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ELECTRIFYING FINISHES DELIVER TRANSATLANTIC AND IRISH CHAMPIONS

It is inherently more exciting to play a pairs event using Barometer Scoring, and all three finals gave the thousands of BBO spectators plenty to get excited about.

The three medal winning pairs in the European Open Pairs Championship swapped the lead several times before **Roy Welland & Sabine Auken** edged ahead of **Jan Jansma & Zia Mahmood** on the very last board, leaving **Nils Kåre Kvangraven & Terje Lie** in third place.

In the Women's final the long time leaders saw almost all their lead disappear before re-establishing themselves at the top. The new Champions, **Catherine D'Ovidio** and **Janice Seamon-Molson** finished clear of **Marion Michielsen & Meike Wortel** and

Véronique Bessis & Carole Puillet.

In the Senior Pairs

Nicholas Fitzgibbon & Adam Mesbur charged through the field to over-take the long time leaders, **Michael**

Elinescu & Entscho Wladow with **Stephan Cabaj & Wlodzimierz Ilnicki** finishing third.



Women Pairs



Seniors Pairs



OPEN PAIRS

FINAL RESULT

Pair	Country	%
1 AUKEN Sabine - WELLAND Roy	GER - USA	56.27
2 JANSMA Jan - MAHMOOD Zia	NED - USA	56.18
3 KVANGRAVEN Nils Kare - LIE Terje	NOR - NOR	55.82
4 CARROLL John - HANLON Tom	IRL - IRL	54.43
5 GINOSSAR Eldad - PACHTMAN Ron	ISR - ISR	54.29
6 NABIL Karim - SADEK Tarek	EGY - EGY	54.02
7 HOMONNAY Geza - WINKLER Gabor	HUN - HUN	53.82
8 CIMA Leonardo - GIUBILO Valerio	ITA - ITA	53.75
9 KALITA Jacek - NOWOSADZKI Michal	POL - POL	53.59
10 LANZAROTTI Massimo - MANNO Andrea	ITA - ITA	53.40
11 PIEKAREK Josef - SMIRNOV Alexander	GER - GER	53.37
12 OURSEL Christophe - SCHMIDT Pierre	FRA - FRA	53.03
13 BAKKEREN Frank - BAKKEREN Ton	NED - NED	52.65
14 BERG Erik - SIMONSEN Steffen Fredrik	NOR - NOR	51.87
15 MIHAI Geta - MIHAI Radu	ROM - ROM	51.82
16 SLEMR Jakub - VOZABAL David	CZE - CZE	51.56
17 GAWEL Wojciech - JAGNIEWSKI Rafal	POL - POL	51.25
18 RIEHM Franck - DUGUET Michel	FRA - FRA	51.25
19 MULTON Franck - ZIMMERMANN Pierre	MON - MON	51.21
20 JASSEM Krzysztof - MAZURKIEWICZ Jan	POL - POL	50.80
21 MARINOVSKI Kiril - ZORIC Vedran	BUL - CRO	50.78
22 BAKKE Tor - HOYLAND Sven Olai	NOR - NOR	50.46
23 DUBININ Alexander - GROMOV Andrey	RUS - RUS	50.21
24 SVENDSEN Odin - TONDEL Petter	NOR - NOR	50.15
25 FRIEDLANDER Ehud - LIRAN Inon	ISR - ISR	50.14
26 BOCKEN Patrick - NEVE Olivier	BEL - BEL	50.01
27 ERCAN Sehmus - PEYRET Hakan	TUR - TUR	49.35
28 AUSTBERG Per Erik - BERG Jan Tore	NOR - NOR	49.28
29 KANDEMIIR Ismail - KOLATA Suleyman	TUR - TUR	49.19
30 CULLIN Per-Ola - HALLBERG Gunnar	SWE - ENG	48.97
31 MELMAN Victor - ZELIGMAN Shalom	USA - ISR	48.13
32 KLUKOWSKI Michal - ZATORSKI Piotr	POL - POL	48.12
33 FALLENIUS Bjorn - FREDIN Peter	SWE - SWE	48.00
34 SAPORTA Pierre - VOLDOIRE Jean-Michel	FRA - FRA	47.78
35 BAUMANN Karl Christian - BREKKA Geir	NOR - NOR	47.23
36 JASKIEWICZ Ryszard - GRZELCZAK Jacek	POL - POL	46.94
37 DEBUS Eric - VAN MIDDELEM Guy	BEL - BEL	46.27
38 DE MENDEZ T. - MICHAUD-LARIVIERE X.	SUI - MON	45.85
39 TOKAY Mustafa Cem - VERSACE Alfredo	TUR - ITA	45.84
40 WACKWITZ Ernst - WESTERBEEK Chris	NED - NED	45.80
41 MILASZEWSKI Mirosław - SZENBERG S.	POL - POL	45.00
42 NIKOLCHEV Klimentin - TRENDAFILOV R.	BUL - BUL	44.86
43 BURN David - SANDQVIST Nicklas	ENG - ENG	44.85
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I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue

As another tournament is consigned to the dustbin of history I would like to thank everyone involved in the production of yet another timeless series of masterpieces that will now gather dust in the homes of many of the finest bridge players in Europe.

Jean-Paul Meyer was our Chef d'équipe (which reminds me of the old proverb, 'Too many cooks - on Television'), Jos Jacobs delivered a host of articles in his inimitable Dutch style. Brent Manley not only delivered a stream of articles but also found time for some searching interviews. Barry Rigal showed why he is regarded as one of the best writers of his generation with a series of penetrating articles.

Patrick Jourdain, the Bard of Cardiff, spotted some of the best deals of the Championships, and Jan van Cleeff offered us a few Dutch treats.

Our fantastic Layout Editor Monika Kümmel is about to audition for a part in a remake of the Sound of Music (I'm not optimistic about her chances - she looks nothing like a lonely goatherd).

Ron Tacchi (who has never seen the Sound of Music) was our factotum extraordinaire and he also took an awful lot of pictures.

