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LET BATTLE COMMENCE



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After two days of qualification the semi finals of the Open Pairs start today.

The leading pair after the ten sessions was Jan Jansma & Zia Mahmood and they were followed by Eldad Ginossar & Ron Pachtman, John Carroll & Tom Hanlon, Sabine Auken & Roy Welland, Patrick Bocken & Olivier Neve and Per Erik Austberg & Jan Tore Berg.

Loterie Nationale

The Women and Seniors get under way today, with everyone hoping to secure a place in Saturday's final.

Press Conference Attention all Journalists The President of the EBL will host a press conference on Friday 28th June at 11.00 a.m. on the 5th floor in the Ostend Queen Restaurant (Press 2nd floor button in the lift). Together with Yves Aubry, Marc De Pauw, David Harris & Geert Magerman will jointly chair the conference and answer questions from journalists. A cocktail will be served.

Today's Schedule Open, Women, Seniors Pairs

10:00 - 11:30 11:45 - 13:15 14:15 - 15:45 16:00 - 17:30 17:45 - 19:15 Same schedule for the Open MP Pairs

Important Information

Badges

At the start of play of each round, you need to enter the code on your badge in the Bridgemates. Please don't forget your badges!!!!

Side Events

Please note that all side events are open which means that pairs and teams can be composed of players of any age or gender

Winners of the side events are asked to stay at their playing area for a few minutes after the results are known in order to be photographed and to collect their certificates.

Open Pairs Final

The top 46 pairs from the semifinal will qualify for the final. There will be a linear carry-over capped at 45 matchpoints (about one top).

Non-qualifiers please remember to register by 20:00 tonight for the side games Friday and/or Saturday. You get one day free of charge and can choose between one-day Open Pairs and a two-day BAM Teams.

BBO Matches

http://www.bridgebase.com

NO BBO broadcast from Open Pair Qualifying on Thursday 27th!!!!

Bits and Pieces

Partnership Desk

There is no formal partnership desk, but there is a board in the tent next to the registration where one can search for partners/team-mates.

Internet access

There is free wifi in the whole building, including the tent and its immediate vicinity. The network name is ebl-bridge-1 or ebl-bridge-2. No password is necessary.

Payment at the registration desk

We accept cash or Credit Cards with a chip.

Food and beverages

There is a stand selling sandwiches, soups and beverages in the tent, open at least until the start of the final playing session each day. A more substantial but quickly served lunch will be available at special attractive prices at the Aqua del Mar and Ostende Queen restaurants. The latter is also providing a specially priced dinner menu for our participants.

GRATIS CARDS

Those with very tight economy can apply for a number of used EBL cards free of charge at the bookstall on the Mezzanine level. New and old EBL cards are also sold cheaply.

New Mobile Device Policy

Please take note that we are using a new policy for mobile phones at these championships. It **is allowed** to bring your mobile phones to the table provided they are completely **switched off** at all times. When going to the rest rooms however, they **must** be left at the table or with the person escorting you to the restrooms. Any breach of these rules (such as a phone ringing or vibrating) will be penalized in accordance with the General Conditions of Contest (available at http://www.eurobridge.org/Repository/competitions/13OOstende/Microsite/EBLGeneralCoC2013.pdf).



Such penalties are automatic and compulsory for the first offense.



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Illuminations

D'après Benito Garrozzo, Romain Zaleski et lui forment la meilleure paire d'octogénaires du monde. Leur performance à Ostende tend à le prouver, et il aura manqué bien peu pour que le campionissimo, qui porte allégrement ses quatre-vingt-six printemps, obtienne un nouveau titre open par équipes.

Il n'empêche que nos deux héros ont parfois quelques moments de déconcentration. Mais l'une des indéniables qualités d'une bonne paire est de réussir à tirer parti de ses (rares) erreurs pour gagner des points. Au sortir de cette donne des quarts de finale, Romain Zaleski était absolument hilare :

Quarts de finale – l'ère mi-temps, donne n°8 Ouest donneur, personne vulnérable

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La séquence d'enchères ne fut pas des plus orthodoxes :

Sud	Ouest	Nord	Est
Garozzo	Haeusler	Zaleski	Gromoeller
	passe	\bigcirc	passe
ISA	passe	2♣	passe
2 ◇	passe	3♡	passe
4♠(!?)	passe	5 🛧	passe
5♡	Fin		

Laissons Romain Zaleski raconter sa mésaventure : « Le début de partie nous était très favorable (l'équipe italienne menait de 27 à ce stade, ndlr) Sur ISA, ma redemande de 24 était un Gazzili, indiquant soit un bicolore Cœur-Trèfle naturel, soit un jeu d'au moins 16 points, avec de nombreuses distributions possibles. La réponse de $2\Diamond$ de Benito, relais positif, garantissait un minimum de 8 points H et le saut à $3\heartsuit$, forcing de manche, décrivait un bon unicolore sixième. Et là-dessus, Benito s'est trompé de

carton ! Il a voulu tout simplement déclarer la manche à $4\heartsuit$ et a posé $4\clubsuit$ sur la table. Je dois dire que je suis resté interdit quand j'ai vu cette enchère. Je ne savais pas du tout ce qui se passait mais j'ai pensé que Benito avait peut-être une chicane à Pique, ou un violent bicolore mineur ? Bref, j'ai dit 5♣ à tout hasard et j'ai passé sur la rectification à $5\heartsuit$.



Romain Zaleski

Gromoeller a entamé du As et a contre-attaqué atout à la deuxième levée. J'ai pris dans ma main et j'étais un peu secoué par la vue du mort. Je confesse que je ne me suis pas bien reconcentré pour jouer le coup et j'ai fait une chose extravagante, j'ai tiré le As ! Là-dessus, le Roi sec d'Ouest est tombé, ce qui, vous le comprendrez, m'a totalement réveillé. J'ai purgé les atouts et j'ai tablé onze levées.

Le plus extraordinaire, c'est que nous avons gagné 11 points alors que nos homologues se sont arrêtés à 4 \heartsuit . Après un même début de coup, As de Pique et atout, le déclarant, Fritsche, a réfléchi que sa meilleure chance de gain était de jouer la Dame de sa main. Cela lui permettait de gagner avec le Roi second dans n'importe quelle main, mais aussi avec le Roi placé. Si la Dame faisait la levée, il pouvait rentrer au mort au \heartsuit As et refaire l'impasse à Trèfle. Mais Ouest prit la Dame du Roi sec, rendit la main à son partenaire au Roi et obtint une coupe à Trèfle ! A ce moment-là, vraiment, rien ne pouvait nous arriver... »

— Philippe Cronier



Interview with Mr. Marc De Pauw, President of the Royal Belgian Bridge Federation

This is the third of three interviews with the Presidents of respectively the EBL, the WBF and RBBF/ IMSA.

Marc De Pauw is the President of the RBBF – Royal Belgian Bridge Federation and Treasurer of IMSA.



Marc De Pauw

As an organizer Mr. De Pauw is very happy with the good number of participants. The Kursaal Ostend is a perfect venue for these championships: ample space and good conditions for the players to perform to the best of their abilities, thanks to the organizational work of the EBL staff and the Belgian volunteers in good harmony. The number of people working at this event is quite impressive, at least a hundred. We already have an excellent record of organizing championships in Ostend. And the collaboration with the city authorities and the Tourist Office has always been excellent. They know the Bridge population very well and what these events bring to the local economy, all the more reason for them to be satisfied that we come here.

Mr. De Pauw is also Treasurer of the WBF and tells us that the WBF is not a rich organisation compared with for instance FIDE (Chess). The financial means available today serve the purpose of the WBF to organize championships and invest e.g. in Youth development, teaching programmes and website. Besides having working capital for the WBF, there is a buffer too when times are not so good, to cover up for loss. In order to maintain a healthy financial balance both in the EBL and the WBF, you need to have some guidelines to assure that the goals can be achieved: to cover the operational expenses with the contributions of the NBOs (paying dues), but the overall results depend upon the results of the championships. Unfortunately, there are no structural sponsors and the sponsors we have are related to the championships and the country where they take place.

One has to see IMSA in relation to the olympic movement. IMSA, the International Mind Sports Association is basically a body in the first place aimed at olympic recognition. Chess and Bridge have already been recognised by the Olympic movement and both are members of SportAccord, the association of all recognised internationall sport federations. Draughts and Go are in the process of being recognised. Secondly, once all five mind sports (Bridge, Chess, Chinese Chess, Draughts and Go) have been recognised, we can put all our resources together and join forces to achieve certain goals, for instance becoming a medal sport in the olympic events, either in the summer or the winter games or even a separate series.

As to the future of IMSA, a change in strategy has occurred since the general assembly of SportAccord in St. Petersburg, last month. SportAccord is being chaired by the president of FIDE. Also in IMSA there have been some changes in the board: José Damiani as founding President has stepped down and IMSA is now chaired by the President of FIDE and also the Vice-President and the Secretary-General have changed. And after discussion it is clear that strategy will be modified, as compared to the past. From broad championships such as Beijing 2008 and Lille 2012 we will go to Top Sport events, also because the IOC (the International Olympic Committee) wants only top players participating. We have already had some Top Sport events organised by Sport Accord last December in Bejing and for this year and next year they have already been planned. Regarding IMSA, a first (smaller) event for top players only in June 2014 has been planned in Ufa, Russia and a place is reserved for young players. In 2016 no 3rd Mind Sports Games will be organised! Instead championships comparable to the former bridge 'olympiad' (this name will not be used though) are going to take place only for bridge. Thanks to the work of Mr. Damiani, bridge has been recognised, and now also other mind sports have sent an application to join, e.g. Scrabble and the mathematical games. There is a great interest in joining. Finally, a decision has to be made if and when bridge will be part of the summer or winter games or another format.

A final word to all participants in Ostend: "Don't take bridge too seriously, life doesn't stop at 8 p.m.!"

