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World Champions at the Leaders' Shoulders

Yesterday's brilliant sunshine was more than matched by some sparkling play on the first day of the Championships.

At the end of the first qualifying session Great Britain's flag was flying highest thanks to the efforts of a pair of former World Champions, double Venice Cup winner Nicola Smith and Junior Champion Justin Hackett. They recorded 67.05%, the best of the day.

They could not repeat their performance in the evening session and pole position is held by Italy's Gabriella Manara and Dario Attanasio, who followed up their first round score of 60.85% with an excellent 65.60%.

They are pursued by two powerful pairs: The Netherlands' Bep Vriend (one half of the reigning Womens World Pairs Champions) and Anton Maas are lying second. Poland's Danuta Hockeker and Apolinary Kowalski, the current World Mixed Champions, are in third place.

It is not only the top of the table that attracts interest at this stage of the tournament.

With only 120 pairs going forward to the main final, there are sure to be some major casualties. Among the pairs at risk we find a host of famous names, including Auken & Auken, McGowan & Hackett, Bessis & Bessis, Rossano & Vivaldi, Cronier & Mari and Rauscheid & Rohowsky.

They are by no means the only champions finding the going tough and they will all be hoping for a big first session today.

If you are reading this bulletin over breakfast please don't forget that the clocks went forward one hour last night!

Mixed Pairs Programme

12.30 - 16.45 hrs
Third Qualifying Session

20.30 - 23.45 hrs
First Session,
Final and Consolation

Pairs Championship Prize Giving

Please remember to register for the prize giving ceremony at the Hospitality desk no later than 7.30 p.m. today, as the organisers have to know the exact number of participants!

Announcement of the EBL Seniors Committee

Meeting

Who: EBL Executive members
NCBO Presidents and delegates interested in Seniors Bridge competitions
All Senior players playing in the Mixed Pairs and Teams events in Aachen

When: Tuesday, March 31, 1998: 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Where: Eifel room, conference room No. 7 on the 2nd floor of the EUROGRESS

Agenda: 1) Future European Seniors Bridge competitions:
a) 5th European Seniors Pairs Championship, March 15 - 20, 1999 in Warsaw, Poland
b) 3rd European Seniors Teams Championship, June 20 - 27, 1999 in Malta

2) Promotion of Seniors Bridge competitions in Europe: Open discussion

3) Election of members to the Seniors Committee (to meet in Lille, August 1998, Warsaw, March 1999 and Malta June 1999).

Dr. Nissan T. Rand
Senior Committee, EBL Executive

Hamman-Wolff partnership ends

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or nearly three decades, Bob Hamman and Bobby Wolff have made up one of the most feared partnerships in the world. With their elimination from the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams the two players will go separate ways.

Hamman & Wolff have won nine world titles together: seven Bermuda Bowls, America's only Team Olympiad (1988), and the 1974 World Open Pairs. Wolff also won the World Mixed Teams in 1972.

Both players said the break-up had been in the works for some time, despite an amazing run in the Nineties that included four straight victories in the Spingold Knockout Teams and three straight wins in the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams with the squad sponsored by businessman Nick Nickell.

"We sort of decided it's time to move on," said Hamman. "We've lost a

The two agreed that the partnership had become stale. Philosophical differences as to bidding style contributed significantly to the move, which was initiated by Hamman. Plans are for Hamman, 59, to stay with the Nickell team and play with Paul Soloway, a former partner and teammate from the fabled Aces teams. Wolff's future is less certain.

"There are some possibilities," Wolff said in late February, "but I'm not thinking about them now."

Wolff said he was surprised by the move, especially considering the team's success of late. The Nickell team - including Richard Freeman, Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell - finished second to France in the 1997 Bermuda Bowl in Hammamet, Tunisia. They won the title in 1995.

Certainly the Nickell team's record in the Nineties is phenomenal. Besides bringing home the 1995 Bermuda Bowl, the squad -- anchored by Hamman and Wolff - won the Spingold in 1993, 1994, 1995 and 1996 and the Reisinger, arguably the toughest event in bridge, in 1993, 1994 and 1995.

Wolff, 64, was an original member of the Aces, the professional team put together by Ira Corn in 1968. Hamman joined the squad in 1969, and he and Wolff began playing together in 1972.

Vanderbilt Round of 16

on Baldursson and Magnus Magnusson of Iceland, playing in the team led by George Rapee (John Solodar, Billy Eisenberg, Russ Arnold) took over the number 2 seed by beating Marshall Miles 144-136. In the Round of 32 Miles had beaten the Nickell team. The other seven teams to make the Round of 8 were all as seeded.

Adam Zmudzinski and Cezary Balicki, Marcin Lesniewski and Marek Szymanowski all of Poland are seeded 4 in the team led by Grant Baze with Tipton Golias.

Lorenzo Lauria and Alfredo Versace of Italy are seeded 6 in the team led by George Jacobs. Geir Helgemo of Norway and Tony Forrester of Britain are seeded 8 in the team led by Rita Shugart who partners Andrew Robson of Britain.

Olympiad Contract signed for the **Netherlands**

n Friday 27th March in the Maastricht Town Hall in the presence of the Lord Mayor, José Damiani, President of the World Bridge Federation signed the contract for the Teams Olympiad of the year 2000 with the Dutch Bridge Federation. Signing for the Dutch was its President, Laurens Hoedemaker and its Treasurer Ton Valk. The Olympiad will be held in the Maastricht European Congress Centre from 26th August to 9th September 2000.

Commons beat Lords

Your Assistant Editor arrived in Aachen hotfoot from the annual bridge match between the two British Parliaments. This was won by the Commons by the aggregate score of 12890-10710. In the 24-year history of the event the Lords leads 13-11. Your Editor had the job of choosing the Player of the Match which went to the first member of the Liberal Democrat party ever to make the Parliamentary bridge team.

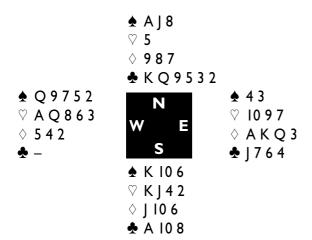
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We have managed to cover all 32 boards that were in play during the first session. They are presented in sets of eight boards. One facet to good reporting is to be in the right place at the right time, and as you will see, the staff was frequently well positioned. The editor's instructions were 'make it entertaining' and the players who came under the microscope co-operated in full measure. We hope you enjoy it!

Sabine Auken of Germany is a former winner of this event, so we selected her table to watch the first few boards of the championship. In the past the event has been for partnerships from one nation only, but now it is trans-national, giving Sabine a chance to partner her husband, Jens Auken of Denmark.

They began their tournament with a bang, indeed one might call it an explosion... a result so horrendous that we can safely say they were bottom of the field after Board I:

Board I Love All. Dealer North



West	North	East	South
Barbaroux	Jens	Lacroix	Sabine
	Î ♣	Pass	ΙŸ
Pass	2♣	Pass	2 ♦(1)
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
Dble	Redbl	All Pass	

(I) Articial game/forcing relay

A glance at the diagram shows that North/South have nine winners in the black suits. West, Daniel Barbaroux of France, made a speculative double of 3NT to ask for a heart lead, dummy's first bid suit. Jens redoubled, describing it later as "In doubt". This was an accurate description in one sense... it was Sabine who was in doubt. "Undiscussed" was her reply when West enquired the meaning of the redouble.

Nine tricks were duly made in Three Notrumps Redoubled but, unfortunately for our champions, by the wrong side! East led $\heartsuit 10$, covered by jack and queen. A diamond came back, and

Boards I - 8



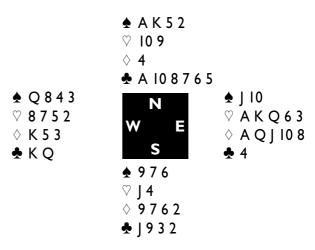
Sabine Auken - Patrick Jourdain

declarer ducked the next heart, the nine. East cashed her diamonds, and led another heart. The defence came to four diamonds and five hearts and a score of 2800. So, if the Aukens make the final, you know where they started. And the result was so bizarre that Sabine even managed a smile.

"The advantage of Pairs," said your Bulletin reporter, trying to be encouraging, "is that a couple of extra tricks on the following deals might see you back to average." And so it proved.

Board 2

N/S Vul. Dealer East

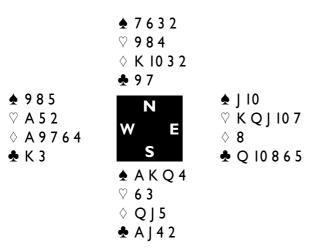


West	North	East	South
Barbaroux	Jens	Lacroix	Sabine
		ΙŸ	Pass
3♡	Pass	4♡	All Pass

A simple and uninformative auction with a lot of matchpoints resting on the lead. If South chooses a red card declarer makes II tricks, as trumps are drawn, dummy's clubs go away on the diamonds, and declarer ruffs her singleton club! But Sabine led a spade, and Jens quickly cashed three tricks to give the partnership an above average score.

