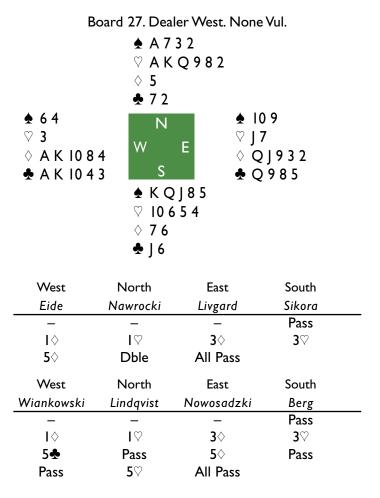
Sikora led the  $\diamond$ 6 to the jack and ace. Now declarer's first



Allan Livgard – Norway

chance was to lead to the king of spades. Though that loses, the ten appears on the next round to hold his losers in the suit to two. But Livgard led low to the  $\blacklozenge$ 9, losing to the ten. He won the club switch in hand and led the  $\bigstar$ 8. Chance number two was to run this, but Livgard judged to put up the king and now had three trump losers. He won the club return in dummy and led a heart to the ten, but was one down for -100 and 12 IMPs to Poland instead of 3 IMPs to Norway.

On the next board the hand records assure us that Lindqvist opened 2NT with a balanced 14-count and Berg drove to seven, the final contract being 7NT doubled down three for -500. Three No Trump was bid and made at the other table to give Poland 14 IMPs. If this result is correct, I would like to think that Lindqvist pulled the wrong bid-ding card and actually intended to open 1NT. If so, that is very unfortunate. If he did intend to open 2NT, the Norwegian team psychiatrist has a tough job on his hands.

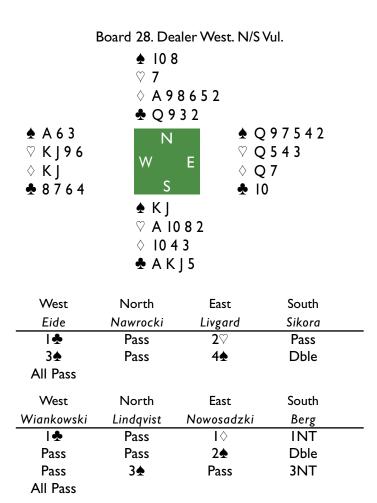


After identical starts to the two auctions, Eide simply competed with 50 over 40 while Wiankowski chose to show the clubs. That had an effect on the respective Norths' decisions. Where Nawrocki doubled 50 because he expected to beat it but not to make 50, Lindqvist could pass 5 then, when Berg did not double 50, bid 50 as a two-way shot, right if either contract was making. It seemed that Norway had got another board wrong but this was actually to be the one bright spot in a gloomy

#### match for them.

Against 5 $^{\circ}$ , Nowsadzki led the  $\clubsuit$ 5 to the king and declarer's seven. Wiankowski cashed the ace of clubs before switching his attention to diamonds so that was one down for -50.

Against 5 $\diamond$  doubled, Nawrocki led the ace of hearts and Sikora's  $\heartsuit$ 5 was not sufficiently clear – or perhaps, not knowing of declarer's second suit, Nawrocki simply chose to defend passively. When he continued with a second heart, Eide was home. He could ruff, draw trumps and take a spade pitch in dummy on the fifth club; +550 and 12 badly-needed IMPs to Norway.



Livgard's  $2^{\heartsuit}$  response showed spades, either weak or strong, and Eide decided to jump to  $3^{\bigstar}$  to show his support. Now Livgard went on to game, which suggests that the pair needs to discuss the situation as clearly someone should have bid differently. Sikora, who had been shut out of the auction to date, added a penalty double.

It could have been worse, I suppose. Nawrocki cashed the ace of diamonds before switching to his singleton heart and Sikora cashed the ace of clubs before giving him the heart ruff. There was still a trump to come for down two; -300, but had Sikora been willing to take the risk of the club disappearing, he could have given the heart ruff immediately and had an extra 200.