Last, but by no means least the extraordinary Ann Chapelle & Leentje Daenen not only printed the Bulletin (usually while you slept) but also delivered it to your hotel.

So, as the char woman of time begins to shake and vac the shag pile of eternity, it's time to remind you that all good things must come to an end - so let's carry on.

See you all in Tromsø!

Mark Horton

Thank You!

On behalf of the journalists, I thank the EBL and the RBBF for the facilities at the 6th European Open Bridge Championships 2013 in Ostend.

In particular I would like to thank the Organising Committee for their fantastic work and support.

— Jan Swaan, Press Room chief.



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Roll Of Honour

Mixed Teams

Gold: NedAut

Marion Michielsen, Ricco van Prooijen, Martine Verbeek, Huub Bertens (NED),
Jovi Smederevac, Sascha Wernle (AUT)

Silver: Austria

Iris Grümm, Arno Lindermann, Martin Schifko, Terry Weigkricht (AUT)

Bronze: Schaltz

Nadia Bekkouche, Dorthe Schaltz, Peter Schaltz (DEN), Peter Fredin (SWE)

Women's Teams

Gold: China I

Feng Xuefeng, Wang Wen Fei, Wang Liping, Zhang Yu (CHN)

Silver: Dutch Women

Carla Arnolds, Jet Pasman, Anneke Simons, Wietske van Zwol (NED)

Bronze: Italia I

Caterina Ferlazzo, Gabriella Manara, Simonetta Paoluzzi, Annalisa Rosetta,
Ilaria Saccavini, Marilina Vanuzzi (ITA)

Senior Teams

Gold: Lavec

Peter Billgren, Tjolpe Flodqvist, Mats Pettersson, Björn Sanzen (SWE)

Silver: Hansen

Renate Hansen, Heinrich Berger, Hubert Obermaier, Franz Terraneo (AUT)

Bronze: Bardin

Antonio Bardin, Franco Garbosi, Luigina Gentili, Carlo Maria Gentili, Silvio Tosi, Paolo Uggeri (ITA)

Open Teams

Gold: Mazurkiewicz

Piotr Gawrys, Krzysztof Jassem, Paweł Jassem, Marcin Mazurkiewicz,
Piotr Tuszynski, Jakub Wojcieszek (POL)

Silver: Breno

Mario D'Avossa, Benito Garozzo, Riccardo Intonti, Massimo Lanzarotti,
Andrea Manno, Romain Zaleski (ITA)

Bronze: IsrMany

Alon Birman, Ilan Herbst, Ophir Herbst, Dror Padon (ISR),
Josef Piekarek, Alexander Smirnov (GER)

Roll Of Honour

Mixed Pairs

Gold: Rosen Gunev, Dessy Popova (BUL)
 Silver: Marc Bompis, Sylvie Willard (FRA)
 Bronze: Zahari Zahariev (BUL), Netsy Sayer (TUR)

Open Pairs

Gold: Sabine Auken (GER), Roy Welland (USA)
 Silver: Jan Jansma (NED), Zia Mahmood (USA)
 Bronze: Nils Kåre Kvangraven, Terje Lie (NOR)

Women Pairs

Gold: Catherine D'Ovidio (FRA), Janice Seaman-Molson (USA)
 Silver: Marion Michielsen, Meike Wortel (NED)
 Bronze: Véronique Bessis, Carole Puillet (FRA)

Senior Pairs

Gold: Nicholas Fitzgibbon, Adam Mesbur (IRL)
 Silver: Michael Elinescu, Entscho Wladow (GER)
 Bronze: Stephan Cabaj (SUI), Włodzimierz Ilnicki (POL)

28 people won a title.

Catherine D'Ovidio won her fourth title, a number previously only achieved by Bep Vriend. It was the third title for Rosen Gunev and Dessy Popova, the second for Marion Michielsen, Martine Verbeek, Jovi Smederevac, Huub Bertens, Piotr Tuszynski and Roy Welland.

84 medals were awarded, to 83 different players (only Marion Michielsen got two) from 16 different countries. 48 players won their first medal, bringing the total number of European medalists after the six events to 384.

Sylvie Willard and Wietske van Zwol won their seventh medals, also equaling a record held by Bep Vriend.

Martine Verbeek, Jet Pasman, Anneke Simons, Carla Arnolds and Marion Michielsen now have five medals, Dessy Popova, Rosen Gunev, Gabriella Manara, Ilan Herbst and Janice Seamon-Molson won their fourth, and Huub Bertens, Jovi Smederavac, Caterina Ferlazzo, Marilina Vanuzzi and Ophir Herbst have three.

The Chinese women became the first winners from zone 6, the sixth zone to have medalists. Only Central America and Africa have yet to produce medalists in Europe. And finally the Irish seniors gave their country its first medals. There are now 28 countries on the European honors list.

Closing Speech Of Yves Aubry

Dear Bridge Friends,

We are at the end of the 6th European Open Championships after 15 days of hard competition in Mixed, Open, Women and Seniors categories both by pairs and teams.



Yves Aubry, President of the EBL

A great thank you to the Belgian people to have welcomed us in such a friendly manner in Ostend. Thanks for the warm welcome and the work of all the volunteers.

I want to thank the authorities of Ostend, its Mayor Jean Vandecasteele and all echevins who welcome us in the City Hall.

Thank you to "VISIT OSTEND", Niko Geldhof, Alderman for Tourism and all his team for their strong support to offer to all players good conditions of accommodation in Ostend and also to Geert Magerman, Public Relations, who managed the promotion of these championships.

If this championship was so successful, it is of course thanks to the Royal Belgian Bridge Federation and to its President, Marc De Pauw. Thank you, Marc, for having organised these Championships in a short time.

Of course, the Organising Committee headed by his chairman Bart Magerman performed an extraordinary job in these Championships.

The format of these Championships has been altered in Ostend and the Championship Committee with Jan Kamras, Josef Harsanyi, Eric Laurant, Maurizio di Sacco, David Harris and Catherine Vitry have successfully solved the various issues. Thank you to all for these great Championships.

