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EASY DAY?



Dennis Bilde "I should have read Mike Lawrence about Balancing"

Today is an easy day for the U21s and U26s, who play only the morning match. It is, however, a full day of three matches in the other two championships.

We are already into the second half of the U16s championship, and the Netherlands, Poland and France are covered by less than a victory point at the top of the rankings. Behind them there is a gap to Sweden then another gap to Israel and England.

France has a lead of over a full match in the Ladies series. Then comes a tight battle for second featuring the Netherlands, Norway and Poland.

France also leads from the Netherlands in the U21 championship, but here only by a handful of VPs. Sweden and Poland come next but the field is well bunched so several teams are still in the hunt for medals as we are not yet at the halfway point in the competition.

England leads the U26 championship from Sweden with Norway, the Netherlands, Poland and Germany heading the chasing group before a gap of over 10 VPs to the rest of the field.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE



| | U26 | U21 | Ladies | U16 |
|--------|-----|-----|--------|-----|
| 10.00: | R7 | R7 | R7 | R7 |
| 14.00: | - | - | R8 | R8 |
| 17.10: | - | - | R9 | R9 |

**DRAW TODAY****U26 ROUND 7**

BBO 1 ITA SWE SWE SWE

NOR FRA FRA FRA

ISR AUT AUT AUT

BUL POR POR POR

TUR NED NED NED

HUN POL POL POL

BBO 2 GER FIN FIN FIN

ENG WAL WAL WAL

GRE DEN DEN DEN

TIME: 10.00**U21 ROUND 7**

SWE SCO SCO SCO

CZE ENG ENG ENG

ITA GER GER GER

FIN LAT LAT LAT

BBO 3 FRA RUS RUS RUS

BBO 4 POL NED NED NED

DEN HUN HUN HUN

NOR ISR ISR ISR

TIME: 10.00**LADIES ROUND 7**

HUN NED NED NED

FRA NOR NOR NOR

POL ITA ITA ITA

TIME: 10.00**LADIES ROUND 8**

BBO 1 ITA NED NED NED

BBO 2 NOR POL POL POL

BBO 3 HUN FRA FRA FRA

TIME: 14.00**LADIES ROUND 9**

BBO 1 NED POL POL POL

BBO 2 ITA FRA FRA FRA

BBO 3 NOR HUN HUN HUN

TIME: 17.10**U16 ROUND 7**

IRE FRA FRA FRA

HUN POL POL POL

SWE NOR NOR NOR

ENG NED NED NED

ISR GER GER GER

SCO CZE CZE CZE

TIME: 10.00**U16 ROUND 8**

FRA SCO SCO SCO

CZE ISR ISR ISR

GER ENG ENG ENG

NED SWE SWE SWE

NOR HUN HUN HUN

POL IRE IRE IRE

TIME: 14.00**U16 ROUND 9**

FRA POL POL POL

IRE NOR NOR NOR

HUN NED NED NED

SWE GER GER GER

ENG CZE CZE CZE

ISR SCO SCO SCO

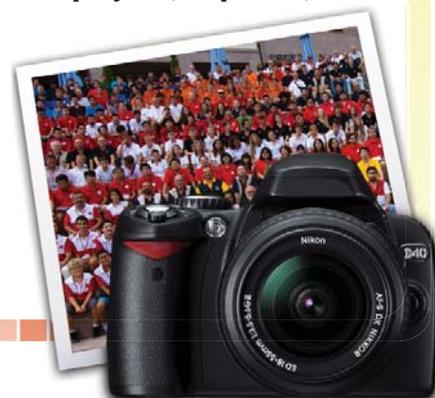
TIME: 17.10

PHOTO

We would like to take a group photograph of everybody – all the players, captains, officials and workers at these championships.

Could you all please come and meet just outside the venue at 13:45 on Wednesday lunchtime for us to take the photos.

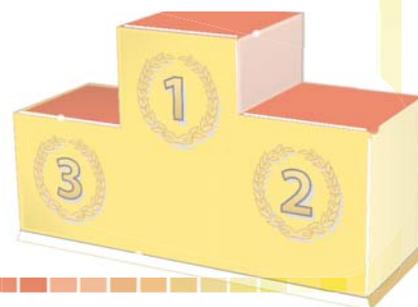
Thank you



U16 PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

The prize giving ceremony for the Kids (U16s) Championship will be held on Wednesday evening, starting time 7-00 pm.

The ceremony will be held at The Edge Hotel, in the same room as the Opening Ceremony.



TEAM PROFILES

We would like to publish in the Daily Bulletin as many team profiles as possible.

A profile need only be a couple of sentences about each member of the team. This can be humorous – we have had some very clever ones at previous championships – but should also include some facts about each team-member please.

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You can also use this email if you want to send us any good hands or stories from the championships.

Thank you.





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- Post a picture on the EBL Youth Community Facebook page from the EYTC in Tromsø
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- Each day, the best picture will be published in the bulletin

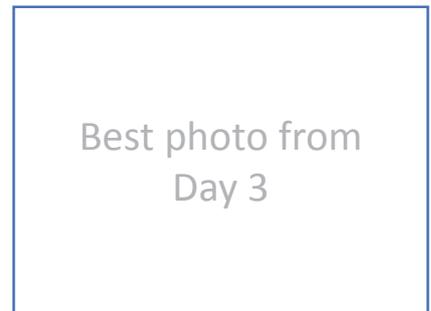
The player who posts the picture which will have most likes at the end of the Championships, wins free entry for him and his/her partner at the European Pairs Championships in Latvia 2016



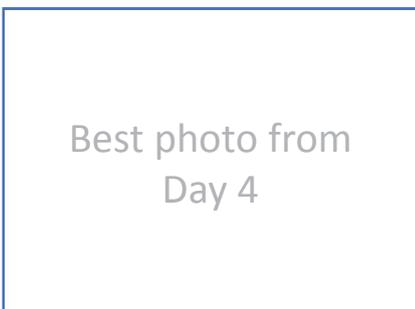
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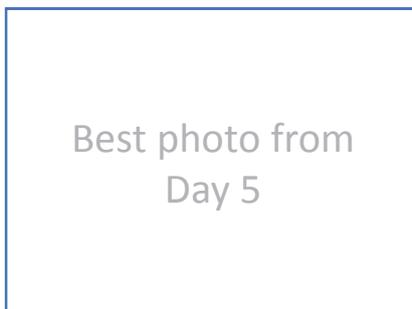
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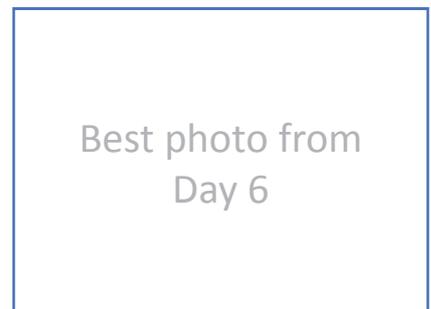
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U26 ROUND 3