The Polish Club auction at the other table left room for Berg to make a natural INT overcall on the South cards. When Nowosadzki competed with  $2\clubsuit$ , Berg doubled for take-out, perhaps a questionable decision with a near minimum and poor spade holding. That got a cuebid from Lindqvist and Berg felt that he had to bid 3NT. Ace and another spade quickly put paid to that contract and the defence cashed out when they got in with the second diamond; two down for -200 and 11 IMPs to Poland.

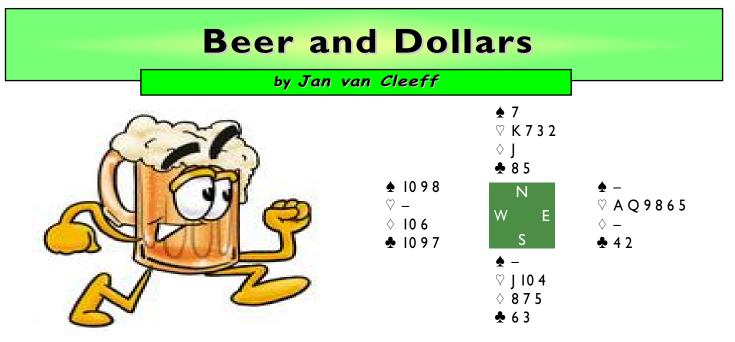
Board 30. Dealer East. None Vul.			
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★ K 8 7 4 2	N		106
♡ A J ◇ I0	W	$\begin{bmatrix} & \vee & K \\ & \diamond & 3 \end{bmatrix}$	Q 9 7 4
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	<b>≜</b> ] 9 5		·· <b>,</b> –
	♡85		
	◊ K J 6		
	<b>♣</b> 6 4 3	3	
West	North	East	South
Eide	Nawrocki	Livgard	Sikora
_	-	$\bigtriangledown$	Pass
	<b>2</b> ◇	Dble	<b>4</b> ◇
4♠	5◇	5♡	Pass
5♠	All Pass		
West	North	East	South
Wiankowski	Lindqvist	Nowosadzki	Berg
_	_	$ \heartsuit$	Pass
♠	3♢	Dble	Pass
4♣		5 📌	All Pass

Nawrocki made a simple overcall and Livgard showed three spades with his double, which was enough for Eide to bid  $4 \pm$  over Sikora's pre-emptive diamond raise. But now Livgard had undisclosed extra values and felt that he should go on to the five level over  $5 \pm$  and the Norwegians were in trouble.

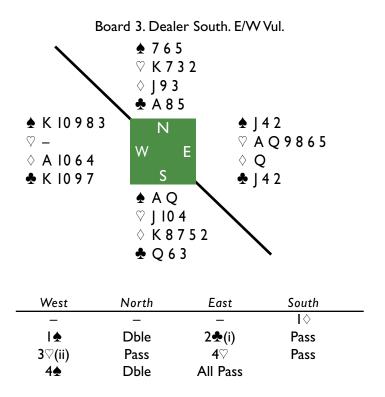
Nawrocki cashed the ace of diamonds then switched to a heart. Eide won in hand and led low towards the queen-ten and, when the ace appeared, just had to lose one more trump for one down; -50.

Lindqvist went for a jump overcall so here the double was a more general take-out, but Berg did not raise the level of the pre-empt. That left room for Wiankiwski to show his second suit at the four level and, it seems, Nowosadzki did very well to go on to game. Five Clubs can be defeated, but it requires North to cash the ace of spades then underlead in diamonds – difficult at the best of time but impossible when partner has not supported diamonds. In practice, Lindqvist cashed the  $\Diamond A$  then the  $\bigstar A$  before leading a heart, and Wiankowski had no problem in coming to 11 tricks for +400 and 10 IMPs to Poland.

The Poles won the match by 64-19 IMPs, 25-5 VPs, and continued their imperious march towards the knock-outs.