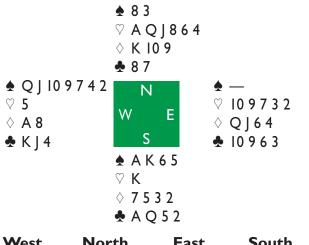
— by Geert Magerman and Jan Swaan

Nail Biter
By Brent Manley

If the Mazurkiewicz and Isrmany teams were not judged to be evenly matched on paper, they certainly demonstrated that they were in practice, as the Polish squad fought to a I IMP lead halfway through their semi-final in the Open Teams.

The first deal was a routine 6NT, plus 990 at both tables. Isrmany went ahead on board 2.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.



West	North	East	South
Padon	Jassem	Birman	Mazurkiewicz
		Pass	$ \diamond$
4♠	Dbl	All Pass	

Krzysztof Jassem led his partner's suit, starting with the $\diamond 10$. The $\diamond Q$ held the trick for Dror Padon's first and only trip to the dummy. He led a club up and South won the ace to switch to the $\heartsuit K$. Declarer had to lose two clubs, two spades and a heart for minus 300.



Dror Padon

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West	North	East	South	
Gawrys	Herbst O.	Tuszynski	Herbst I.	
		Pass	♣	
4♠	Dbl	All Pass		
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Ophir Herbst led a club. His brother, Ilan, won the A and switched to the $\heartsuit K$, overtaken by North with the ace. Thanks to the non-diamond lead, Isrmany had an extra trick for plus 500 and a 5 IMP gain.

Mazurkiewicz took the lead on the fourth board when Isrmany went minus at both tables.

	Board 4. Dea ▲ A J ♡ K 0 ◇ 10 ♣ A	5 9 4 8 4	ll Vul.
 ▲ 6 2 ♡ A 10 7 ◊ Q 5 2 ♣ 10 9 	₩ • 87	E 5	 ▲ K Q 10 9 4 3 ♡ J ◊ 9 6 3 ♣ K 8 2
	♡ Q ◇ A ♣ Q	K J 7	
West	North	East	South

Padon	Jassem	Birman	Mazurkiewicz
2◊*	Pass	20	All Pass

Marcin Mazurkiewicz started with the $\Diamond A$, switching to the $\clubsuit Q$ at trick two. Jassem let that ride to declarer's king. Mazurkiewicz covered when declarer led the \heartsuit J from hand, and Jassem won the heart continuation with the nine. He cashed the $\clubsuit A$ and the $\bigstar A$ before playing a diamond to his partner's king. That was six tricks to the defense and plus 100.

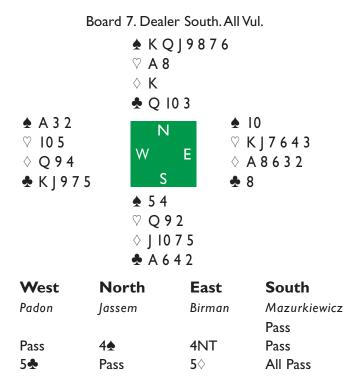
The Herbst brothers got too high at the other table.

West	North	East	South
Gawrys	Herbst O.	Tuszynski	Herbst I.
Pass	♣	2♠	3♠*
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Piotr Tuszynski led the \bigstar K, ducked by Ophir. Tuszynski switched to the \heartsuit J, covered by the queen and ace, and Piotr Gawrys played a second round of spades. Ophir won the \bigstar A and finessed in diamonds. Gawrys won the queen and played a club, taken by declarer with the ace. He cashed diamonds, then played a heart to the 9. The \heartsuit K was his last trick, so the result was minus 200 – 7 IMPs to Mazurkiewicz.

Isrmany turned the tables on the Poles on the next deal, getting plus 100 against Jassem-Mazurkiewicz and plus 300 for 4th doubled against Gawrys and Tuszynski. The 9 IMP gain made it 14-7 Isrmany.

A big swing went to Mazurkiewicz on board 7.



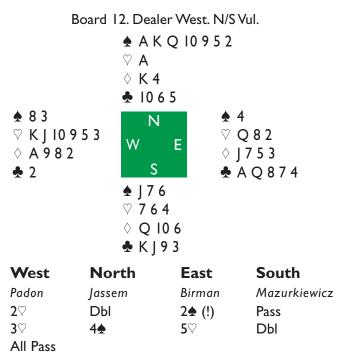
Mazurkiewicz led the $\bigstar4$ (low from doubletons) to the ace, Jassem playing the king, a signal that apparently helped David Birman in his play of the heart suit. At trick two, Birman played a low heart to his king, following with a low heart from hand. South went in with the queen, which was topped by his partner's ace. The \bigstar J was ruffed by declarer, who cashed the $\Diamond A$, then played the \heartsuit J, pitching a spade and continued with a fourth heart. Mazurkiewicz ruffed low, overruffed by the 9. Declarer cashed the trump queen and tried the \bigstar K. South took the ace and had the setting trick in the master trump. Plus 100 to Mazurkiewicz

At the other table, South doubled too soon.

West	North	East	South
Gawrys	Herbst O.	Tuszynski	Herbst I.
			Pass
Pass	♠	2♠	Pass
3 🙅	3♠	Pass	Pass
4♣	Pass	4 \diamond	Dbl
All Pass			

This contract can be defeated with a heart lead or even a diamond, but Ilan understandably started with a low spade. Tusznyski took the \bigstar A and played a heart, putting in the king when North played low. Tuszynski exited with a heart from hand, and South's queen was overtaken by the barenews and bad news about trumps by cashing the ace. He followed with the \heartsuit J, pitching a spade when South discarded. Another heart was ruffed by South with the 7 and overruffed by dummy with the 9. Tuszynski lost one club, one heart and one diamond for plus 710 and 13 IMPs to his side.

The score was 23-14 in favour of Mazurkiewicz when this deal came along.

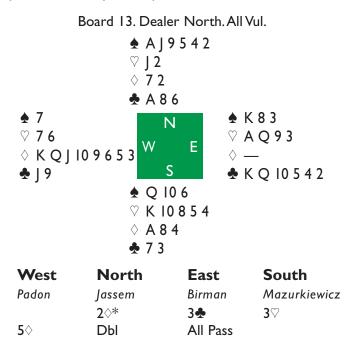


The defenders had four tricks – the major-suit aces plus two diamond tricks for plus 300. At the other table, the Herbsts did better.

West	North	East	South
Gawrys	Herbst O.	Tuszynski	Herbst I.
2♡	Dbl	2♠ (!)	Pass
40	4 ♡	5♣	Dbl
5♡	Pass	Pass	5♠
All Pass			

Double-dummy, this contract can be defeated with the lead of the \clubsuit A, followed by a club ruff and the \Diamond A, but Tuszynski led his partner's suit and Ophir duly chalked up plus 650 for an 8 IMP gain to close the gap to 23-22.

On the penultimate board, a good opening lead salvaged a push for Isrmany to keep the score close.



Jassem cashed the A, giving Padon a parking place for his losing heart. There were two more aces to come for North-South, so they recorded plus 200.

West	North	East	South
Gawrys	Herbst O.	Tuszynski	Herbst I.
	2 ◇	3♣	3♡
5◇	All Pass		

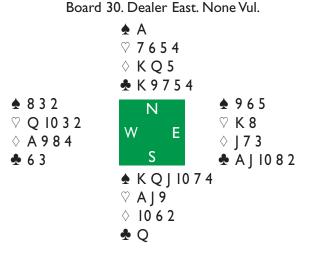
No one doubled this contract, so if Gawrys could get out for one down, that would be 3 IMPs to Mazurkiewicz. Ophir, however, led his partner's suit, guaranteeing plus 200. Gawrys had to lose one trick in each suit.

The final board was a push, leaving Mazurkiewicz clinging to a 1 IMP lead with 14 boards to play.



Gunnar Hallberg of England & Per-Ola Cullin of Sweden are only just above average, so each good result moves them up more places than those near the extreme.

Hallberg took an inference from the silence of an opponent to record this game, which was not made at many tables:



East passed and Hallberg, South, opened a constructive Two Spades. Cullin, North, made a game probe of 2NT, which Hallberg accepted, bidding $4 \pm$.

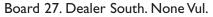
A heart lead sinks the game as the defence can set up four tricks, but West chose a club to East's ace and now the king of hearts came back.

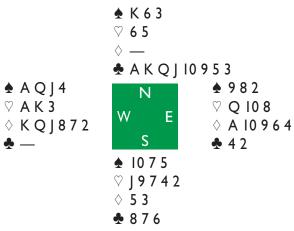
One might make the error of assuming East also held the heart queen but Hallberg realised this was unnecessary. For if East, who did not open, held the heart queen, West must have the diamond ace. And if East did not have the heart queen then it was also right to play for the diamond onside.

So Hallberg played successfully for the diamond ace onside and discarded a heart rather than a diamond on dummy's winning club.

Dastardly Diamond Disaster By Maureen Dennison

This hand was reported in the Assael-Ned Aut match when neither side played in the frigid 6. At another table there was an amusing by-play!





Mario Dix from Malta was sitting North, and the Danish junior sitting on his right opened a strong $2\clubsuit$. He bid a diversionary $2\Diamond$! The effect of this was that the juniors lost their way and finished in $4\heartsuit$.



Margaret Parnis-England and Mario Dix

Margaret Parnis-England, sitting South, of course, led a diamond and there was some surprise round the table when North ruffed this. Declarer, of course, could not overcome the five-two trump break. In the spirit of the game, left hand junior commented 'What a fabulous bid!'

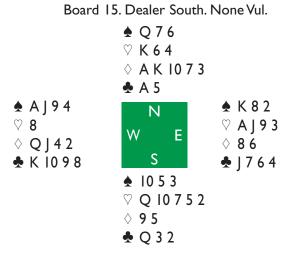
What sportsmanship!

Isrmany-Mazurkiewicz

By Barry Rigal

Semi-finals second half

Our second half started with Mazurkiewicz leading by one IMP.We shall refer to the Herbsts by their first names in the body of the text. The half began with Isrmany taking the lead on a small deal.



