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# Final Destination



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There is an old Russian proverb that says, 'It is better to travel hope-fully than to arrive'. That will come true for one of the finalists in today's Mixed Teams, as **Zimmermann** faces **Vriend** in what promises to be an exciting match. The losing semifinalists, **Badger** and **Mahaffey** receive the bronze medals.

## Mixed Pairs Finals

Players eliminated from semifinals A & B intending to play in Final B **must register at least half an hour before the start of play.**

21-27 Pairs will qualify from semifinal A to Final A and they will be joined by 3 Pairs from semifinal B.

**Maurizio Di Sacco** - Championship Manager

## Today's - Schedule

- 10.00 Mixed Pairs Semi-final A&B (R3)
- 10.30 Mixed Teams Final (R1)
- 12.00 Mixed Pairs Semi-final A&B (R4)
- 14.00 Mixed Teams Final (R2)
- 15.00 Mixed Pairs Semi-final A&B (R5)
- 16.40 Mixed Teams Final (R3)
- 17.00 Mixed Pairs Semi-final A&B (R6)
- 19.00 Mixed Pairs Semi-final A&B (R7)



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# MIXED TEAMS

## ROUND OF 8

		1st	2nd	total
1	<b>MAHAFFEY</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>92</b>
	HARDING	18	8	26
2	GREEN EYES	17	23	40
	<b>VRIEND</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>64</b>
3	<b>BADGER</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>57</b>
	RUSSIA	33	18	51
4	WILD GRIFFINS	37	8	45
	<b>ZIMMERMANN</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>62</b>

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	<b>VRIEND</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>35</b>
2	<b>ZIMMERMANN</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>47</b>
	BADGER	10	18	28

## Did you read the Bulletin at breakfast?

by Patrick Jourdain (Wales)

The first hand in yesterday's Bulletin referred to the player holding:

♠ 9 8 6 4 3 2  
♥ 7 4  
♦ K Q 8 7 4  
♣ —

At love all RHO opens a two-suited Two Hearts, raised to Four by LHO and Passed back to you. Do you bid? Much sympathy was expressed for the choice of Four Spades but, alas, LHO held both black suits and the opener had five diamonds, so the outcome was -1100.

For those who had read the Bulletin at breakfast they may have had a feeling of foreboding when the second board of play in the Mixed Teams quarterfinal presented West with this decision:



Graham Osborne, England

You hold

♠ —  
♥ J 6  
♦ K 6 4 3 2  
♣ 10 9 8 6 4 3

At favourable vulnerability partner opens One Heart and then the auction goes Two Spades from South on your right raised to Four by North and passed back to you. Do you act? Undaunted, Graham Osborne of Badger in the match with Russia re-entered with Four Notrumps.

Osborne must have felt things were going badly when North doubled and partner selected Five Hearts which was also doubled. Your dummy does not look too useful. However this was the full deal:

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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As you can see Four Spades is cold for North-South and worth 620 but both tables reached Five Hearts doubled.

On a trump lead Five Hearts doubled goes for 500 but at both tables a spade lead allowed declarer to escape for one down. The re-entry by Osborne achieved a flat board and a major improvement on allowing them to rest in Four Spades. Such decisions proved crucial in a match that was close from start to finish, with Badger emerging the victor by 4 IMPs.

# Vriend v Khandelwal Round of 16

by Mark Horton

Although these days I rarely have time to turn a card in anger (a considerable relief to many) it's always interesting to follow the fortunes of former partners and teammates. Austria's Sascha Wernle and Jovi Smederevac have the dubious distinction of falling into both categories, so I watched the first half of their team's match against Bep Vriend's powerful squad. Only three deals were significant:

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Bakkeren	Wernle	Arnolds	Smederevac
Pass	Dbl	4♠	Pass
5♠	Pass	Pass	5♥
All Pass		Pass	Dbl



Bep Vriend, Netherlands

Four Spades would not be everyone's choice and when South bid Five Hearts, West had an awkward decision to make. The combination of a spade lead and the trump position mean that ten tricks is the limit in hearts. Five Spades had four obvious losers, and the defenders made no mistake, +300.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Forge	Maas	Ventos	Vriend
4♠	6♥	1♠	2♥
		All Pass	

Declarer ruffed the spade lead in dummy and cashed the ace of hearts. She came to hand with a club, ruffed a spade and played clubs, emerging with ten tricks, -200 and 11 IMPs.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Bakkeren	Wernle	Arnolds	Smederevac
Pass	1♥	Dbl	1♠
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

If you follow the style where a double of One Spade would show five spades (the idea being to expose a psych) then you are not too well placed on the West hand, your choice being to pass, as West did here, or bid a minor and with Five Clubs going only one down it happens to work well to bid Clubs.

East cashed the ace of diamonds and switched to her trump but declarer simply won and played a spade to the ten. East could win, but she was only one more trick for the defence, +420.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Forge	Maas	Ventos	Vriend
Pass	1♥	Dbl	2♥
Dbl*	4♥	Dbl	All Pass

East knew partner held fewer than four spades and some values – is that enough to bid prefer Five Clubs to double? The jury is still out on that one, but +590 gave Vriend 5 IMPs.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Bakkeren</i>	<i>Wernle</i>	<i>Arnolds</i>	<i>Smederevac</i>
Pass	INT	Pass	Pass
Pass	2♠	Pass	2♥*
All Pass			3NT

The textbooks tell you that 5-4-2-2 hands are not suitable for INT and here North eventually paid a heavy price for missing the nine card fit in diamonds.

East led the queen of hearts and declarer won and played the king of diamonds. East won and switched to the eight of clubs, covered by the queen and king. West played a heart for the nine and ten and East switched to the five of clubs. Declarer took the ace and cashed his diamonds. Remarkably, West elected to discard two spades! Now declarer could cash the top spades for eleven tricks, but unsure of the club position and not unreasonably finding it impossible to believe that West would hand him the contract on a plate he cashed the ace of spades and then finessed to go two down, -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Forge</i>	<i>Maas</i>	<i>Ventos</i>	<i>Vriend</i>
Pass	2NT*	Pass	2♠*
Pass	5♦	All Pass	3♦

When North discovered his partner's second suit was diamonds he stood not upon the order of his going but went at once to the excellent game. West made the unfortunate lead of a club and declarer was under no pressure at all.

Absent a black suit lead declarer is by no means certain to make Five Diamonds. Indeed, even with all the hands on view the winning lines on a red suit lead are not easy to see (a strip squeeze on West after a heart lead is one – the other after a diamond lead and two rounds of trumps I leave you to work out). +400 gave Vriend 11 IMPs and they led 22-12 at the half.

## It's your bulletin

When you are playing in a bridge tournament that lasts for a couple of weeks you can easily lose touch with what is going on in the rest of the world. Of course it is possible to get a newspaper (albeit a day late) and the Internet is perhaps the greatest innovation of modern times after the computer.

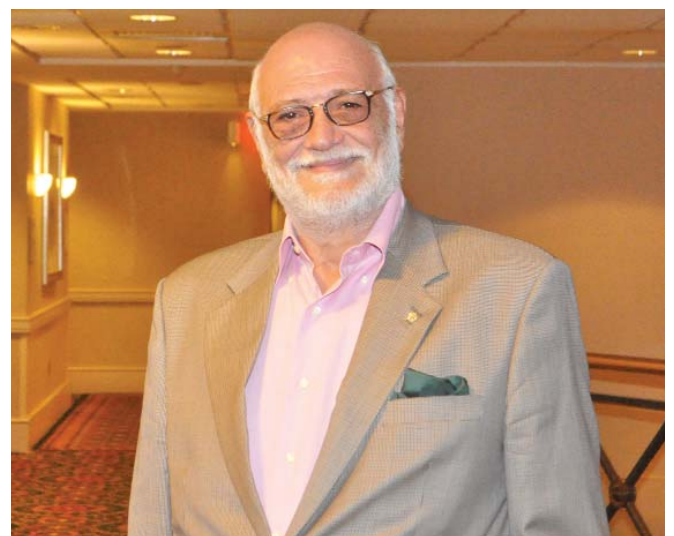
If you switch on the TV in your hotel room you are almost certain to find a news channel that is running 24 hours a day in a language you can understand.

But, my question is what exactly do you want to know while you are away from home? For example, are you a sports fan? (*I can tell you that Roger Federer won his opening match at Wimbledon.*) Perhaps you are worried about the economy? (*Hopes that the Greek debt crisis could be resolved coupled with some strong company statements had the top share indices posting big gains by the close of play yesterday.*) Perhaps you are interested in current affairs? (*The BBC listed Russia crash may be pilot error, UK man held over website hacks, Deadly bombings hit central Iraq and Ice mission produces first map, amongst their top stories.*)

Or, do you think that these things recede into the background while you are playing and that what you want to see in the Bulletin is what is going on in the tournament?

In 2006 I was in Turin for the Chess Olympiad. Remarkably the Daily Bulletin always contained only one game each day (annotated by a leading grandmaster). Can you imagine if we presented a Bulletin with only one deal?

So, gentle reader, if you can find a few moments from your crowded day, come and tell us what you would like to see in these pages. As Winston Churchill famously said, 'Give us the tools and we will finish the job.'



The Championships are honoured by the presence of the *President of the World Bridge Federation, Gianarrigo Rona* who arrived in Poznan yesterday.

# A study in scarlet (or 'blood all over the carpet')

by Barry Rigal

A couple of deals from the second half of the Mixed Teams round of 32, grabbed my attention: here is your first chance to win or lose a match. This was from Calandra-Pony with Agustin Madala declarer.

Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

♠ K J 9 8 5 3 ♥ 6 5 ♦ Q 3 ♣ J 7 6	♠ Q 2 ♥ A 9 4 3 ♦ K 9 8 7 6 4 ♣ 4	♠ 6 ♥ Q J 8 7 ♦ J 5 2 ♣ K 10 9 8 3	♠ A 10 7 4 ♥ K 10 2 ♦ A 10 ♣ A Q 5 2
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West	North	East	South
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♦	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♥	Pass	6♦
All Pass			



Agustin Madala, Italy

After an auction replete with overbids/misunderstandings (Rimstedt meant 4NT as quantitative, Madala read it as keycard) Madala arrived in a gruesome 6♦ contract, only to be rescued by East's unfortunate lead of the ♥Q – and yes we've all led worse and had better results.

Madala in essence played simply for the hearts and clubs to behave perfectly by drawing trumps, and was defeated despite the fortunate lies of the minors. Even though the contract can be defeated, can you see how he could have left himself with a much better chance to succeed?

The answer is to win the heart in hand and finesse the club then play three rounds of diamonds (purists will note that at double-dummy West must unblock the ♦Q under the ♦A – but our margin is not large enough to publish the details of why that should be). This is the ending:

♠ K J 9 8 5 ♥ 6 ♦ — ♣ J 7	♠ Q 2 ♥ 9 4 3 ♦ 8 7 6 ♣ —	♠ 6 ♥ J 8 7 ♦ — ♣ K 10 9 3	♠ A 10 7 ♥ K 10 ♦ — ♣ A 5 2
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If (as you or I might do) West has discarded an encouraging spade, then it might require superhuman discretion for East to avoid exiting in that suit. If she does, declarer wins both black aces (pitching a spade), ruffs a spade to hand then settles in to run the trumps. In the four-card ending East will want to keep two clubs and three hearts and the laws require her to let something go. If she pitches a club declarer finesses in hearts to ruff out the clubs and dummy is good. If a heart, declarer finesses in hearts and cashes the ♥K and his hand is good.