Thank you to Sevinç Atay, Paul Meerbergen and Silvia Valentini for having organised the different Prize-Giving ceremonies.

Thank you to all Staff members from the EBL and from the RBBF. This has been a wonderful experience for us to work with you here in Ostend.

But the success of a championship is determined by the players. The European Open Championships are open to players coming from all over the world. In Ostend, 50 countries were represented amongst them 14 outside Europe with in particular World Team Champions from China and USA.

This takes the play to a high level and makes the victories achieved even more prestigious in these Championships.

Anna Maria Torlontano, Chairman of the WBF Women's Committee organises each year a Women's Online Bridge Festival in which the last edition gathered players from 98 countries and it was with a great pleasure that we welcomed the Bulgarian winners in Ostend Mariana Ribarska and Stefka Paskaleva in the Women series.

I would like to thank you all for your behaviour, your fair-play and the atmosphere you have created. These contributed to the success of the Championships and to the image of Bridge.

As you already know, the 7th European Open Championships will be held in Tromsø from 27th June to 11th July 2015. This is certainly the destination located most in the North where the EBL has ever organised any championship. You will enjoy without any doubt the Midnight Sun and today the temperatures are almost equivalent to the one in Ostend. The Norwegian Federation is willing to organise these Championships with obviously a lot of professionalism. The EBL on its side will bring considerable help to the players by significantly decreasing the amount of the Tromsø entry fees.

Thanks to all, players, officers, journalists, operators, volunteers and guests. I know you appreciate to stay one more time in Ostend that is one of the Capitals of Bridge in Europe.

Enjoy your evening.

Yves Aubry
EBL President

DEALS — DEALS — DEALS— DEALS— DEALS

Although these championships were about the same size as those of two years ago in Poznan, when just the entries are counted, they were smaller if the number of boards that were played, are counted. This year, 82,637 deals were played. This includes the side games and takes into account all byes and drop-outs. Counted the American way, we can say that there were 3,691 tables at these championships.

Open Pairs Final Session 2

By Jos Jacobs

After the first ten boards, Sabine Auken and Roy Welland were leading the field but they suffered two setbacks when they met Mustafa Tokay and Alfredo Versace in the first round of the session:

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Versace	Auken	Tokay	Welland
Pass	2♥	Pass	INT
All Pass			2♠

Rather than entering the auction to reach a straightforward club partscore in which they can make 11 tricks, East-West preferred to stay quiet and concentrate on defence. Against Two Spades, Versace led his diamond to declarer's jack. Welland led a trump to dummy's queen and East's king. From here, the defence went along double-dummy lines. Tokay continued the ♥K and another to



Alfredo Versace



Josef Piekarek

Versace's ten, then ruffed (!) the ♥J return by Versace. This was followed by a diamond ruff, after which Versace cashed the ♠A and the last heart. The ♣A was the third undertrick for a fine +150 which was worth 25/19 MP to East-West.

The other board at this table was a much more serious affair:

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Versace	Auken	Tokay	Welland
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦	Pass	4♦	Pass
4♥	Pass	5♣	Pass
6♦	All Pass		

The contract is rather more than a little bit too high but so long as the defence does not take its legitimate spade trick at the beginning, there is hope. North led the ♣10 and Versace inserted dummy's jack, which held the trick. A club

then went to his king and a diamond to the king in dummy was followed by the ♣A on which Versace's spade loser disappeared. The rest was relatively easy: diamond to the jack, ♥A, ♥Q for a discard when North did not cover, ♥J ruffed in dummy, trump to the ace and the rest of the hearts. The defenders only scored their inevitable trump trick and just 1 MP for their efforts.

On the next board, we saw various opinions as to how to reach or miss game:

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

Even if East opened the bidding, getting to game was not automatic:

West	North	East	South
Oursel	Vozabal	Schmidt	Slemr
	Pass	1♦	2♣
Dbl	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♥	All Pass

One down, 43 MP to North-South, the new leaders at that point, who thus further increased their lead. By contrast;

West	North	East	South
Carroll	Piekarek	Hanlon	Smirnov
	Pass	1♦	2♣
Dbl	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♣	Dbl	3♠	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

The Irish had a different opinion as to the meaning of 3♣. When East decided to introduce his other major, game was easily reached. 4♠ may be a better spot than 3♥ but it still needed the ♦A doubleton, most probably with the bidder; to make. +620 was worth 35/9 MP to East-West.

At one table, East-West landed in what might be called the best of both worlds:

West	North	East	South
Fallenius	Gromov	Fredin	Dubiniv
	Pass	Pass	2♣
Pass	Pass	Dbl	Pass
2♠	3♣	Pass	Pass
Dbl	All Pass		

If 3♣ could be defeated, it would beat all pairs missing game or going down in game. +200 was the limit on defence when declarer negotiated the trumps, but it was surely a reasonable proposition, worth exactly 50% when game happened to be on.

Two boards later, a wild board came up on which slam for North-South was just not on:

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

At one table, East-West blew away their opponents' strong opening bid:

West	North	East	South
Karlberg	Oursel	Thomassen	Schmidt
			2♣
2♥	Pass	5♥	Dbl
All Pass			

Nicely done for -300 only, and 34/10 MP to East-West. The Irish did even better:

West	North	East	South
Carroll	Manno	Hanlon	Lanzarotti
			1♠
Pass	4♠	4NT	5♣
5♦	Pass	5♥	5♠
6♥	Dbl	All Pass	



Andrea Manno

When the defenders led a trump and tried to cash a spade first after being given the ♣A, three diamonds escaped on the clubs. One down only and 40/4 MP.

The same defensive accident occurred when Cullin and Hallberg were saving in 7♥. Down two changed their score from 10/38 MP to 34/10 MP.

On board 17, Norway's Svein-Gunnar Karlberg was among the few defenders to find a club lead as South;

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Debus</i>	<i>Thomassen</i>	<i>V. Middelem</i>	<i>Karlberg</i>
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

The auction sounded as if an aggressive lead was required so out came the ♣6. Declarer put up dummy's ace, unblocked the top trumps and cashed the ♦AK, shedding a club. When the jack appeared on his right, he assumed that the suit would not break 3-3 (in accordance with restricted choice principles) so he led a heart to his ace, hoping to make some tricks in that suit after drawing trumps. When he next led a heart to dummy's ten and North's jack, he had suddenly gone down in his contract, since the defenders had a club and two more hearts to cash.