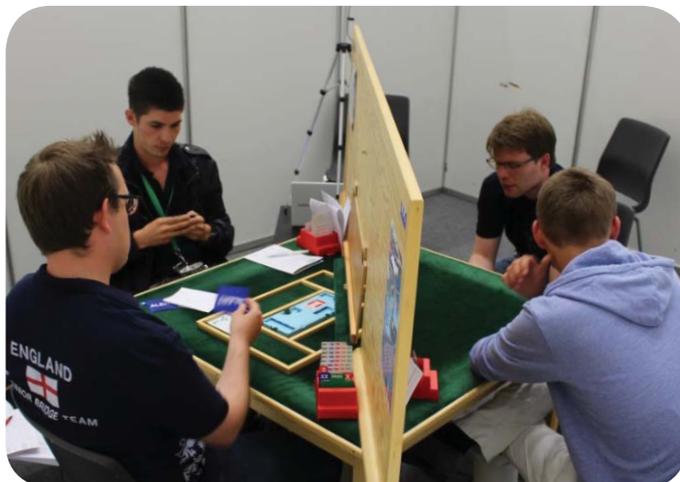
ENGLAND vs FRANCE



by Brian Senior

There has been rivalry between England and France since long before anyone had even thought of the game of bridge, and that rivalry has continued onto the bridge table. Accordingly, the meeting of the two countries was the big match of Round 3 of the U26 championship.

England started with a bang, moving into a sizable lead over the first three boards of the match.



Both Souths liked their controls and major-suit intermediates sufficiently to upgrade and treat the hand as 24+, and both Norths used simple Stayman to discover that they were facing at least four hearts. Now, however, Robert Myers, for England, signed off in 3NT, while, for France, Anne Rouanet-Labe jumped to 4NT, natural

and invitational. Having already upgraded once, I am not convinced that South was worth a jump to 6NT now, and certainly the combination of two optimistic actions got the partnership to a poor contract. It had play – if the club jack falls it may then be possible to bring in four spade tricks, for example, but you would rather be in game.

There was no good fortune to be had for the French pair, and 6NT drifted four down for –200, while Dan McIntosh made an overtrick in his game after a diamond lead; +430 and 11 IMPs to England, the perfect start.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

| West | North | East | South |
|---------|-------|------------|----------|
| Bernard | Myers | Combescure | McIntosh |
| – | Pass | Pass | 2♣ |
| Pass | 2♦ | Pass | 2NT |
| Pass | 3♣ | Pass | 3♥ |
| Pass | 3NT | All Pass | |

| West | North | East | South |
|----------|--------------|---------|----------|
| Paul | Rouanet-Labe | Roberts | Deheeger |
| – | Pass | Pass | 2♣ |
| Pass | 2♦ | Pass | 2♥ |
| Pass | 2♠ | Pass | 2NT |
| Pass | 3♣ | Pass | 3♥ |
| Pass | 4NT | Pass | 6NT |
| All Pass | | | |



Colin Deheeger, France U26

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Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

| West | North | East | South |
|----------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Bernard</i> | <i>Myers</i> | <i>Combescure</i> | <i>McIntosh</i> |
| - | - | 1♥ | Pass |
| 2♥ | Dble | 2♠ | Pass |
| 3♠ | Pass | 4♥ | Dble |
| All Pass | | | |

| West | North | East | South |
|-------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <i>Paul</i> | <i>Rouanet-Labe</i> | <i>Roberts</i> | <i>Deheeger</i> |
| - | - | 1♥ | Pass |
| 2♥ | Dble | 3♥ | All Pass |

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

| West | North | East | South |
|----------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Bernard</i> | <i>Myers</i> | <i>Combescure</i> | <i>McIntosh</i> |
| - | - | - | 1♣ |
| 1♠ | Dble | 3♠ | 4♥ |
| All Pass | | | |

| West | North | East | South |
|-------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <i>Paul</i> | <i>Rouanet-Labe</i> | <i>Roberts</i> | <i>Deheeger</i> |
| - | - | - | 1♣ |
| 1♠ | Dble | 3♠ | Dble |
| Pass | 5♣ | Pass | 6♥ |
| All Pass | | | |

It was the turn of the French E/W pair to show too much youthful optimism on this board. While Alex Roberts, for England, contented himself with a pre-emptive reraise to 3♥, where he played, Baptiste Combescure made a 2♠ game try and Julien Bernard raised to 3♠. When Combescure went back to hearts, McIntosh told him that he might have made an error if judgment in time-honoured fashion with a prompt double.

There was nothing to the play. There were two losers in each major and one in each minor, so Roberts was down two for -100 and Combescure down three for -500, giving England a swing of 9 IMPs.



Baptiste Combescure, France U26

Both N/S pairs were playing a 14-16 no trump and five-card majors, so both Souths opened 1♣ and, after a 1♠ overcall from West, both Norths made a negative double. When East jumped pre-emptively to 3♠, however, the paths diverged.

McIntosh made the simple soul's bid of 4♥ and Myers had no reason to bid on. Bernard cashed the ace of spades then switched to the diamond ten round to declarer's jack. McIntosh played out three rounds of hearts and, with the clubs breaking favourably, could win the diamond return, ruff a spade and claim eleven tricks for +450.