The next board completed the move back to average:

Board 3 E/W Vul. Dealer South



West	North	East	South
Torre E	Jens	Torre M	Sabine ♣
Pass	Pass	Ι♡	Dble
2♣ ⁽¹⁾	2♦	2♡	3◊
3♥ All Pass	Pass	4 ♡	Dble

⁽I) Values

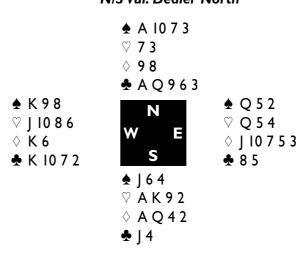
East-West reached a reasonable Four Hearts, and Sabine made a sharp double. She began with three rounds of spades, reducing declarer to four trumps. Double-dummy the contract can be made. East has to run the ten of clubs and then later ruff a third club with the ace of trumps. If you start with a club to the king and a club to the ten and jack, you cannot make, as South withholds her ace of clubs on the third round. You can ruff one club high, but the defence come to another trick later because North is standing by to over-ruff the dummy. Declarer actually did worse by drawing two rounds of trumps with the ace and king, and then following with a club to the king and a club to the ten and jack. A diamond switch was won in dummy and declarer came back to hand with a diamond ruff to take a ruffing finesse in clubs, South carefully not covering. Declarer threw a diamond from the dummy, but when North ruffed he was able to remove declarer's last trump by playing a third diamond. The club suit was ruffed good, but at trick 13 the lead was in dummy and the defence made a diamond. +500 must have been a near top for the Aukens.

Board 4 was thrown in, as it must have been at many tables, so let us move quickly on...

Steen Moller gives us the first story of Board 5

A new British-Israeli combination was seen when the pairs started yesterday. Nissan Rand's normal mixed-partner was not able to go to Germany, but he was far from disadvantaged when, instead, he got to play with Nevena Senior (the former European Ladies Pairs champion, then Nevena Deleva). Mr. Rand is used to winning titles for the over 55s, but he has no chance this time as Mrs. Senior is much too young for that. He must content himself to win a title with a Senior, not a senior. The new pair did not get the best of starts against a German pair, when they reached this 3NT on the very first hand they ever played together:

Board 5
N/S Vul. Dealer North



West	North	East	South
Seiffert	Rand	Warnecke	Senior
	Pass	Pass	INT
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♡
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

West got off to a very good lead when he led the declarer's suit, hearts. South ducked the \heartsuit J, but captured the queen with the ace at trick two. She now played the \clubsuit J and ducked when West covered with the king. Unable to continue hearts West found the dramatic and effective switch to the \clubsuit K. Dummy took the ace and played another spade. East went up with the queen and played her last heart to South's king. South unblocked the \spadesuit J and played the \clubsuit 4.

She thought for a while when West followed low, but finally decided that is was too risky to finesse the nine. She then cashed dummy's last spade squeezing West in three suits, but West did not show any sign off distress and blanked his $\Diamond K$ smoothly. When the clubs did not break, South took the diamond finesse, as who would not, and West scored up the remaining tricks.

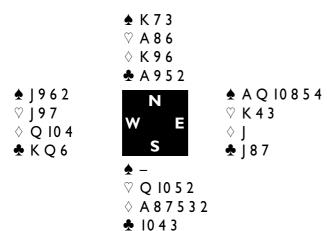
Two down and an awful result for Britain/Israel.

We take up the Auken story again:

At the Auken's table Sabine reached 3NT as South without revealing possession of a heart suit, so West, Dries Swinkels of the Netherlands, made the natural lead of \heartsuit J. South won, and led \clubsuit J, covered and ducked. West continued with a heart to the queen and ace. When the clubs did not break Sabine

cleared the suit, leaving West endplayed. He exited with $\Diamond K$. When East came in with a spade, a third heart put the contract one off, a normal enough result.

Board 6 E/W Vul. Dealer East



West	North	East	South
Gwinner	Terraneo	Langer	Weigkricht
		I♠	Pass
2♠	Dble	3♠	4♡
Dble	Pass	Pass	5◊
Dble	All Pass		

When Terraneo made a takeout double of $2\clubsuit$ on his flat 14-count, Weigkricht took a shot at $4\heartsuit$. The double was quick and confident and Weigkricht ran to the safety of her longest suit. Gwinner doubled again and led a spade. Weigkricht ruffed and played ace and king of trumps followed by a low club. Gwinner won that, cashed the $\lozenge Q$ and continued spades. Weigkricht ruffed then played ace and a second heart, badly needing to get them right as she was down to her last trump. There was a hitch on her right before playing low and she duly went up with the queen then played a third round. That was down two for 300; not great with $4\clubsuit$ normally going one down.

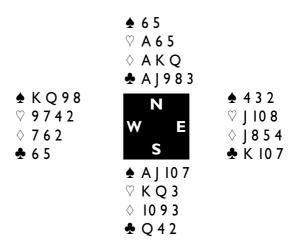
The Auken's stayed lower:

West	North	East	South
Swinkels	Jens	Swinkels	Sabine
		I♠	2♦
2♠	2NT	3♠	Pass
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	Pass	4 ♦
Dble	All Pass		

If the diamonds were breaking 2-2 there would be nine tricks for North-South in 3NT on a spade lead, but when West doubled Sabine wisely took refuge in Four Diamonds. This was doubled and lost the obvious four tricks for -100 but a better than average result for the Aukens.

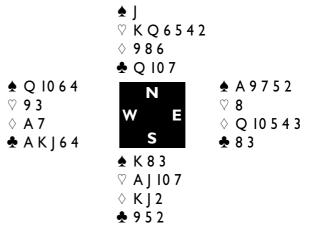
On Board 7 they stopped in 4NT which proved the right spot when the clubs did not come in... I I tricks. On Board 8 East-West reached the standard Four Spades, and, as Sabine avoided leading a diamond at any stage this was held to ten tricks for a normal result.

Board 7 Game All. Dealer South



Terry and Franz bid 1 - 2 - 2NT - 3 - 3NT. The canapé response is a standard feature of Blue Club. Weigkricht won the diamond lead, crossed to hand with a heart and ran the Q. When that was allowed to hold the trick she led a second club and put in the nine. That lost, of course and she also had to concede a spade - a dull +660.

Board 8 Love All. Dealer West



West	North	East	South
Pozoshin	Terraneo	Zenkevitch	Weigkricht
2♣	2♡	2♠	4♡
4♠	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

2♣ was Precision and Terraneo made a thin overcall of $2\heartsuit$. 2♠ was natural and non-forcing and the next two bids were fairly automatic. Now it seemed clear to Weigkricht to double 4♠ but she had reckoned without Terraneo's aggressive bidding. There proved to be no defence. Weigkricht led ace and another heart and Zenkevitch ruffed. She cashed the ♠A and, on seeing the fall of the jack, switched her attention to clubs, playing ace, king and a third round. She ruffed the third club and played a trump. Weigkricht won and returned a trump but the defence had only a diamond to come; +590 for the Russian pair.

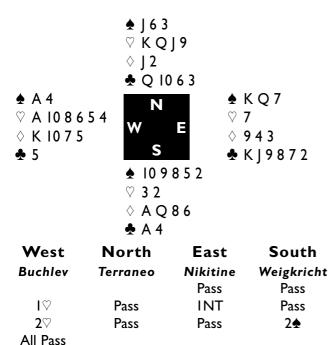
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Board 9 E/W Vul. Dealer North **★** K 7 6 2 ♡ 876 ♦ 9 7 ♣ ○ 8 5 4 ♠ A | 8 5 3 ♥ 954 ♥ Q | 10 3 2 ♦ 43 ♦ A K J 2 S ♣ A 9 6 3 2 **♣** 10 ♠ Q 10 9 \heartsuit A K ♦ Q 10 8 6 5 **♣** K J 7

WestNorthEastSouthBuchlevTerraneoNikitineWeigkrichtPassI♠INT2♥2NT3♥All PassThe German/Swiss partnership of Buchlev/Nikitine control

The German/Swiss partnership of Buchlev/Nikitine competed to $3\heartsuit$. Best is a trump lead and perhaps there is a good case for finding it given that North expects his side to hold the balance of the high cards. Terraneo actually led a diamond and Buchlev won the ace, played ace and ruffed a club, then ace of spades and a spade ruff. Next came another club ruff, cash the \diamond K and ruff a diamond high. Another club was ruffed and overruffed and Weigkricht played a top diamond. Buchlev ruffed high and played his last club. Terraneo ruffed but Buchlev had to make another trump trick in the ending for a useful +170.

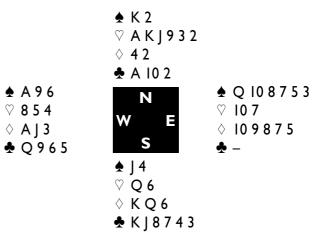
Board 10 Game All. Dealer East



Boards 9 - 32

Weigkricht waited until her opponents had unwound then balanced with 2Φ , ending the auction. Buchlev led ace then ten of hearts, a clear suit preference signal. Nikitine ruffed and switched to the $\diamondsuit 9$ to declarer's ace. Weigkricht rose with the ace then led the $\Phi 8$ and Buchlev went wrong, going in with the ace. That felled the ΦQ and Buchlev now cashed the $\diamondsuit K$ then switched to his club. Weigkricht won the club and ruffed her low diamond with dummy's jack. She played the $\heartsuit K$ to pitch her club loser while Nikitine ruffed with the king of spades. When the ΦK now came through Weigkricht carelessly ruffed low and was over-ruffed for one down; -100.

Board 11 Love All. Dealer South



West	North	East	South
Bohnsack	Terraneo	Bohnsack	Weigkricht ◊
Pass	2♣	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♡	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♡
All Pass			

The canapé auction proved to be very revealing to the defence. Terraneo bid his club fragment and was duly raised, before showing his main suit. After checking on no trump, Weigkricht admitted to heart tolerance.