Had declarer played on diamonds and called for dummy's ♥Q instead, at the critical moment he would have been back to a score of 32/12 MP.

At the end of the 2nd session, the Czechs Slemr-Vozabal were still leading, followed by Norway's Kvangraven-Lie and the Irish Carroll-Hanlon.



Making The Least Of Your Chances

By Barry Rigal

Board 30. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

Normally we show declarers maximizing their trick potential; time to see how bridge players at the top take all their tricks.

On today's deal best play in 3NT on a diamond lead is somewhat hard to predict. If you finesse the queen and drive out the club queen you can catch East in major-suit squeeze for 12 tricks. But let's see how an expert would handle the deal on the lead of ♦7 from Gunnar Hallberg. Declarer played low, and East Per-Ola Cullin won his ten and shifted to hearts. Declarer won in dummy and came to hand with a club to lead to the jack. Cullin took his queen and returned a second heart. Declarer won in dummy unblocked clubs and now decided to continue with the policy that he had followed at trick one, of assuming the diamond finesse was wrong. He came to hand with the ♥A and ran the clubs to produce this ending:

♠ 9 7 3 ♥ — ♦ K 9 ♣ —	<table style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ K 5 ♥ 10 ♦ J 2 ♣ —	♠ Q J 8 ♥ — ♦ A Q ♣ —
	N											
W		E										
	S											
	♠ A 10 ♥ 3 ♦ 5 ♣ 5											

Declarer cashed the last club and West, dummy and East all threw diamonds. Now came ace and another spade, and Cullin won and cashed his last heart, reducing South down to a memory squeeze. He got it wrong, and threw dummy's diamond ace, leaving East with a winner for down one.

Open Pairs Finals Session 3

By Barry Rigal

After two sessions Carroll and Hanlon were in the bronze medal spot. They did their chances no harm on the first board of the new session:

Board 21. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

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

Hanlon found the natural but unfortunate lead of ♠ against 3♥. Carroll ducked the ♠Q and declarer led a heart to the queen and king. Back came a spade ducked to the ace, and declarer led a diamond to the jack to try another trump. When South took the ace to play the spade king the defenders had plenty of passive exits, and three trumps, a diamond and two club tricks for +300. 41/44 MP to the defenders.



Geta Mihai

The Rumanians recovered most of the lost MP on the next deal when a preemptive auction led to the Irish playing 6♥ not 6NT — and that meant 13 MP not 34 MP.

For the next round we would watch Nabil-Sadek take on Bocken-Neve. The Egyptians scored heavily on the first deal when Nabil in second seat vulnerable opened 2♥ on:

♠ Q 7
♥ K Q 9 8 3
♦ J
♣ K J 5 3 2

This showed hearts and a minor up to an opening bid, and led to his side stopping safely low facing a 4-3-5-1 11-count. Eight tricks were the limit and that meant 31/44 MPs for declarer.

This caution so impressed Neve that when he opened 1♠ in second seat and heard the auction proceed (1NT) - Dbl - (Rdbl — transfer to clubs) he bid only 2♠ with:

♠ K J 10 9 6 4 3
♥ A J
♦ K 5 3
♣ Q

assuming that both spade honours rated to be offside. Right he was! Three spades was the limit (he was off two aces and two trump tricks). Even better, the defenders ducked an ace, and that was +170 and 40 MP for the Belgians.

On the next deal E/W appear to have a simple grand slam; but those pesky opponents always seem to be at favourable vulnerability...

Board 25. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Zimmermann	Auken	Multon	Welland
	2♠	Dbl	3♦
3♠	Pass	3NT	Pass
6♥	All Pass		

The Bulletin Office look with disfavour on East's final pass. Almost exactly half a top resided on that decision (4MP as opposed to 25MP). When on the next deal Multon played for an additional overtrick in a partscore and finished up taking one less trick than the field he had scored just 14 MP on the round and left Welland-Auken nicely placed towards the top of the field.

On the next round Wackwitz-Westerbeek bid to a delicate 3NT; then had to make it, with almost a top riding on the play of the hand.



Ernst Wackwitz

Board 28. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Wackwitz	Gromov	Westerbeek	Dubiniv
1♣(2+)	Pass	1♦(♥)	Pass
1♥	Pass	2♣*	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♣*	Pass
3NT	All Pass		
2♣ . . Puppet to 2♦			
3♣ . . Invitational with five clubs			

When Gromov (almost endplayed at trick one) guessed not to lead a spade but instead to lead a diamond he had kept his side in the game. Declarer won in hand to lead a heart to the ten and king, and back came the ♠6 to the

queen and ace. Gromov eventually emerged with a second diamond and Wackwitz cashed out the diamonds, forcing Gromov to pitch a club and a spade. Now the simplest way to make the game is to clear the clubs, leaving North on play and he can score no more than his ♥A. Instead Wackwitz led ♣Q and ducked Gromov's ♣K, so Gromov simply exited in clubs and collected his two hearts at the end for down one. That meant 3MP for E/W instead of 38 MP.

Duck for Dinner

By Patrick Jourdain

Marshall Lewis of the USA is not a well-known name in Europe but he deserves recognition after this imaginative play in the Consolation Pairs reported by his opponent, Pat Shields of Wales:

Board 30. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Lewis	Shields	Ryan	Kurbalija
3♠	Dbf	Pass	Pass
		4♠	All Pass

The field was in Three Spades just making but Lewis chose an ambitious opening which his partner Dennis Ryan raised. North made the normal lead of the club king. The field won in dummy and most played a trump to the ace. They could return to dummy with a diamond to the queen (best) but South could then rise on the next trump and obtain two hearts and a diamond ruff.