Once the defender has seen the danger, he must break up the position by playing a second heart. That leaves dummy short of one critical entry for the ruffing-squeeze to work.

## Duplimate Discounts

The Duplimate dealing machines used at these championships will be sold at the end of the event with a 20% discount. Visit the Jannersten Bookshop on the first floor.

Deal 22. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

The field in general managed to avoid the uninspiring game of 3NT (5♦ and 5♣ are little better) but Alfredo Versace played 3NT as North on the lead of the unbid suit, a heart. He put up the jack, which held of course, and played a low diamond. When West split his honours, how should he have continued?

At the table, Versace in essence played for a defensive error by winning and continuing the attack on diamonds. West won and shifted to a heart, and East ducked to retain the defensive communications. That allowed Versace to cash out nine tricks without needing a finesse. Of course the defenders could have done better; but should Versace have played for his legitimate chances in diamonds by ducking the first one?



Alfredo Versace, Italy

And finally, had West ducked the first diamond, cutting declarer's communications, declarer could have shifted his attention to clubs at trick three. The extremely favourable lie in that suit would have led to nine tricks without needing anything further.

In one of the other close matches Badger-Connector, the young Polish team Connector picked up a game swing by leading a spade against North's 3NT to defeat it by two tricks, while making overtricks in the same contract on a heart lead.

With four deals to go Connector still led Badger by a small margin, as did Balti over Lavazza. Deal 25 had the potential to swing this (and indeed many other) matches.

Deal 25. Dealer North.. E/W Vul.

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

Of the 32 tables in play seven bravely bid all the way to game, while three pairs went minus in a grand slam. Additionally, for Team Pony against Calabria, Nehmert went down in 7♥ and this virtually levelled that match. But you can imagine her irritation at playing the grand slam from East on a club lead. Admittedly, a spade lead might have sunk the Grand Slam out of hand while a red-suit lead lets it through trivially, but after the club lead, taking out the only entry to the strong hand, E/W must have felt extremely aggravated to run into the 4-1 trump break which was what was required to prevent her from bringing home 13 tricks!). Two went down in 6♠, leaving 20 tables to reach contracts of more or less technical merit. Ten played 6♥, and even on the troublesome club lead – found only by Hugh McGann - 12 tricks were taken by Patrick Sussel, while all the other tables collected 1460.

Three other tables played 6♣ while another played 6♣x, all of them making in comfort. Six tables played 6NT, (Smederevac-Wernle and Vecchiato-Engel achieving the coup of making West declarer) and where this contract was not doubled it made in comfort. Grahame Osborne and Andreas Babsch both found the double of 6NT from the East seat, and cashed out when their partners led a spade; Alex Dubinin also played 6NT doubled...but he received a club lead and scored up 1880.

The lead for Badger against Connector lasted just one deal.

Deal 26. Dealer East. Both Vul.

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

Nine of the 32 tables were allowed to play in 3NT from the East seat and handled the board carefully by cashing one top diamond (getting the good news) and then negotiating clubs to best effect. Seven tables went down in 3NT – a couple of tables having been doubled there, and taking an early diamond finesse to lose 1100 in the process. For Connector Sakowska-Butryn racked up 600 at one table while Serek-Kazmucha as N/S bid to 4♥ – undoubled! – and scored 620; impressive indeed and 15 IMPs to give them back a 62-57 lead with one board to go. In Calandra-Pony, Calandra went down in 3NT but made a heart partscore in the other room, so that with one deal to go the lead for Pony was down to 1 IMP.

Meanwhile, Lavazza had appeared to have no chance to recover from 5 IMPs down with two deals to go, on what appeared to be two quiet games...but the commentators had not allowed for Romanowska's gallant attempt to snatch defeat from the jaws of victory. Holding:

♠ Q 7 4 3
♥ J 8 5 4 3
♦ 4
♣ A J 10

In fourth chair she heard the auction proceed with nobody vulnerable: Pass – Pass – 1♦. She overcalled 1♥ and it went double on her left, pass from partner 2♥ on her right, so she doubled to call for a non-heart lead. Since 1♥ was going for 1100 or 1400, and 2♥xx was going to make 1240 or 1440 you might argue with her choices of action. All was well however when Cuzzi-Versace declined to take the money on either occasion and simply collected 430 in 3NT. Just for the record Cuzzi held a maximum pass with a 4-5-2-2 pattern and five semi-solid hearts. Balti led by 5 IMPs with one board to go. A dull 3NT you might think – but not so...

Deal 28. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

The three matches we are following all played in 3NT – Osborne for team Badger declaring it from North on a low heart lead (after South had shown her spades but not her hearts) and collected 630. In the other room South had described her hand more precisely so Leslie led a club to the queen, king and ace. Now instead of relying solely on the diamonds, declarer does best to go after hearts; but what is the best line in hearts, in abstract? Suitplay (devised by Jeroen Warmerdam) tells us that low to the ten is fractionally better than low to the nine – something to do with which 4-2 breaks inside you can negotiate. When declarer played the objectively best line (clearly best because of the entry position to dummy) the cards did not co-operate and the defenders set up clubs. The bad diamond break doomed the game. That meant 12 IMPs and a 69-62 win for Badger.

In Pony-Calandra both rooms played 3NT – and both Easts led hearts, allowing declarer time to establish hearts, then diamonds, and come to ten tricks. Where Madala was declarer he held himself to nine tricks in an attempt to make 11 (a good view in a sense since he lost an IMP here, and the match by two IMPs – had he brought home the second overtrick, it would have taken the match to extra time).

Versace for team Lavazza collected 630 as well; but Sarkanias for team Balti played 3NT on the lead of the club seven. He had opened an artificial 1♣ and had rebid to show 18-19 without three spades; when he ducked the second highest lead Bocchi as West put up the king (a play that suggests he was playing his partner for ♣AJ87(x) or ♣A1087(x) – but that was highly unlikely if he had only a doubleton spade. In any event, from that point on declarer was only playing for overtricks and emerged with 630 and a win by 5 IMPs.





## Appeal No. 4

### England/Croatia v Italy/Monaco

#### Appeals Committee:

Jens Auken (Chairman, Denmark), Herman De Wael (Scribe, Belgium), PO Sundelin (Sweden), Jan van Cleeff (the Netherlands)

Grattan Endicott sat in on the meeting in his capacity of secretary of the WBF Laws Committee

#### Mixed Pairs Qualifying Round 2

Board 11. Dealer North. None Vul.

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	<p>♠ J 7 6 ♥ 9 8 7 ♦ A 10 9 8 7 ♣ J 10</p>					

West	North	East	South
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♣	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♣	All Pass

**Contract:** Four Spades, played by East

**Lead:** ♣J

#### Play:

West	North	East	South
♣A	♣2	♣3	♣J
♣K	♣4	♦J	♣10
♣Q	♣8	♥4	♠6
♦5	...		♦A

**Result:** 12 tricks

#### The Facts:

East revoked twice, on the ♣K and ♣Q. After the ♦5, North called the Director.

#### The Director:

Ordered play to continue, saw that 12 tricks were made, and applied a one-trick penalty.

#### Ruling:

11 tricks, NS -450

#### Relevant Laws:

Law 64.A.2, 64.B.2, 64C

**North/South appealed.**

**Present:** All players except South

#### The Players:

North believed that if play is stopped after the ♣Q is played, equity dictates that 10 tricks be awarded.

West stated that North had waited 15 seconds after the ♦5, before calling the Director.

#### The Committee:

Read the relevant laws:

*Law 64A. Rectification following a Revoke*

*When a revoke is established:*

(...)

*and the trick on which the revoke occurred was not won by the offending player then, if the offending side won that or any subsequent trick, after play ends one trick is transferred to the non-offending side.*

*Law 64B. No Rectification*

*There is no rectification as in A following an established revoke:*

(...)

*2. if it is a subsequent revoke in the same suit by the same player. Law 64C may apply.*

(...)

*Law 64C. Director Responsible for Equity*

*When, after any established revoke, including those not subject to rectification, the Director deems that the non-offending side is insufficiently compensated by this Law for the damage caused, he shall assign an adjusted score.*

The Committee also read an extract of the minutes of the WBF Laws Committee meeting of 10th October 2008:

*Law 64C – If there are two revokes on the same board the equity in the case of the second revoke is determined by reference to the position after the first revoke.*

It was clear that there had been two revokes, both estab-



lished, and that the penalty after applying Laws 64A and 64B amounted to 1 trick, subtracted from the 12 tricks that had been made at the table.

There are several possible interpretations of Law 64C:

1) The normal result of the board is 11 tricks. This is equitable.

2) After the second trick (but before the ♣Q is played), the normal result is 12 tricks, to which one penalty trick is applied, so equity is 11 tricks.

3) After the ♣Q is played, to which East should follow suit, the normal result is 11 tricks (losing the ruff and a heart trick), with one penalty trick, so equity is 10 tricks.

A few further considerations were made:

1) The first revoke is only established after the ♣Q is played, so it does not really make sense to consider a position before this. However, the WBFCLC minute only applies to the equity position, not the establishment or any other matter.

2) The second revoke is established when the ♦5 is played. North would have made certain of receiving the score of 10 tricks by calling attention to the revoke (which he is allowed to do) before this card is played.

3) The revoke penalties are soft in certain places (a second revoke by the same player in the same suit is not penalised), and have turned softer in certain other places since 2007 (fewer cases are penalised with two penalty tricks) and the aim of the laws is to rectify, not punish.

4) The question was put whether 11 was indeed the equity position at the start of the board. Declarer might run the ♠10.

In the end, the Committee found that this situation so closely resembled the one described in Law 64B2, that 11 tricks was deemed the equitable result as per Law 64C.

#### The Committee's decision:

Director's ruling upheld.

**Deposit:** Returned

## Appeals Committee



As in all recent tournaments, all appeals are written up and will be published on the EBL website (follow links to departments – appeals). Some appeals of particular interest may be published in the Daily Bulletin.

## Championship Diary



Before you read the next piece you should be aware of the fact that one of the problems with advancing years is that your memory can play tricks on you. I tend to write things down just to be on the safe side. However, when I saw

I had made a note consisting of the letters ITP it took me some time to work out to what they related.

In the Mixed Teams round of 32, the team called Pony won the first half of its match by 1 IMP. They repeated this feat in the second half to win the match by 2 IMPs. When they won the first half of their round of 16 match by yes, you guessed it, just 1 IMP they considered changing their name to One Trick Pony.

We were considering the current physical capabilities of the Bulletin team when Tacchi mentioned that he is the world record holder of the 2 meter dash – to the bar!

(I asked if it should be for the 2 meter dash and Herman said of, threatening to appeal if I changed it.).

When considering what to put in the diary, a vital consideration is that it fills an exact amount of space, making life easy for our layout Editor. I was considering using a picture in today's but when I mentioned that it would make it exactly one column Tacchi insisted that I leave it out.



The new IMSA (International Mind Sports Association) website is now activated! You can visit it right now and be informed on all their latest news and events! The IMSA is a non-profit association that gathers together the federations of Chess, Bridge, Go and Draughts.

The address is: [www.imsaworld.com](http://www.imsaworld.com)

# Mixed Teams Round of 16, second half

by Jos Jacobs

For this second half report, I chose three matches in which the leading team at halftime had a difficult time in holding on to their lead in the second half. These matches are: Harding v. Balti, Wild Griffins v. Pony and Khandelwal v. Vriend.