Colin Deheeger was more optimistic. He made a responsive double of the 3♠ raise and saw his partner jump to 5♣. Now he imagined a hand with good long clubs and, of course, a spade shortage as the opposition should hold nine cards between them to bid to the three level. Deheeger jumped to 6♥ and dummy was a disappointment to him in that it did not contain the queen of hearts, but the contract still had play. He too received the lead of the ace of spades followed by a diamond switch. He won the diamond ruffed a spade, crossed to hand with a top trump and ruffed his last spade. Now a second heart up brought the bad news. He won the heart and started on clubs but was three down when James Paul could ruff before he had managed to get rid of his diamond loser; -150 and another 12 IMPs to England, who led by 33-0 after just three deals.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

| West | North | East | South |
|----------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Bernard</i> | <i>Myers</i> | <i>Combescure</i> | <i>McIntosh</i> |
| Pass | 1♣ | 1♦ | Dble |
| 2♠ | 4♥ | 4♠ | Pass |
| Pass | 5♣ | Pass | 5♥ |
| 5♠ | All Pass | | |

| West | North | East | South |
|-------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <i>Paul</i> | <i>Rouanet-Labe</i> | <i>Roberts</i> | <i>Deheeger</i> |
| Pass | 1♣ | 1♦ | Dble |
| 2♠ | 4♥ | 4♠ | Pass |
| Pass | 5♣ | 5♥ | Pass |
| 5♠ | Pass | Pass | Dble |
| All Pass | | | |

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

| West | North | East | South |
|----------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Bernard</i> | <i>Myers</i> | <i>Combescure</i> | <i>McIntosh</i> |
| – | – | Pass | Pass |
| 1♦ | 1♥ | Pass | Pass |
| 1NT | Pass | 2♦ | Pass |
| Pass | 2NT | All Pass | |

| West | North | East | South |
|-------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <i>Paul</i> | <i>Rouanet-Labe</i> | <i>Roberts</i> | <i>Deheeger</i> |
| – | – | Pass | Pass |
| 1♦ | 1♥ | Dble | 1NT |
| Dble | Pass | 2♦ | All Pass |

As is often the case on double-fit deals, there were a lot of tricks to be had on this one. Both Wests made a fit jump to show both spades and a diamond fit, so the double fit was found early at both tables and both Wests eventually went on to 5♠ over 5♥, not quite sure whether they were bidding to make or as a sacrifice.

Bernard was allowed to play 5♠ undoubled. He ruffed the club lead and played a spade, on which Myers rose with the ace to return a heart. Bernard won that and played a second trump and the even split meant that he had eleven tricks for +650.

Paul was doubled. He too received a club lead, which he ruffed. However, he had convinced himself that there had been too much bidding from N/S for the trumps to be two-two, so essentially gave up on making his contract to avoid going for –500 when they were three-one. He played a heart to the ace at trick two then ruffed a second club, played a diamond to the king, Rouanet-Labe discarding a club, and ruffed the last club. Only now did he play a trump, the nine to North's ace, and now saw Deheeger ruff the club return with the king to give his partner a diamond ruff for one down and –200; 13 IMPs to France and a relief to their supporters as they closed to 13-33.

Roberts made an aggressive negative double on the East cards but Paul gave him plenty of leeway and stopped in 2♦, a comfortable spot. Paul won the heart lead and led his spade up but, when Rouanet-Labe followed smoothly with the eight, ducked in dummy. Rouanet-Labe cashed the queen of hearts then continued with the jack, but Paul ruffed that high and drew a round of trumps before playing the club king from hand. Deheeger won that and returned the club jack, which solved any remaining problems declarer might have had. He had eight tricks now for +90.

Combescure did not make the negative double, and who could blame him? However, Bernard reopened with 1NT then, rather obscurely in my view, 'corrected' 2♦ to 2NT, where he played. Myers led the king of hearts and Bernard won immediately and cashed the diamonds ending in dummy. Myers meanwhile pitched a discouraging club seven then the heart seven and six. Bernard now led a club to his king then exited with a heart. Myers won the jack and played ace of spades and a low spade, ducked to the queen. He overtook McIntosh's spade ten return and Bernard won the king and played another club up. McIntosh won that and had a spade to lead to Myers's nine. The heart queen was now the setting trick; down one for –100 and 5 IMPs to England, 38-13.

The score had moved on to 39-17 when the next swing board came along.

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

| | | | |
|--|--|--|--|
| ♠ 7 4 ♥ Q 7 5 3 ♦ J 7 5 3 ♣ 7 3 2 | | ♠ AKJ2 ♥ 10 9 8 ♦ 9 8 4 ♣ A 6 4 | ♠ 9 8 6 5 3 ♥ AKJ6 ♦ - ♣ KJ95 |
|--|--|--|--|



Daniel McIntosh, England U26

| West | North | East | South |
|----------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Bernard</i> | <i>Myers</i> | <i>Combescure</i> | <i>McIntosh</i> |
| Pass | 1♦ | Dble | 1♠ |
| Pass | 2♣ | Pass | 2♥ |
| Pass | 2NT | Pass | 3NT |
| All Pass | | | |

| West | North | East | South |
|-------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <i>Paul</i> | <i>Rouanet-Labe</i> | <i>Roberts</i> | <i>Deheeger</i> |
| Pass | 1♦ | 1♠ | Dble |
| Pass | 2♦ | Pass | 2♠ |
| Pass | 3♦ | All Pass | |

The French N/S pair had a natural auction in which Deheeger cuebid 2♠ to ask for further information and, when his partner could only rebid the diamonds again, settled for the diamond

partscore. Deheeger might have viewed that his spade length would be enough to provide a stopper – he could not know that Roberts had overcalled on only four cards – but the diamond void was a serious negative and he was wise to give up on game.

Roberts' trump lead was not quite what this deal required, though it cost only an overtrick. Rouanet-Labe drew trumps, knocked out the club ace, and made ten tricks for +130.

Myers opened 1♦, unbalanced, and his 2♣ rebid was a transfer. I believe that it also denied four hearts, so I'm not quite sure why McIntosh bid 2♥ rather than 2NT and, when Myers was the one to bid no trump, the final contract was played the wrong way up. Well, maybe.

Combescure led the ten of hearts – a heart lead from West would have been much less threatening – and it appeared that 3NT would require the diamonds to come in. Myers won the ace and led a club to his eight and Combescure won the ace. Combescure cashed the king of spades now, Bernard signalling with the seven to show an even number, and Myers dropped the queen. Perhaps the contract was not being played from the wrong side of the table, because this falsecard would not have been an option had North been dummy. Combescure read his partner's spade seven as attitude, high to encourage, rather than count-showing, and after some thought continued with a low spade, playing Bernard for ten-to-three. Myers scooped in the ten and had six minor-suit winners and the king of hearts to cash for an excellent +600 and 10 IMPs to England, whose lead increased to 49-17.





Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

**Anne Rouanet-Labe, France U26**

| West | North | East | South |
|----------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Bernard</i> | <i>Myers</i> | <i>Combescure</i> | <i>McIntosh</i> |
| – | – | – | 1♥ |
| Pass | 2♣ | Pass | 2♦ |
| Pass | 3♣ | Pass | 3♦ |
| Pass | 3♥ | Pass | 3♠ |
| Pass | 4♣ | Pass | 4♥ |
| Pass | 4♠ | Pass | 5♣ |
| Pass | 6♣ | All Pass | |

| West | North | East | South |
|-------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <i>Paul</i> | <i>Rouanet-Labe</i> | <i>Roberts</i> | <i>Deheeger</i> |
| – | – | – | 1♥ |
| Pass | 2♣ | Pass | 2♦ |
| Pass | 2♠ | Pass | 3♦ |
| Pass | 4♣ | Pass | 4♦ |
| Pass | 4NT | Pass | 5♠ |
| Pass | 5NT | Pass | 6♦ |
| Pass | 6♥ | All Pass | |

The EBL computer should not be allowed to produce deals like this one, on which North has such a powerful hand facing an opening bid but with a big club suit, making the use of Key-card difficult. I am sure both these N/S pairs will agree, even if nobody else does.

Myers could bid and rebid clubs and the English pair were clear about what suit was trumps. However, when McIntosh signed off in 5♣, Myers felt that he was guessing and guessed to go on to the small slam. He won the spade lead with dummy's ten and took his only real chance for the contract – heart to the king followed by a heart to the ten. When that lost he was down, but Bernard returned a spade so the diamond loser could go away and at least the contract was only down one for –100.

Events in the other room meant that the missed undertrick was significant. Here, Rouanet-Labe used FSF rather than rebid the clubs (their convention card does not seem to mention 2-over-1, so she maybe had no choice in the matter if 3♣ would not have been forcing). It all became very murky now and Deheeger took 4NT to be Key-card for diamonds, hence the two with trump queen response. Five No Trump was presumably a vain attempt to play there and the partnership eventually alighted in 6♥. Paul led ace and another club, giving declarer a flicker of hope. But she played heart king and a heart to the ten and Paul won the queen and returned a diamond for down two and –200, so 3 IMPs to England, who led by 57-19.





UNDER 26 ROUND 4



ENGLAND vs FINLAND



by Patrick Jourdain

After three wins England held a narrow lead in the Under 26 for their round 4 match on BBO against Finland.

The pairs playing had fairly standard 5-card major strong notrump, prepared club systems.

There was little to report from the first five boards, though on the last of these North had a decision holding:

♠ Q 5 3
 ♥ Q 8 5 4
 ♦ A 8 4
 ♣ 4 3 2

Partner opens a 15-17 notrump. Would you try for game? Both Koivin and Paul correctly passed. Even 1NT was not clearcut to make as opener had a similar flat 15-count. But both managed it, Koivin with an overtrick for 1 IMP to Finland who led 3-2.

Then came two big swings:

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

Open Room

| West | North | East | South |
|---------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|
| <i>Aimala</i> | <i>Paul</i> | <i>Fagerlund</i> | <i>Roberts</i> |
| Pass | 3NT | 3♣ | Dble |
| | | All Pass | |

Closed Room

| West | North | East | South |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| <i>Shah</i> | <i>Koivu</i> | <i>Paske</i> | <i>Myllaeri</i> |
| Pass | 2NT | Pass | 1♠ |
| Pass | 3♠ | 3♣ | Pass |
| All Pass | | Pass | 4♠ |

When Fagerlund decided to open 3♣ on the East cards and South doubled, one can understand why James Paul chose to bid 3NT rather than rely on spades being a better spot. But the choice did not turn out well.

East led a club to the queen and king. Paul tried king and ace of spades, but when East threw a club, Paul then had to let West into the lead on the third spade. There was a bit of good news when West's second club proved to be the ten and Paul could play low to leave him on lead. Now West switched to a low diamond and Paul took his only chance by playing the king. But East held the ace, cashed his remaining clubs and returned to West's diamond queen for four off and 200 to Finland.

In the Closed Room Paske felt two aces made his hand unacceptable for a pre-empt. That allowed South to open 1♠ and North showed his spade fit with the 2NT response. East now bid his clubs but Finland, with a nine-card fit, chose the spade game.

Shivam Shah led the club queen, covered by king and ace. On the next club declarer ditched a diamond to win with the club jack. He followed with ace and king of spades, two top hearts, and a heart ruff. Now came a club ruff and, as it would not help to over-ruff, Shah discarded a heart.

Declarer now realised that to take another heart ruff would leave him stuck in dummy leading a diamond from the wrong hand. So he had to play a diamond first.

It seems curious that when West played low declarer was now forced to take the opposite view to the other table. Whereas Paul had needed West to hold the ace of diamonds, Koivin needed East to have this card or West would have risen with the ace, drawn the last trump, and cashed a heart. So Koivin correctly put in the jack. When this fetched the ace, Koivin had both his diamond trick and his second heart ruff. That was 420 and 12 IMPs to Finland.




Oskari Koivu, Finland U26

The ball bounced back on the next deal:

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

Open Room

| West | North | East | South |
|---------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|
| <i>Aimala</i> | <i>Paul</i> | <i>Fagerlund</i> | <i>Roberts</i> |
| Pass | 1NT | Pass | Pass |
| Pass | 2♥ | Pass | 2♣ |
| Pass | 4♥ | All Pass | 3♥ |

Closed Room

| West | North | East | South |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| <i>Shah</i> | <i>Koivu</i> | <i>Paske</i> | <i>Myllaeri</i> |
| Pass | 1NT | Pass | Pass |
| Pass | 2♥ | Pass | 2♣ |
| All Pass | | | 4♥ |

Finland took the quicker route to Four Hearts. Looking at the diagram you might expect a risk that declarer would lose a trick in each suit but both Easts chose to lead a third-highest diamond. When declarer played low from dummy West won with the king and switched to a club taken by the ace.