Special Prizes

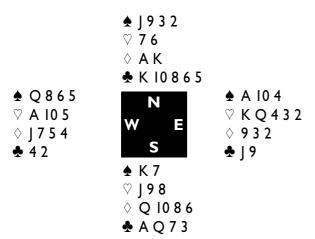
We have no Oscars left to distribute -'Titanic'-took them all, but there will be four special prizes for the best technical achievements during the Championships. Every hand that appears in the bulletin will be eligible, so make sure you bring us your best efforts, or indeed, those of your opponents.



Jens Auken

monds and gave a second ruff, completing a fine defence; one down for -50.

Board 12 N/S Vul. Dealer West



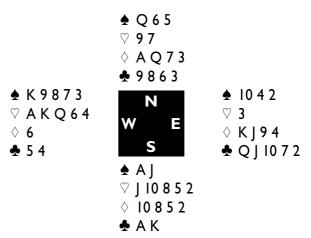
After a pass by West, Terraneo opened another thin canapé 1♠. Weigkricht responded 2♠ and bid 3NT over the raise to 3♣. She survived the opening lead, a low diamond, and had to decide whether to gamble on an early spade to the king or settle for cashing out and hoping for something good to happen in the ending. Her choice was to cash the clubs and diamonds, which gave the possibility of the \lozenge J falling. It didn't, of course. On the clubs, East threw heart, spade, heart, and West spade, heart, spade. That meant that the defenders had kept five winners and the necessary communications to cash them. A spade towards the king might have put the defence under some pressure - East must rise with the ace and switch to a low heart and West must win the nine with his ace. In practice, Weigkricht exited with a heart to the nine and ten. Bohnsack cashed the \lozenge and \triangledown A and led a spade to his partner for the last two tricks; one down for -100.

Having not brought the Austrians much luck, we thought it was time to take our leave and give them a chance to recover.

Boards 13 through 26 were watched by Great Britain's Marc Smith.

Board 13 looked exciting from behind the North player who was looking at Ace-King to nine spades and another Ace-King, but our N/S pair quickly reached Six Spades as did most other pairs. The spotlight turned on Switzerland's Mrs. Farina, and when she found the heart lead to her partner's Ace that was +1430 only for N/S.

Board 14 Love All. Dealer East

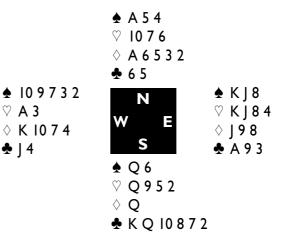


West	North	East	South
Gaede	Baldursson	Farina	Jakobsdottir
		Pass	IΫ
I♠	Dble	2♠	3◊
3♡	Pass	3♠	Pass
Pass	4 ♦	Dble	All Pass

The Swiss West led his top hearts and continued with a third round, ruffed by East as dummy pitched a club. The defence still had two more trumps and the King of Spades to come. N/S -500 meant that the Swiss were off to a flying start.

By a curious quirk of the movement, we came across the same E/W pair playing the next pair of boards later in the session.

Board 15 N/S Vul. Dealer South

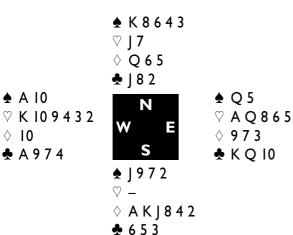


West	North	East	South
Gaede	Chemla	Farina	Saul
	Pass	♣	2♣
2♠	3♣	Pass	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

The Two Club overcall was natural and Paul Chemla judged well to raise with two small. The Swiss West was faced with a tough matchpoint decision. When he elected to bid on despite the poor quality of his suit, East was unsure of the partnership's combined assets and raised to the poor game.

North led a club and declarer ducked to the Queen. Declarer covered the Queen of diamonds return and South ruffed the next round of the suit and exited the King of clubs. Declarer entered his hand with the Ace of hearts and when he then misguessed the spade, losing to the now-singleton Queen, he was two down for N/S +100 and an above-average board for the French.

Board 16 E/W Vul. Dealer West



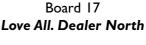
West	North	East	South
Gaede	Chemla	Farina	Saul
ΙŸ	Pass	2♣	2◊
3♣	3♦	3♡	Pass
3♠	Dble!	Pass	5◊
5♡	Pass	6♡	All Pass

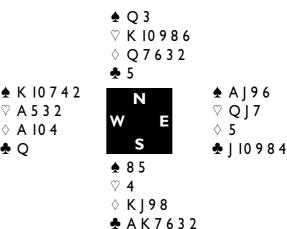
North led a diamond and South switched to a spade at trick two. Warned by the double of Three Spades though, declarer was not tempted to play South for the King. So, he rose with the Ace and ran six trump tricks, playing either for clubs to come in for four tricks (as here) or for North to be squeezed in the black suits if he held J-x-x-x clubs along with the Spade King.

E/W +1430 more than compensated for the previous hand, and Mr. Gaede also earned a "Well Done" from l'enfant terrible to take back to Switzerland with him.

French great Jean-Paul Meyer also came into the Bulletin office to report the bidding and play on this hand, and it was he that questioned the wisdom of the Great Man's double of Three Spades.

For Boards 17-22 we concentrate on action at the table with Germany's Pony Nehmert and Andreas Holowski sitting N/S.





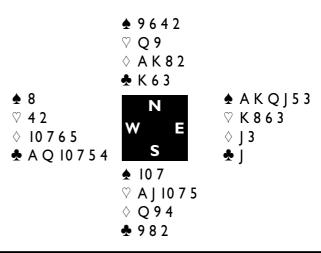
West	North	East	South
Thorsteins	Holowski	lvarsdottir	Nehmert
	Pass	Pass	♣
I♠	2♡	3♡	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

After a club lead to the King, South had to decide between returning the singleton in her partner's suit and forcing declarer to ruff one of dummy's club winners. Nehmert returned a heart, and now the Icelandic declarer could win the Ace, draw trumps in two rounds ending in dummy, ruff out South's second high club, return to dummy with a diamond ruff and pitch all three losing hearts on dummy's club winners.

N/S -480 was a terrible score, although -450 would not have scored well on the traveller we saw.

Some of the matchpoints came back the Germans' way on the companion board (18) when the Icelandic pair overstretched to Four Diamonds (going one down) after Nehmert/Holowski had bid to Three Hearts, which would also have failed.

Board 19 E/W Vul. Dealer South



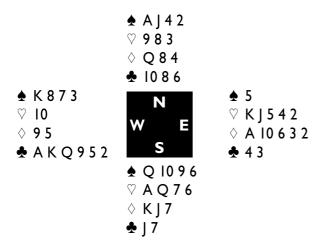
West	North	East	South			
Balzarino	Holowski	Di Maio	Nehmert			
			2♡			
Pass	Pass	2♠	Pass			
3♣	3♡	3♠	Pass			
Pass	Dble	All Pass				

South led the nine of Diamonds and Holowski cashed Ace and King before switching to the Queen of Hearts. Declarer ducked and Holowski switched to a trump. Declarer cashed four rounds as South discarded two clubs (giving count). When declarer tried the effect of the Jack of clubs, overtaken by dummy's Queen, the roof fell in. North won his King and played the Nine of Hearts, but when that held North still had a diamond exit and thus declarer was limited to just her six trump tricks.

N/S +800 was a top by some distance on the traveller we saw at the table.

We all know that bridge is a symmetrical game - slam hands always come along in pairs, don't they? Curiously, this companion board bears a remarkable similarity to the previous hand. Once again, E/W were dealt a strong six-card and K-x-x-x in a side suit opposite little more than an Ace. Would they have learned the lesson suggested by the poor result on Board 19?

Board 20 Game All. Dealer West

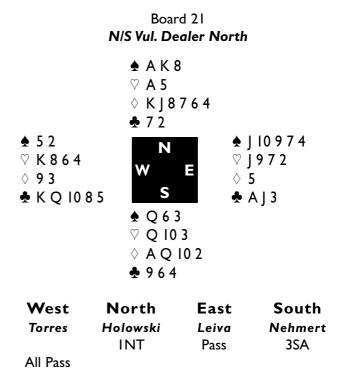


West	North	East	South
Balzarino	Holowski	Di Maio	Nehmert
I♣	Pass	I	Pass
I♠	Pass	INT	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♣	All Pass		

After North's trump lead, declarer found himself in a very similar position to that faced by his partner on the previous board. This time, he did remember to cash dummy's Ace to go with his six trump tricks. N/S +200 and perhaps E/W may now realise that 6+1 do not equal 9.

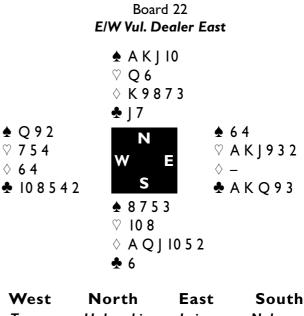
N/S presumably failed to double this time because they erroneously thought Christmas only came once a year. They now know better.

With the Germans on a roll, Spain's Leiva & Torres chose an unfortunate time to take these particular E/W seats.



At this point, Pony Nehmert commented, "See, we're a typical Mixed Pair. We don't even speak the same language."