Balti led Harding by 20 IMPs at halftime. Six of them disappeared on the first board when Balti overbid to a no-play spade game, and then came this:

Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Rubins</i>	<i>McGann</i>	<i>Romanovska</i>	<i>Brown</i>
1♠	Pass	INT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	6♣	All Pass

When clubs are trumps, Blackwood quite often is of little use and so it proved here as well. Had the 4♥-bid been showing the ace, as it probably should, this might have been a different story. In real life, it was the umpteenth case of a slam missing two aces. Harding +200.

West	North	East	South
<i>Hanlon</i>	<i>Sarkanias</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Jankunaite</i>
1♠	Pass	INT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	All Pass

No accidents at the other table. Nine tricks, Harding +600 and 13 IMPs more to come to within 1 IMP of their opponents.

In the Khandelwal-Vriend match, we also had a swing but in different fashion.

West	North	East	South
<i>Bakkeren</i>	<i>Wernle</i>	<i>Arnolds</i>	<i>Smederevac</i>
1♠	Pass	INT	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

4♥ may well look like a rather ugly contract to you, dear reader, but due to the good spot cards it was completely playable. Vriend +620.

West	North	East	South
<i>R Khandelwal</i>	<i>Maas</i>	<i>H Khandelwal</i>	<i>Vriend</i>
1♠	Pass	INT	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Dbl
3♣	All Pass		

Maybe, the double of 2♦ scared East so much that she elected to pass 3♣. Maybe, West might have produced some more noise as well. Anyway, a vulnerable game missed, +130 to Khandelwal but 10 IMPs to Vriend.

The mostly Irish team, Harding, even took the lead on the very next board:

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Rubins</i>	<i>McGann</i>	<i>Romanovska</i>	<i>Brown</i>
2♦	Pass	Pass	Pass
3♦	Pass	2NT	Pass
	All Pass		

Opposite a passed hand, West could hardly imagine a game might be on for his side. Apart from that, his side was non vulnerable so it would not be expensive anyway. He thus settled for a quiet partscore and scored +130 for his team.

West	North	East	South
<i>Hanlon</i>	<i>Sarkanias</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Jankunaite</i>
3NT	Pass	INT	Pass
	All Pass		

When East did open a weak NT, West took a direct shot

at game. With the  $\diamond K$  onside, there are nine top tricks, if it's offside there are several extra chances, even more so if the defence does not lead clubs. South led a spade so nine tricks were easy. Harding +400 and 7 IMPs to them to lead by 6. In the space of three boards, they had scored 26 IMPs...

In the match between the Wild Griffins and Pony, the latter had a half-time lead of 1 IMP. They had added 5 more on the first board of the set and lost one overtrick on the next. The Wild Griffins took over the lead on this one, however:

West	North	East	South
<i>Yuen</i>	<i>S Orlov</i>	<i>Pony</i>	<i>T Dikhnova</i>
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1 $\diamond$	Pass	1 $\heartsuit$	Pass
2 $\diamond$	Pass	3 $\diamond$	Pass
3 $\heartsuit$	Pass	3 $\spadesuit$	Pass
4 $\diamond$	All Pass		

This looks like a bidding uncertainty to me. If 3 $\spadesuit$  shows a stopper, then why should West refrain from bidding 3NT? If it denies a stopper, the spade singleton looks extremely useful. So the Pony team missed a reasonable game and had to be content with +130 only.

West	North	East	South
<i>Khven</i>	<i>Gotard</i>	<i>Gulevich</i>	<i>Eggeling</i>
	Pass	1 $\clubsuit$	Pass
2 $\diamond$	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		



Fiona Brown, England

The Polish style Club made life easy for EW from the moment East found an opening bid.

Ten tricks on a spade lead, Wild Griffins +430 and 7 more IMPs. They led by 2.

The next board proved tricky for some of the players involved, both in bidding and play:

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

$\spadesuit$ K 10 6 4 3	<table border="1" style="background-color: #008000; color: white; 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		$\spadesuit$ Q 9 7
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$\clubsuit$ 10 9 2	$\clubsuit$ A J 8 5										
$\spadesuit$ A J 8 2	$\spadesuit$ 5										
$\heartsuit$ Q 10 6 3 2	$\heartsuit$ J 7										
$\diamond$ K 9 8	$\diamond$ 7 6 5 3 2										
$\clubsuit$ 4	$\clubsuit$ K Q 7 6 3										

West	North	East	South
<i>Rubins</i>	<i>McGann</i>	<i>Romanovska</i>	<i>Brown</i>
		INT	Pass
2 $\diamond$	Pass	2 $\heartsuit$	Pass
2 $\spadesuit$	Pass	4 $\heartsuit$	All Pass

The transfer had made East the declarer, so South led her spade and got an immediate ruff when dummy ducked. After this, declarer made the rest of the play look ridiculously easy. South exited with a discard to North's Jack and East's ace, cashed the  $\heartsuit A$  noting the fall of the jack and proceeded to unblock the  $\spadesuit Q$ , intending to throw her diamond loser on the spades and ruffing the last diamond before reverting to trumps. This good plan was made irrelevant, as the  $\diamond Q$  made her welcome appearance when she crossed to the  $\diamond K$ . Ten tricks, Balti +420.

West	North	East	South
<i>Hanlon</i>	<i>Sarkanas</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Jankunaite</i>
		1 $\clubsuit$	Pass
1 $\diamond$	Pass	1 $\heartsuit$	Pass
1 $\spadesuit$	Pass	INT	Pass
2 $\clubsuit$	All Pass		

In the Closed Room, the Norwegian-Irish combination had a terrible misunderstanding about the relay (?) meaning of 2 $\clubsuit$ . 1 $\diamond$  had shown hearts but the unwanted final contract went two off, +100 to the Balti who thus regained the lead by 5 IMPs.

In the Khandelwal-Vriend match, it turned out that making 4 $\heartsuit$  is not that easy on a different defence:

West <i>Bakkeren</i>	North <i>Wernle</i>	East <i>Arnolds</i>	South <i>Smederevac</i>
		INT	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

Again with East the declarer, South led the ♣K. Declarer won the ace and played two rounds of trumps, North winning the king and...simply returning the ♣9 for the jack, queen and a ruff in dummy. The last trump was drawn and now declarer had to take a view in spades. Low to the queen and if this loses to the king, playing the suit from the top is probably a good enough plan. But as you can see, once you started by playing low to the queen, you have two losers in the suit. When North got the lead in spades the first time, he made the same cunning return of the ♦J. Declarer could hardly avoid falling into this trap, in view of the information available at this point about the NS hands, so she won the ace and finessed the queen on the way back. She thus lost a diamond, two spades and a trump for down one, +50 to Khandelwal.

West <i>R Khandelwal</i>	North <i>Maas</i>	East <i>H Khandelwal</i>	South <i>Vriend</i>
		INT	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

When South led a low club, declarer had no further problems after winning the jack and playing ♥A and another. Khandelwal +430 and 10 IMPs back to trail by 7.

A few boards later, the Harding team stole 3NT at one table:

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ 7 4 3 ♥ A K 5 ♦ 10 3 2 ♣ A K 10 4	<table border="1" style="background-color: #008000; color: white; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">W</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">E</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W	E	S	♠ A K ♥ J 10 8 6 ♦ 7 4 ♣ Q J 8 7 5	♠ Q J 10 8 2 ♥ 2 ♦ A Q J 8 5 ♣ 9 3
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West <i>Rubins</i>	North <i>McGann</i>	East <i>Romanovska</i>	South <i>Brown</i>
INT	Pass	2♣	2♦
Pass	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦	Dbf	Redbl	Pass
4♣	All Pass		

With the hearts 5-1 and the queen behind the ♥AK, no game was on, so the Balti team had quite correctly stayed out of it after discovering that the diamond stopper was missing. Well done, just made, Balti +130.

West <i>Hanlon</i>	North <i>Sarkanias</i>	East <i>Harding</i>	South <i>Jankunaite</i>
INT	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	3NT	All Pass

When South did not overcall after the weak NT and Stayman, North could never find the killing diamond lead. Ten tricks, Harding +630 and 11 IMPs more to them.

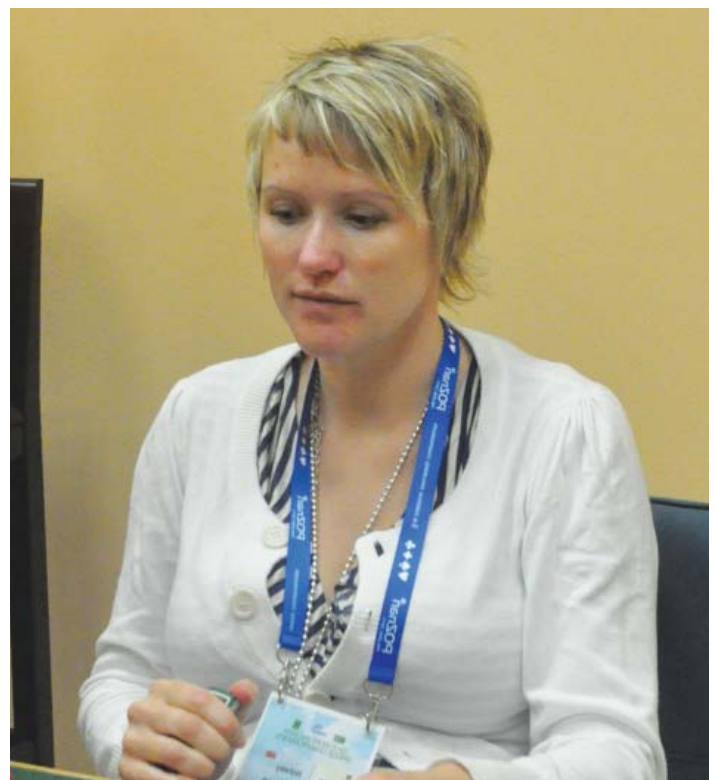
In the Khandelwal-Vriend match, Jovanka Smederevac had a second arrow on her bow:

West <i>Bakkeren</i>	North <i>Wernle</i>	East <i>Arnolds</i>	South <i>Smederevac</i>
1♣	Pass	1♥	1♠
Dbf	Pass	3NT	All Pass

One Club was 2+ and the double showed three hearts. South led from her second suit, the ♦Q in fact, and the defenders cashed the first five tricks. Khandelwal +100.

In the Closed Room, Bep Vriend stuck to her most solid suit:

West <i>R Khandelwal</i>	North <i>Maas</i>	East <i>H Khandelwal</i>	South <i>Vriend</i>
1♣	Pass	1♦	1♠
Dbf	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		



Marianne Harding, Norway

1♦ showed hearts and the double, again, was support. South led the ♠Q and declarer quickly claimed ten tricks. Khandelwal +630 and 12 IMPs back to them, to take over the lead by 4.

They handed back those IMPs on the next board, however:

Board 21. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Bakkeren</i>	<i>Wernle</i>	<i>Arnolds</i>	<i>Smederevac</i>
	INT	Dbl	Pass
2♠	Pass	4♠	Dbl
All Pass			

After the weak NT and the natural double, the Dutch had no trouble in reaching game. South doubled only to find out there was no winning defence any more when North led a trump. Vriend +590.

West	North	East	South
<i>R Khandelwal</i>	<i>Maas</i>	<i>H Khandelwal</i>	<i>Vriend</i>
	1♣	Dbl	1♥
1♠	Dbl	2♠	All Pass

Well, 2♠ by East clearly did not send over the message to West. Khandelwal +170 for a loss of 9 IMPs. They were 5 down again...