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wojcieszek	Piekarek	Jassem	Smirnov
			Pass
$ \diamond$	Pass	\square	Pass
♠	Pass	INT	All Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Herbst I.	Tuszynski	Herbst O.	Gawrys
			Pass
♣	INT	Dbl	20
All Pass			

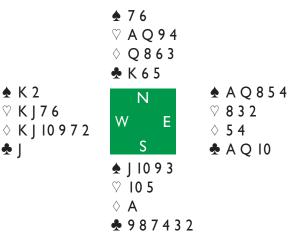


Josef Piekarek

 $2\heartsuit$ looks like a tolerable spot on a top diamond lead. Gawrys led the $\heartsuit K$ from dummy and Ophir won to shift to a club. Now Gawrys led a trump to his queen and the 4-1 split left him very poorly placed. He finessed again in diamonds and led the $\diamondsuit K$. Ophir ruffed and Gawrys overruffed to lead $\clubsuit Q$ from hand. Ilan won and shifted to the $\bigstar J$, covered all round. Ophir drew the last trump from dummy and the defenders had three black-suit winners to cash. Down two.

Had Smirnov managed to find a diamond lead against INT the contract would have been in severe jeopardy. However, on a club lead Piekarek ducked dummy's eight. But declarer overtook with the jack and repeated the finesse. Piekarek shifted to the \heartsuit 6, to the 3, 10 and 8. Smirnov shot back a low diamond to the queen and king, and when Piekarek exited with the \heartsuit K Jassem won his \heartsuit A and played the \heartsuit 9, pitching spades from dummy. The defenders had one club, two hearts and three diamonds but no more, when Smirnov shifted to the \diamondsuit 9 and declarer ducked in dummy. Next both tables defended 3NT and allowed declarer to make 660 rather than 630 by not cashing an ace early on (but what's an IMP between friends?)





Open Room

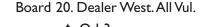
West	North	East	South
Wojcieszek	Piekarek	Jassem	Smirnov
	Pass	I ♠	Pass
INT	Pass	2 🙅	Pass
3♢	All Pass		

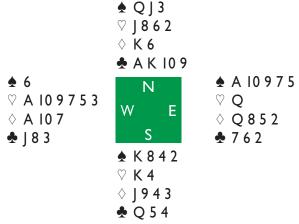
Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Herbst I.	Tuszynski	Herbst O.	Gawrys
	Pass	♠	Pass
2 ◇	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♡	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Piekarek hit on the club lead against $3\Diamond$. Declarer won the ace and played a trump, and Smirnov took this to play the \heartsuit 5, covered by the jack and queen. Back came a spade; declarer won the queen and passed the $\clubsuit Q$ to pitch a heart, letting Piekarek win and cash $\heartsuit A$, with a trump trick still to come. Down one, but a flat board, since Gawrys did well to find the $\heartsuit 10$ lead against 3NT and the defenders took five red-suit winners in the fullness of time. On a club lead 3NT might well have come home?

At both tables the E/W pairs then played 4 doubled after a Multi from South, down on a heart ruff, then played 3NT down one, both deals on essentially identical bidding and play. Still 25-23 for Isrmany.





Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wojcieszek	Piekarek	Jassem	Smirnov
2 ◇	Dbl	Rdbl	Pass
2♡	Pass	Pass	Dbl
All Pass			

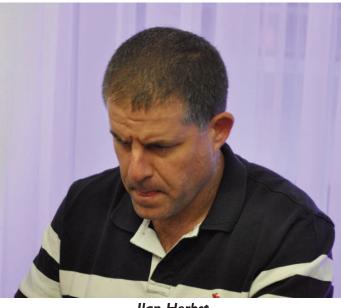
Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Herbst I.	Tuszynski	Herbst O.	Gawrys
2 ◇	Dbl	2♡	Dbl
Pass	2NT	All Pass	

In 2NT Tuszynski received a spade lead, which he won in hand with the jack. He found the imaginative shot of the $\Diamond K$ next, ducked all round, then led a heart to the queen king and ace, and won the $\heartsuit 10$ with the $\heartsuit J$. He could now set up a second spade trick and guess clubs for +120.

Meanwhile against 2^{\heartsuit} doubled Piekarek led a top club and shifted to a low spade. Declarer won the $\bigstar A$ and ruffed a spade, then exited in clubs, Piekarek winning to force declarer again. Back came a third club, and Smirnov led a fourth spade, ruffed with the nine and overruffed. Now the fourth club saw declarer ruff in dummy and be overruffed by the king. He overruffed with the ace, cashed the heart ten, then exited in hearts to North, to endplay him on the enforced diamond return for down one and -200. Just 2 IMPs to Isrmany, up 27-23.

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llan Herbst

At both tables the E/W pairs then played 4% (doubled by the Poles after a Gawrys I opener in third seat) and Tuszynski did well to avoid leading a diamond from his 3-2-3-5 10-count and $\Diamond Kxx$, since that was the only lead to let the game through. After a trump lead llan cashed out for down one; in the other room Wojciesek followed a sensible line to make the hand he ended up down two; no swing.

After a couple of flat boards (680 where slam needed a break and a finesse) and INT down 200, which could have been 300 in each room:

Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

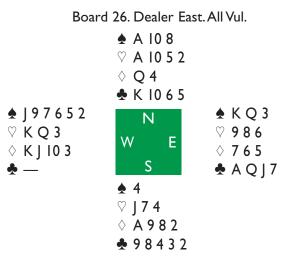
	 ▲ A ♡ 3 ◇ A K 7 5 3 2 ♣ J 10 9 8 7 	
 ▲ K 9 6 4 ♡ 8 7 4 ◇ Q 9 ♣ K Q 6 3 	N W E S ▲ J 10 7 3 ♡ Q 10 9 5 ◊ 10 8	 ▲ Q 8 5 2 ♡ A K J 6 2 ◊ J 6 4 ◆ 2
	🛧 A 5 4	

Open and Closed Rooms

North	East	South
Piekarek	Jassem	Smirnov
Tuszynski	Herbst O.	Gawrys
$ \diamond$	\square	Dbl
3♣	All Pass	
	Piekarek Tuszynski ◊	Piekarek Jassem Tuszynski Herbst O. I♦ I♡

Both tables reached 34; Piekarek received a top heart lead and club switch. He ducked, won the spade return, cashed the top diamonds and ruffed a diamond with $\clubsuit A$, then gave up a club and claimed. In the other room Ophir Herbst shifted at trick two to a low spade, to West's $\bigstar 9$ and the ace. Now declarer played three rounds of diamonds, ruffing high, then a trump, and the 4-1 break was fatal to him. West could win and tap him out with a heart, and then lead spades when next in with a trump, giving the defenders five tricks. Had declarer ruffed the third diamond low, he could have held his losers to three trumps and a heart.

The 5 IMPs made it 32-23 to Isrmany. After a push in $6\diamond$ by both N/S pairs, making on one of two finesses, Mazurkiewicz broke their duck for the set.



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wojcieszek	Piekarek	Jassem	Smirnov
		♣	Pass
♠	Pass	INT	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Herbst I.	Tuszynski	Herbst O.	Gawrys
		♣	Pass
l♡(≜)	Pass	♠	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

Both tables reached 44, once from the East, once from the West seat. Piekarek led the $\Diamond Q$, and Smirnov won his ace to shift to hearts, necessary to defeat the contract. In the other room South led a heart and North won to continue the suit. Declarer crossed to the $\bigstar K$ (North ducking his A) and pitched his heart loser on the Abefore finessing in diamonds and running into the ruff for down two. Much discussion in the bulletin office has left undetermined the issue of whether North should fly with A at trick three – we think yes. Having said that, the focus switches to declarer's play at trick five. East already knows North has ducked the setting trick; would he have done that with three small diamonds or does a holding of $\Diamond Qx$ make the mistake more likely (when he knows that if his partner does have $\Diamond A$ the contract will go down whatever East does?)

The calculation is highly complex: declarer was playing for 12 IMPs with no more than a 25% chance that his line would lead to two down – but those 3 IMPs might be critical here. It was 32-26 now.

 ▲ J 8 5 ♡ 10 9 7 6 2 ◊ 6 4 3 2 ◆ A 	Dealer South ▲ A Q 10 9 √ ♡ J ○ J 10 7 ♣ J 7 6 2 W E S ● 7 3 ♡ A K 8 3 ◇ A 9 ♣ K 10 9 8 5	6 ▲ K 4 2 ♡ Q 5 4 ◇ K Q 8 5 ♣ Q 4 3
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
Wojcieszek	Piekarek	Jassem	Smirnov
			ا 🛧
Pass	♠	Pass	20
Pass	3♣	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Herbst I.	Tuszynski	Herbst O.	Gawrys
			۱ 🕭
♠	Pass	INT	Pass
2♠	All Pass		

After a top diamond lead against $2 \pm$ the defenders could score only one trump and one trick in each minor suit. By contrast 3NT was an awkward affair when the opening heart lead was covered by the jack and queen. Smirnov won in hand and finessed the $\pm Q$ (hoping for two spades four clubs and three red winners). The defenders cleared hearts and got in with the $\pm A$ (declarer misguessing since he needed West to have no entries to the hearts) to cash out the hearts and take one trick at the end. Down two and 7 IMPs, making it 33-32.

The last deal offered very little chance for swing; the normal line in 3NT was to take 11 tricks, and both tables duly did so. The set had finished 10-10 and the match ended 33-32 to Mazurkiewicz. The Bulletin Room has no recollection of any match of more than 16 deals ever having been won by a team scoring in essence 1 IMP a board. This was an exceptionally well played match by both teams, and although some of the flat boards came about because the North-South pairs were playing very similar systems, it was still remarkable that there were so few IMPs scored from errors by either team.

A Bridge Too Far

By Mark Horton

A Bridge Too Far is a 1977 epic war film based on the 1974 book of the same name by Cornelius Ryan, adapted by William Goldman.

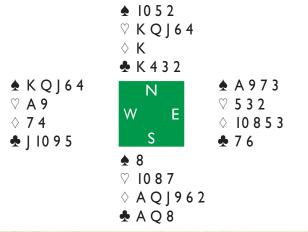
The film tells the story of the failure of Operation Market Garden during World War II. This was the Allied attempt to break through German lines and seize several bridges in the occupied Netherlands, including one at Arnhem, with the main objective of outflanking German defences.