Lewis had other plans. At the first trick he let the club king hold! North innocently played another, and Lewis discarded a heart from hand. Next Lewis ran the seven of trumps. North won and now switched to a diamond. Lewis put in the queen dropping South's jack. Now he took a finesse of the trump jack and rattled off his remaining trumps coming down to four red cards. North had to keep three diamonds and so was forced to bare his heart ace. Lewis took the diamond finesse and triumphantly played a heart. North was forced to win and lead another diamond for a further finesse and declarer's tenth trick.

It seems only a diamond switch at trick two will beat the game.

Jan versus Jan

By Jan van Cleeff

Next season Jan Jansma will be my new bridge partner. In fact, it is a revival of our partnership from the nineties, when the bridge world looked totally different. In Ostend Jansma has been playing the Open Pairs with Zia Mahmood. It doesn't come as a surprise that the pair is much in contention for medals. In another bulletin it was mentioned that Zia had to get used to the idea of being dummy most of the time. I am pretty sure he didn't mind on the next deal where I was involved as well. Let me first give you my hand:

♠ A Q 2
 ♥ K 7 5 4 2
 ♦ A 4
 ♣ A 9 2

Partner (West) is the dealer at love all.

West	North	East	South
vd Horst	Jansma	v Cleeff	Mahmood
Pass	1♠	INT	Dbl
2♣	4♠	?	

It looks tempting to double, but I wasn't at all sure of scoring the ♣A and ♥K. So being a coward I passed, as did the rest of us. Next question, what to lead?

Easy, a low spade. If the king of trumps comes in dummy (okay, not likely), Jansma might make the wrong guess. Otherwise, it would hardly cost a trick and I was still in full control (I thought). Dummy came down:

<div style="background-color: green; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> N W E S </div>	♠ A Q 2 ♥ K 7 5 4 2 ♦ A 4 ♣ A 9 2
	♠ 8 5 ♥ Q 8 3 ♦ Q J 10 6 ♣ K J 4 3

First trick: 2, 5, 7 and 9 and then: ♠J to my queen, on which my partner contributed a smallish club. Playing reverse count, I was convinced that partner had six clubs and therefore declarer a void. I decided to defend very carefully avoiding an endplay in hearts. I cashed my ♠A and the ♦A and exited in diamonds.



The rest was technique for Jan Jansma. Playing all his remaining spades he worked towards this ending, in which he led a third diamond to dummy:

<div style="background-color: green; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> N W E S </div>	♠ — ♥ K 7 ♦ — ♣ A
	♠ — ♥ Q ♦ Q ♣ K

Now Jansma played the ♦Q and pitched the ♣Q from hand (Ouch!!). I bared the ♥K. When Jan overtook the ♥Q with the ace, his ♥J was his tenth trick.



Jan Jansma

The full deal:

♠ K J 10 9 6 4 3 ♥ A J ♦ K 5 3 ♣ Q	<div style="background-color: green; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> N W E S </div>	♠ A Q 2 ♥ K 7 5 4 2 ♦ A 4 ♣ A 9 2
♠ 7 ♥ 10 9 6 ♦ 9 8 7 2 ♣ 10 8 7 6 5		♠ 8 5 ♥ Q 8 3 ♦ Q J 10 6 ♣ K J 4 3

Great declarer play by Jan Jansma and I am much looking forward to play with him again. He may have different thoughts after such a sloppy defence.

Three Can Play That Game

By Mark Horton

Three Can Play That Game is a 2007 romantic comedy film. When Byron hits the big time, no one is happier than his girlfriend Tiffany - that is, until she catches him flirting with his sly new project manager Carla. While contemplating whether to break it off with Byron, Tiffany's best friend tells her about a specialist for women whose men cannot control their primitive urges. Enter Ms. Shanté Smith. Using her knowledge of the male psyche and her new Five Step program, Shanté gives Tiffany the necessary tools she needs to 'train' Byron and teach him a lesson for his behaviour. However, Byron also has expert advice in his corner, courtesy of his best friend Gizzard. Once again, the battle for the title of the superior sex is on.

On Friday I managed to catch a very short piece of the action from the fifth session of the Open Pairs final which featured both the leaders and one of the only two representatives of the superior sex, Sabine Auken.

ace of spades and switched to the five of diamonds. East took the ace and returned a club. Declarer ruffed high, drew two rounds of trumps and played a spade. That was two down, -500, which was 38/06 for N/S.

Dealer North
Both Vul

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

West	North	East	South
Austberg	Auken	Berg	Welland
Pass	Pass	1♣	2♥
Pass	Pass	Dbl	All Pass

It was a pound to a penny (or a euro to a cent) that West was going to pass a reopening double, but it is by no means clear that it represents the best action with the East hand. West led the six of clubs and East won with the king, and cashed the ace (West discarding the three of diamonds).

Now the best defence is to switch to a spade, ruff the spade return and play ace of diamonds and a diamond.

However, East continued with the jack of clubs and West ruffed and returned the eight of hearts. Declarer won with dummy's jack and now faced a minor dilemma. He could draw trumps and play West for the queen of spades, which would give him eight tricks. However, if East had the queen a club would force declarer's last trump and he would be sure to go three down. Still, since it was clear that E/W could make at least 5♦, declarer played safe, continuing with a spade to the ten and West's queen. West cashed the

Dealer East
None Vul

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

West	North	East	South
Austberg	Auken	Berg	Welland
2♠*	Pass	1♣*	1♦
4♦*	Pass	4♥*	Pass
5♣	Pass	6♣	All Pass

East could not remember the meaning of 2♠ after South's intervention, which was awkward for North. (It was showing clubs.) Her best move at this point would have



Per Erik Austberg



Nils Kare Kvangraven

been to call the director, but when she passed East bid 3♠ (in case West's 2♠ was natural) and West, oblivious to the confusion, continued with a cue bid since 3♠ systemically showed a singleton!. The end result was that E/W bid a slam that was not usually considered by the rest of the field.

South led the six of spades and declarer won with the ace, unblocked dummy's hearts, came to hand with the ace of diamonds and pitched a spade on the ace of hearts. A club to the king lost to the ace, but declarer could ruff two diamonds to arrive at twelve tricks, +920, only 01/43 for N/S.