In the Wild Griffins-Pony match, they showed us how to beat 4♠:

West	North	East	South
<i>Yuen</i>	<i>S Orlov</i>	<i>Pony</i>	<i>T Dikhnova</i>
	INT	2♣	Pass
2♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

After the weak NT and the Landy overcall, EW reached 4♠ quite easily and North led a trump. Curtains. Pony +420.

In the Closed Room, EW also reached 4♠ but Thomas Gotard, looking at three aces, made the more enterprising lead of the ♣A. This proved very effective as it enabled him to continue the good work by shifting to a diamond. Now, there was no longer a parking place for declarer's second

losing diamond so the contract had to go one off. Pony a well-deserved +50 and 10 IMPs back to regain the lead by 8.

The Wild Griffins levelled the match again when South for the Pony team found an unlucky lead against a thin slam, not bid in the Open Room:

Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Yuen</i>	<i>S Orlov</i>	<i>Pony</i>	<i>T Dikhnova</i>
Pass	Pass	1♦	2♠
Dbl	Pass	4♥	All Pass

Twelve tricks on a diamond lead, Pony +480.

West	North	East	South
<i>Khven</i>	<i>Gotard</i>	<i>Gulevich</i>	<i>Eggeling</i>
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♥	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♥	All Pass

Cuebids at the four-level and RKC saw EW reach a very thin slam against which South led her singleton diamond, thus picking up the suit for EW. When hearts were 3-2 with the king onside, losing the spade finesse did not matter any more. Wild Griffins +980 and 11 IMPs back. A close finish was indeed in sight, in which the Griffins just had the edge and thus made it into the last eight.

The penultimate board of the set settled the issues in both the other matches. To slam or not to slam, that was the question.

In fact, played by East the slam is not all that bad as South cannot profitably lead a pointed suit. The only thing declarer has to do, is to draw trumps finessing the king successfully and then guess how to play which of the pointed suits. If he guesses the king that is actually held by North, he is home immediately but the presence of the ♦10 offers an extra chance of (mis)guessing diamonds. Running the ♦10 is a winning move, as is presenting the ♦Q from East.

Let's see what actually happened in our two remaining matches.

Board 27. Dealer South. None Vul.

♠ A 7 ♥ A J 10 6 3 2 ♦ A 10 ♣ K 6 5	<table style="border: 2px solid green; width: 80px; height: 80px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td><td style="text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W</td><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	E	W	S	♠ 9 6 5 2 ♥ — ♦ J 8 6 2 ♣ J 10 9 8 7	♠ Q 8 4 ♥ Q 7 5 4 ♦ Q 9 3 ♣ A Q 4
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W	S						
	♠ K J 10 3 ♥ K 9 8 ♦ K 7 5 4 ♣ 3 2						

West <i>Rubins</i>	North <i>McGann</i>	East <i>Romanovska</i>	South <i>Brown</i>
			Pass
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♥	All Pass

For the Baltis, nothing very much happened, as you can see. Eleven tricks when declarer refrained from the heart finesse but played safe instead, after receiving a diamond lead to queen, king and ace. When the trumps broke 3-0, tricks were in some jeopardy again but all was well when the ♦9 survived the third round of the suit. Balti +450.

West <i>Hanlon</i>	North <i>Sarkanas</i>	East <i>Harding</i>	South <i>Jankunaite</i>
			Pass
1♥	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♥	All Pass		

3♣ showed a good raise, so West went straight to slam after hearing about the one keycard only.

North had an automatic club lead, so declarer won, drew trumps and played ♦A, ♦10 running it when North played low. Harding +980 and 11 IMPs to them to go into the lead by 9 with one to play. They added another 5 IMPs on that last board to win comfortably in the end by 14.

With two boards to play, Khandelwal were leading by 4 but their lead did not survive this board either:

West <i>Bakkeren</i>	North <i>Wernle</i>	East <i>Arnolds</i>	South <i>Smederevac</i>
			Pass
1♥	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♥	All Pass

When Arnolds could not produce a cuebid over 4♣, Bakkeren could hardly make any further move. Vriend +450 when Bakkeren played trumps from the top but later

guessed correctly in diamonds.

West <i>R Khandelwal</i>	North <i>Maas</i>	East <i>H Khandelwal</i>	South <i>Vriend</i>
			Pass
1♥	Pass	3♦	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♥	All Pass		

When the Khandelwals reached slam, the outcome of the match was in the captain's hands. He too got a club lead but then fell from grace by going up with the trump ace when South did not cover dummy's queen. To add insult to injury, South then ruffed the third round of clubs and cashed the ♥K as the setting trick before exiting in diamonds. This brought declarer an extra trick but there still was no way to get rid of the spade loser: down two, 100 and 11 IMPs to Vriend who thus regained the lead by 7. This also proved to be their winning margin when the last board was a push.

## Poznan Pointers

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## Mixed Teams quarter finals, first half

by Jos Jacobs

As the report about the Mahaffey- Harding quarterfinal will appear in tomorrow's Bulletin, I can, in a way, restrict myself to having a look at what happened in the other three matches. It turned out that, on a few boards, there were all sorts of things going on at the various tables involved. Here is a survey.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

<p>♠ J 9 8 3 2 ♥ J 9 7 ♦ Q 9 4 ♣ 9 6</p>	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 80px; height: 80px; 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	<p>♠ A 6 4 ♥ 10 8 ♦ J 10 6 2 ♣ K Q 5 3</p>	<p>♠ K Q 10 5 ♥ K Q 4 ♦ A 8 ♣ A J 8 7</p>
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	<p>♠ 7 ♥ A 6 5 3 2 ♦ K 7 5 3 ♣ 10 4 2</p>						

First blood in the Wild Griffins v. Zimmermann match went to the Griffins, due to a defensive mistake:

West	North	East	South
<i>Zimmermann</i>	<i>Orlov</i>	<i>Cronier</i>	<i>Dikhnova</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣	Pass
1♥	Pass	1♠	Dbf
Pass	2♦	3♠	All Pass

1♥ by West showed spades, of course. EW wisely stopped in 3♠ which made with an overtrick for +170 to Zimmermann when dummy's queen held after South led a low diamond.

West	North	East	South
<i>Khven</i>	<i>Multon</i>	<i>Gulevich</i>	<i>Willard</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣	Pass
1♦	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♠	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Strong Club and transfer, East showing her maximum plus fit. South led a club to the queen and ace and suddenly, the play had become interesting. North won the second round of spades and shifted not to a diamond but to a heart. Declarer played the king and South took her ace and returned the suit. Dummy's ♥J won and a club was led. North went up with his king and finally led a diamond, but rather than letting this run to dummy's queen, declarer went up with

the ace and cashed the ♣J. When the ten appeared, the ♣8 was the winner on which the last losing diamond went away. Just made, +620 and 10 IMPs to the Wild Griffins.

In the Green Eyes v. Vriend match, Carla Arnolds had different ideas:

West	North	East	South
<i>Bakkeren</i>	<i>R. Mihai</i>	<i>Arnolds</i>	<i>G. Mihai</i>
Pass	2NT	Dbf	2♥
Pass	Pass	3NT	3♦
			All Pass

When 3♦ was passed round to her, she bid where she wanted to play: 3NT. A diamond was led to the ten and her ace and she first drove out the ♠A. North returned a diamond to South's king and South cleared the suit. When in with the ♥A, she duly played her 4th diamond but the defence never had the chance to establish any tricks in clubs before declarer had nine tricks. A club lead does not help either, as long as East is declarer and puts up the jack if North returns a low club at any time. Vriend +600.

The Closed Room played in 3♠ by West which was just made on a diamond lead from North. Green Eyes +140 but 10 IMPs to Vriend.

Our third featured match is between Badger and Russia. Here, both tables were in 4♠ but with mixed results:

West	North	East	South
<i>Dubinin</i>	<i>Allerton</i>	<i>Ponomareva</i>	<i>Leslie</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣	Pass
1♦	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

Strong Club, transfer, maximum fit, diamond lead from South to dummy's queen and curtains. Russia +620. Bridge really can be as easy as that.

West	North	East	South
<i>Osborne</i>	<i>Gromov</i>	<i>Hinden</i>	<i>Gromova</i>
Pass	2NT	Pass	2♥
Pass	Pass	Dbf	3♦
3♠	Pass	4♠	Pass
			All Pass

2♥ was a two-suiter and 2NT enquired about the minor. When 3♦ ran to East, she doubled and thus West became declarer in 4♠. North led a heart which South ducked, then won the ♠A at first attempt to continue hearts, get his ruff and return a diamond. Down two. As I just said: bridge can be as easy as that. Very well defended, Russia +200 and 13 IMPs to them.

Careful bidding proved quite ineffective on board 8:

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

West <i>Dubin</i>	North <i>Allerton</i>	East <i>Ponomareva</i>	South <i>Leslie</i>
1♣	Pass	2♣	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
5♣	All Pass		

EW correctly managed to discover the lack of a diamond stopper and thus ended up in 5♣, only to find out that diamonds were 4-4. There is no justice in this game...one down, +50 to Badger.

West <i>Osborne</i>	North <i>Gromov</i>	East <i>Hinden</i>	South <i>Gromova</i>
1♣	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	All Pass

After the inverted raise and the minimum rebid, East took a reasonable enough shot at the most likely game to succeed. Right she was: Badger +400 as the defence could (and did) only take their four diamond tricks.

More IMPs for Badger on the next board:

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

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

West <i>Dubin</i>	North <i>Allerton</i>	East <i>Ponomareva</i>	South <i>Leslie</i>
Pass	1♠	Pass	INT
Pass	2♥	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♥
All Pass			

When East never showed her 4-7-1-1 distribution, NS got a free run to whatever contract they liked. On the actual layout, making anything was out of the question for them. Even with diamonds as trumps, seven tricks should be the maximum, whereas EW can make game in clubs. So going down just one in 3♥ looked like a bargain for NS.

West <i>Osborne</i>	North <i>Gromov</i>	East <i>Hinden</i>	South <i>Gromova</i>
	1♠	2♣	Pass
2♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♥	Pass	4♠	Pass
5♣	All Pass		

And so it proved when EW had little trouble in reaching game at the other table, once East simply overcalled 2♣ after North's 1♠. Badger +600 and 11 IMPs more to them.

On the next board, the Wild Griffins registered a game swing when Zimmermann, defending against 3NT, led the ♠A rather than a diamond:

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

Both tables were in 3NT by South. When Khven, West for the Wild Griffins, led a diamond, this meant a quick two down but the ♠A lead gave away the contract immediately due to the block in diamonds. 13 IMPs to the Wild Griffins who led 29-4 at this stage.

The last three boards of the set were more swingy.

On the first of them, Zimmermann got his revenge when he brought home a shaky slam by going for about his only winning line, a dummy reversal on a 4-3 fit:

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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



West	North	East	South
Zimmermann	Orlov	Cronier	Dikhnova
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♦	Pass
4♥	Pass	4♠	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♦	All Pass		

As the eventual contract was made, it is unfair to even try and find out at which point the EW bidding went wrong. We should rather give all praise to declarer who, just two boards after a clear mistake, showed his skills by handling this contract superbly. He won the spade lead and immediately ruffed a spade. Next came a heart to the jack and queen. South returned another spade, ruffed in hand again. Now a club to the king and a diamond to the jack. The ♦K was cashed and dummy was reached with the ♥K. The ♦A drew all the outstanding trumps, a club to the jack held and on the ♥A, the remaining hearts appeared. The slam-going trick was thus taken by the ♥9 as declarer had shed the 4th club, and not the 4th heart, on the ♦A. Zimmermann a huge +920 and a strong candidate for the best played hand of the tournament (or the year...). The only objection might be that unlikely contracts are excluded from competition.