The name for the film comes from a comment attributed to British Lieutenant-General Frederick Browning, deputy commander of the First Allied Airborne Army, who told Field Marshal Montgomery, the operation's architect, before the operation: 'I think we may be going a bridge too far.'

In Ostend, the question on everyone's lips was could the great Benito Garozzo, playing like a man inspired, cross the final bridge en route to another European title?

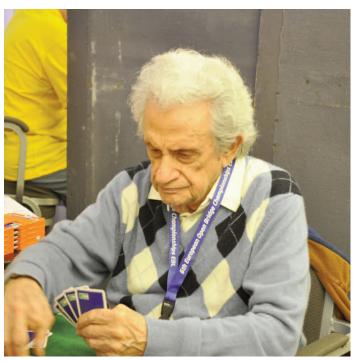
The first half in the match between Breno and Mazurkiewicz was hard fought, although there were no double-digit swings.

Board I. Dealer North. None Vul.





Krzysztof Jassem



Benito Garozzo

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mazurkiewicz	Zaleski	Jassem K.	Garozzo
	\bigcirc	Pass	2 ◇
2♠	Pass	3♠	4 ♡
4♠	Pass	Pass	Dbl
All Pass			

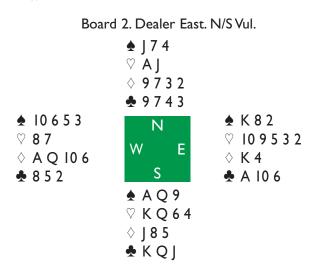
North led the king of diamonds, South following with the nine, and switched to the king of hearts. Declarer won with the ace and played the nine of clubs. South won with the queen, cashed the jack of diamonds and continued with the queen. Declarer pitched a heart, so South continued with the ace of diamonds. Declarer ruffed with the ace of spades and played the ten of clubs. North won with the king and played the queen of hearts, and declarer ruffed, cashed the queen of spades, played a spade to the nine, ruffed a heart with the jack of spades and played a club, scoring the last two tricks with the ace and seven of spades, two down, -300.

With $4\heartsuit$ stone cold, it was a good start for the Polish team.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Jassem	Manno	Wojcieszek
	$ \heartsuit$	Pass	2 ◇
Pass All Pass	2♡	Pass	4 ♡

It would be clear to bid $2 \pm$ playing pairs, but the situation is not so clear at IMPs. When West took the conservative line, N/S were left to score a straightforward +450 and 4 IMPs.



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mazurkiewicz	Zaleski	Jassem K.	Garozzo
		Pass	2◊*
Pass All Pass	2♠*	Pass	2NT

South showed his strong balanced hand via $2\Diamond$ and with virtually all his points in a short suit North wisely passed.

West led the three of spades and declarer won with the nine and played the king of clubs. East won and returned the king of spades and declarer won, cashed the top clubs, unblocked dummy's hearts, cashed the last club, came to hand with a spade and cashed two hearts. That gave him ten tricks, +180.



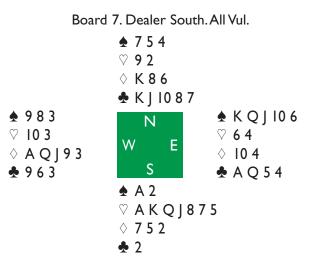
Andrea Manno

Would E/W have defended the same way against 3NT? We will never know.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Jassem	Manno	Wojcieszek
		Pass	♣
Pass	I \diamond	\square	INT
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

West led the eight of hearts and declarer won with dummy's ace and played the jack of spades, covered by the king and ace. The king of clubs lost to East's ace and he switched to the king of diamonds and played another diamond. That was one down, -100 and 7 IMPs to Breno.



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mazurkiewicz	Zaleski	Jassem K.	Garozzo
			4 ♣*
Pass	4 \%	4♠	All Pass

44 ... Texas for Hearts

They tell me that opening 4° operates as a transfer to 4° by the opponents, and so it proved.

South cashed the ace of hearts, followed it with the king and switched to the two of clubs. Declarer took North's king with the ace and played the ten of spades. If South wins that and plays a diamond, declarer is likely to finesse and North will win and give South a club ruff.

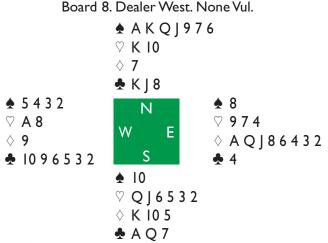
When South ducked, declarer played another spade and South won and played the five of diamonds. Declarer finessed and that was one down, -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Jassem	Manno	Wojcieszek I♡
Pass All Pass	♠	Pass	4 ♡

I think North's $I \triangleq$ may have been the equivalent of a INT response.

West led the three of clubs and East took dummy's ten with the queen and switched to the king of spades. Declarer won with the ace and played six rounds of hearts followed by a diamond. West took the ace and played a spade, and East won and played a diamond; so in due course West took a diamond trick for one down, +100 and 5 IMPs to Breno.



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mazurkiewicz	Zaleski	Jassem K.	Garozzo
Pass	♠	5◇	Dbl
Pass	5♠	Pass	Pass
Dbl	All Pass		

East led his club and declarer won with the eight, drew trumps and lost only to the red aces, +650.

Had North chosen to defend it would not have been difficult to collect +800. One way is for South to lead a spade, North winning and switching to a trump, South winning and returning a heart.

Closed Room

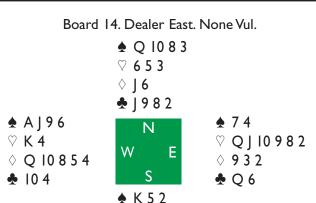
West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Jassem	Manno	Wojcieszek
Pass	♣*	4 ◇	4 ♡
Pass	4NT*	Pass	5 ♣*
Pass	5◇*	Pass	5♠
All Pass			
l 🌲 Polish			

I 🕭 . .Polish

I find this auction confusing. If 4NT was asking for key cards and 5 \clubsuit showed one. Did North now ask for the queen of hearts with 5 \Diamond , so that he could pass a 5 \bigstar response? If that is right was he intending to bid 5 \bigstar over 5 \heartsuit ? Maybe the partnership inverts 4 \bigstar and 4NT.

Anyhow, the defenders cashed their aces, +450 and 5 IMPs to Breno.





Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mazurkiewicz	Zaleski	Jassem K.	Garozzo
		2◊*	Dbl
Rdbl*	Pass	2♡	3NT
All Pass			
2◊Multi Rdbl .Bid you	r suit.		

♡ A 7

A K 7

🕭 A K 7 5 3

You might consider South's 3NT to be an overbid, but it seems the right action - it covers the situation when partner produces enough to give you a play for game, but might not raise 2NT.

West led the four of diamonds and when dummy's jack held he played the nine of clubs to the ace, cashed the king, unblocking the eight, played a club to the jack and then cashed two more clubs. His next move was to play the king of spades and West took the ace and played the nine of spades. Declarer put in the ten and as West had already discarded a spade he scored twelve tricks, +490.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Jassem	Manno	Wojcieszek
		2◇*	DЫ
2♡*	Pass	Pass	2NT
All Pass			

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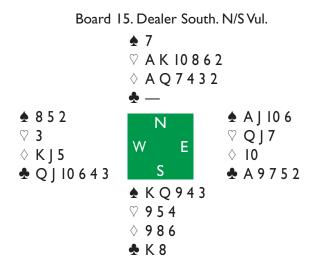
 $\begin{array}{ccc} 2 \Diamond & . . Multi \\ 2 \heartsuit & . . Pass or correct. \end{array}$

South's rebid might be right in theory, but it was wrong in practice.

As before the jack of diamonds won the first trick, and declarer cashed the top clubs and played a spade to the ten. When that held, he played a spade to the king and ace. In the fullness of time West scored a second spade trick, +210 and 7 IMPs to Breno who had won the set 31-7.

Or had they?

When a phone went off at the table, N/S were penalised 6 IMPs. The Polish players immediately told the director that they had no wish to score IMPs in this way. What sportsmen! The second half of the final started with an explosive deal:



Open Room

West Mazurkiewicz	North Intonti	East Jassem K.	South D'Avossa
		-	Pass
3♣	3♡	5 🙅	Dbl
Pass	5 ◇	Pass	5♡
All Pass			

West picked a perfect moment to preempt. North might have tried 4, Leaping Michaels, to show diamonds and a major, but if East then bids 5, and South doubles, North will have the same decision he faced on the actual auction, though at least he will now have already shown a two-suiter.

East cashed the ace of spades and switched to the queen of hearts. Declarer won with the ace and cashed the king, East discarding the three of clubs. Declarer turned his attention to diamonds, cashing the ace and continuing with the two. West took his diamond tricks and there was still a trump to come, for two down and -200.

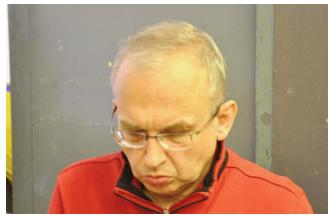
Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Tuszynski	Manno	Gawrys
			Pass
Pass	\bigtriangledown	Pass	2♡
Pass	3♢	Pass	3♡
Pass	4♣	Pass	40
All Pass			

 3^{\diamond} was a game try, North trying to determine if there might be a magic fit which would produce a slam. When South showed an unsuitable hand North might have signed off in 4° , but made one more try before settling in game.

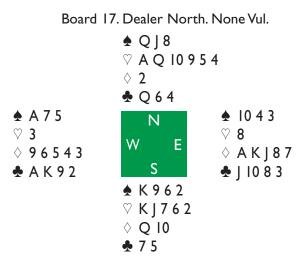
With a difficult lead East went for the ten of diamonds, which made life simple for declarer. He won with the queen, cashed the top hearts and went back to diamonds for a simple +620 and 13 IMPs to the Poles.