Your editor was called to serve as an Appeals Committee member on this board of Round 11 in the U26. This happened at the table:



#### (i) Constructive spade raise

(ii) Explanation by West to South: heart shortness; explanation by East to North: natural

North led a diamond for the queen, king and ace. Declarer ruffed a diamond in dummy and called for  $\clubsuit$ J. South erred by covering. West's king was won by North who switched to a spade. South took the ace and returned the queen. This was the position: Declarer, who had lost two tricks so far, drew the last trump and cashed all his clubs. On the fourth club North, afraid of a heart endplay, pitched  $\Diamond J$ . Now declarer's  $\Diamond 10$ was high. There was only one trick left for the defense:  $\Diamond 7$ on the very last trick. For good order's sake, when you score  $\Diamond 7$  at the last trick and you made your contract, your opponents owe you a drink, preferably a beer. This habit originates from Scandinavia, but during the years has spread to the rest of the bridge world, especially amongst young players.

So no beer for North/South on this one. On the contrary, the hand might even cost them money. They called for the director because  $3^{\circ}$  was explained differently on both sides of the screen. North claimed that with the right information he would not have doubled and – more important – would have found the – killing – trump lead. The director partly followed this reasoning. He removed the double, leaving EW +620.

North/South appealed against the director's decision and therefore had to deposit one hundred dollars. The Appeals Committee okayed the removal of the double, but was of the opinion that with the proper information approximately one out of three players would have led a spade. Therefore, North/South only had to pay two-thirds of the net IMPs lost on the board. And, of course, the dollars went back to the appealing side. Altogether, to my knowledge this was the first time that the beer card played a role in an appeal.

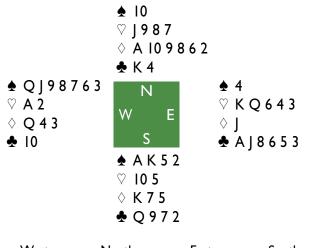


# Danish Business

Martin Schaltz/Jonas Houmoller, Denmark U-26, have on several occasions shown how to make some nice business out of doubling in Beijing.

It actually started already in the very first round against China Hong Kong.





North	East	South	
	Schaltz		
_	-	♣	
Dble*	Pass	3NT	
Pass	Dble*	Pass	
Pass			
	– Dble* Pass	<u>Schaltz</u> <u>– –</u> Dble* Pass Pass Dble*	Schaltz I♣ Dble* Pass 3NT Pass Dble* Pass



Martin Schaltz – Denmark

Both doubles were alerted and actually showed interest in the heart suit, Houmoller led the ace of hearts and continued with a small heart to the king, queen and a fourth heart to establish the last heart as a winner.

Declarer knew that West had started with 7-2 in the majors. To the next trick he played a diamond to the king. When he continued with another diamond towards dummy he had a restricted choice situation when East contributed the remaining low diamond. Did East have the J or QJ was the big question?

Declarer decided on the latter alternative and tried the ace, which was an expensive decision, since he now lost all connections to the dummy and had to win all the rest in his own hand.

At the end the contract went three down for -800 and 14 IMPs to Denmark after declarer also had to give up a trick to the jack of clubs.

Also Australia tried to deal with our Danish boys.

Board 32. Declarer West. E/W Vul.

<ul> <li>▲ A 9 8 6</li> <li>♡ Q 10 8 6</li> <li>◊ Q</li> <li>♣ 10 9 6 2</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>▲ Q 10</li> <li>♡ A K J</li> <li>◊ 98</li> <li>▲ A 8 5</li> <li>N</li> <li>W E</li> <li>S</li> <li>▲ K J 7</li> <li>♡ 97</li> <li>◊ A K I</li> <li>♣ K Q 3</li> </ul>	3 ♥ ♦ 0 5 4	4 2 5 4 2 J 7 6 3 2 J 7 4
West	North Schaltz	East	South Houmoller
Pass	♣	Pass	
Dble	Rdbl	$\square$	Dble
All Pass			

The defence wasn't very kind. Houmoller led the nine of hearts which went to the jack. Ace and king of trumps followed, making sure that declarer would not have any cheap ruffs.

In fact the unhappy Australian declarer only scored two tricks, the ace of spades and a trump. That meant 1400 to Denmark and another 14 IMPs to the Danish team.

Don't make business with Danish boys, It will be expensive!