Obviously, they came nowhere near matching this result in the Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Khven	Multon	Gulevich	Willard
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

North led a club and declarer managed to make no less than 12 tricks, which was quite an achievement in itself but did not at all do the Russian case any good. 10 IMPs to Zimmermann.

In the Green Eyes v. Vriend match, Carla Arnolds actually managed to make all 13 tricks in her 3NT when South led away from her ♥Q. Not that it mattered very much as a wheel came off in the Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Marina	Maas	Stegarioiu	Vriend
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♥	Pass	3NT	All Pass

South led the ♠Q, standard from her actual KQ9(xx), and continued the king and nine when East held off. Unsure about the position of the remaining spades, declarer first went after the clubs. The jack held but when the suit did not break, she turned her attention to hearts, playing low to the jack and South's queen. South now cashed her master club and exited in hearts on which North pitched a spade and declarer a diamond. She had lost four tricks already and thus had to choose between the diamond finesse

or the pointed suit-squeeze on North for her contract. When she went for the squeeze and thus played ♦AK, she was one down...Vriend +50 and an unexpected 11 IMPs more to them.

The always ominous-looking board 13 created swings in all our featured matches:

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Zimmermann	Orlov	Cronier	Dikhnova
	1♠	2♥	Pass
Pass	Dbl	All Pass	

One can feel sympathy for NS but the points went to EW. Just made, Zimmermann +670.

West	North	East	South
Khven	Multon	Gulevich	Willard
	1♠	2♥	Pass
Pass	Dbl	Pass	2NT
All Pass			

Willard did well not to sit the double. 2NT went one off in peace for a loss of 100 but a gain of 11 IMPs to reduce the deficit to 12 IMPs.

In the Green Eyes-Vriend match, the auction started the same way, of course, but Geta Mihai also did not venture a pass:

West	North	East	South
Bakkeren	R. Mihai	Arnolds	G. Mihai
	1♠	2♥	Pass
Pass	Dbl	Pass	3♣
All Pass			

Right she was: down two but only -200 to the Green Eyes rather than -670 or more...

At the other table, Bogdan Marina was in a different position:

West	North	East	South
Marina	Maas	Stegarioiu	Vriend
	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♥	2♠	4♥	All Pass



# The Power of the Muiderberg

by Jan van Cleeff

Long ago, way back in the previous century, the Dutch invented the Muiderberg two-bids, showing a five card major with four or longer in a minor and less than opening values. Muiderberg is a small village in the neighbourhood of Amsterdam, where Onno Janssens, the inventor of the convention, used to live. The opening turned out to be a very efficient device, destructive and constructive at the same time. It soon became extremely popular, first in and later outside The Netherlands.

Here in Poznan, after two days of bridge, your reporter detected already two fine examples of the Muiderberg.

Langer v. Zimmermann

Board 29. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Drukier</i>	<i>Cronier</i>	<i>Husten</i>	<i>d' Ovidio</i>
3NT	Pass All Pass	INT*	Pass

\* 14+ - 17 HCP



Hans-Herman Gwinner by Elizabeth van Ettinger

After the spade lead thanks to the favourable layout declarer ended up with nine tricks in the thin game.

West	North	East	South
<i>Zimmermann</i>	<i>Gwinner</i>	<i>Willard</i>	<i>Langer</i>
	2♥*	All Pass	

\*5-10 HCP, 5 card hearts, 4+ cards in a minor

East led a club to the jack and king. West continued the suit and declarer had an easy road to eight tricks. He cashed the ♥A and king and continued with high clubs pitching diamonds from dummy. It resulted in a 12-IMP gain on the board in favour of Langer.

One day later, Vriend played Gottlieb in the Swiss A.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Vriend</i>	<i>Larsson</i>	<i>Maas</i>
		2♦*	Pass
2NT*	3♣	Pass	Pass
Dbl	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	All Pass		

2♦ (Mysterious) Multi, 5 cards allowed

West was not sure about the double and ran away to her second suit., +140.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bertens</i>	<i>Fredin</i>	<i>Verbeek</i>	<i>Michielsen</i>
		2♥*	Pass
2♠*	3♣	Pass	Pass
Dbl	All Pass		

2♥ Muiderberg

2♠ Constructive, natural, nf

When the smoke cleared EW scored +500 and Vriend collected 8 IMPs on the board.

# Misplay this Hand with Me

by Mark Horton

Having been eliminated from the Mixed Teams at the European Open Championships in Poznan I have reluctantly agreed to continue in the lengthy Mixed Pairs. Towards the end of the fourth session we are handily placed when we meet a pair from the Netherlands. Only the opponents are vulnerable and I have the following:

♠ K Q 4 2  
♥ K J  
♦ K J 9 4  
♣ J 8 6

The attractive young lady on my left, who appears to favour a minimalist approach when it comes to apparel, opens 2♥ and as we are sharing the screen she informs me that her bid promises hearts and another suit. Not one to be distracted I observe that my partner has doubled and the next player has passed. I have several options, but simply bid 4♠. My partner is not finished and advances with 5♣ which I take to be a cue bid in support of spades. I say 5♦ and partner goes 5♠. Clearly partner does not have the ace of hearts, so I am confident she will have the ace of diamonds. Attempting to outscore the field I jump to 6NT.

This has been our spirited auction:

West	North	East	South
2♥*	Dbl	Pass	4♠
Pass	5♣*	Pass	5♦
Pass	5♠	Pass	6NT
All Pass			

West leads the ten of clubs and I get the following dummy:

♠ A J 10 7 5  
♥ 8 4  
♦ A Q 7  
♣ A K 4

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W		E
	S	

♠ K Q 4 2  
♥ K J  
♦ K J 9 4  
♣ J 8 6

I have eleven tricks on top and this lead appears to have handed me the extra one I am looking for on a plate. With fair confidence I play low from dummy but East produces the queen and switches to the ten of hearts. With a sinking

feeling I cover it with the jack, and West takes the queen and cashes the ace. In due course I claim the rest for a disappointing -300.

The full deal:

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

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K Q 4 2  
♥ K J  
♦ K J 9 4  
♣ J 8 6

Post mortem

Declarer should have realized that the location of the queen of clubs was irrelevant. Assuming West has the ♥AQ it is sufficient to win the first clubs and cash five spades, discarding a club from hand. Then declarer plays diamonds. This will be the position when the last diamond is played:

♠ —	♠ —
♥ 8 4	♥ 7
♦ —	♦ 10 8
♣ K 4	♣ Q

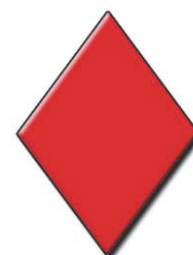
  

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ —  
♥ K J  
♦ J  
♣ J

If West discards the queen of hearts declarer simply plays a heart and a club will see dummy's four of clubs promoted to glory.



## CO SŁYCHAĆ?

### AGRESJA KONTROLOWANA

We wczorajszej relacji z meczu Connectora umknęło mi jedno rozdanie... W kontrolce było 600 i 620. Nie zwróciłem uwagi, że na przeciwnych liniach!

Rozdawał E Obie po partii

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

West	North	East	South
	Serek		Kazmucha
		1BA	2♣'
pas	2♥	ktr.	3♥
pas	4♥	pas...	

1)oba kolory starsze



Jacek Pszczoła, Poland

Nie zważając na założenia, Danuta Kazmucha licytowała bardzo ostro – doceniając walory układu 6-5, zdecydowała się na wejście, pomimo zaledwie 5 grających punktów. Potem, po wywoławczej kontrze otwierającego, podniosła kiery do trzech – pozostając w zgodzie z prawem lew łącznych, a Cezary Serek, mając niewiele, ale wszystko bezcenne, zaliczył końcówkę. Przeciwnicy z respektem powstrzymali się od kontry. 4♥ zostało bez problemu zrealizowane.

Na drugim stole para NS licytowała tylko na wysokości dwóch i kontraktem końcowym stało się 3BA, wygrane przez Natalię Sakowską i Connector zarobił łącznie 15 imp.

### CZYTANIE RĄK

W ćwierćfinałowym meczu Mahaffey – Harding znalazło się rozdanie jak z mojego cyklu „Czytanie rąk” w „Brydżu”...

Jacek Pszczoła rozgrywał 3BA po następującej licytacji (obie po partii, rozdawał E):

West	North	East	South
Hanlon	Pszczoła	Harding	Seamon-Molson
pas	1♠	pas	1♣
pas	2♦'	pas	2♣
pas	3BA	pas...	3♣

1) sztuczny forsing

Marianne Harding zaatakowała ♦J:

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

zagrana ze stołu damę W pobił asem i odwrócił szóstką. Z ręki siódemka, król od E. E zagrała teraz czwórkę karo, do której W dołożył dziewiątkę. Po wzięciu na dziesiątkę, Jacek zagrał króla trefl, do którego E dołożyła dójkę, a W trójkę. Kolejny trefl, od E ósemka. Co ze stołu?

Jak wygadają ręce obrońców? Było oczywiste, że E zaatakowała z koloru trzykartowego, licząc na longera karo u partnera. Była to przesłanka, że nie ma ona czterech kierów, a jej ręka to coś w rodzaju 4♠333 lub 5♠332.

Ponieważ można oczekiwać, że W ma 5♦4♥, dłuższy fragment trefli powinien znajdować się w ręce E. Ponadto, W mając 5 kar, dwa asy i jeszcze damę trefli – 10 PC – mógłby „zmieścić się” w licytacji po otwarciu 1♣. Idąc tymi tropami, Jacek zaimpasował damę karo, biorąc 11 lew.

Oto całość rozdania:

♠ K J 10 7 2 ♥ A K 9 ♦ 10 8 7 ♣ K 6	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; margin: 0 auto; width: 60px; height: 60px; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; width: 100%;">N</div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; width: 100%;">W      E</div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; width: 100%;">S</div> </div>	♠ 9 5 4 3 ♥ 7 6 3 ♦ K J 4 ♣ Q 8 2	♠ Q ♥ Q J 8 ♦ Q 5 ♣ A J 10 9 7 5 4
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Na drugim stole przy grze utrzymała się para WE:

West	North	East	South
<i>Mahaffey</i>	<i>McGann</i>	<i>Radin</i>	<i>Brown</i>
		pas	1♣
pas	1♥ <sup>1</sup>	pas	2♣
ktr.	rktr.	2♦	pas
pas	ktr.	pas...	

1) transfer na piki



Hugh McGANN, Ireland

Ten kontrakt po dość nieszczęśliwym wiście damą karo zakończył się wpadką bez jednej i drużyna Mahaffeya zarobiła 10 imp.

O tym, że skuteczne czytanie rąk jest efektywne, ale w dłuższym dystansie, może świadczyć rozdanie z meczu półfinałowego:

Po licytacji (rozdawał E, NS po partii):

West	North	East	South
<i>Bakkeren</i>	<i>Pszczola</i>	<i>Arnolds</i>	<i>Seamon-Molson</i>
		pas	1♣
1♥	1♠	2♥	ktr.
pas	3♠	pas...	