Now the paths diverged. Koivu failed to see a danger when he began with king and ace of hearts, then unblocked the diamond ace, and crossed to the spade ace to discard two clubs on the winning diamonds, and then played a second spade.

West made sure he won this to draw the third trump and declarer was a trick short; 100 to England.

By contrast, at the third trick Paul began by unblocking the diamond ace, and then carefully played ace of trumps and a trump to the king. After throwing two clubs on the diamonds he was in the right hand to ruff a club and return with the spade ace to ruff his last club. The defence could make a spade and a trump to go with their diamond at trick one, but that was all. This was 620 and a well-deserved 12 IMPs back to England.

Board 8 was flat in 3♥ just made at both tables. On Board 9 Finland gained 2 IMPs by pushing England one level higher and Board 10 was a flat 3NT making nine tricks at both tables. The half-time score was 17-14 in Finland's favour.


James Paul, England U26


Vesa Fagerlund, Finland U26

Board 11 was a push in slam making, but with an interesting point of technique:

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

Open Room

| West | North | East | South |
|---------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|
| <i>Aimala</i> | <i>Paul</i> | <i>Fagerlund</i> | <i>Roberts</i> |
| | | | Pass |
| 1♣ | Pass | 1♠ | Pass |
| 2♥ | Pass | 2♠ | Pass |
| 3♣ | Pass | 3♠ | Pass |
| 4♠ | Pass | 4NT | Pass |
| 5♥ | Pass | 6♠ | All Pass |

Closed Room

| West | North | East | South |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| <i>Shah</i> | <i>Koivu</i> | <i>Paske</i> | <i>Myllaeri</i> |
| | | | Pass |
| 1♣ | Pass | 1♠ | Pass |
| 2♥ | Pass | 3♠ | Pass |
| 4♣ | Pass | 4♦ | Pass |
| 4♥ | Pass | 4♠ | Pass |
| 4SA | Pass | 5♥ | Pass |
| 5♠ | Pass | 6♠ | All Pass |

Each pair began with a prepared club, natural response and natural reverse into hearts also showing five clubs. Fagerlund's 2♠ was alerted as forcing whereas Paske jumped to 3♠ to show the quality of his suit. The auctions continued on a similar route via keycard and a two keycard response, to end in Six Spades.

Both Souths led ♦J.

The odds play in spades for one loser is a trump to the queen. Fagerlund began this way and when the finesse held and the suit broke 3-2 he could unblock the heart ace and claim.

Paske looked deeper into the hand. One of the successful layouts in trumps is when the finesse loses but the trump jack falls on the next round. However, if that is the layout when South wins the spade king won't a club switch be embarrassing? In order to dispose of the losing diamond you will have to cash a second club and rely on that suit breaking 3-2. Forseeing the problem, Paske began by unblocking the heart ace and then returned to dummy with a club to cash a second heart ditching the diamond loser. Only then did he take the spade finesse. Had that lost there was no embarrassing switch from South. When it won he could claim, but with greater credit for covering the extra danger.


Thomas Paske, England U26



The Closed Room of the match

Now the fireworks began:

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

| West | North | East | South |
|----------|-------|-----------|---------|
| Aimala | Paul | Fagerlund | Roberts |
| 1♥ | Pass | 2♥(i) | 3♦ |
| All Pass | | | |

(i) 2♥ was alerted as a constructive three-card raise

Closed Room

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|-------|----------|
| Shah | Koivu | Paske | Myllaeri |
| 1♥ | Pass | 3♣(i) | 3♦ |
| 3♥ | Pass | 4♥ | All Pass |

(i) 3♣ was alerted as a Bergen Type raise with 3 or 4-card support

When Alex Roberts intervened over East's constructive raise both West and East thought they had shown their hand.

3♦ can go two off on best defence as a club lead or switch at trick two allows the defence to get the spade ace, two spade ruffs, two hearts and a club. West began with a high heart and when East dropped the queen continued the suit, underleading the king to East's Jack. The contract is now safe because the defence can get at most one spade trick and a ruff or a club and no ruff because the second heart gives declarer a second route back to hand to draw trumps. The defence can remove one of these but not both.

East actually played a third heart. Roberts ruffed, unblocked the trump ace, and led the ♠J. This went jack, queen, and a surprising small card from West. Roberts drew the remaining trumps and led a second spade. When West won this the losing club went away on the spades so declarer had emerged with an unlikely ten tricks for 130 to England.

In the Closed Room East's Three Club bid had three or four card support and that encouraged Shah to press on with 3♥. He must have been surprised when East also went on to four. However, there was no problem in the play as the defence could only take their three top winners. As the cards lie declarer gets to ruff both his spades without suffering a club ruff by opponents. This was a further 420 and 11 IMPs to England.

Board 13 was flat in an ambitious Four Hearts when both defences led a singleton and obtained two ruffs before declarer had a chance to draw trumps.

This partscore contest contained some points of interest.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

held Kx. However, when declarer ran the spade queen Paske was able to win and put partner in to receive a club ruff for one down and another 50 to England for 3 IMPs.



Then came a big swing deal:

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

| West | North | East | South |
|---------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|
| <i>Aimala</i> | <i>Paul</i> | <i>Fagerlund</i> | <i>Roberts</i> |
| Pass | 1♠ | Pass | Pass |
| Pass | 2♠(ii) | Pass | 2♣(i) |
| 3♣ | Dble | Rdbl | Pass |
| 3♦ | All Pass | | |

- (i) 2♣ was Drury showing a good 3-card raise by the passed hand
 (ii) 2♠ denied interest in game

Closed Room

| West | North | East | South |
|-------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| <i>Shah</i> | <i>Koivin</i> | <i>Paske</i> | <i>Myllaeri</i> |
| 1♣ | 1♠ | 2♥ | 2♠ |
| Pass | Pass | 3♦ | Pass |
| Pass | 3♠ | All Pass | |

Open Room

| West | North | East | South |
|---------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|
| <i>Aimala</i> | <i>Paul</i> | <i>Fagerlund</i> | <i>Roberts</i> |
| 4♠ | 1♥ | 1♠ | 2NT(i) |
| | 5♥ | All Pass | |

Closed Room

| West | North | East | South |
|-------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| <i>Shah</i> | <i>Koivin</i> | <i>Paske</i> | <i>Myllaeri</i> |
| 4♠ | 1♥ | 1♠ | 2NT(i) |
| | All Pass | | |

(i) 2NT showed a spade raise at both tables

In the Open Room Aimala did not show his clubs until protecting at the three level. Paul was happy to double this holding four trump honours and the Finns were perhaps a little lucky that East had an obvious SOS redouble holding five cards in each of the missing suits. Roberts, in the pass out seat gave long thought to doubling 3♦ but decided it was too risky.