Same language or not, Andreas Holowski had chosen a very suitable time to open his off-centre No-Trump. It was up to Mrs. Leiva to rescue her side by finding the club lead from A-J-x, but for some obscure reason she chose a spade from J-10-9-7-4 so that was N/S +630 and another fine board for the home pair.



Torres Holowski Leiva Nehmert

2° All Pass

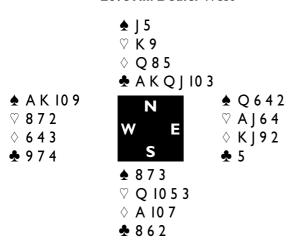
Seeing how well they were going at the time, perhaps the

Germans were unfortunate to meet one of the few pairs in the field playing Strong Twos. Although Two Hearts made eleven tricks for N/S -200, the scoresheet revealed a fairly large number of N/S pairs scoring -50 or -100 in Five Diamonds (doubled or not). Very few tables managed to produce the par result of 60-x -2 but the Germans still scored above average on the board.

For Boards 23-26 we moved to a table at which both members of the N/S partnership were World Champions - Great Britain's Nicola Smith (Venice Cup winner and Ladies' World Individual champion) and Justin Hackett (former world Junior champion). After the first session, Smith/Hackett were leading the field. These boards were not unhelpful.

On Board 23, Smith played INT from the South seat. Having Passed her 10-count as dealer, she then balanced after One Heart was passed back to her. The heart lead ran to declarer's Queen, and after playing a club to dummy's King, she could claim nine tricks.

Board 24 Love All. Dealer West



West	North	East	South
Gelibter	Hackett	Gelibter	Smith
Pass	♣	Dble	I
I♠	3♣	All Pass	

The defence started with three rounds of spades, declarer ruffing the third. When declarer started drawing trumps, the Belgian East was immediately in trouble. She could afford one diamond, but what could she throw on the third club? She let go a heart. Declarer now played the King of Hearts to Mrs. Gelibter's Ace, ruffed the spade exit, and played the Nine of

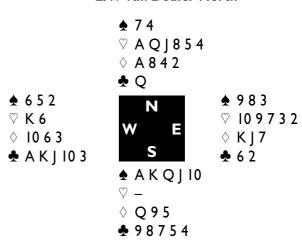
Withdrawals

Pairs who wish to withdraw after the Third Qualifying Session are welcome to do so, but they must notify a Desk which will be in the Reception Area, by 1900 hours today. If you fail to do this the organisers will assume you are continuing to play.

hearts. East did not cover, but declarer let the nine run. To make sure, Hackett cashed his last trump, discarding dummy's diamond when East had clearly retained \Diamond K-J and the singleton lack of Hearts.

N/S +130 and a sound result for the Brits. Next up were a tough Italian pair.

Board 25 E/W Vul. Dealer North



West	North	East	South
Broccoli	Hackett	Giannini	Smith
	Ι♡	Pass	♠
2♣	2♡	Pass	3♣
Pass	3◊	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

It is far from clear what South should do at her second turn. Typical of her aggressive style, Smith elected to force to game. Hackett showed his diamond values and then cue-bid on the way to four Spades.

Franco Broccoli led a top club and switched to a diamond. Smith ducked to East's King, won the trump switch and ruffed a club with dummy's last trump. Next came the Ace of Hearts, and then the Queen, ruffed in hand. When West's King came clattering down, declarer drew trumps and claimed eleven tricks once diamonds proved to be 3-3.

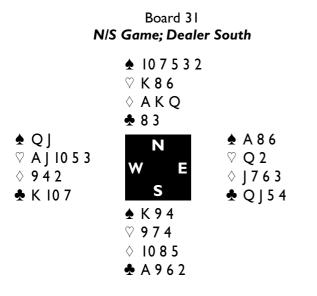
Board 26 was all about Trick One. The Italian E/W pair reached the standard Four Spades after a Weak Two opening. Smith chose to lead a heart and now declarer had to guess with Q-10-x in dummy and A-x-x in hand. When she guessed "Queen" only to find that Smith had led from J-x-x-x-x it meant that the leaders had avoided conceding a vital overtrick.

Board 27 was misboarded at the table we were watching. Unfortunately, the players were so distracted by this turn of events that they contrived to perfom in such amnner on Board 28 that events are unsuitable for a family magazine.

Board 29 was a typical Pairs hand where so much depends on the layout of a side-suit. East-West have a borderline 3NT. As the clubs come in, you make it, and the bolder pairs were rewarded. Board 30 was everyones Four Hearts by East making 11. A few North-South pairs may have found the sacrifice

in Four Spades, earning an excellent score. Alternatively a double-dummy defence holds Four Hearts to ten tricks: underlead the ace-king of spades at trick one to get a club back before the diamonds are set up for declarer! If anyone found that please let us know.

For the last two boards we take a look at a confrontation between Poland and Germany.



West	North	East	South
Buchlev	Zajkiewjcz	Nikitine	Lesiecka
			Pass
ΙØ	I♠	INT	All Pass

The German pair had much the better of the auction when South declined to contest the part score. The opening lead was the ♣4 which was taken by dummy's queen. Declarer now played the three of hearts and North missed his chance to defeat the contract when he played low. East won with the queen and went after the clubs. South took her ace at once and played the ♠K, ducked, and another spade. Declarer won and cashed her club tricks. North was reduced to discarding the ◇AK but was still endplayed by the diamond exit which forced him to lead into the heart tenace. +120 was a tremendous result for the German pair.

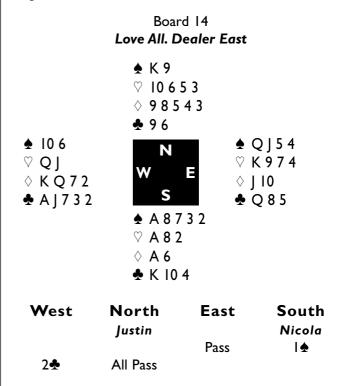
On our final board North-South played in 4%. West led his singleton spade and declarer was soon one down for what proved to be an average result.

Bookstall

Merle Schneeweis' company MBL provides the facility at these Championships. It is located on the ground floor near the entrance to the playing rooms. It will be open one hour before the start of each session. A comprehensive range of bridge items includes the latest books and software. You will also find Championship T shirts are available for DM23.

Double Promotion

The leaders at the end of the first session were Justin Hackett and Nicola Smith of Britain. If this deal from the Second Session is anything to go by, they were heading for another good score:



West's overcall would not meet with universal approval, but he had an awkward call, and the final contract looked sensible. Nicola did not feel compelled to re-open with a double as her club values implied partner could not have a penalty double.

West has four top losers outside trumps, and, superficially, one loser in the trump suit itself.

The defence began with three rounds of spades. Strangely this promotes a second trump for the defence whatever West does. Best is to ruff with the jack and play ace and another trump, for one down. West actually chose to ruff with the seven, and was over-ruffed by North's nine. A diamond to the ace was followed by a fourth spade. This promoted a third trump trick for the defence whatever West did. This time West did ruff with the jack.

The situation in the trump suit was unusual; superficially if declarer enters dummy with a diamond to lead the queen, it is covered by king and ace, then the eight loses to the ten but dummy's five is big enough to draw South's four. However, if you check it out you find that South can play the fifth spade and declarer cannot cope.

After the trump jack held at trick five West correctly played on hearts, then reached dummy on the second round of diamonds. However, instead of playing the queen or eight of trumps from dummy, he led the five, and, hoping the remaining trumps were 2-2, played ace and another. Nicola was able to draw declarer's last trump and make the fifth spade. Three off was another excellent result for the leaders.



Die Deutsche Homepage



Heldensagen

as Turnier hat gerade erst begonnen, und niemand kann voraussagen, welche Paare des Gastgeberlandes sich ins Finale spielen werden. Aus diesem Grunde wird sich der erste Artikel über die Ergebnisse der Deutschen auf einige spannende Situationen beschränken, die von den betreffenden "Helden" in beeindruckender Weise gemeistert wurden.

Zunächst ein Kuriosum, dann ein interessanter technischer Aspekt am Tisch von Barbara Stawowy und Dr. Andreas Kirmse, einem Paar, das schon 1993 Studenten EU-Meister wurde.

Stellen Sie sich vor, Sie sind Nord und halten (in Board 1):

≜ABx ∇x ◊xxx **♣**KQ9xxx

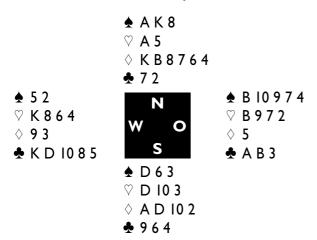
Ob es Ihnen gefällt oder nicht, Sie eröffnen I ♣, Ihr linker Gegner bietet I ♦, der Partner kontriert negativ und Ihr rechter Gegner sperrt mit 4 ♦. Sie fühlen sich gerne gesperrt und passen, aber Ihr Partner findet ein weiteres Kontra. Was bieten Sie?

West	Nord	Ost	Süd
	Dr. Kirmse		Stawowy
	♣	I ♦	Kontra
4 ♦	Pass	Pass	Kontra
Pass	?		

Haben Sie sich wie Andreas Kirmse für 5 ♣ entschieden? Dann werden zu Ihrem großen Erstaunen die Gegner die erste drei (!) Stiche in Karo kassieren. Ost hatte eine Viererfarbe ◇ A K D x zwischengereizt und West mit ◇ x x x auf Viererstufe gesperrt. Allen LAW-Fetischisten mag sich an dieser Stelle wahrscheinlich der Magen umdrehen, aber so ist das Leben eben. Als die Gegner in ihrer Euphorie dann aber einen weiteren Faller liegen ließen, standen Nord/Süd plötzlich wieder mit einem 80% Board da! Wer zuletzt lacht...