As the cards lie you can always score ten tricks in hearts. Say East leads the queen of hearts. You win and play a spade



Piotr Gawrys

and East wins but is already in trouble. If he tries the ace of clubs you ruff and play two more rounds of hearts putting East back on lead.



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mazurkiewicz	Intonti	Jassem K.	D'Avossa
	$ \heartsuit$	Pass	3♣*
Dbl	4 ♡	5秦	Dbl
All Pass			

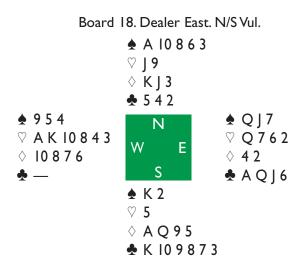
3. Heart support

South led the king of hearts and when North played the ten he switched to the two of spades. Declarer put up dummy's ace, cashed the top clubs and exited with a club, North winning and cashing two spades, two down, -300. Not a great result for E/W with 4% having no real chance.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Tuszynski	Manno	Gawrys
	∇	Pass	3⊘*
Pass	3♡	All Pass	

East started with his top diamonds and declarer ruffed the second round and claimed, +140 but 4 IMPs to Breno. According to Meckstroth's Law, when partner freely supports your six card major you should bid game, but this was perhaps the exception that proves the rule.



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mazurkiewicz	Intonti	Jassem K.	D'Avossa
		♣*	2 📥
2♡	2♠	3♡	All Pass

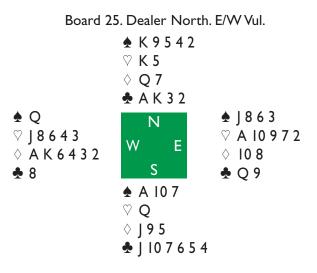
This time it was E/W who violated Meckstroth's Law. Of course they were right, as 4° should go down, but North led a club and declarer put in dummy's queen, ruffing away South's king, drawing trumps and pitching two spades on clubs, ten tricks and +170. Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Tuszynski	Manno	Gawrys
		INT*	Pass
2◊*	Pass	2♠*	3 📥
4 ♡	All Pass		

INT 11-14

 $2 \bigstar$. .Four card support for hearts

Of course North led a club and declarer got home in similar fashion, +420 and 6 IMPs. Breno now led 41-20 and after six more deals they were still ahead 41-24.



Open Room

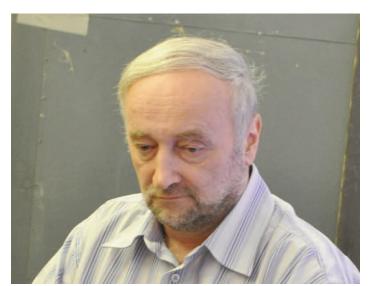
West	North	East	South
Mazurkiewicz	Intonti	Jassem K.	D'Avossa
		Pass	2♠
3♡	Pass	4 ♡	All Pass

In this situation you might bid 2NT with the West hand to show a two suiter (I am told that Garozzo uses this to show the red suits!).

It is hard to argue with success, but West's $3\heartsuit$ seems an extraordinary choice.

Declarer lost a club, a spade and a heart, +620.





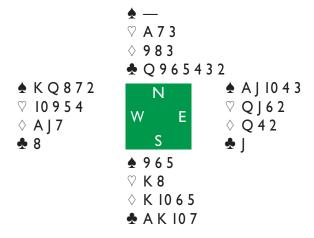
Piotr Tuszynski

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Tuszynski	Manno	Gawrys
	♠	Pass	2♠
3♢	3♠	All Pass	

East led the ten of diamonds and West won with the king and switched to the eight of clubs. Declarer won with the ace and played a spade to the ace (had he started with the king of spades he might even have made $3 \pm$). Another spade saw West discard the six of hearts and declarer won with the king and played a spade. East took the jack, cashed the ace of hearts and played a diamond. West won and played the two of diamonds, enabling East to score the eight of spades for one down, -50 but 11 IMPs to the Poles. After one more IMP to Breno:

Board 27. Dealer South. None Vul.



Open Room

West	: I	North	n Ea	ast	So	uth	
Mazurk	iewicz I	ntonti	Jas	ssem l	K. D'A	vossa	1
					I♦		
	F	Pass	44	2	All	Pass	
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North's silence was definitely not golden, as 5^{e} is impossible to defeat.

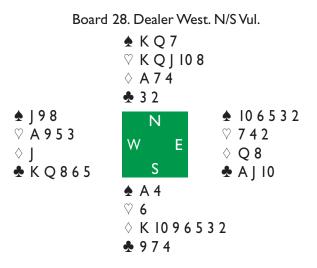
He led the two of clubs and South won with the king and switched to the king of hearts and a heart. North won and gave South a ruff and there was diamond to come, two down, -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Tuszynski	Manno	Gawrys
			♣*
♠	4♣	4♠	5 ᆇ
All Pass			
I 🕭Polish	Club		

The Polish pair made no mistake and declarer ruffed the spade lead, played a club to the ace and claimed (He ruffs a spade, plays three rounds of hearts, ruffing, ruffs a spade and plays a diamond, covering East's card if necessary) +400 and 7 IMPs, leaving the score tied at 42-42.

This was the last deal:



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mazurkiewicz	Intonti	Jassem K.	D'Avossa
♣*	\bigcirc	Dbl	2♣*
Dbl	Rdbl	Pass	3♢
All Pass			
I ♣Polish 2♣Diamon	ds		

West led the nine of spades (would he have done that against $5\diamond$?) so declarer quickly took 11 tricks, +150.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lanzarotti	Tuszynski	Manno	Gawrys
Pass	\bigtriangledown	Pass	INT
Pass	2♡	All Pass	

East led the two of spades (would he have done that against $4\heartsuit$?) and declarer won with dummy's ace and played on trumps. When West took his ace he did not switch to a a club, so declarer took 12 tricks, +230 and 2 IMPs to the new Champions, Mazurkiewicz.

Zia As Spectator

By Brent Manley

When Zia Mahmood plays in a tournament, there are always lots of kibitzers. You never know when his fertile imagination will produce a bid or play worth talking about. There's also the friendly banter with the opponents. Things are never dull when he's at the table.

At one point during session six of the Open Pairs on Wednesday, Zia had words for his partner, Jan Jansma. "The kibitzers are complaining," Zia said, "about you being a hand hog."

Indeed, Zia was not declarer on a single board in the session. On the other hand, Jansma might have quoted the adage that "the proof is in the pudding." With Jansma in the driver's seat, the two scored 62% to move closer to the top of the qualifying field.



Philippe Coenraets The first board for them was bad.

Board 21. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

	 ▲ J 6 5 ♡ 10 9 8 4 3 ◊ 3 2 ♣ K 10 6 	
🛦 A 8 7 4		🛦 K Q 10
♡] 7		♡ Q 6 5 2
10 8 7 6		◊ Q J 5
📥 8 5 3		📥 J 4 2
	9 3 2	
	♡ A K	
	👌 A K 9 4	
	📥 A Q 9 7	

Steven De Donder, South, opened 2NT after two passes, and his partner, Philippe Coenraets, transferred to hearts. When De Donder bid 3%, Coenraets told Zia the bid

showed only two hearts. That persuaded North to forget about bidding on, a good decision because game was out of the question (Deep Finesse says declarer can be held to eight tricks in 2°). Plus 140 for North-South meant only 17% for Zia-Jansma.

They did much better on the second board.

Вс	oard 22. Dealer	East. E/W	/ Vul.
	≜	6 2	
◆ 763		*	A 9 5 2
♡ Q I0 4 3		\heartsuit	8
◊ K 5		\diamond	A Q 9 8
📥 K J 10 5		*	A Q 6 3
-	🛦 K Q I	0	-
	♡ A 7 5		
	♦ 7 4 3 1	2	
	◆ 7 1 5	2	
West	North	East	South
Jansma	Coenraets	Zia	De Donder
-		$ \diamond$	Pass
♠	Pass		Pass
INT	Pass	2 📤	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	All Pass
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North led a low heart to partner's ace. A second heart went to the 10 and jack. Coenraets did well now not to cash the $\heartsuit K$, surrendering a 10th trick. Jansma took the ace on the spade switch, and the lucky lie of the diamonds meant he had nine top tricks for plus 600, good for 67%. Giving up the overtrick would have resulted in a 6% score for North-South.

On round two, Jansma had to play well to pick up an overtrick in a normal 3NT.

Board 25. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

Douid		1. L/ * * * ul.
	▲ J 10 9 ♡ J 8 7 6 ◊ J 10 3 ♣ K 7 3	
◆ 752	T K / J	
T / J Z		뢒 K Q 8 6
♡ K I0		♡ Q 5 4
A K Q 8 2		
♣ Q 5 2		🕭 A 10
	🛧 A 4 3	
	♡ A 9 3 2	
	♦ 9	
	♣ J 9 8 6 4	
	-	

West	North	East	South
Jansma	Fossi	Zia	Pauncz
	Pass	Pass	Pass
INT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Niccolo Fossi could have defeated the contract by leading a low club, but that is a lead few players would find unless they could see through the backs of the cards. Fossi started with the normal \clubsuit]: king, ace 5. At trick two, Peter Pauncz played his singleton diamond. Jansma won the ace and played a spade to the 9 and queen. He then played two more rounds of diamonds, stripping North of that suit, and exited with the \bigstar 7. Fossi had no choice but to lead a club or a heart, either of which would gave declarer an extra trick. Plus 630 scored 84%.

The second board of the set was slightly below average, then it was on to round three.

Board 2	29. Dealer Nort	h. All Vul.
	♠ J 4 3	
	♡ j 8 7 3	
	♦ 10 5	
	📥 Q 8 7 3	
🛦 A K 8 5		♠ 92
♡ A K Q 5		♡ 10 4
♦] 3		A Q 9 8 6 4 2
📥 K 5 2		📥 A J
	🛦 Q 10 7 6	
	♡962	
	◊ K 7	
	뢒 10964	

This deal was played against Xavier Michaud-Lariviere of Monaco and Thierry De Mendez of Switzerland.