Paul wisely led a trump. South played low but declarer won with the ace so after a heart went to the ace and a second trump was led he was able to win in the East hand, ruff a heart and lead a spade. He duly went only one off for 50 to England.

In the Closed Room by contrast Shah took his first opportunity to bid his clubs. They also reached 3♦ but North pressed on to 3♠.

The singleton club was led to dummy's king. 3♠ makes if declarer plays ace and another trump but this would be a losing line when West

After the same start to the auction at both tables Paul was quick to bid 5♥ over 4♠ whereas the Finns allowed 4♠ to play. This can go three off but in practice the defence did not get their club ruff so England lost only 100.

In Five Hearts Paul received two rounds of spades. He ruffed the second, laid down the ace of hearts and then played on diamonds. Eventually East was put in with the heart king and was endplayed into leading a club or giving a ruff and discard. So it did not matter whether the club finesse was winning or not. Paul had his +650 and 11 IMPs for England. Well played.

Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

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

Open Room

| West | North | East | South |
|---------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|
| <i>Aimala</i> | <i>Paul</i> | <i>Fagerlund</i> | <i>Roberts</i> |
| 1♦ | 3♥ | Dble | All Pass |

In the Closed Room England reached a dull 3NT for +660. The swing would depend on how many down Paul was in his playful Three Hearts.

East led a top club. Paul won and immediately spotted the best chance of making an extra trick by winning the ace and continuing the suit. East won and the defence erred by playing two rounds of diamonds. Paul ruffed and continued with a third club setting up dummy's nine. The defence played a third diamond. He ruffed again and crossed to the spade ace to play the winning club. West ruffed, but Paul threw his losing spade and lost only three more trump tricks. This was 500 to Finland but 4 IMPs to England. Had the defence played spades earlier the penalty could have been 800 and 4 IMPs the other way.

Board 17 was flat in 4♠ making. On Board 18 England made an overtrick for 1 IMP and a lead of 44-17.


Shivam Shah, England U26

Then came the final big swing:

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

Open Room

| West | North | East | South |
|---------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|
| <i>Aimala</i> | <i>Paul</i> | <i>Fagerlund</i> | <i>Roberts</i> |
| 1♠ | Pass | 2♦ | Pass |
| 3♣ | Pass | 4♣ | Pass |
| 4♥ | Pass | 4NT | Pass |
| 5♦ | Pass | 5♥ | Pass |
| 5NT | Pass | 6♣ | All Pass |

Closed Room

| West | North | East | South |
|-------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| <i>Shah</i> | <i>Koivin</i> | <i>Paske</i> | <i>Myllaeri</i> |
| 1♠ | Pass | 2♦ | Pass |
| 3♣ | Pass | 3♦ | Pass |
| 3NT | Pass | 4♣ | Pass |
| 4♥ | Pass | 4NT | Pass |
| 5♦ | Pass | 5♥ | Pass |
| 5NT | Pass | 7♣ | All Pass |

Both E/Ws play two over one game-forcing so the auctions were similar except that Paske repeated his diamonds before agreeing clubs.

4♥ was a cue, 4NT keycard for clubs, 5♦ showed 0 or 3 keys, 5♥ asked for the queen of clubs, and 5NT showed it but no outside king.

When Fagerlund learned they had no major-suit king he settled for Six Clubs. Paske by contrast envisaged declarer being able to dispose of all his spade losers on the diamonds and went for the grand.

Played by West the grand slam has the extra option of being able to rely on spades if the diamonds do not come in but, even so, it requires friendly breaks in trumps and more.

As the cards lay both declarers made 13 tricks and England had gained a slightly lucky 13 IMPs.

The final score was 63-17 or 18.23-1.77 in VPs. This allowed England to remain at the top 3 VPs ahead of Sweden.



U21 ROUND 5



NETHERLANDS vs ISRAEL


 by **Brian Senior**


The Netherlands and Israel are always near the top of the rankings in Youth bridge championships and both can be expected to challenge this time around. Going into their Round 5 clash in the U21s, the Dutch were lying second, with Israel also well in touch in fifth place.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

Urman opened with a 3♣ pre-empt then showed a heart control in a hand too good for a simple raise to 4♠. However, that was not sufficient to excite Toledano, who signed off in the spade game. Tijssen's lead of the queen of hearts did not exactly paralyse declarer. Toledano won and played a club. Kiljan won the ace and returned a diamond so Toledano won the ace and cashed a heart for a diamond discard then cashed the ace and king of spades and, on discovering the three-two split, led a third spade to the queen then rattled off the clubs; twelve tricks for +680.

Sprinkhuizen also opened 3♣ and Mendes De Leon had the perfect method for his hand, 3♦ asking for a three-card major. Three Hearts showed three spades and 3♠ set trumps and invited cuebids. After an exchange of cuebids, East asked for key cards, discovered that his partner held none, so asked about the queen of trumps. Six Clubs showed both the spade queen and club king, and Mendes De Leon signed off in 6♠.