Gute Technik hinterläßt oftmals einen hilflosen Gegner, der tischbeißender Weise zum Gehilfen der anderen Seite wird.

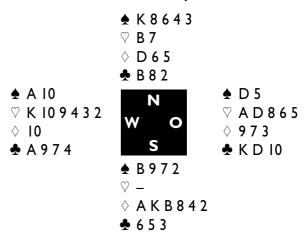
Board 21. N/S in Gefahr. Teiler Nord.



Nord wurde zum Alleinspieler in 3 SA und erhielt Pik-Angriff. Nach Abzug aller Karo- und Pikstiche hat der Gegner keine Chance mehr, etwas richtig zu machen und das Ergebnis zu verbessern. In den letzten vier Karten konnte es sich keiner der Gegner leisten, eine Coeur-Figur blank zu stellen ohne einen Stich aufzugeben, so hielt West \heartsuit K 8 und Ost \heartsuit B 9. Der Alleinspiel-Konter ist nun, in Treff einfach auszusteigen. Die Gegner kassieren zwei schwarze Stiche, müssen aber anschließend Nord wieder in die Coeurs hineinspielen. Endergebnis: Zwei Überstiche in 3 SA und zwei entnervte Gegner.

Wechseln wir den Tisch und schauen hinüber zu Michael Gromöller und seiner Mixed-Partnerin Miriam Browne. Es roch nach Schlemm, und einen solchen kontrolliert mit nur 26 Punkten auszureizen, ist noch immer eine Bulletin-Erwähnung wert.

Board 16. O/W in Gefahr. Teiler West.



West	Nord	Ost	Süd
Gromöller		Browne	
Ι♡	Pass	2 SA	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	3 ♡	Pass
4 💠	Pass	4 ♡	Pass
5 ♡	Pass	6 ♡	alle passen

2 SA zeigte eine starke Coeur-Hebung und fragte den Eröffner nach einer Kürze. $3 \diamondsuit$ war Karo-Kürze und $3 \heartsuit$ fragte nach Assen und Karo-Chicane. Wests $4 \clubsuit$ -Antwort hieß 0 oder 3 von 5 Assen und Karo-Single. Da Vorsicht die Mutter der Porzellankiste ist, reizte Ost nun $4 \heartsuit$, für den Fall, daß West keine einzige Schlüsselkarte hielt. $5 \heartsuit$ wiederum zeigte 3 Schlüsselkarten, aber keinen König außerhalb. Jetzt konnte Ost den Schlemm ansagen.

West erhielt Pik-Angriff, legte die Dame (!) und claimte. Da die Treffs ebenfalls 3-3 standen, waren Ost/West I2 Stiche hier in keinem Fall zu nehmen. Dennoch, ein guter Riecher in Reizung und Abspiel!

Und zu guter Letzt, noch ein Gegenspiel aus dem Hause von Arnim - Reps, das ebenfalls nicht alltäglich genannt werden kann:

Board 23. Alle in Gefahr. Teiler Süd.

	♠ 96 ♡ A 98 ◊ A D 5 ♣ K 10 6 5 3	
♠ D B 8 5 ∇ K B I0 7 6 ♦ 4 ♣ A D 9	N W O S	♠ K 10 7 2 ♡ 4 3 ♦ 10 8 7 3 ♣ B 4 2
	♠ A 4 3 ♡ D 5 2 ◇ K B 9 6 2 ♣ 8 7	

Nord/Süd waren in 3 ♣ gelandet, ein Karo-Teilkontrakt hätte Ihnen sicherlich mehr Spaß gebracht, aber auch 3 ♣ mußten erst noch geschlagen werden.

Daniela von Arnim spielte \heartsuit 4 aus, Süd gab klein zu, West spielte \heartsuit 10 und Nord duckte. Klaus Reps setzte jetzt mit \heartsuit K (!!!) fort, und der Alleinspieler gewann mit dem As in seiner Hand. Um an den Tisch zu kommen, ohne den Pik-Verlierer aufzureißen, übernahm Süd Nords \diamondsuit D mit dem König und zurück kam \clubsuit 7. West stieg mit \clubsuit A, gab Ost einen Coeur-Schnapper, erhielt einen Karo-Schnapper und spielte die vierte Coeurrunde. Der Surcoup für Osts \clubsuit B konnte nun nicht mehr verhindert werden und 3 \clubsuit fielen einmal. "Merrimac meets trump promotion" - ebenfalls kein schlechter Beginn in das Turnier!

"The sun always shines on TV"

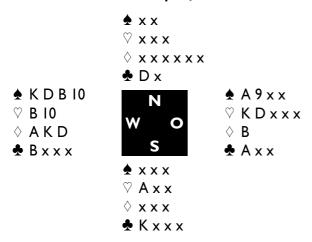
er Fernsehsender WDR wird live und ausführlich von den 5. Europäischen Mixed-Meisterschaften aus Aachen berichten. Die TV-Crew wird am Montag filmen, aber sie besuchte das EUROGRESS schon am Freitagnachmittag, um einen 30 Sekunden-Spot zu drehen, der in den Abendnachrichten das Turnier ankündigte.

Da die WDR Reporterin für ihre Aufnahmen natürlich auch etwas Bridge zu sehen bekommen wollte, wurde in aller Eile eine illustre Viererrunde zusammengestellt, die dann unzählige Male mischte und teilte, das Tableau mit den Geboten immer wieder geduldig und dekorativ hin und her schob und ein paar Hände in Zeitlupen-Tempo reizte und spielte, bis alles "im Kasten" war.

Die Chance TV Star zu werden nutzend, nahmen auf West und Süd die Bulletin- "Macher" Horton und Back Platz, die Nord- und Ostpositionen wurde eingenommen von keinen Geringeren als der Organisatorin der Meisterschaften, Anneliese Schmidt-Bott und der Damen-Weltmeisterin Sabine Auken.

Während Schmidt-Bott - Back sich wortlos und somit schnell auf FORUM D verständigten, ereignete sich auf der anderen Achse ein kurzer, aber folgenschwerer Dialog. Sabine Auken wandte sich an ihren Partner Horton: "Welches System?" Als die Antwort "Precision" kam, lachten alle laut, und dabei blieb es ... Schon bald hatten die Spieler die Chance im Fernsehen zu glänzen:

Keiner in Gefahr, Teiler Ost



West	Nord	Ost	Süd
Horton	Schmidt-Bott	Auken	Back
		Ι♡	Pass
♠	Pass	3 🖈	Pass
4 ♦	Pass	4 🖈	Pass
5 ♦	Pass	6 ♠	alle passen

Als Horton mit 5 ♦ einen weiteren Versuch in Richtung Schlemm unternahm, war es einfach für Sabine Auken, mit all den noch unerwähnten Kontrollen in Treff und Coeur in 6 ♠ zu springen.

Mark Hortons 5 \Diamond waren wohl überlegt. Er kannte bereits neun Karten seiner Partnerin und wußte, daß sie ihre Punkte für den Sprung in 3 \clubsuit in Coeur und Treff halten mußte. Die kritischste Haltung für ihn wäre sicherlich \heartsuit A D und \clubsuit K gewesen, aber dann hätte Ost wohl 4 \heartsuit ge-cuebiddet und er hätte sich die Sache noch einmal überlegen können. Da Sabine Auken aber 4 \clubsuit gereizt hatte, setzte Horton konfident auf Treff-Erstrundenkontrolle bei Ost, so daß dank \lozenge A K D keinerlei Unterfarb-Verlierer zu erkennen waren und der Schlemm gute Chancen haben mußte.

Nord spielte ein kleines Karo aus, und der Alleinspieler stand vor der nicht allzu schweren Aufgabe Trümpfe zu ziehen, die Coeurs zu entwickeln und die Treffverlierer auf die hohen Karos abzuwerfen. Ein Schlemm - clever gereizt und souverän erfüllt. Welch ein Start in eine glanzvolle TV-Karriere!

Fortsetzung folgt

Overheard in the Bulletin room

'Which is worth more, the Deutschmark or the Kroner?' Who do you think was responsible for this remark?

(Clue: he is not really Welsh!)