E zaatakowała (naturalnie) ♥5:

♠ A J 10 9 8 3
♥ 10 8 4 2
♦ 9 2
♣ Q

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♠ K 7 2
♥ K 7
♦ J 8 6 4
♣ A J 9 3

na blotkę ze stołu W kładzie damę, po czym gra asa, króla i blotkę karo. Przebijasz starannie ósemką (od E dziesiątka) i co dalej? Jacek zagrał damę trefli – król, as, szóstka (zrzutki odwrotne). Teraz król kier. W bije asem i gra kiera – ósemka, walet, przebitka... Pozostał problem rozegrania pików. W wszedł na czwórce, pokazał trzy kara, a trefle zrzucił na nieparzystą – wygląda, że ma układ 1-4-3-5... Wejście 1♥ z 3433 na pewno nie byłoby w stylu gracza tej klasy. Wobec tego rozgrywający przebił trefla w ręce dziewiątką, i usiłując zapisać się do księgi rekordów mistrzostw (w kategorii „najniższa lewa atutowa pierwszego okrążenia”) zagrał trójkę pik, a po dołożeniu czwórki przez E zaimpasował siódmką. Rozkład faktycznie był taki, jak Jacek sobie wyliczył:

♠ Q ♥ A Q 6 3 ♦ A K 5 ♣ 8 7 6 5 2	<div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; margin: 0 auto; width: 60px; height: 60px; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; width: 100%;">N</div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; width: 100%;">W      E</div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; width: 100%;">S</div> </div>	♠ 6 5 4 ♥ J 9 5 ♦ Q 10 7 3 ♣ K 10 4	♠ A J 10 9 8 3 ♥ 10 8 4 2 ♦ 9 2 ♣ D ♠ K 7 2 ♥ K 7 ♦ J 8 6 4 ♣ A J 9 3
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ale niestety, singletonem była dama... Bez jednej i 5 imp dla teamu Vriend, gdyż na drugim stole NS grali tylko 2♠, realizując kontrakt.

### PIERWSZY WIST

Eliminacje turnieju par wygrali reprezentanci Polski – Cathy Bałdysz i Piotr Tuszyński. Nie trzeba nikogo przekonywać, że w turniejach na maksy dobry wist to podstawa sukcesów. Oto dwa problemy wistowe z ostatniej sesji:

1. Po licytacji (rozdawał N, NS po partii):

West	North <i>Tuszyński</i>	East	South
	Pas	pas	pas
1♣ <sup>1</sup>	pas	1♥	pas
2BA	pas	3♦	pas
3♥	pas	3BA	pas...

1) naturalne albo przygotowawcze

Tuszyński musiał zawistować z ręki: ♠ K 7 6 2 ♥ K 6 2 ♦ 3 2 ♣ A 7 6 5. Jaki byłby Twój wybór?

Piotrek stwierdził (po wytłumaczeniu, że 3♥ obiecywało czwórkę) – „jeżeli grają 3BA, pomimo uzgodnienia kierów, to na atak w piki na pewno są przygotowani...” i wyszedł błotką trefl... Popatrzmy na cały rozkład:



Piotr Tuszyński, Poland

♠ K 7 6 2  
♥ K 6 2  
♦ 3 2  
♣ A 7 6 5

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

	N	
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	S	

♠ J 9  
♥ J 9 8 4  
♦ K Q 8 6 4  
♣ J 9

♠ Q 8 5 3  
♥ 10 5  
♦ 10 9  
♣ Q 10 4 3 2

Rozgrywający, po wzięciu na króla, przeszedł do stołu karem i zaimpasował kiera – bez jednej i 99% liderów. Po ataku w pika byłoby 10 lew i 10%.

2. Po licytacji (rozdawał E, obie po partii):

West	North	East	South <i>Bałdysz</i>
		1♣	pas
1♥ <sup>1</sup>	pas	2BA	pas
3♣	pas	3♠	pas
4♣ <sup>2</sup>	pas	4BA	pas
5♣ <sup>3</sup>	pas	6♠	pas...

- 1) tekas na piki
- 2) 5-5 piki z treflami
- 3) 1 wartość z 5

w co wistujesz z ręką: ♠ 8 6 5 3 ♥ 10 8 ♦ K 6 4 ♣ K Q 8 5 ?

Cathy Bałdysz wyszła w atu. Popatrzmy na całość rozdania:

♠ 9  
♥ J 7 6 5 3 2  
♦ J 10 7 5  
♣ J 9

♠ Q J 10 7 4  
♥ Q 4  
♦ Q  
♣ A 10 6 4 3

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♠ A K 2  
♥ A K 9  
♦ A 9 8 3 2  
♣ 7 2

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

Rozgrywający wziął w ręce i zagrał as trefl, trefl. Cathy przejęła waleta figurą i ponownie połączyła atu, kładąc kontrakt bez jednej. Ten zapis był warty 91%.

**MIXED PAIRS - QUALIFYING****(final standings after 7 sessions - subject to confirmation)**

Rank	Names	Percentage	Rank	Names	Percentage
1	Cathy BALDYSZ - Piotr TUSZYNSKI	62.45	51	Mehmet Remzi SAKIRLER - Umran SEMERCI	52.75
2	Michael GROMOELLER - Ria KUERSCHNER	61.73	52	David A JACKSON - Teresa RIGNEY	52.72
3	Renata DANCEWICZ - Tomasz WINCIOREK	59.65	53	Virginia CHEDIAK - Even MORKEN	52.71
4	Malgorzata JELENIEWSKA - P. LUTOSTANSKI	58.44	54	Bengt-Erik EFRAIMSSON - A. ZACK EINARSSON	52.64
5	Anne GROMOELLER - Andreas KIRMSE	58.28	55	Ferda CAKICI - Erdem OZTURK	52.53
6	Ewa KATER - Tom TOWNSEND	58.26	56	Leszek SZKUDLAREK - Olga ZABULEWICZ	52.40
7	Doris FISCHER - Bernd SAURER	58.12	57	Alicja KUPCZYK - Roman WACHOWIAK	52.36
8	Mihaela BALINT - Claudio NUNES	58.11	58	Linda MOLLE - Marco TER LAARE	52.32
9	Andrei ARLOVICH - Sviatlana BADRANKOVA	57.87	59	Tadeusz KACZANOWSKI - Halina SWIECH	52.27
10	Karel DE RAEYMAEKER - Anna ONISHUK	57.43	60	Mireille FAYAD - Gabriel HARFOUCHE	52.23
11	Daniela BIRMAN - David BIRMAN	56.96	61	Barbara JAROTA - Jaroslaw ROMANIUK	52.15
12	Mircea Sergiu LUPU - Smaranda LUPU	56.23	62	George BILSKI - Mischa SOLAR	52.10
13	Grazyna BREWIAK - Grzegorz NARKIEWICZ	56.22	63	Tomislav SCEPANOVIC - Nikica SVER	52.06
14	Petr BAHNIK - Eva BAHNIKOVA	55.83	64	Natali SAADA - Yaniv ZACK	52.04
15	Marta MAJ-RUDNICKA - Jan MOSZYNSKI JR	55.83	65	Mats ALLGOWER - Ella OLSSON	52.02
16	Nadia BEKKOUCHE - Johan UPMARK	55.81	66	Pernilla ANDREASSON - Kjell HOLMGREN	51.94
17	Andrzej HYCNAR - Renata WAJDOWICZ	55.59	67	Melih Osman SEN - Inci SUT	51.90
18	Jan JANSMA - Aida SALDZIEVA	55.57	68	Martin LOEFGREN - Elke WEBER	51.77
19	Ewa BANASZKIEWICZ - Frank SVINDAHL	55.52	69	Lotan FISHER - Gilda WASSERMAN	51.74
20	V. CARCASSONNE-LABAERE - Alain LABAERE	55.32	70	Cristina GOLIN - Massimo LANZAROTTI	51.70
21	W. KWIATKOWSKI - Ewa MIELCARZEWICZ	55.10	71	Geoff HAMPSON - Lindsay PEARLMAN	51.65
22	Catherine CURTIS - Paul FEGARTY	55.09	72	Lone MORTENSEN - Jens Otto PEDERSEN	51.59
23	Jana JANKOVA - Milan MACURA	54.83	73	Michael ASKGAARD - Christina Lund MADSEN	51.54
24	Bojan AMBROZ - Milojka AMBROZ	54.79	74	Zeynep ALP - Okay GUR	51.54
25	Eric MAUBERQUEZ - Vanessa REESS	54.71	75	Iwona CZAJKA - Bogdan SZULEJEWSKI	51.50
26	Sonata SIMANAITIENE - Albertas TYLA	54.62	76	Olga DLUGOSZ - Jakub WOJCIESZEK	51.48
27	Monika SAUTAUX - Radoslaw SZCZEPANSKI	54.62	77	Anita FOLKMANE - Gatis GAIGALS	51.29
28	Rafal JUNIK - Jolanta ZIETARA	54.32	78	Per-Arne KARLSSON - Anna ROOS KARLSSON	51.29
29	Claus LUND - Maria Dam MORTENSEN	54.11	79	Hartmut KONDOCH - Maria WUERMSEER	51.29
30	Richard RITMEIJER - Magdalena TICHA	54.00	80	Francoise VANHOUTTE - P. VANHOUTTE	51.24
31	Heather DHONDY - Jeremy DHONDY	53.98	81	Ron PACHTMAN - Rozalia RONEN	51.16
32	Susan HUMPHRIES - Nick JACOB	53.93	82	M. KWIECINSKA-WILK - Maciej STEFANIUK	51.09
33	M. WOZNIAK - E. RODZIEWICZ-BIELEWICZ	53.87	83	Petro KARLYKOV - Marina TETYUSHEVA	51.03
34	Halina KLUKOWSKA - Maciej TERPILOWSKI	53.71	84	Todor KOSTADINOV - Cvetanka NALBATSKA	51.02
35	Sara CHAPLEAU - Jeff MECKSTROTH	53.68	85	David GOLD - Susanna GROSS	51.02
36	Vesa LESKELA - Kirsi VIRTANEN	53.66	86	Bogumila JAKUBOWSKA - Piotr KORECKI	50.95
37	Nathalie FREY - Jerome ROMBAUT	53.65	87	Michael SCHNEIDER - Gisela SMYKALLA	50.90
38	Otakar SVOBODA - Pavla SVOBODOVA	53.63	88	Ismail KANDEMIR - Sevil NUHOGLU	50.89
39	Cristina GIAMPIETRO - Yuval YENER	53.55	89	Stefan GEORGIEV - Svetla NENOVA	50.88
40	Ewa Agnieszka GRABOWSKA - V.VAINIKONIS	53.51	90	Danielle AVON - Jean-Michel VOLDOIRE	50.83
41	Joseph MACHOTKA - Nese MERCAN	53.47	91	Arunas JANKAUSKAS - Jurgita ROTOMSKIENE	50.78
42	Stephen PETERKIN - Sam PUNCH	53.38	92	Monica AGHEMO - Andrea BURATTI	50.73
43	Thomas BESSIS - Veronique BESSIS	53.04	93	Nina ANIDJAR - Diego BRENNER	50.67
44	R. KOWALEWSKI - Katarzyna TYSZKIEWICZ	52.97	94	Michal KOPECKY - Jeanette REITZER	50.63
45	Yury KHIUPPENEN - Tatiana TAZENKOVA	52.96	95	Loek FRESEN - Waltraud VOGT	50.59
46	Trine BINDERKRANTZ - Thomas VANG-LARSEN	52.87	96	Severine DISSARD - Gert Jan PAULISSEN	50.55
47	Emine KONDAKCI SEN - Tezcan SEN	52.86	97	Larysa KUZNIATSOVA - Aleh TIMAKHOVICH	50.52
48	Anna KOWALSKA - Marek TYRAN	52.83	98	Mehves PISAK - M.Gokhan YILMAZ	50.52
49	Jean Francois ALLIX - Joanna NEVE	52.80	99	Egil HOMME - Marianne HOMME	50.52
50	Ingrid GROMANN - Rob HELLE	52.77	100	Krister AHLESVED - Catharina FORSBERG	50.48
			101	Dorota TOKAJ-WOJTCZUK - R. WOJTCZUK	50.43