Dealer South
Both Vul

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

West	North	East	South
Lie	Milaszewski	Kvangraven	Szenberg
	Pass	1♠	2♠*
DbI	3♥	3♠	All Pass

South led the jack of hearts, and when North withheld the ace declarer won with the king and played the three of spades. South won with the king and played the ten of hearts, declarer ruffing and playing another spade. South

took the ace and switched to the queen of clubs. Declarer won with dummy's ace, ruffed a heart (felling North's ace) drew the outstanding trump and cashed the ace of diamonds. When South discarded declarer played a club. South could win, but had to surrender two tricks to dummy, giving declarer ten in all, +170 and 40/04 to E/W.

Dealer East
N/S Vul

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

West	North	East	South
Lie	Milaszewski	Kvangraven	Szenberg
		1♠	Pass
2NT*	Pass	3♥	Pass
3♠*	Pass	4♣*	Pass
4♦*	Pass	4♥*	Pass
4♠	All Pass		
2NT Spade support			
4♣ ..Cue bid			
4♦ ..Cue bid			
4♥ ..Cue bid			

Almost half the field missed the slam, so +480 gave the leaders only 10/34.



Terje Lie

The Senior Pairs Final Session I

By Patrick Jourdain

Two English pairs made the Senior Pairs final and the former world senior teams champions took a top on the first deal of the final:

Board 21. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Hackett	Senior	Holland	Penfold
	INT	Pass	2♠
3♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

Brian Senior and Sandra Penfold play a 12-14 notrump but Senior downgraded his 15 count to open INT. South's Two Spades promised clubs, and in came Hackett with his heart suit. That gave John Holland a problem with his three aces but only one heart, bravely solved by raising to 4♥.

This proved unbeatable when a spade went away on the ♣A and declarer was able to draw trumps and guess the diamonds for three tricks.



John Holland



Sandra Penfold

John Holland also featured on this deal against Faramarz Bigdeli of Belgium & Edward Wojewoda of the USA:

Board 26. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Hackett	Wojewoda	Holland	Bigdeli
		1♠	Pass
2♠	Dbl	All Pass	

Holland and Hackett play 4-card majors and strong notrump so John Holland's opening 1♠, though almost unique in the field, was standard on their methods.

Elsewhere North-South had bid and made game in hearts, so a great deal would depend on whether Holland failed by one trick or two.

South led a diamond to the queen, king and ace. Holland played the ♥J won by North, who switched to a club won by South's ten. A second diamond was won in dummy and

a trump played to the queen and ace.

South now played a club to king and ace. Holland led the trump eight covered by the nine and ten. He then exited with a diamond, setting up a winner in the suit. The defence cashed their winning club and heart but then could do no better than lead a third heart. Dummy ditched a diamond as Holland made his small trump in hand. A finesse of dummy's trump seven completed the job of suffering a penalty of only 200, sufficient for a near top.

Liz McGowan & David Liggat of Scotland also made the final and collected a big score here from Gordon & Kathleen Driver of South Africa:



Liz McGowan

Board 27. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Liggat	Gordon D	McGowan	Kathleen D
			INT
Dbl	Redbl	Pass	2♣
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Dbl	All Pass	

South opened a weak notrump and when West doubled North redoubled to show a one-suited rescue. East-West duly reached the heart game and North made a double with only one defensive trick that looks risky even at matchpoints.

South made the best lead of a trump. McGowan won in hand to play a club. South took the ace and led a second trump won in dummy.

Next came ace of diamonds and a diamond ruff. The fall of the king did not really help declarer as South had a third trump.

Declarer can continue with a spade ruff, club king ditching a spade, a high ruff back to hand and then draw the last trump before setting up spades.

North makes his ace, but when the jack fell on the next spade East had 11 tricks and a top.

Rory Boland & Mark Moran of Ireland did not make the final but played the same deals in a Board-a-Match Consolation. Fourth in hand at Game All Boland held:

♠ K 2
♥ J 9 6
♦ A J 10 7 5 4 2
♣ 4

He was surprised when the Danish Junior on his left opened a Precision 1♦ and partner made a take-out double. When RHO Passed so did Boland. Again to his surprise 1♦ doubled became the final contract, partner led a trump, and dummy went down with ♦K6 in trumps.

Boland was anticipating a sizeable penalty but the outcome was disappointing:

Board 29. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

The first trick went ♦8, 6, 10, Q. Declarer cashed three hearts and the ace of clubs (well done) before ruffing his master heart with dummy's trump king. Boland over-ruffed but declarer now had the master nine for a sixth trick. +200 was in one sense disappointing, but it proved enough to win the board.



Womens Pairs - The Final Showdown

By Barry Rigal

When the last three deals appeared on the table the event had become a two-horse race, with the event to be won either by D'Ovidio-Molson or Michielsen-Wortel. The former (with a lead of 32MP) would be E/W for the final round the latter N/S.

On the first of the final three deals N/S have a 4♣ contract that needs the ♦A onside (in the hand of the non take-out doubler to succeed. At both critical tables game was bid and defeated giving d'Ovidio/Seamon-Molson the better of it by 27/17 and thus a lead of 42 MP.

Here is the next, critical, deal:

Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Luessman</i>	<i>Wortel</i>	<i>Smykalla</i>	<i>Michielsen</i>
1♠	Pass	3♣*	3♥
4♠	All Pass		

West	North	East	South
<i>D'Ovidio</i>		<i>Seamon-Molson</i>	
1♠	Pass	3♣*	4♥
4♠	Pass	Pass	4NT
5♦	5♥	5♠	6♥
Pass	Pass	6♣	All Pass

Both auctions featured the equivalent of a Bergen raise by East. In one room Michielsen went unduly quietly; maybe she was somewhat influenced by the length of time it took for the tray to come back with North and East's final passes on it, where it was clear that North must have been thinking and thus she felt ethically constrained not to act? -510 was worth 21/44 MP.