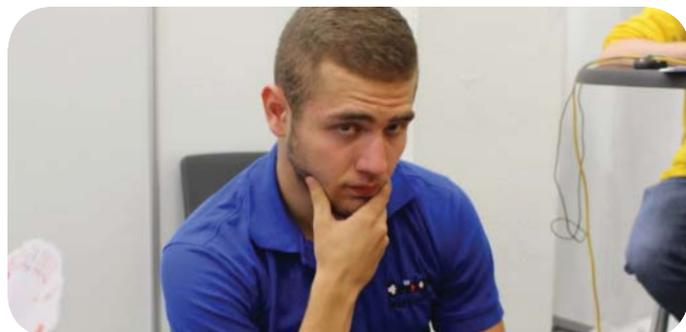
The lead was the queen of diamonds. Declarer won the ace and cashed the top hearts for a diamond discard from the dummy. Now he led a club to the king and ace and was forced to ruff the diamond return. When he now tried to cash clubs, Ezion ruffed the second with the short trump holding and, twist and turn as he might, there was no way to avoid losing one more trick; down one for -100 and 13 IMPs to Israel, who had the lead at 14-3.

| West | North | East | South |
|-------|--------|----------|----------|
| Urman | Kiljan | Toledano | Tijssen |
| - | - | - | Pass |
| 3♣ | Pass | 3♠ | Pass |
| 4♥ | Pass | 4♠ | All Pass |

| West | North | East | South |
|--------------|-------|--------|----------|
| Sprinkhuizen | Ezion | Mendes | Zamir |
| - | - | - | Pass |
| 3♣ | Pass | 3♦ | Pass |
| 3♥ | Pass | 3♠ | Pass |
| 4♣ | Pass | 4♦ | Pass |
| 4♥ | Pass | 4NT | Pass |
| 5♦ | Pass | 5♥ | Pass |
| 6♣ | Pass | 6♠ | All Pass |



Guy Mendes De Leo, Netherlands U21


Oren Toledano, Israel U21

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

| West | North | East | South |
|-------|--------|----------|----------|
| Urman | Kiljan | Toledano | Tijssen |
| – | – | 1♥ | 1♠ |
| 1NT | Pass | 4♥ | All Pass |

| West | North | East | South |
|--------------|-------|--------|----------|
| Sprinkhuizen | Ezion | Mendes | Zamir |
| – | – | 1♥ | 1♠ |
| 1NT | Pass | 3NT | All Pass |

The two auctions were identical up to East's choice of game. For Netherlands, Guy Mendes De Leon chose to raise to 3NT, hoping to be providing eight running tricks to add to his partner's spade stopper. Amir Ezion actually led a club rather than a spade but that was OK, as the spade stopper was the ace and there were the same nine tricks to be cashed on any lead and Thibo Sprinkhuizen wasted no time in doing just that for +600.

Oren Toledano, for Israel, preferred the security of his, hopefully, solid heart suit, and rebid 4♥. There are still the same nine tricks to be taken as in no trump, with no real prospect of a tenth – except that Luc Tijssen led the king of spades and crashed his partner's jack. Toledano could win the ace, draw trumps and concede a spade to establish his second winner in the suit; +620 and a slightly fortuitous 1 IMP swing to Israel when it might have been 12 away on a different lead.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

| West | North | East | South |
|----------|--------|----------|---------|
| Urman | Kiljan | Toledano | Tijssen |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | 1♣ |
| 1♦ | 1♥ | 2♣ | 3♥ |
| All Pass | | | |

| West | North | East | South |
|--------------|----------|--------|-------|
| Sprinkhuizen | Ezion | Mendes | Zamir |
| Pass | Pass | 1♦ | Dble |
| 1♠ | 2♥ | Dble | Pass |
| 4♦ | All Pass | | |

Tijssen got to open 1♣ after three passes and, though Lior Urman overcalled, Toledano was unwilling to commit to the four level over 3♥ as he had a lot of potential losers despite the five-card trump support. Toledano led a diamond to his partner's ace and Urman switched to ace and another spade. After three rounds of spades the defence switched to clubs but the kindly trump layout meant that was it for them and Veri Kiljan quickly chalked up nine tricks for +140.

Mendes De Leon opened in third seat and his 1♦ bid suited Sprinkhuizen very nicely. He showed his spades but, on seeing only a support double from partner, knew that the hand belonged in diamonds. He jumped to 4♦ to invite game but, hardly surprisingly, Mendes De Leon was not interested.

Ami Zamir led the king, asking for reverse count, and continued with the ace upon seeing partner's seven. Next he switched to ace and another heart but the king was not where he wanted it to be and a few moments later declarer had ten tricks for +130 and 7 IMPs to Netherlands, who closed to 10-18.

To defeat 4♦, South needed to underlead in clubs to get a heart through – not easy, and impossible really after leading a card that asked for count. On an attitude-asking ace lead, would he be able to read an encouraging card as showing the queen rather than being from a doubleton? Remember,



he does not know that declarer has five diamonds – he could be 3-2-4-4, when a third club might set up a trump winner for the defence.

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

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

| West | North | East | South |
|--------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|
| <i>Urman</i> | <i>Kiljan</i> | <i>Toledano</i> | <i>Tijssen</i> |
| – | 1NT | Pass | Pass |
| 2♦ | 2NT | Pass | 3♦ |
| All Pass | | | |

| West | North | East | South |
|---------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| <i>Sprinkhuizen</i> | <i>Ezion</i> | <i>Mendes</i> | <i>Zamir</i> |
| – | Pass | Pass | 1♣ |
| 2♠ | Dble | Pass | 3♦ |
| Pass | 3♠ | Pass | 3NT |
| All Pass | | | |

Kiljan opened 1NT, 10-12, and when that came around to Urman he overcalled 2♦, showing a single-suited overcall in a major. Kiljan now decided to get in his opponents' way and also compete the partscore by bidding 2NT for the minors, and Tijssen chose to play 3♦, naturally enough. Tijssen ducked the spade lead, won the continuation, and played diamond queen to the king and ace. After drawing trumps he could play ace and another club and lost just one trick in each side-suit; ten tricks for +130.

Ezion did not have an opening bid in his methods and judgment so it was Zamir who opened in third seat. Ezion made a negative double of the weak jump overcall and Zamir bid his only four-card suit. However, Ezion played him to have a sound opening for this action and next asked for a spade stopper. When Zamir admitted to having the required spade holding, no doubt with some misgivings facing a passed partner, he found himself in a rather thin-looking game. Sprinkhuizen led the queen of spades and Mendes De Leon overtook with the king and returned the

suit. Spades were cleared and Zamir picked up the diamonds then tried a club to the ten to keep East off play. Alas, West held the ace of hearts so it was easy to put him in and the contract was down three for –150 and another 7 IMPs to Netherlands; 17-18.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

| West | North | East | South |
|--------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|
| <i>Urman</i> | <i>Kiljan</i> | <i>Toledano</i> | <i>Tijssen</i> |
| – | – | – | Pass |
| 1NT | Pass | 2♣ | Pass |
| 2♥ | Pass | 2♠ | Pass |
| 3♥ | Pass | 4♣ | Pass |
| 4♥ | All Pass | | |

| West | North | East | South |
|---------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| <i>Sprinkhuizen</i> | <i>Ezion</i> | <i>Mendes</i> | <i>Zamir</i> |
| – | – | – | Pass |
| 1♥ | Pass | 2♣ | Pass |
| 2NT | Pass | 3♣ | Pass |
| 3♦ | Pass | 3♥ | Pass |
| 3NT | Pass | 4♣ | Pass |
| 4♥ | Pass | 4NT | Pass |
| 5♠ | Pass | 6♥ | All Pass |