Jan Jansma

West	North	East	South
Jansma		Zia	
	Pass	I \diamond	Pass
\bigtriangledown	Pass	2 ◇	Pass
2NT*	Pass	3NT	Pass
6NT	All Pass		

2NT Game forcing.

There was nothing to the play and Jansma duly chalked up plus 1440 for 58%. They did much better on the second board.

Board 30. Dealer East. Non	e Vul.
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 ▲ 8 3 2 ♡ Q 10 3 2 	<pre></pre>	4 7 6 5 4 (Q 5 (9 7 5 4	≜ 96 ♡K	
A 9 8 4			♦ J 7	
📥 6 3			🗣 A J	10 8 2
	🔶 🖡	(Q J 10 7 4		
	\heartsuit /	\]9		
	\diamond I	062		
	♣ (Ç		
West	North	East		South
Jansma		Zia		
-		Pass		
Pass	2 📥	Pass		2♠
Pass All Pass	2NT	Pass		3NT

Zia led the \Diamond 7 to his partner's ace. Jansma could tell from the lead that Zia did not have a good holding in diamonds. He could also see that it was imperative to knock out the \heartsuit A – most probably declarer's only entry to the imposing spade suit – if possible.

At trick two, Jansma played a low heart to Zia's king and dummy's ace. Declarer then played a spade to his ace and followed with a low heart to dummy's 9. Jansma won the $\heartsuit 10$ and could have cashed the $\heartsuit Q$, but that would have set up declarer's 7, so he switched to a club. Zia took the $\clubsuit A$ and played the $\clubsuit J$, but declarer ducked, so Zia continued with the $\diamondsuit J$. Declarer took that in hand, cashed his other diamond, then played the $\bigstar 7$ from hand. Zia, sitting with the $\bigstar 10$ 8 2, looked at North and said, "Nice play. You want to endplay me, but I will endplay you." With that, Zia put his $\bigstar 2$ on the table, forcing declarer to give him the last trick with the $\bigstar 10$. Plus 100 was worth 95%.

The next round was poor overall for Zia and Jansma as they collected 56% for going minus 100 in a normal $2\heartsuit$ contract but only 27% for minus 140 against an equally normal $3\heartsuit$ contract.

The final round of the set was excellent, helping Zia and Jansma to 62% for the session. They played it against Andrej and Petr Bahnik of the Czech Republic.



	Zia N	lahmood	
	Board 27. Deale	r South. No	ne Vul.
	🛦 K 9	76	
	♡К9	6	
	♦ K I	0	
	📥 9 5	32	
🔶 A J 4	3		Q 5 2
ŸĂQ		\heartsuit	82
♦ Q 4		\diamond	A 6 5 3
📥 K 4		4	A 8 6
	▲ 10	8	
	♡ 53		
	♦ J 9	872	
	♣ Q J	107	
West	North	East	South
Jansma	Bahnik A.	Zia	Bahnik P.
			Pass
\square	Dbl	2♠	Pass
4 ♡	All Pass		

Andrej Bahnik led a low club to dummy's ace, South following with the $\clubsuit Q$. Jansma played the \heartsuit J, taken by North with the king. The club continuation was taken by Jansma with the king. Jansma now played the $\heartsuit Q$, and North made the curious play of the 9, creating an extra dummy entry for Jansma. He played a heart to the 8 and a low spade to his jack and North's king. A third round of clubs was ruffed with the ace, and on the \heartsuit 10, North had to discard his last club (a spade pitch gives Jansma an extra trick in that suit). Now Jansma played a spade to dummy's queen and another spade to his ace. The suit didn't split, but North was thrown in to lead away from his \Diamond K at the end for plus 420 and 65%. The last board was worth nearly all the matchpoints to Zia and Jansma.

West	North	East	Sout
	📥 9 8	632	
	♦ 10	3	
	♡ 5 3		
	♠ A k	•	
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A Q 5	4 2		<pre></pre>
V 108		(⊽ K J 9 7
4 8 5 3		9	964
	📥 Q 4	4	
	◊ K J	8	
	♡ A (Q64	
	≜ Q	1072	
	Board 28. Dea	ler West. N	/S Vul.

West	North	East	South
Jansma	Bahnik A.	Zia	Bahnik P.
Pass	INT	Pass	Pass
Dbl	Pass	2 📥	Pass
2 ♦	Dbl	Redbl	3 📥
All Pass			

INT 12-14

Dbl .One minor, both majors or a good $2 \pm$ bid.

 $2\diamond$. .The one-minor hand.

It was not a good idea for North to compete in here (his double showed the majors). Jansma can take no more than seven tricks in diamonds, so North-South were due for a plus if they had stuck to their green cards the rest of the way.

As it was, South would have done better to bid his better major instead of his weak five-card club suit.

Jansma started with the $\heartsuit 10$. When declarer put in the queen, Zia won the king and returned the $\heartsuit 9$ to declarer's ace. South played a spade to his ace and the $\diamondsuit 10$, taken by Jansma with the ace. He exited with a spade to the South hand, followed by a diamond to the jack and the $\diamondsuit K$, on which South discarded a heart. A third spade put declarer back in hand, and he played a club to dummy's queen.

At that point, the roof caved in for declarer. Zia, in with the \clubsuit K, played the \heartsuit 7, ruffed by declarer with the 8 and overruffed by Jansma with the 10. Jansma's diamond return was ruffed by Zia with the trump ace, and when he played the \heartsuit J, declarer guessed wrong, ruffing with the 6, which was overruffed by the 7. Zia's master trump, the jack, took trick 13. That was three down, plus 300 to Zia and Jansma for a 99% score.