In the other room both D'Ovidio and Seamon Molson tell me they did not see the 4♥ call! Both awoke to its presence when the 4NT call was made, and now when N/S bid to 6♥ (one down at most) Molson took her life in her hands and bid on to slam, converting a result worth 8MP into one worth all 44 MP. The MP they picked up here made them safe but their final result really put the gilt on the gingerbread:

Board 25. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Luessman</i>	<i>Wortel</i>	<i>Smykalla</i>	<i>Michielsen</i>
	1♠	2♥	Pass
2NT	3♣	4♥	Dbl
All Pass			

West	North	East	South
<i>D'Ovidio</i>		<i>Seamon-Molson</i>	
	1♠	2♥	Pass
2NT	3♣	3NT	All Pass

Did Michielsen guess well or badly here. It is a little hard to say. When she doubled 4♥ she was really only entitled to +200 if declarer can work out to duck the ♠Q. since her side can make 5♣ with some good views, that was a potentially below-par result.

However, declarer covered the ♠Q, and the defenders were back to +500. At tricks two and three Wortel cashed ♠J (Michielsen discarding an upside down ♣2) and gave her partner a ruff with ♠2, then won ♣A and... Now she had to decide if her partner might just possibly have started life with eg Q/10xxx/10xxxxx/xx when she should play a club. Maybe her decision was wrong (would partner have doubled with that hand?) but Michielsen might have discarded a diamond to avoid this dilemma for her partner. +200 was 21/44 for N/S

At our other featured table D'Ovidio played 3NT on a spade lead and wrapped up nine tricks, for 42 MP and a deceptively comfortable win by two tops. A very nice finish indeed (85% of the matchpoints on the last five deals).



WOMEN PAIRS**FINAL RESULTS**

Pair	Country	%
1 D'OVIDIO Catherine - SEAMON-MOLSON Janice	FRA - USA	57.59
2 MICHELSEN Marion - WORTEL Meike	NED - NED	56.25
3 BESSIS Veronique - PUILLET Carole	FRA - FRA	55.97
4 SMEDEREVAC Jovanka - WEIGKRICHT Terry	AUT - AUT	55.64
5 MADSEN Christina Lund - YAVAS Dilek	DEN - TUR	55.30
6 KAZMUCHA Danuta - ZMUDA Justyna	POL - POL	53.93
7 CRONIER Benedicte - WILLARD Sylvie	FRA - FRA	53.79
8 NEVE Joanna - ROSSARD Martine	FRA - FRA	53.63
9 ARNOLDS Carla - VRIEND Bep	NED - NED	53.32
10 LIU Yan - YAN Ru	CHN - CHN	52.50
11 FENG Xuefeng - ZHANG Yu	CHN - CHN	52.46
12 ENCONTRO Mylene - VIKSTROM Ann-Katrin	PHI - SWE	52.24
13 LUESSMANN Claudia - SMYKALLA Gisela	GER - GER	52.09
14 FAIVRE Corinne - MAGIS Isabelle	FRA - FRA	51.88
15 PECCOUD Janine Elise - SAPORTA Renata	FRA - FRA	51.84
16 GU Ling - SHEN (2) Qi	CHN - CHN	51.63
17 BROGELAND Tonje - GLAERUM Lisbeth	NOR - NOR	51.44
18 BROCK Sally - SINCLAIR Anita	ENG - ENG	51.40
19 CHEDIAK Virginia - OIGARDEN B. N.	NOR - NOR	51.37
20 PASKALEVA Stefka - RIBARSKA Mariana	BUL - BUL	51.18
21 HENGEVELD Rosalind - Vliegenthart M.	NED - NED	51.07
22 BAKER Lynn - McCALLUM Karen	USA - USA	50.74
23 LANGER Darina - NIKITINE Ruth	SUI - SUI	50.29
24 GILLILAND Dolores - WHELAN Maria	IRL - IRL	49.89
25 GLADIATOR Anne - WEBER Elke	GER - GER	49.43
26 CZAJKA Iwona - SARNIAK Anna	POL - POL	49.39
27 DAUVERGNE Sophie - HUGON Elisabeth	FRA - FRA	49.22
28 PICUS Sue - RUSSO Stephannie	USA - USA	49.15
29 SEALE Catherine - SENIOR Nevena	ENG - ENG	48.96
30 BANASZKIEWICZ Ewa - BREWIAK Grazyna	POL - POL	48.76
31 DOBBELS Tine - TOUTENEL Els	BEL - BEL	48.57
32 MALKOVA Marina - SOSHNIKOVA Maria	RUS - RUS	48.27
33 COOPER Jenny - McGREGOR Moira	SCO - SCO	47.88
34 ELBRO Helle Simon - RISOM Karin Strande	DEN - DEN	47.77
35 AGRILLO Cinzia - MOFAHKAMI Shalh	ITA - ITA	47.24
36 BABAC Mine - GUMRUKCUOGLU Lale	TUR - TUR	47.08
37 KENNY Joan - KIRBY Brid	IRL - IRL	46.81
38 PATTINSON Maureen - RIGNEY Teresa	IRL - IRL	46.41
39 BIRD Sinead - O'CONNOR Sarah	ENG - ENG	46.14
40 BEARPARK Catherine - KEMPLE Brid	IRL - IRL	46.09
41 ADIGUZEL Canan - UYANIK Guler	TUR - TUR	46.09
42 HELNESS Gunn - MIRKOVIC Ann-Mari	NOR - NOR	45.39
43 BARBE Elisabeth - THOMPSON-VINCENT K.	SUI - SUI	45.07
44 CHAPELLE Ann - DAENEN Marleem	BEL - BEL	43.42
45 GAMBERUCCI Maria C. - SORRENTINO M.	ITA - ITA	43.38
46 DELESENNE Sophie - KUNKERA N. R.	BEL - BEL	42.12