Results after second Qualifying Session

I	Manara	- Attanasio	ITA	60.85	65.60	63.23	49	Guillebon	- Beau	uvillain	FRA	61.85	50.29	56.07
2	Vriend	- Maas	NTH	64.35	60.16	62.26	50	Gladiator	- Retz		GER	56.18	55.59	55.89
3	Hocheker	- Kowalski	POL	66.68	57.52	62.10	51	Popova	- Gun	nev	BUL	51.37	60.38	55.88
4	Peyrot	- Voldoire	FRA	60.38	62.99	61.69	52	Browne	- Gro	møller	GER	54.16	57.56	55.86
5	Panina	- Rosenblum	RUS	57.68	65.30	61.49	53	Lise	- Dan	miani	FRA	59.62	52.07	55.84
6	Willard	- Tissot	FRA	63.43	58.73	61.08	54	Colonna	- Ligai	mbi	ITA	49.77	61.37	55.57
7	Chatard	- Hirchwald	FRA	58.11	62.79	60.45	55	Kerekes	- Varg	ga	HUN	62.66	48.47	55.56
8	Lesguillier	- Lesguillier	FRA	65.38	54.36	59.87	56	Smederevac	- Wer	rnle	AUS	57.83	53.23	55.53
	Kelina	- Chour	RUS	60.60	59.14	59.87	57	Awad	- Awa	ad	FRA	56.22	54.63	55.42
10	Kasa	- Kasa	HUN	59.79	59.89	59.84	58	Tomaszewska	- Pucz	zynski	POL	52.11	58.73	55.42
П	Smith	- Hackett	GBR	67.05	52.61	59.83	59	Renoux	- Rey		FRA	54.85	55.83	55.34
12	lvarsdottir	- Thorsteins	ICE	59.57	60.06	59.81	60	Macieszczak	- Gwi	is	POL	56.25	54.41	55.33
13	Favas	- Vial	FRA	62.59	56.79	59.69	61	Bayhan	- Eksi	ioglu	TUR	51.11	59.46	55.29
14	Gochwolz	- Bitran	FRA	63.85	54.35	59.10	62	Langer	- Gwi	inner	GER	56.01	54.48	55.24
15	Hove	- Hove	NOR	54.07	63.36	58.72	63	Ricard	- Lalaı	nne	FRA	57.62	52.85	55.23
16	Marechal	- Demarcin	BEL	62.74	54.67	58.71	64	Kolata	- Kola	ata	TUR	55.22	55.21	55.22
17	Procureur	- Caumel	FRA	51.27	66.00	58.63	65	Gueorgieva	- Gue	eorgieva	BUL	58.08	52.29	55.19
18	Budd	- Harris	GBR	58.55	58.34	58.45	66	Godfrey	- Paga	•	GBR	59.14	51.17	55.16
19	As	- Schwartz	ISR	62.33	54.48	58.41	67	de Sario	- Zen		ITA	57.58	52.68	55.13
20	Kowalska	- Stepinski	POL	58.78	57.96	58.37	68	Koistinen	- Kois	stinen	FIN	53.97	56.13	55.05
21	Driessens	- Dauwe	BEL	59.51	57.17	58.34	69	Paoluzi	- Gue	erra	ITA	51.35	58.50	54.92
22	Birr	- Stahl	GER	54.90	61.40	58.15	70	de Moratalla	- Mun		FRA	47.55	62.14	54.84
23	Miroslaw	- Wladow	GER	59.36	56.79	58.08	71	Schauffelberger	- Nah	nmias	FRA	60.37	49.29	54.83
24	Dewasme	- Dehaye	BEL	57.34	58.73	58.04	72	Barr	- Herl	bst	ISR	51.56	58.07	54.82
25	Farina	- Gaede	SWI	57.55	58.38	57.96	73	Angelini	- John	nson	BEL	57.17	52.35	54.76
26	Beaumier	- Beaumier	FRA	54.83	60.96	57.90	74	Morley	- Mor		CYP	49.18	60.16	54.67
27	Nehmert	- Holowski	GER	60.49	55.19	57.84	75	Käss	- Käss	•	FRA	56.92	52.15	54.53
28	Gaviard	- Mouiel	FRA	56.76	58.62	57.69	76	Zalewska		ebiowski	POL	55.13	53.89	54.51
29	Sanchis	- Escude	SPA	57.23	57.84	57.54	77	Galland	- Mau	ırer	SWI	45.87	63.13	54.50
30	Andersson	- Larsson	SWE	60.34	54.66	57.50	78	Holst	- Jense	en	SWE	51.41	57.58	54.50
31	Duguet	- Duguet	FRA	55.62	59.21	57.41	79	Verge	- Sebb		FRA	52. 4 8	56.50	54.49
32	Senior	- Rand	ISR	59.17	55.62	57.39	80	Cohen	- Levy		FRA	54.18	54.63	54.41
33	Buratti	- Mariani	ITA	55.85	58.85	57.35	81	Lustin	- Cro		FRA	57.85	50.89	54.37
34	Curetti	- le Poder	FRA	56.20	58.24	57.22	82	Frances	- Fran		SPA	48.10	60.60	54.35
35	Saul	- Chemla	FRA	59.59	54.75	57.17	83	Lindenlauf	- Lend		AUS	61.63	47.03	54.33
36	Dumon	- Solari	FRA	54.80	59.52	57.16	84	Avon	- Mali		FRA	61.86	46.68	54.27
37	Leiva	- Torres	SPA	57.00	57.30	57.15	85	Delor	- Elkai		FRA	52.03	56.43	54.23
38	Peters	- Vandervorst	BEL	60.52	53.74	57.13	86	Reps	- Farv		GER	53.24	55.16	54.20
39	Stawowy	- Kirmse	GER	61.28	52.93	57.11	87	Strafner	- Stra	•	AUS	55.61	52.69	54.15
40	Schroeder	- Schroeder	GER	57.74	56.34	57.04	88	Gelibter	- Geli		BEL	50.59	57.70	54.14
41	Burn	- King	GBR	56.29	57.49	56.89	89	v. Arnim	- Rep		GER	59.11	49.13	54.12
42	Gromøller	- Hopfenheit	GER	48.97	64.78	56.87	90	W,,steby	- Pers		SWE	60.04	48.00	54.02
43	Sírensen	- Jensen	DEN	57.14	56.55	56.85	91	Rojko	- Pavli		SLO	59.25	48.70	53.97
44	Joegne	- Schweitzer	FRA	54.50	58.97	56.74	92	Yalman	- Pehl		TUR	55.48	52.44	53.96
45	Raczynska	- Allix	FRA	50.53	62.83	56.68	93	Terraneo	- Fuci		AUS	58.48	49.40	53.94
46	Breivik	- Allix - Híyland	NOR	55.23	57.91	56.57	94	Tempestini	- Sem		ITA	51.20	56.60	53.90
47	Zobu	- Filyland - Eksioglu	TUR	50.79	61.79	56.29	95	Weigkricht	- Jeni		AUS	50.52	57.12	53.82
48	Baco	- Eksiogiu - Audibert	FRA	55.11	57.20	56.15	96	v. Malchus	- Stro		GER	54.86	52.77	53.82
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98	Sabatier		Sabatier	FRA	50.03	57.50	53.77	149	Gromann		Kosikowski	GER	51.37	52.19	51.78
99	Schaffer		Bondo	DEN	58.11	49.32	53.72	150	Oldroyd		Davies	GBR	53.03	50.44	51.73
100	Bahnikova		Bahnik	CZE	57.08	50.25	53.67	151	Harasimowicz		Gawrys	POL	56.99	46.32	51.66
101	Grümm		Lindermann	AUS	48.28	58.95	53.62	152	Polet		Labaere	BEL	55.25	48.05	51.65
	Mrs Sce		Cohner	GER	41.18	66.05	53.62	153	Izvorka		Branislav	SLO	52.27	50.99	51.63
103	Serf		Stoppa	FRA	49.32	57.75	53.54	154	Mitiagina		Goudkov	RUS	51.26	51.92	51.59
104	Leger		Oursel	FRA	57.19	49.78	53.49	155	Szimanski		Xu	GER	48.83	54.32	51.58
105	Ropska		Macior	POL	54.30	52.65	53.47	156	Langstrom		Fredin	SWE	59.07	44.05	51.56
106	Tichy		Vikor	HUN	50.47	56.47	53.47	157	Berthold		Franzl	AUS	54.15	48.85	51.50
107	Rampini		Mesiano	ITA	51.78	54.94	53.36	158	Uisk		Uisk	SWE	53.72	49.19	51.46
108	Miszewska		Martens	POL	50.29	56.42	53.36	159	Schwenkreis		Schwenkreis	GER	47.00	55.86	51.43
109	Rilard		Kondby	DEN	52.22	54.46	53.34	160	Maidment		Preston	GBR	55.44	47.41	51.43
110	Karetnikova		Gromov	RUS	56.10	50.54	53.32	161	Wyczolkowska		Wasak	POL	55.39	47.43	51.41
111	Davies		Gisborn	GBR	53.96	52.67	53.31	162	Courty		Schiatti	FRA	55.10	47.68	51.39
112	Magis		Lustman	FRA	50.41	56.09	53.25	163	Unger		Primavera	AUS	51.54	51.07	51.31
113	Kowalska		Krupowicz	POL	60.54	45.82	53.19	164	Tokcan		Irgin	TUR	54.89	47.63	51.26
114	Knutsen		Kjeseth	NOR	55.31	51.04	53.18	165	Colombo		Zulli	ITA	48.59	53.92	51.26
115	Franceschini		Welsch	FRA	54.13	51.92	53.03	166	Stolte		Mauridis	GER	51.20	51.25	51.23
116	Riberol	_	Pacault	FRA	47.61	58.27	52.94	167	Lormant	_	Lormant	FRA	57.00	45.42	51.21
117	Marzi	-	Vitale	ITA	52.84	53.02	52.93	168	Lindingen	-	Barnay	AUS	49.38	53.04	51.21
118	Panadero	-	Lantaron	SPA	50.63	55.12	52.88	169	Schouten	-	Schouten	NTH	53.70	48.68	51.19
119	Handley	-	Barker	GBR	61.39	44.19	52.79	170	Mezei	-	Honti	HUN	50.07	52.27	51.17
120	Arami	-	Keidar	ISR	47.68	57.85	52.77	171	Aubonnet	-	Guillaumin	FRA	47.75	54.44	51.09
121	Svobodova	-	Svoboda	CZE	54.22	51.15	52.68	172	Roth	-	Toffier	FRA	48.47	53.46	50.96
122	Gotard	-	Gotard	GER	47.72	57.53	52.62	173	Guariglia	-	Guariglia	ITA	46.06	55.84	50.95
123	vandenBossche	-	Bolle	BEL	52.37	52.78	52.57	174	Kehl	-	Klessing	GER	49.83	52.07	50.95
124	de St.Marie	-	de St.Marie	FRA	53.52	51.42	52. 4 7	175	León	-	Goded	SPA	43.56	58.04	50.80
125	de Pauw	-	Magerman	BEL	52.08	52.83	52. 4 6	176	Sever	-	Antonic	CRO	46.21	55.34	50.77
126	Dennison	-	Mossop	GBR	48.80	56.03	52. 4 2	177	Skopinska	-	Witkowski	POL	49.40	52.07	50.74
127	Yilmaz	-	Ünal	TUR	49.82	54.90	52.36	178	de Ravinel	-	de Ravinel	FRA	50.45	51.01	50.73
128	Banaszkiehicz	-	Buze	POL	55.61	49.06	52.34	179	Norske	-	Norske	DEN	46.81	54.60	50.71
129	McGowan	-	Hackett	GBR	53.87	50.79	52.33	180	Schippers	-	Schippers	NTH	51.52	49.86	50.69
130	Wenning	-	Wenning	GER	47.56	57.07	52.31	181	Maguire	-	Keaveney	IRE	46.17	55.18	50.68
131	Zakrzewska	-	Zakrzewski	POL	50.05	54.53	52.29	182	Corchia	-	Matricardi	ITA	46.72	54.59	50.65
132	Penfold	-	Foster	GBR	52.71	51.80	52.25	183	Gramberg	-	Schilhart	GER	54.70	46.58	50.64
133	Bohnsack	-	Bohnsack	GER	37.99	66.47	52.23	184	Soler	-	Pont	SPA	54.17	47.05	50.61
134	Mellini	-	di Stefano	ITA	49.59	54.82	52.21	185	Elkaim	-	Romanowski	FRA	48.17	53.05	50.61
135	Jamka	-	Jamka	GER	52.79	51.61	52.20	186	Pasternak	-	Siwiec	POL	52.64	48.50	50.57
136	Poulain	-	Briere	FRA	56.61	47.75	52.18	187	Duckworth	-	Callaghan	GBR	55.50	45.50	50.50
137	Drivdal	-	Jírgensen	NOR	54.09	50.27	52.18	188	Hardeman	-	Segers	BEL	50.58	50.42	50.50
138	Auken	-	Auken	GER	48.49	55.78	52.14	189	Kristjond	-	Theodorsson	ICE	53.14	47.63	50.38
139	Cerf	-	Beauvillain	FRA	49.42	54.82	52.12	190	Hoguet		Hamon	FRA	50.38	50.30	50.34
140	Zarkesch		Boeddeker	GER	48.28	55.88	52.08	191	Pokorna		Kurka	CZE	49.78	50.90	50.34
141	Damhuis		Bakir	NTH	51.02	53.14	52.08	192	Lüssmann		Lüssmann	GER	45.08	55.34	50.21
142	Ford		Whalley	GBR	55.28	48.62	51.95	193	Moers		Zuker	FRA	51.49	48.90	50.19
143	Krieger		Speckmann	GER	53.91	49.97	51.94	194	Honkavuori		Honkavuori	FIN	48.57	51.74	50.16
144	S□mer		Alan	TUR	43.80	60.06	51.93	195	van der Vliet		Ahlers	NTH	45.04	55.26	50.15
145	Syvertsen		Tjírswaag	NOR	61.53	42.22	51.88	196	Bessis		Bessis	FRA	48.93	51.36	50.15
146	Daverona		Christofides	CYP	52.51	51.16	51.84	197	Pigeaud		Girollet	FRA	56.76	43.49	50.13
147	Rossano	-	Vivaldi	ITA	48.41	55.24	51.82	198	Mavromichalis	-	Hackett	GBR	50.49	49.64	50.12