102	Ewa SOBOLEWSKA - Marek SZYMANOWSKI	50.41	156	Stanislaw JANIK - Zofia MIKOLAJCZYK	47.34
103	Eva CAPLAN - William FRISBY	50.38	157	Marco CATELLANI - Valeria BIANCHI	47.32
104	Cezary KRZEMINSKI - Marta OSTROWSKA	50.36	158	Jorunn FENESS - Kjell Otto KOPSTAD	47.07
105	Tine DOBBELS - Rutger VAN MECHELEN	50.31	159	Gavin BAILEY - Kirsten BAILEY	47.00
106	B. DRINOVEC DRNOVSEK - Marjan ZADEL	50.29	160	Herold KRAAKENES - Jonill STOROY	46.95
107	Leyla ATALIK - Selcuk ATALIK	50.28	161	Iman CHAMMAA - Krzysztof MARTENS	46.95
108	Włodzimierz BUZE - Aneta JARMOCIK	50.22	162	Amit CHAUDHURI - Eva ENGSTROM	46.86
109	Vasil BATOV - Marina PILIPOVIC	50.21	163	Jolanta JACOSZEK - Przemyslaw MALISZEWSKI	46.83
110	Dariusz MORAWSKI - Irmeli SALONEN	50.15	164	Alexander BUDAEV - Svetlana KOVTUN	46.68
111	Anne-Marie COLOMBARO - Jean-Yves DANIC	50.03	165	Barbara BARAGA - Bogdan RASULA	46.65
112	Margot ALFHEIM - Magne EIDE	49.99	166	Pavel KLEBANOVICH - Elena SHOKHAN	46.62
113	Jens Ove HENNEBERG - Marlene KIRSTAN	49.99	167	Owen CAMP - Anisia SHAMI	46.46
114	Zdenek LASTOVICKA - Vera SCHULZOVA	49.99	168	Anja KAGELING - Rien VERBEEK	46.44
115	Jacek KLIMCZAK - Danuta KRUPNIK	49.96	169	Jacek SIKORA - Marta SIKORA	46.35
116	Paolo CLAIR - Carla PAGNINI-ARSLAN	49.91	170	Jana ERDEOVA - Jiri MASEK	46.16
117	Julide YARDIMCI - Hakan PEYRET	49.84	171	Anna NOVOTNA - Josef NOVOTNY	45.99
118	Lubomir IGNATOV - Pavlina MINEVA	49.79	172	Giovanni LUCCHESI - Raffaella MICHELOTTI	45.98
119	Tuna ALUF - Namik KOKTEN	49.69	173	Fiona McQUAKER - Iain SIME	45.73
120	Piotr ILCZUK - Paulina KLIMENTOWSKA	49.66	174	Michal NOSATZKI - Patrick SAADA	45.70
121	Sandra HAVLICEK - Miro TESLA	49.54	175	Joyce SKELTON - Mike THEELKE	45.68
122	Krzysztof LATOSZEWSKI - Anna MANDECKA	49.48	176	Liv Marit GRUDE - Lars Arthur JOHANSEN	45.68
123	Luca MARIETTI - Laura Cecilia PORRO	49.44	177	Vadim KHOLOMEEV - Tatiana NOKHAEVA	45.41
124	Dan BYLUND - Helena STROMBERG	49.43	178	Laurence DUC - Stephan MAGNUSSON	45.39
125	Ilona BOBKO - Dariusz ZEMBRZUSKI	49.27	179	Rita GHOSN - Maan HACHEM	45.35
126	Marek DRUKIER - Uschi HUSTEN	49.25	180	Walter HOEGER - Petra von MALCHUS	45.34
127	Lukasz BREDE - Malgorzata ROZMAN	49.20	181	Stephanie JACOB - Tom JACOB	45.33
128	Hanna KOWALSKA - Andrzej MAJCHER	49.17	182	Andrzej REKOSIAK - Lidia WILCZAK	45.21
129	Patsy MEEHAN - Marcin RUDZINSKI	49.03	183	Birgit FAEHR - Wolf STAHL	45.17
130	Bodil Nyheim OIGARDEN - S. F. SIMONSEN	48.98	184	Boleslaw OSTROWSKI - Regina ZIEBICKA	45.02
131	Malgorzata SAWICKA - Jurek CZYZOWICZ	48.85	185	Anna KREGLEWSKA-WNUK - Tomasz WNUK	45.00
132	Fulvio FANTONI - Iolanda RIOLO	48.77	186	Jolanta SLAWENTA - Jozef SLAWENTA	45.00
133	Sylwester MLYNARCZUK - Danuta ZABICKA	48.74	187	Alicja KRZEMINSKA - Pawel KRZEMINSKI	44.94
134	David LIGGAT - Elizabeth (Liz) MCGOWAN	48.61	188	Ben HANDLEY-PRITCHARD - Lara RUSO	44.75
135	John PHELAN - Lucy PHELAN	48.56	189	Maria WHELAN - Brian KEABLE	44.69
136	Brigitte AUBONNET - Christophe CARDE	48.47	190	Kitty O SHEA - Joe WALSH	44.63
137	Joan KENNY - Marshall LEWIS	48.33	191	Aleksandra JESENICNIK - Tolja ORAC	44.50
138	Marta JANECZEK - Aleksander KASPRZAK	48.33	192	Egidijus PETRYLA - Nele PETRYLIENE	44.45
139	Anna BUCZEK - Waldemar SIUDA	48.28	193	Geir ENGBRETSSEN - Tove HAUGEN	44.39
140	Claudia LUESSMANN - Ingo LUESSMANN	48.10	194	Sue LANE - Paul TAPSTER	43.86
141	Bjorn FALLENIIUS - Lynn TARNOPOL	48.08	195	Andrzej KUSION - Magdalena LEPIARCZYK	43.82
142	Paul LAMFORD - Stefanie ROHAN	48.02	196	Pawel GALAZKA - Joanna PRZYTYCKA	43.58
143	Barbara KAPICA - Dariusz KOZLOWSKI	48.01	197	Dick RUTTER - Jane RUTTER	43.52
144	Maureen HANNAH - Jimmy LEDGER	47.88	198	Hilde LARSEN - Trygve UNDEM	43.48
145	Hans-Herman GWINNER - Darina LANGER	47.85	199	Catherine BEARPARK - Steve BEARPARK	43.42
146	Lena LESZCZYNSKA - Witold TOMASZEK	47.79	200	Natalia LEPESHKEVICH - Dzmitry YASKEVICH	43.05
147	Teresa OLCZYK - Lechoslaw PIOTROWSKI	47.75	201	Malgorzata AUGUSTYN - Adam PESZKE	43.02
148	Victor ARONOV - Ahu ZOBU	47.73	202	Jill KULCHYCKY - Brendan J O BRIEN	42.90
149	Jane Norgren HANSEN - Lars Sogaard HANSEN	47.66	203	Lisbeth GLAERUM - Sven Olai HOYLAND	42.65
150	Jacek BALCEROWSKI - Marta BYSTRON	47.64	204	Neil ROSEN - Catherine SEALE	41.96
151	Netsy SAYER - Zahari ZAHARIEV	47.59	205	Ronnie BARR - Ilan HERBST	41.70
152	Anna SEGALOV - Zbigniew STACHNIUK	47.58	206	Molly PSILOU - Nikos THEOTOKIS	38.93
153	Agneta KAREKE - Torbjorn KAREKE	47.57	207	Eva NETSMAN - Per NETSMAN	38.73
154	Agata KOWAL - Jakub KOWAL	47.36	208	Rita CHANDRA - Gerardo MALAZDREWICZ	37.16
155	Victor MILMAN - Nadia STELMASHENKO	47.34			

**MIXED PAIRS - SEMI-FINAL A**

(standings after 2 sessions - subject to confirmation)