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OPEN PAIRS QUALIFICATION

AFTER DAY 2/2

Pair	Country	%	Pair	Country	%
I JANSMA Jan - MAHMOOD Zia	NED - USA	60.52	58 KOKSOY Enver - MOLVA Murat	TUR - TUR	53.49
2 GINOSSAR Eldad - PACHTMAN Ron	ISR - ISR	59.50	59 GULA Artur - TACZEWSKI Mikolaj	POL - POL	53.46
3 CARROLL John - HANLON Tom	IRL - IRL	58.76	60 MARINOVSKI Kiril - ZORIC Vedran	BUL - CRO	53.32
4 AUKEN Sabine - WELLAND Roy	GER - USA	58.44	61 HACKETT Paul D - HOLLAND John	ENG - ENG	53.27
5 BOCKEN Patrick - NEVE Olivier	BEL - BEL	58.20	62 KARLBERG S. G THOMASSEN KO.	NOR - NOR	53.26
6 AUSTBERG Per Erik - BERG Jan Tore	NOR - NOR	57.84	63 HUTYRA Maciej - WOLANSKI Rafal	POL - POL	53.12
7 BILDE Dennis - JEPSEN Emil	DEN - DEN	57.79	64 BIGDELI Faramarz - WOJEWODA Edward	BEL - USA	53.11
8 MELMAN Victor - ZELIGMAN Shalom	USA - ISR	57.31	65 MILASZEWSKI Miroslaw - SZENBERG Stefa	n POL - POL	53.10
9 MAAT Roeland - MEER Mark de	NED - NED		66 JOHANSEN Lars Arthur - REKSTAD G.	NOR - NOR	53.09
10 SLEMR Jakub - VOZABAL David	CZE - CZE	57.16	67 FRANCESCHETTI Pierre - LHUISSIER Nico	as FRA - FRA	53.06
11 LEVY Alain - VOLCKER Frederic	FRA - FRA	57.03	68 JELENIEWSKI Andrzej - WACHNOWSKI J.	POL - POL	53.06
12 KLUKOWSKI Michal - ZATORSKI Piotr	POL - POL	56.97	69 FALLENIUS Bjorn - FREDIN Peter	SWE - SWE	53.06
13 NABIL Karim - SADEK Tarek	EGY - EGY		70 CULLIN Per-Ola - HALLBERG Gunnar	SWE - ENG	
14 HAUGE Rune - SVENDSEN Jan Petter	NOR - NOR		71 MIHAI Geta - MIHAI Radu	ROM - ROM	
15 SVENDSEN Odin - TONDEL Petter	NOR - NOR		72 CHUMAK Yuliy - ROVYSHYN Oleg	UKR - UKR	
16 GRZELAK Roman - ROMANSKI Jacek	POL - POL		73 MULTON Franck - ZIMMERMANN Pierre	MON - MON	
17 KVANGRAVEN Nils Kare - LIE Terje	NOR - NOR		74 BOS Berend van den - LANKVELD Joris van		
18 FELMY Matthias - GOTARD Tomasz	GER - GER		75 STRETZ Francois - XERRI Jean	FRA - FRA	
19 RIEHM Franck - DUGUET Michel	FRA - FRA		76 CZAJKA Iwona - SARNIAK Anna	POL - POL	
20 CIMA Leonardo - GIUBILO Valerio	ITA - ITA	55.96	77 KLEINROK Krzysztof - SZEPCZYNSKI Andr		
21 BATOV Vasil - IGNATOV Lubomir	BUL - BUL		78 BUJENITA Daniel - ISTVAN Vidami	ROM - ROM	
22 FOLLIERO DE LUNA T RIBAULT Benoit	FRA - FRA		79 HOILAND Tom - STORNES Helge	NOR - NOR	
23 GAWEL Wojciech - JAGNIEWSKI Rafal	POL - POL POL - POL		80 ANCESSY Arnaud - BRUNET Frederic 81 NIKOLCHEV Klimentin - TRENDAFILOV R.	FRA - FRA	
24 TURANT Witold - SKORA Waldemar 25 BAKKE Tor - HOYLAND Sven Olai			82 BAKKEREN Frank - BAKKEREN Ton	BUL - BUL NED - NED	
			83 DE MENDEZ T MICHAUD-LARIVIERE X.	SUI - MON	
26 KALITA Jacek - NOWOSADZKI Michal 27 BERG Ivar - TISLEVOLL Geir-Olav	POL - POL NOR - NZL		84 COENRAETS Philippe - DE DONDER Steve		
28 PILON Dominique - TOFFIER Philippe	FRA - FRA		85 BARYLEWSKI Marek - KRZEMINSKI Cesa	POL - POL	
29 BASARAN Berk - SEN Melih Osman	TUR - TUR		86 DENIZCI Volkan - YERGIN Mahmut	TUR - TUR	
30 KANDEMIR Ismail - KOLATA Suleyman	TUR - TUR		87 FRENCKEN Alain - VANDERVORST Mike	BEL - BEL	52.15
31 OURSEL Christophe - SCHMIDT Pierre	FRA - FRA		88 TOKAY Mustafa Cem - VERSACE Alfredo	TUR - ITA	
32 DUBININ Alexander - GROMOV Andrey	RUS - RUS		89 AUKEN Jens - CHRISTIANSEN Soren	DEN - DEN	
33 ROSENTHAL Andrew - SILVERSTEIN Aaron			90 DINKIN Sam - TUNCOK Cenk	USA - USA	
34 ADAD Pierre - RINGUET Pascal	FRA - FRA		91 BAREKET Ilan - LENGY Assaf	ISR - ISR	52.04
35 BURN David - SANDQVIST Nicklas	ENG - ENG		92 FAILLA Andrea - FAILLA Giuseppe	ITA - ITA	52.04
36 EKINCI Orhan - KAHYAOGLOU Yusuf	TUR - TUR		93 RADJUKEVICH Igor - TSIMAKHOVICH Alel	n BLR - BLR	52.03
37 HRISTOV Hristo - IVANOV Stoyan	BUL - BUL	54.82	94 JASKIEWICZ Ryszard - GRZELCZAK Jacek	POL - POL	
38 IONITA Marius - STEGAROIU Marina	ROM - ROM	54.81	95 KING Philip (Phil) - SMALL Cameron	ENG - ENG	51.99
39 KARAIVANOV Kalin - RUSEV Tony	BUL - BUL	54.81	96 CHARLSEN Thomas - HOFTANISKA T. Erik	NOR - NOR	51.97
40 BERG Erik - SIMONSEN Steffen Fredrik	NOR - NOR	54.77	97 PEREIRA Paulo Goncalves - PESSOA Sofia	POR - POR	51.89
41 WACKWITZ Ernst - WESTERBEEK Chris	NED - NED	54.74	98 BITRAN Albert - CHETRIT G	FRA - FRA	51.83
42 BAUMANN Karl Christian - BREKKA Geir	NOR - NOR	54.57	99 GHIGHECI Ovidiu - ROTARU Iulian	ROM - ROM	51.81
43 FILIPOWICZ Dominik - MARTENS Krzyszto	of POL - POL	54.56	100 ALLFREY Alexander - ROBSON Andrew	ENG - ENG	51.80
44 ERCAN Sehmus - PEYRET Hakan	TUR - TUR	54.43	101 BARBOSA Juliano - PALMA Antonio	POR - POR	51.76
45 DOREMANS Nico - TROUWBORST Jaap	NED - NED	54.40	102 KARLSEN Jan Frode - MARTINUSSEN Stig	NOR - NOR	51.69
46 CABAJ Stephan - ILNICKI Wlodzimierz	SUI - POL		103 OLSEN Roy-Hugo - OVESEN Steingrim	NOR - NOR	51.67
47 BERSET Ole - SVEINDAL Jon	NOR - NOR	54.33	104 DE FALCO Dano - TEODORESCU Cornel	ITA - ROM	
48 ARONOV Victor - ZOBU Ahu	BUL - TUR		105 CRESTEY Gilles - LOUCHART Pierre-Jean	FRA - FRA	
49 HOMONNAY Geza - WINKLER Gabor	HUN - HUN		106 YADLIN Doron - YADLIN Israel	ISR - ISR	51.61
50 DEBUS Eric - VAN MIDDELEM Guy	BEL - BEL		107 IOVESCU Silviu Gabriel - LAZAR CLucian	ROM - ROM	51.58
51 FRIEDLANDER Ehud - LIRAN Inon	ISR - ISR	54.12	108 DELIMPALTADAKIS Nikos -		F L 20
52 CLEEFF Jan van - VAN DER HORST J. P.	NED - ARU		PAPAKYRIAKOPOULOS Yankos	GRE - GRE	
53 SAINTE MARIE - SAINTE MARIE Thierry De			109 ANFINSEN Ivar M SOLHEIM Eli	NOR - NOR	
54 KINDSBEKKEN Asbjorn - VOLL Roar			110 ANKLESARIA Keyzad - VENKATESH Gopal	IND - USA	
55 CHERNY Mikjail - MEDVEDEV Oleg	ISR - ISR	53.54	111 HANSEN Jonny - SAELENSMINDE Erik		
56 BERTHEAU Peter - HAYMAN PIAFSKY Jess			112 SEBBANE Lionel - THUILLEZ Laurent	FRA - FRA	
57 SAPORTA Pierre - VOLDOIRE Jean-Michel	FRA - FRA	JJ.JZ	113 NEDKOV Stanislav - TENEV Tenyu	BUL - BUL	J1.24