199	Maffei	- Marani	ITA	50.04	50.07	50.06	250	Cahagne	- Sanglier	FRA	49.72	47.02	48.37
200	Lardinois	- Dirks	NTH	52.73	47.26	50.00	251	de Biasio	- Cuccorese	ITA	44.25	52.38	48.32
201	Hugues	- Clucerscu	GER	48.51	51.45	49.98	252	Nikitine	- Buchlev	GER	50.13	46.49	48.31
202	Dionisio	- Cosimelli	ITA	46.32	53.60	49.96	253	Premitzer	- Vivat	AUS	52.43	44.17	48.30
203	Rauscheid	- Rohowsky	GER	45.75	54.16	49.96	254	Griffin	- Pattinson	IRE	46.81	49.74	48.27
204	Larsen	- Hoftaniska	NOR	50.60	49.18	49.89	255	Jeunen	- Jeunen	BEL	50. 4 9	46.05	48.27
205	Smykalla	- Schneider	GER	52.61	47.01	49.81	256	Jansen	- Bussek	GER	42.92	53.55	48.24
206	Hoogweg	- van Prooijen	NTH	55.99	43.59	49.79	257	von Richthofen	- Sorger	GER	48.68	47.64	48.16
207	Noldenn	- Haffner	GER	41.61	57.88	49.75	258	Yildiz	- Özan	TUR	50.42	45.84	48.13
208	Alberti	- Bausback	GER	52.55	46.75	49.65	259	Kelly	- Kenyon	GBR	48.39	47.79	48.09
209	Schrekenberger	•	GER	47.45	51.85	49.65	260	Puts	- Deketelaere	BEL	49.47	46.65	48.06
210	Bubu	- Bubu	FRA	46.20	53.06	49.63	261	Enander	- Enander	SWE	47.93	48.11	48.02
211	Lara	- Capucho	POR	43.90	55.28	49.59	262	Wang	- Dakin	GBR	49.92	46.07	48.00
212	Stöckmann	- Marsal	GER	57.56	41.60	49.58	263	Arnal	- Peyronnie	FRA	52.32	43.47	47.90
213	Moretti	- Saporta	FRA	49.94	49.18	49.56	264	Erpenbeck	- Günther	GER	46.48	49.31	47.89
214	Lee	- Lee	GBR	56.51	42.58	49.54	265	Cleary	- Cleary	IRE	49.35	46.36	47.85
215	Contri	- Tam	ITA	50.92	48.09	49.51	266	Bonnet	- Ilnicki	FRA	53.70	41.80	47.75
216	Arlinghaus	- Sträter	GER	42.4 2	56.42	49.42	267	Wheeler	- Laszkiewicz	FRA	39.13	56.33	47.73
217	van Eindhoven	- Verhees	NTH	48.90	49.91	49.41	268	Martinelli	- Martinelli	ITA	48.05	47.31	47.68
218	Sobolewska	- Romanski	POL	43.03	55.68	49.36	269	Cronier	- Mari	FRA	47.55	47.77	47.66
219	Holmíy	- Andreassen	NOR	51.83	46.87	49.35	270	Lesiecka	- Zajkiewjcz	POL	39.78	55.35	47.57
220	Saccavini	- Rosati	ITA	38.48	60.18	49.33	271	Linde	- Isele	GER	52.16	42.96	47.56
221	Doran	- Rogne	NOR	53.38	45.24	49.31	272	Lucchesi	- Devoto	ITA	4 7.21	47.89	47.55
222	Delacour	- Prunier	FRA	51.24	47.36	49.30	273	Kremer	- Kaplan	FRA	50.05	44.97	47.51
223	Scardigli	- Goldschmidt	FRA	50.96	47.61	49.28	274	Miles	- Ritter	GBR	47.76	47.26	47.51
224	Linde	- Linde	GER	49.89	48.66	49.27	275	Beildorff	- Beildorff	DEN	52.11	42.88	47.49
225	Hobson	- Gartwaite	GBR	43.93	54.55	49.24	276	Werner	- Höger	GER	44.34	50.63	47.48
226	Coadou	- Moulin	SWI	48.47	49.95	49.21	277	Nutt	- Morris	GBR	48.58	46.30	47.44
227	Nahmens	- Adad	FRA	49.20	49.21	49.20	278	Kuntz	- Harsany	GER	48.66	46.19	47.42
228	Sanders	- MacLaren	GBR	51.27	46.94	49.10	279	Andersson	- Andersson	SWE	45.42	49.34	47.38
229	Jurisiá	- Diklic	CRO	49.24	48.95	49.10	280	Mouttet	- Mouttet	FRA	49.76	44.99	47.37
230	Lawson	- Eginton	GBR	51.90	46.13	49.02				FRA	46.71	48.00	47.36
231	Lutz	- Düllman	GER	44.87	53.12	48.99	281 282	Fishpool	- Stretz	NOR	49.39	45.25	47.32
232	laCroix	- Queran	FRA	51.20	46.79	48.99		Haugerud Connoloni	- Haugerud				47.32
233	Frolkova	- Sapiga	RUS	51.68	46.19	48.93	283	Coppolani	- Coppolani	FRA	42.93	51. 4 9	
234	Batelová	- Batela	CZE	50.40	47.29	48.85	284	Dani‰ls	- de Wilde	NTH	48.63	45.73	47.18
235	Vetter	- Vetter	GER	45.74	51.78	48.76	285	Chodorowska	- Chodorowski	POL	49.49	44.81	47.15
236	Zidkova	- Picmaus	CZE	50.01	47.45	48.73	286	Ragg	- Hässler	GER	40.45	53.71	47.08
237	Simonova	- Marakulin	RUS	51.38	46.08	48.73	287	Kind	- Fliegner	GER	51.47	42.68	47.08
238	Malinowski	- Malinowski	NOR	44.44	53.00	48.72	288	Fischer	- Brodowicz	GER	49.66	44.38	47.02
239	Blouquit	- Bompis	FRA	54.26	43.18	48.72	289	Lacroix	- Barbaroux	FRA	48.29	45.72	47.01
240	Volina	- Kholomeev	RUS	52.55	44.88	48.72	290	Trench	- Porteous	IRE	51.06	42.82	46.94
241	Alard	- Chimion	FRA	46.11	51.19	48.65	291	Veyssiere	- Mateos Ruiz	FRA	47.54	46.34	46.94
242	Vehmeijer	- van Ogtrop	NTH	47.17	50.09	48.63	292	Cristalli	- Olivieri	ITA	50.06	43.79	46.93
243	Herz	- Böhlke	GER	48.83	48.40	48.61	293	Hristova-Popova	•	POL	44.91	48.93	46.92
244	Slous	- Louchart	FRA	43.59	53.60	48.59	294	Giannini	- Broccoli	ITA	48.14	45.63	46.88
245	Chevalley	- Corn	FRA	45.47	51.65	48.56	295	Gromova	- Khiouppenen	RUS	52.22	41.42	46.82
246	Batkiewicz	- Laczny	POL	50.67	46.37	48.52	296	Biener	- Michailov	GER	46.82	46.80	46.81
247	Hirchenaut	- Hirchenaut	FRA	46.69	50.30	48.49	297	Maitova	- Riskin	RUS	4 5.18	4 8.18	46.68
248	Das	- Kremer	FRA	52.91	43.87	48.39	298	Grigorova	- Bonev	BUL	44.32	48.86	46.59
249	Galaktionova	- Stolbovski	RUS	51.54	45.21	48.38	299	Lindstrom	- Nilsson	SWE	49.68	43.33	46.51