Rank	Names	Percentage			
1	A KOWALSKI - E MISZEWSKA	69.81	63	N FREY - J ROMBAUT	50.30
2	M CANONNE - P SUSSEL	65.84	64	C GOLIN - M LANZAROTTI	50.29
3	R RITMEIJER - M TICHA	65.39	65	C CURTIS - P FEGARTY	50.23
4	I KHAZANOV - M LEBEDEVA	62.75	66	T KACZANOWSKI - H SWIECH	50.22
5	B EFRAIMSSON - A ZACK EINARSSON	62.37	67	D A JACKSON - T RIGNEY	50.11
6	D FISCHER - B SAURER	62.26	68	A HYCINAR - R WAJDOWICZ	50.02
7	T BINDERKRANTZ - T VANG-LARSEN	61.95	69	B BROGELAND - T A BROGELAND	50.00
8	N SAADA - Y ZACK	61.46	70	E KLIDZEJA - D PROKHOROV	49.69
9	J DE BOTTON - A MALINOWSKI	59.98	71	B JAROTA - J ROMANIUK	49.61
10	A IVANOV - S IVANOVA	59.41	72	A ELSINEN - T ELSINEN	48.83
11	T SCEPANOVIC - N SVER	57.97	73	L MORTENSEN - J O PEDERSEN	48.81
12	M EGGELING - T GOTARD	57.37	74	J MACHOTKA - N MERCAN	48.66
13	T BESSIS - V BESSIS	57.06	75	A KUPCZYK - R WACHOWIAK	48.34
14	D LU - Y WANG	56.75	76	D FORGE - V VENTOS	48.34
15	A SARNIAK - L SZTYRAK	56.12	77	R JUNIK - J ZIETARA	48.30
16	J F ALLIX - J NEVE	55.73	78	R BOEDDEKER - F ZARKESCH	48.26
17	E A GRABOWSKA - V VAINIKONIS	55.68	79	M WOZNIAK - E RODZIEWICZ-BIELEWICZ	47.98
18	S AUKEN - N BOCCHI	55.57	80	N BEKKOUCHE - J UPMARK	47.91
19	L MOLLE - M TER LAARE	55.33	81	C LUND - M D MORTENSEN	47.61
20	H KLUKOWSKA - M TERPILOWSKI	55.24	82	J ROMANOWSKI - M ROSSARD	47.39
21	M BALINT - C NUNES	55.22	83	P LEITNER - E PICHLER	47.10
22	G HELNESS - T HELNESS	54.91	84	J TACZEWSKA - M TACZEWSKI	46.99
23	E BANASZKIEWICZ - F SVINDAHL	54.81	85	P B NEHMERT - M YUEN	46.67
24	P ERKKILA - K KOISTINEN	54.74	86	M JELENIEWSKA - P LUTOSTANSKI	46.64
25	G BUSSE - P BUSSE	54.55	87	M O SEN - I SUT	46.25
26	E MAUBERQUEZ - V REESS	54.44	88	F CAKICI - E OZTURK	46.02
27	M S LUPU - S LUPU	54.09	89	E KONDAKCI SEN - T SEN	45.83
28	S PENFOLD - B SENIOR	53.99	90	A K FUGLESTAD - E SAELENSMINDE	45.68
29	S SIMANAITIENE - A TYLA	53.81	91	G CAPPELLER - J CAPPELLER	45.59
30	R HAUGE - A MALINOWSKI	53.75	92	E KATER - T TOWNSEND	45.48
31	K DUFRAT - M NOWOSADZKI	53.65	93	C VECHIATTO - B ENGEL	45.27
32	M SAUTAUX - R SZCZEPANSKI	53.63	94	G BILSKI - M SOLAR	45.14
33	N SANDQVIST - N SENIOR	53.55	95	M FAYAD - G HARFOUCHE	45.10
34	M CICHOCKI - D HOCHERER	53.50	96	W KWIATKOWSKI - E MIELCARZEWICZ	44.54
35	V CARCASSONNE-LABAERE - A LABAERE	53.42	97	G BREWIAK - G NARKIEWICZ	44.53
36	Y KHIUPPENEN - T TAZENKOVA	53.41	98	A MADALA - C RIMSTEDT	44.45
37	G HELGEMO - D B POPOVA	53.17	99	P BAHNIK - E BAHNIKOVA	44.41
38	G HAMPSON - L PEARLMAN	53.14	100	F AYDOGDU - S AKIN	44.21
39	D BIRMAN - D BIRMAN	53.13	101	G GOTTLIEB - B KUZSELKA	44.10
40	J SMEDEREVAC - S WERNLE	53.04	102	H BERGER - R HANSEN	43.99
41	M LOEFGREN - E WEBER	52.93	103	M R SAKIRLER - U SEMERCI	43.74
42	C BALDYSZ - P TUSZYNSKI	52.81	104	S CHAPLEAU - J MECKSTROTH	43.37
43	M ROMANOVSKA - K RUBINS	52.77	105	R KOWALEWSKI - K TYSZKIEWICZ	43.35
44	L FISHER - G WASSERMAN	52.64	106	V LESKELA - K VIRTANEN	43.32
45	S SUN - R YAN	52.48	107	M ALLGOWER - E OLSSON	43.19
46	L SZKUDLAREK - O ZABULEWICZ	52.30	108	D GAVIARD - B PAYEN	43.09
47	D ANGEBRANDT - B UTNER	52.24	109	M MAJ-RUDNICKA - J MOSZYNSKI JR	43.06
48	B GOTARD - T GOTARD	52.14	110	J JANSMA - A SALDZIEVA	42.97
49	C GIAMPIETRO - Y YENER	52.08	111	S HUMPHRIES - N JACOB	42.92
50	J JANKOVA - M MACURA	51.98	112	G JANKUNAITE - G SARKANAS	41.62
51	P FREDIN - M MICHIELSEN	51.82	113	B CALLAGHAN - C DUCKWORTH	41.56
52	H DHONDY - J DHONDY	51.73	114	S COPE - S STOCKDALE	41.54
53	V CHEDIAK - E MORKEN	51.72	115	I GROMANN - R HELLE	41.28
54	A BABSCH - U SCHRECKENBERGER	51.69	116	W FRUKACZ - G NASTASE	41.21
55	L GOLDBERG - U GOLDBERG	51.59	117	M GROMOELLER - R KUERSCHNER	40.72
56	D KAZMUCHA - C SEREK	51.47	118	P BUTRYN - N SAKOWSKA	40.23
57	K DE RAEYMAEKER - A ONISHUK	51.41	119	A ARLOVICH - S BADRANKOVA	39.99
58	O SVOBODA - P SVOBODOVA	51.01	120	R DANCEWICZ - T WINCIOREK	37.86
59	P ANDERSSON - A LARSSON	50.81	121	A GROMOELLER - A KIRMSE	37.72
60	S PETERKIN - S PUNCH	50.69	122	P ANDREASSON - K HOLMGREN	37.34
61	A KOWALSKA - M TYRAN	50.51	123	B ATALAY - A WITKOWSKI	35.47
62	H KHANDELWAL - R KHANDELWAL	50.32	124	B AMBROZ - M AMBROZ	34.45

**MIXED PAIRS - SEMI-FINAL B**

(standings after 2 sessions - subject to confirmation)

Rank	Names	Percentage			
1	E CAPLAN - W FRISBY	66.49	68	D MORAWSKI - I SALONEN	50.42
2	B KAPICA - D KOZLOWSKI	63.32	69	C BEARPARK - S BEARPARK	50.22
3	J CZYZOWICZ - M SAWICKA	62.25	70	B DRINOVEC DRNOVSEK - M ZADEL	50.20
4	L BREDE - M ROZMAN	62.15	71	J SLAWENTA - J SLAWENTA	50.15
5	F FANTONI - I RIOLO	61.75	72	V MILMAN - N STELMASHENKO	50.13
6	I CZAJKA - B SZULEJEWSKI	61.35	73	L ATALIK - S ATALIK	50.11
7	J SKELTON - M THEELKE	61.16	74	J PHELAN - L PHELAN	50.09
8	B FALLENIIUS - L TARNOPOL	60.60	75	L IGNATOV - P MINEVA	49.91
9	N ROSEN - C SEALE	60.36	76	I KANDEMIR - S NUHOGLU	49.53
10	L FRESEN - W VOGT	60.15	77	C KRZEMINSKI - M OSTROWSKA	49.51
11	M NOSATZKI - P SAADA	59.68	78	K O SHEA - J WALSH	49.23
12	L GLAERUM - S O HOYLAND	59.63	79	S MLYNARCZUK - D ZABICKA	49.13
13	A KREGLEWSKA-WNUK - T WNUK	59.29	80	H GWINNER - D LANGER	49.03
14	R PACHTMAN - R RONEN	58.47	81	K LATOSZEWSKI - A MANDECKA	48.69
15	H KOWALSKA - A MAJCHER	58.37	82	B HANDLEY-PRITCHARD - L RUSO	48.48
16	B BARAGA - B RASULA	58.32	83	L KUZNIATSOVA - A TIMAKHOVICH	48.37
17	M KWIECINSKA-WILK - M STEFANIUK	58.29	84	A KOWAL - J KOWAL	47.89
18	C LUESSMANN - I LUESSMANN	58.16	85	S JACOB - T JACOB	47.68
19	M JANECZEK - A KASPRZAK	57.92	86	A FOLKMANE - G GAIGALS	47.66
20	S JANIK - Z MIKOLAJCZYK	57.68	87	M DRUKIER - U HUSTEN	47.42
21	L M GRUDE - L A JOHANSEN	57.66	88	B OSTROWSKI - R ZIEBICKA	47.25
22	R BARR - I HERBST	57.20	89	D TOKAJ-WOJTCZUK - R WOJTCZUK	47.14
23	P KARLSSON - A ROOS KARLSSON	57.20	90	N LEPESHKEVICH - D YASKEVICH	46.80
24	M PISAK - M YILMAZ	57.11	91	Z LASTOVICKA - V SCHULZOVA	46.70
25	H KONDOCH - M WUERMSEER	56.92	92	A JESENICNIK - T ORAC	46.69
26	E SOBOLEWSKA - M SZYMANOWSKI	56.75	93	P LAMFORD - S ROHAN	46.47
27	A COLOMBARO - J DANIC	56.68	94	E NETSMAN - P NETSMAN	46.42
28	V BATOV - M PILIPOVIC	56.44	95	K AHLESVED - C FORSBERG	46.25
29	A NOVOTNA - J NOVOTNY	56.25	96	J KLIMCZAK - D KRUPNIK	45.95
30	F VANHOUTTE - P VANHOUTTE	56.11	97	M PSILOU - N THEOTOKIS	45.59
31	P MEEHAN - M RUDZINSKI	55.71	98	F McQUAKER - I SIME	45.41
32	B N OIGARDEN - S F SIMONSEN	55.67	99	M SCHNEIDER - G SMYKALLA	45.34
33	E PETRYLA - N PETRYLIENE	55.49	100	M WHELAN - B KEABLE	45.08
34	D AVON - J VOLDOIRE	55.24	101	E HOMME - M HOMME	44.78
35	W BUZE - A JARMOCIK	55.20	102	B AUBONNET - C CARDE	44.62
36	N SAYER - Z ZAHARIEV	54.76	103	V ARONOV - A ZOBU	44.51
37	D GOLD - S GROSS	54.68	104	T DOBBELS - R VAN MECHELEN	44.07
38	J YARDIMCI - H PEYRET	54.55	105	D LIGGAT - E ( McGOWAN	43.99
39	J JACOSZEK - P MALISZEWSKI	54.53	106	L LESZCZYNSKA - W TOMASZEK	43.88
40	L MARIETTI - L C PORRO	54.44	107	O CAMP - A SHAMI	43.62
41	I CHAMMAA - K MARTENS	54.32	108	B FAHR - W STAHL	43.13
42	V KHOLOMEEV - T NOKHAEVA	54.24	109	P ILCZUK - P KLIMENTOWSKA	43.07
43	J FENESS - K O KOPSTAD	54.10	110	N ANIDJAR - D BRENNER	42.87
44	J KENNY - M LEWIS	54.06	111	R CHANDRA - G MALAZDREWICZ	42.81
45	J O HENNEBERG - M KIRSTAN	53.68	112	Z ALP - O GUR	42.48
46	M KOPECKY - J REITZER	53.64	113	S GEORGIEV - S NENOVA	42.22
47	A KUSION - M LEPIARCZYK	53.62	114	A BUDAEV - S KOVTUN	42.19
48	S HAVLICEK - M TESLA	53.61	115	A SEGALOV - Z STACHNIUK	41.80
49	J ERDEOVA - J MASEK	53.35	116	P CLAIR - C PAGNINI-ARSLAN	41.67
50	L DUC - S MAGNUSSON	53.22	117	S LANE - P TAPSTER	41.53
51	I BOBKO - D ZEMBRZUSKI	53.22	118	T KOSTADINOV - C NALBATSKA	40.88
52	P KARLYKOV - M TETYUSHEVA	52.88	119	H KRAAKENES - J STOROY	40.80
53	M ASKGAARD - C L MADSEN	52.59	120	A KRZEMINSKA - P KRZEMINSKI	40.66
54	A JANKAUSKAS - J ROTOMSKIENE	52.35	121	M AGHEMO - A BURATTI	40.17
55	R GHOSN - M HACHEM	51.95	122	G ENGBRETSEN - T HAUGEN	39.25
56	A KAREKE - T KAREKE	51.92	123	J KULCHYCKY - B J O BRIEN	38.91
57	T ALUF - N KOKTEN	51.74	124	S DISSARD - G J PAULISSEN	38.74
58	H LARSEN - T UNDEM	51.62	125	P GALAZKA - J PRZYTYCKA	38.72
59	W HOEGER - P v MALCHUS	51.43	126	A BUCZEK - W SIUDA	38.69
60	O DLUGOSZ - J WOJCIESZEK	51.19	127	M HANNAH - J LEDGER	38.55
61	D BYLUND - H STROMBERG	51.16	128	J SIKORA - M SIKORA	38.50
62	J N HANSEN - L S HANSEN	51.04	129	M ALFHEIM - M EIDE	38.47
63	B JAKUBOWSKA - P KORECKI	50.71	130	T OLCZYK - L PIOTROWSKI	38.29
64	P KLEBANOVICH - E SHOKHAN	50.67	131	J BALCEROWSKI - M BYSTRON	37.93
65	M AUGUSTYN - A PESZKE	50.66	132	G LUCCHESI - R MICHELOTTI	36.10
66	D RUTTER - J RUTTER	50.48	133	A REKOSIAK - L WILCZAK	33.50
67	M CATELLANI - V BIANCHI	50.46	134	A CHAUDHURI - E ENGSTROM	30.76

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