94 Pairs are qualified for the Final, some may be added due to pairs transferring to the Women or Seniors Pairs.

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Pair	Country	%	Pair	Country	%
114 COLDEA Ionut - MARINA Bogdan	ROM - ROM	51.22	178 HANSEN Kjeld - PETERSEN Henrik Kruse	DEN - DEN	48.77
115 ORLOV Sergei - PROKHOROV Dmitri	RUS - RUS	51.21	179 DELLA SETA Livio - DELLA SETA Umberto	ITA - ITA	48.72
116 BAKER Lynn - McCALLUM Karen	USA - USA	51.13	180 SOLLI HANSEN Jon - SVINDAHL Frank	NOR - NOR	48.66
117 KLAPPER Wit - SAKOWICZ Ryszard	POL - POL		181 LAKATOS Peter - SZILAGYI Laszlo	HUN - HUN	
118 DANYLYUK Tetyana - DANYLYUK Volodymyu			182 BAHNIK Ondrej - BAHNIK Petr	CZE - CZE	
119 BERGHEIMER Serge - FOUASSIER Jean-Claud			183 DOBROWOLSKI Marcin - GORKA Adrian	POL - POL	
120 VAN HOOIJDONK Marcel - WINKEL Marcel 121 BIRKELAND Tor - LINDQVIST Espen	NOR - NOR		184 CURTIS Catherine - FEGARTY Paul 185 BARDSEN Tore - HAUGEN Tove	ENG - ENG NOR - NOR	
122 BESSIS Veronique - PUILLET Carole	FRA - FRA		186 ENGEBRETSEN Geir - HILDREMYR Terje	NOR - NOR	
123 MOLENAAR Danny - VERBEEK Tim	NED - NED		187 BOVET David - MARGOT Cedric		48.37
124 MARMONTI Dario - MASSA Gaetano	ITA - ITA	50.83	188 EFRAIMSSON BE ZACK EINARSSON A.		
125 ZAK Piotr - ZAREMBA Jerzy	POL - POL	50.80	189 NARDULLO Ennio - NOVO Antonella	ITA - ITA	48.18
126 GLABBEEK Hedwig van - MAAS Willem Jan	NED - NED	50.78	190 KURBALIJA Filip - SHIELDS Patrick	WAL - WAL	48.17
127 DAUVERGNE Sophie - HUGON Elisabeth	FRA - FRA		191 IP Gabriel - IP Giles	ENG - ENG	
128 GOODMAN Alan - SHORT Brian	SCO - SCO		192 AZOULAY Yves - GANIVET Jacques	FRA - FRA	
129 FITZGIBBON Nicholas - MESBUR Adam	IRL - IRL FRA - FRA	50.65	193 BENNETT Roy - SMITH Harry 194 DE SAINT PASTOU Alain - LESAGE Francois	SCO - SCO	
130 FAIVRE Corinne - MAGIS Isabelle 131 MARILL Philippe - STOPPA Jean-Louis	FRA - FRA		194 DE SAINT FASTOO Alain - LESAGE Francois 195 LEWIS Marshall - MULLER Renata	CRO - CRO	
132 MOSSOP David - McINTOSH Andrew	SUI - ENG		196 DESSAIN Tom - KABAN Tugrul	ENG - ENG	
133 HELNESS Fredrik - HELNESS Tor	NOR - MON		197 WENNING Karin - WENNING Ulrich	GER - GER	
134 BOWLES Andy - MOHANDES Shireen	ENG - ENG		198 OIKONOMOPOULOS Giorgos -		
135 KONTOMITROS K KOUKOUSELIS Tassos	GRE - GRE	50.25	OIKONOMOPOULOS Ioannis	GRE - GRE	47.80
136 PODDAR Dipak - SHAH Anal	IND - IND	50.18	199 ANDERSSON Jorgen - JOHANSSON Anders	SWE - SWE	47.79
137 KENDRICK David - KOLESNIK Alex	ENG - USA	50.17	200 GARDYNIK Grzegorz - TUTKA Marek	POL - POL	
138 SELLDEN Goran - WENNEBERG Bjorn	SWE - SWE	50.16	201 BILDE Majka Cilleborg - JEPSEN Peter	DEN - DEN	
139 BEGAS Han - GROSMANN Lucia	NED - NED		202 CZUBAK Edmund - DUFRAT Katarzyna	POL - POL	
140 MAKARUK Janusz - NIEDZIELSKI Pawel	POL - POL		203 BUUS THOMSEN Signe - JEPSEN R. Rask	DEN - DEN	
141 CLAIR Paolo - DE MICHELIS Luca	ITA - ITA	50.04 50.00	204 PENFOLD Sandra - SENIOR Brian	ENG - ENG	
142 DAUVERGNE Bernard - TIGNEL Jeremie 143 FOSSI Niccolo - PAUNCZ Peter	FRA - FRA ITA - ITA	49.96	205 CHALIBERT Pascal - DUMONT J 206 BENDIKS Janis - BETHERS Janis	FRA - FRA LAT - LAT	
144 CHEMLA Paul - ROBERT Quentin	FRA - FRA		207 PASKALEVA Stefka - RIBARSKA Mariana	BUL - BUL	
145 FREJACQUES Guillaume - LILAMAND Martir		49.89	208 CHIPAIL Gheorghe - NEGULESCU Sorina	ROM - USA	
146 GERMANIS Aigars - RUBENIS Ivars	LAT - LAT	49.88	209 RYAN Dennis - MALYSA Marek	USA - POL	
147 LEWACIAK Gregor - WALCZAK Piotr	POL - POL	49.78	210 BARTOLOTTI Pierangelo - MAGRI Flavio	sui - sui	46.85
148 MATUSHKO Georgi - STERKIN Alexei	RUS - RUS	49.75	211 ARLOVICH Andrei - VAINIKONIS Erikas	LTU - LTU	46.83
149 BELLOSTA Philippe - BELLOSTA Veronique	FRA - FRA		212 OLANSKI Wojtek - VAINIKONIS Vytautas		46.79
150 ALEKSANDRZAK Andrzej - PILECKI Maciej	POL - POL		213 GOLDFARB Ilia - PAIKIN Yotam	ISR - ISR	46.77
151 BERRETTINI Lorenzo - GARZI Fabio	ITA - ITA	49.63	214 PHILIPSEN Rens - SEVEREIJNS Luc	NED - NED	
152 MALTESE Jacky - SECHERESSE Jean-Claude	FRA - FRA		215 BAUSBACK Nikolas - GWINNER HH.	LUX - GER	
153 ENGEL Joseph - FRYDRICH Julian 154 BETHERS Uldis - IMSA Adrians	ISR - ISR LAT - LAT	49.55 49.49	216 BROGELAND T. Aasand - GLAERUM Lisbeth 217 DE VOOGHT Dirk - RAES Franky		46.63
155 BAHBOUT Sam - ENGEL Zvi	BEL - BEL	49.47	218 VANDEREET Ben - VANDEREET Piet	BEL - BEL	
156 SERPOI Gheorghe - STIRBU Calin	ROM - ROM			NOR - NOR	
157 DE DUVE Alain - MIRAVET Solange	BEL - BEL		220 GERGOV Georgi - RADEV Radi	BUL - BUL	46.48
158 COUNIL Jean-Louis - DESMOULINS J. P.	FRA - FRA	49.41	221 JANSONS Ugis - SMILGAJS Andris	LAT - LAT	46.42
159 PIKET Roel - THIELE Mark	NED - NED	49.40	222 CHARLIER Guy - TIFOUS Nourredine	BEL - BEL	46.35
160 NAQVI Waseem - ROSENTHAL Lee	eng - Isr		223 CHELU Eugen - DUMITRASCIUC Gabriel	ROM - ROM	
161 HENRI Jacques - LAFOURCADE Jean-Pierre	BEL - BEL		224 CORNELISSEN Kamiel - KRIJGSMAN Albert		
162 ALLIX Jean Francois - LIBBRECHT Wilfried	FRA - FRA		225 GOEL Ashok Kumar - VAIDYA Suhas Vaman	IND - IND	
163 BROGELAND Boye - GILLIS Simon	NOR - ENG		226 COLINET Eric - MEYER Jean	BEL - BEL	46.21
164 DRIVER Gordon - DRIVER Kathleen 165 CHIZZOLI Paolo - DE GIACOMI Fran	rsa - rsa Ita - Ita	49.26	227 LIOSSIS Georgios - SIRAKOPOULOU C. 228 FROEYLAND Staale - HERLAND John Helge		
166 BOEYKENS Leo - HUYBRECHT Hans	BEL - BEL	49.22		NOR - NOR	
167 SEN Tezcan - SENGULER Zafer	TUR - TUR		230 BUUS THOMSEN Emil - SKOVLY Frederik	DEN - DEN	
168 COOPER Jenny - McGREGOR Moira	SCO - SCO		231 BOLAND Rory - MORAN Mark		45.77
169 MEDUGNO Gianni - TAGLIABUE Lorenzo	ITA - ITA	49.10	232 ALENFALK Bjorn - NOLIN Bjorn	SWE - SWE	
170 GIERULSKI Boguslaw - SKRZYPCZAK Jerzy	POL - POL	49.10	233 PAROL Marek - SZCZEPANÓWSKI Radoslaw	/ POL - POL	45.58
171 CRONIER Philippe - TESSIERES Godefroy De	FRA - FRA	49.01	234 ERMLICH Marianne - MARWITZ Guenter	GER - GER	45.56
172 BARONI Franco - CESATI Alberto	ITA - ITA	49.00	235 ASHLEY Ray - CHIF Alain	BEL - BEL	
173 SCHIFKO Martin - WERNLE Sascha	AUT - AUT		236 PECCOUD Janine Elise - SAPORTA Renata	FRA - FRA	
174 DI FRANCO Massimiliano - MARGIOTTA S.	ITA - ITA	48.95		NOR - NOR	
175 GOMEROV Pavel - ZAPADINSKIY Evgeny	RUS - RUS		238 PAVLIN Milan - ROJKO Silvana	SLO - SLO	
176 KAVALENKA Andrei - KORZUN Aleksandr 177 BAKKE Christian - GRUDE Liv Marit	BLR - BLR NOR - NOR		239 SCHOUW Rick - STIENEN Rene 240 DOLIA Mauro - SPANU Carlo	NED - NED ITA - ITA	45.15
		10.07		1171 - 1174	13.15

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Pair	Country	%	Pair	Country	%
241 CAPPELLER Joachim - SCHINZE Jorg	GER - GER	45.14	259 MALESZA Leonard - SHAMA Jessica	POL - FRA	42.40
242 DARLING Marina - MCPHEE Bob	AUS - AUS	45.00	260 GULLBERG Daniel - SKAJ Peder	SWE - SWE	42.39
243 KLANJSCEK Jasminka - SENTIC Kristian	CRO - CRO	44.98	261 Holmbakken J Johnstuen F. B.	NOR - NOR	42.22
244 PATTINSON Maureen - RIGNEY Teresa	IRL - IRL	44.98	262 MARRO Christophe - MAZE SENCIER Jean	FRA - FRA	42.13
245 LONGUEVILLE J VANDENBUSSCHE Carlo	BEL - BEL	44.83	263 LUPSAN Corina - LUPSAN Octavian	ROM - ROM	42.10
246 BONIN Benjamin - BONIN Philippe	FRA - FRA	44.65	264 KAPTEIN Mark - VAN IPENBURG Helena	NED - NED	42.10
247 CODRIN Marcu - DUMITRASCU Florin	ROM - ROM	44.46	265 LARSEN Helge - RYNNING Erik	NOR - NOR	41.88
248 GLASEK Grzegorz - PIWOWARCZYK Marc	in POL - POL	44.35	266 DEMANDT Pierre - RAPPE ADOLF	BEL - BEL	41.77
249 MADSEN Christina Lund - YAVAS Dilek	DEN - TUR	44.28	267 ELBRO Helle Simon - RISOM Karin Strande	DEN - DEN	41.60
250 BUIJS Pieter - DE HULLU Henk	NED - NED	44.24	268 PRINS Henk Jan - VAN HEEST Gabriele	NED - NED	41.28
251 KHOLOMEEV Vadim - VASILYEV Petr	RUS - RUS	43.85	269 HOULIHAN Desmond - PATTINSON Bob	IRL - IRL	41.08
252 BINEAU Thierry - CLAVER J	FRA - FRA	43.76	270 LEVI Stephane - MULLARD Guy	FRA - FRA	41.03
253 ROEHL Joergen - WERGE Hans	DEN - DEN	43.75	271 beilBERGER Heimo - BEILDORFF Frank	DEN - DEN	40.67
254 MORAWSKI Dariusz - SALONEN Irmeli	FRA - FRA	43.58	272 FAEHR Birgit - STAHL Wolf	GER - GER	40.48
255 LANGER Darina - NIKITINE Ruth	sui - sui	43.48	273 GILLILAND Dolores - WHELAN Maria	IRL - IRL	39.83
256 RITMEESTER Peter - VERDONK Ronald	NED - NED	43.24	274 LUESSMANN Claudia - SMYKALLA Gisela	GER - GER	39.63
257 BIELAWSKI Maciej - CHALUPEC Igor	POL - POL	42.60	275 DE LIEDEKERKE Tanguy - NAESSENS Johan	BEL - BEL	39.54
258 BEARPARK Catherine - KEMPLE Brid	IRL - IRL	42.5 I			

23rd The Hague International Bridge Festival

Saturday August 24th - Sunday September 1st

Mixed Pairs on Saturday August 24th 11.00 – 17.00. 2 sessions of 24 boards.

Luncheon buffet 13.30 – 14.30. Prize giving ceremony during cocktail afterparty. Participation fee €70 per pair.

Butler Pairs on Sunday August 25th 11.00 – 1700. 2 sessions of 24 boards.

Luncheon buffet 13.30 – 14.30. Prize giving ceremony during cocktail afterparty. Participation fee €70 per pair.

Ladies and Men Pairs on Monday August 26th and Tuesday August 27th 19.45 – 22.30. 2 sessions of 24 boards. Prize giving ceremony Tuesday night at 23.00.

Participation fee €35 per pair.



Teams on Thursday and Friday august 29th and 30th 11.00 – 17.00.

On Thursday 7 x 7 boards qualification in groups of 8 teams.

On Friday 7 x 7 boards finals in groups of 8 teams. Luncheon buffet both days 13.00 – 14.00. Prizes in the A group €2000, €1200, €800 and €600.

Prizes in B, C and D groups €400 and €250 Prize giving ceremony during cocktail afterparty. Participation fee €200 per team.

Open Pairs on Saturday august 31st 11.00 – 17.00 and Sunday September 1st 13.00 – 17.00.

5 sessions of 15 boards.

Saturday 3 sessions qualification. Sunday 2 sessions finals. Luncheon buffet on Saturday 13.30 – 14.30. Prizes in the A group ϵ 1500, ϵ 1000, ϵ 800, ϵ 500 and ϵ 400. Prizes in B,C and D groups ϵ 500, ϵ 400 and ϵ 300. Prize giving ceremony during cocktail afterparty. Participation fee ϵ 150 per pair.

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