SENIORS PAIRS**FINAL RESULTS**

Pair	Country	%
1 FITZGIBBON Nicholas - MESBUR Adam	IRL - IRL	59.81
2 ELINESCU Michael - WLADOW Entschö	GER - GER	58.73
3 CABAJ Stephan - ILNICKI Włodzimierz	SUI - POL	56.72
4 SELLDEN Goran - WENNEBERG Bjorn	SWE - SWE	56.57
5 BARONI Franco - CESATI Alberto	ITA - ITA	53.97
6 BIGDELI Faramarz - WOJEWODA Edward	BEL - USA	53.59
7 MACIOR Zbigniew - MICHALEK Jerzy	POL - POL	53.06
8 MARILL Philippe - STOPPA Jean-Louis	FRA - FRA	51.59
9 JEZIORO Aleksander - RUSSYAN Jerzy	POL - POL	50.80
10 GREENTHE Patrick - VANHOUTTE Philippe	FRA - FRA	49.23
11 GERGOV Georgi - RADEV Radi	BUL - BUL	48.53
12 LIGGAT David - McGOWAN Elizabeth (Liz)	SCO - SCO	48.52
13 BERGHEIMER Serge - FOUASSIER Jean-Claude	FRA - FRA	48.12
14 CZYZOWICZ Jurek - KOWALSKI Apolinary	CAN - POL	47.67
15 HACKETT Paul D - HOLLAND John	ENG - ENG	47.60
16 CHAUDHURI Amit - MANGSET Dag	ESP - NOR	46.67
17 KRATZ Ulrich - STRATER Bernhard	GER - GER	46.27
18 COUPERE Alexandre - LUMBROSO Claude	FRA - FRA	46.02
19 PENFOLD Sandra - SENIOR Brian	ENG - ENG	45.76
20 MARI Christian - WALTER Stanley	FRA - SUI	44.98
21 LEENHARDT Francois - PIGANEAU Patrice	FRA - FRA	44.73
22 DRIVER Gordon - DRIVER Kathleen	RSA - RSA	41.51

SIDE EVENTS

MP PAIRS

Pair	Country	%
1 BILDE Dennis- JEPSEN Emil	DEN - DEN	61.53
2 ALEKSANDRZAK Andrzej- PILECKI Maciej	POL - POL	60.97
3 GOODMAN Alan- SHORT Brian	SCO - SCO	56.28
4 COPUR Mehmet Emin- FALAY Faik	TUR - TUR	56.11
5 KUTNER Roger- BOREWICZ Marek	SUI - POL	53.44
6 CASTELLI Antonio- DI MARTINO Francesco	ITA - ITA	53.38
7 KAPTEIN Mark- VAN IPENBURG Helena	NED - NED	53.19
8 CODRIN Marcu- DUMITRASCU Florin	ROM - ROM	52.92
10 HANSEN Kjeld- PETERSEN Henrik Kruse	DEN - DEN	52.30
11 DAUVERGNE Bernard- DESMOULINS J. P.	FRA - FRA	51.85
12 CASTIGLIONI Gianantonio- UGGERI Paolo	ITA - ITA	51.67
13 BUUS THOMSEN Signe- JEPSEN R. R.	DEN - DEN	51.39
14 CHELU Eugen- DUMITRASCIUC Gabriel	ROM - ROM	50.20
15 BEARPARK Steve- CURRAN Brendan	IRL - IRL	48.55
16 JOHNSON David- STAS Jacques	BEL - BEL	47.81
17 CORNELISSEN Kamiel- KRIJGSMAN Erik-Jan	NED - NED	46.51
18 BANKOGLU Ergun- TOLUN Reha	TUR - TUR	46.22
19 COLINET Eric- MEYER Jean	BEL - BEL	45.65
20 BUIJS Pieter- DE HULLU Henk	NED - NED	44.80
21 DE GIACOMI Fran- CHIZZOLI Paolo	ITA - ITA	43.67
22 MALTESE Jacky- SECHERESSE Jean-Claude	FRA - FRA	42.61
23 DOLIA Mauro- SPANU Carlo	ITA - ITA	42.60
24 CARNICELLI Francesca- PRAMOTTON E.	ITA - ITA	33.64

BAM TEAMS FINAL

TEAM	VP
1 YADLIN	105.00
2 YAMATA	102.00
3 TROMSO	97.00
4 RADKOV	96.00
5 PEARBALL	95.00
6 MORAN	94.00
7 BRENO	93.30
8 ALLFREY	93.00
9 MOSSOP	92.00
10 FAMILY	91.00
ROSENTHAL	91.00
12 BETONG	88.70
13 AAA	88.00
14 FC BENNY	85.00
15 DAUGAVA 2	83.00
16 TOP ONE	82.00
17 ITALY 3	72.00

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NOVEMBER 14-24, 2♥13



Tournament Program

Mixed Pairs	November 14-15
T.B. Pairs	November 16
National Simultaneous	November 17
IMP Pairs	November 18-19
Open Pairs	November 20-22
Teams	November 23

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- Gala dinner & Awards ceremony
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- Free lectures by the world class champion and trainer, Krzysztof Martens
- Free participation in daily friendly tournaments

Price differentiations (i.e. single accommodation, sea view, suites, triple rooms etc.) can be provided following communication with the Festival Organizers.

Departures/check-out time by 12.00 noon. There is an extra charge, by the hotel, for late check-out, after 12.00.

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Free bridge lectures will be offered by World Champion Krzysztof Martens on a daily basis.

PROGRAMME

Sunday 1.9.2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Arrival of delegates, registration, accommodation, provision of complimentary and informative material2 Welcome cocktail3 Open Pairs 1st session	
Tuesday 3.9.2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Open Pairs 3rd session2 Friendly tournament	Monday 2.9.2013 <ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Open Pairs 2nd session2 Friendly tournament
Thursday 5.9.2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Half-day excursion2 Mixed Pairs 2nd session3 Friendly tournament	Wednesday 4.9.2013 <ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Mixed Pairs 1st session2 Friendly tournament
Saturday 7.9.2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Swiss Teams 2nd session2 Gala dinner – Awards Ceremony	Friday 6.9.2013 <ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Swiss Teams 1st session2 Friendly tournament
	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Departure day / check-out time by 12.00 noon	Sunday 8.9.2013

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