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300	Vogt	- Fresen	GER	44.36	48.64	46.50	350	Scharn	- Narajek	GER	41.64	46.30	43.97
301	Charrault	- Henri	BEL	43.31	49.65	46.48	351	v. Krockow	- Kornek	GER	45.65	42.10	43.88
302	Witvliet	- van der Zwan		45.97	46.94	46.46	352	Klein	- Helling	LUX	46.57	40.55	43.56
303	Guojonsdottir	- Hjaltason	ICE	41.78	51.00	46.39	353	lzisel	- Izisel	FRA	44.88	41.68	43.28
304	Juuri-Oja	- Juuri-Oja	FIN	43.04	49.72	46.38	354	Capaldi	- Lignola	ITA	41.51	44.81	43.16
305	Masseus	- Narinx	NTH	50.33	42.36	46.35	355	Mitchell	- Mitchell	GBR	42.56	43.63	43.09
306	Warnecke	- Seiffert	GER	52.12	40.47	46.29	356	Kitabgi	- Maurint	FRA	45.44	40.66	43.05
307	Perekatova	- Krasnossels	RUS	41.36	51.10	46.23	357	Koschier	- Schamberger	AUS	41.92	44.10	43.01
308	Fleischmann	- Fleischmann	AUS	42.58	49.82	46.20	358	Mudu	- Zedda	ITA	46.43	39.47	42.95
309	Tetal	- Amann	GER	48.13	44.18	46.16	359	Catsburg	- van Staveren	NTH	51.47	34.28	42.88
310	Brunori	- Polok	GER	50.20	42.00	46.10	360	Thoren	- Rynning	NOR	41.41	44.11	42.76
311	Azzimonti	- Zucchini	ITA	41.50	50.67	46.09	361	Gromenkova	- Perfilov	RUS	38.91	46.50	42.71
312	Vilanou	- Combeau	FRA	50.19	41.89	46.04	362	Regenberg	- Regenberg	BEL	46.77	38.64	42.70
313	Vechiatto	- Engel	GER	41.91	50.10	46.01	363	Matwijow	- Klimacki	POL	42.13	43.25	42.69
314	Schraverus	- Bongartz	GER	47.58	44.37	45.97	364	Schiatti	- Barouh	FRA	4 7.16	37.96	42.56
315	Sten Lybaek	- Bakke	NOR	50.37	41.48	45.92	365	Reinhardt	- Tessenyi	GER	43.16	41.92	42.54
316	Chlewinska	- Osinski	POL	43.89	47.92	45.91	366	Friedrichsen	- Gerick	GER	39.08	45.96	42.52
317	Serchi	- Bozzi	ITA	41.27	50.33	45.80	367	Stas	- Jamar	BEL	38.74	46.16	42.45
318	Parnis England	- Dix	MAL	49.64	41.77	45.71	368	lensen	- Jensen	SWE	45.46	39.32	42.39
319	Beccuti	- Mortarotti	ITA	46.74	44.52	45.63	369	Irintchev	- Tenev	GER	46.29	38.06	42.18
320	Balzarino	- Di Maio	ITA	45.78	45.44	45.61			- de Pauw	BEL	39.35	44.68	42.02
321	Klein	- Goll	GER	52.45	38.75	45.60	370	Struvay					
322	Tomcikova	- Voracek	CZE	47.34	43.75	45.54	371	Bartels	- Horacek	GER	40.09	43.64	41.86
323	Thuillez	- Thuillez	FRA	48.55	42.45	45.50	372	Cäser	- Kondoch	GER	40.63	42.99	41.81
324	Marschall	- Marschall	GER	48.99	41.89	45.44	373	Lis	- Lis	GER	47.56	35.82	41.69
325	Stumm	- Trepnau	GER	44.47	46.40	45.43	374	de Simone	- Primavera	ITA	31.93	51.30	41.62
326	Zenkevitch	- Poroshin	RUS	43.83	47.03	45.43	375	v. Krockov	- Kurkowski	GER	39.16	44.05	41.61
327	Bignon	- Boulicaut	FRA	41.11	49.66	45.39	376	Vogel	- Humphrey	GER	43.33	39.85	41.59
328	Zampatti	- Trevellin	ITA	48.24	42.52	45.38	377	Rizzo	- Patelli	ITA	44.84	38.32	41.58
329	Lemaitre	- Dechelette	FRA	45.52	45.12	45.32	378	Arnold	- Jeschke	GER	40.48	42.55	41.52
330	Zawawi	- Markaris	GER	52.10	38.48	45.29	379	Murray	- Ryall	GBR	42.03	40.92	41.47
331	Dounaenko	- Nikel	RUS	47.61	42.78	45.20	380	Langheid	- Düllmann	GER	43.70	38.86	41.28
332	Kuzselka	- Pauly	GER	42.08	48.31	45.19	381	Wienert	- Wienert	GER	34.28	48.05	41.16
333	Bordallo	- Wichmann	SPA	43.00	47.32	45.16	382	Winkler	- Cattelaens	GER	37. 4 5	43.77	40.61
334	Brunner	- Rüegg	SWI	51.50	38.72	45.11	383	Beck	- Cseho	HUN	45.86	35.20	40.53
335	Tarasova	- Zinnatov	RUS	41.50	48.60	45.05	384	Prevoteau	- CoupŠre	FRA	37.84	42.68	40.26
336	Menil	- Attali	FRA	52.04	37.94	44.99	385	Fischer	- Neumann	GER	40.06	40.29	40.17
337	Steinhoff	- Parsch	GER	41.71	48.24	44.98	386	Astreos	- Astreos	CYP	34.22	44.90	39.56
338	Swinkels	- Swinkels	NTH	46.00	43.86	44.93	387	Jahn	- Peter	GER	32.36	45.33	38.85
339	Torre	- Torre	FRA	48.92	40.76	44.84	388	Conticello	- Pavin	ITA	41.39	35.72	38.56
340	Roald	- Hansen	NOR	47.23	42.30	44.76	389	Laack	- Clemens	GER	33.60	43.13	38.37
341	Meiser	- Veeck	GER	38.82	50.67	44.74	390	Franzoso	- Riccio	ITA	42.76	33.71	38.23
342	Teltscher	- Teltscher	GBR	45.15	44.26	44.71	391	Manczak	- Konczak	GER	42.38	33.78	38.08
343	Svensson	- Schmid	GER	42.02	47.09	44.55	392	Bettag	- Hittinger	GER	41.99	34.15	38.07
344	Skillern	- Fountain	GBR	39.39	49.15	44.27	393	Herold	- Kuhlmann	GER	41.86	33.78	37.82
345	Gerards	- Kaiser	NTH	42.70	45.74	44.22	394	D□llmann	- Lehmann	GER	37.41	38.22	37.82
346	Bollack	- Bollack	BEL	37.99	50.32	44.16	395	Peters	- Maurer	GER	30.69	43.12	36.91
347	Hnatova	- Frabsa	CZE	46.34	41.81	44.07	396	Hieronimus	- Hieronimus	GER	36.01	36.81	36.41
348	Weber	- Weber	GER	42.50	45.55	44.02	397	Pinguet	- Ferie	FRA	35.58	35.46	35.52
349	Hallberg	- Berghaus	GER	38.38	49.66	44.02		Wagner	- Felmy	GER	33.31	36.83	35.07
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