Six Hearts is a very good contract on the E/W cards and the Dutch pair bid quite smoothly to get there after Sprinkhuizen's 1♥ opening. He rebid to show his minimum balanced hand-type and now Mendes De Leon took control. I'm not sure of the meaning of the 3♦ bid but it obviously did nothing to discourage East who eventually asked for key cards then bid the small slam; +980.

Urman's 1NT opening didn't get the job done. Though he was able to show the fifth heart in response to the 2♠ inquiry, he was unwilling to co-operate over the 4♣ cuebid as to do so would have taken him past game on a minimum hand, and the slam was missed; +480 but 11 IMPs to Netherlands, who led by 29-18.

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

| West | North | East | South |
|-------|----------|----------|---------|
| Urman | Kiljan | Toledano | Tijssen |
| Pass | 1♣ | 1♦ | Pass |
| 1♥ | 2♣ | 2♠ | 3♣ |
| 3♦ | All Pass | | |

| West | North | East | South |
|--------------|----------|--------|-------|
| Sprinkhuizen | Ezion | Mendes | Zamir |
| Pass | 1♣ | 1♦ | Dble |
| 3♣ | Pass | 3♠ | Pass |
| 3NT | All Pass | | |

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

| West | North | East | South |
|-------|--------|----------|---------|
| Urman | Kiljan | Toledano | Tijssen |
| – | – | Pass | 2♣ |
| Pass | 2♦ | Pass | 2♠ |
| Pass | 3♣ | Pass | 3NT |
| Pass | 4♣ | Pass | 4♥ |
| Pass | 4NT | Pass | 5♦ |
| Pass | 6♣ | All Pass | |

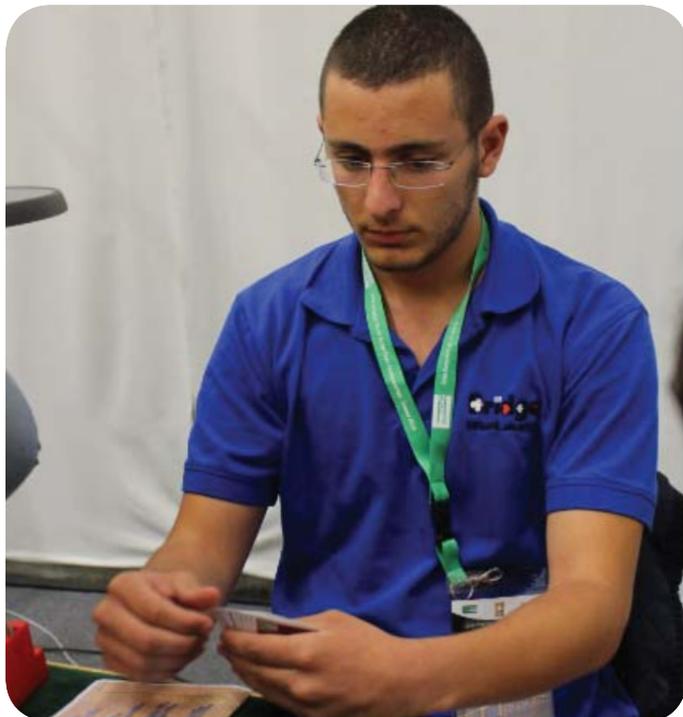
| West | North | East | South |
|--------------|-------|----------|-------|
| Sprinkhuizen | Ezion | Mendes | Zamir |
| – | – | Pass | 2♣ |
| Pass | 3♣ | Pass | 3♠ |
| Pass | 4♣ | Pass | 4♥ |
| Pass | 4NT | Pass | 5♦ |
| Pass | 6♣ | All Pass | |

The Israeli E/W pair had a well-controlled auction in which Toledano overcalled on a 16-count but then did not get carried away when his partner introduced a new suit then showed support for his own first suit. Three Diamonds was very comfortable and when, in the middle of the play, Toledano laid down the ace of trumps, the fall of the king resulted in an overtrick for +130.

The Dutch E/W were a little optimistic as they bid all the way to 3NT after Sprinkhuizen had shown a four-card diamond raise then apparently bid 3NT with no semblance of a club stopper. He seems to have become a little downhearted as things started to go from bad to worse after the club lead. Ducking the first trick but winning the second, of course, Sprinkhuizen tried a desperate heart to the king and lost to the ace. On the run of the clubs, he came down to ace-queen and another diamond in the dummy and just the jack and ten in hand. After cashing the clubs, Ezion switched to a diamond and declarer played low from the dummy, losing to the bare king. Back came a heart to the queen and a diamond exit trapped declarer in the dummy to concede a spade at the end for down five and –250; 9 IMPs to Israel, who were almost level at 27-29.

Neither N/S pair covered themselves in glory on this deal, reaching a 0% slam when there was a very good alternative available. I cannot know the subtleties of the two pairs' agreements, but while South might have corrected to spades at either table, it does seem that the two Norths stressed that broken club suit too much. The question South had to ask himself was whether there were hands on which 6♣ would be better than 6♠ – presumably with North holding ♣KQJxxxx or the like and no outside entry – or an entry which could be knocked out at trick one. Hands containing the ace of diamonds instead of the heart king are the most obvious contenders, I guess.

The diamond lead quickly put paid to any prospect declarer had of making his slam. Tijssen was down one for –50, while Zamir followed an obscure line which resulted only in him creating an extra couple of undertricks and going down three instead of one to present Netherlands with 3 bonus IMPs to increase the lead to 32-27.


Ami Zamir, Israel U21

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

| West | North | East | South |
|----------|--------|----------|---------|
| Urman | Kiljan | Toledano | Tijssen |
| – | 1♠ | Pass | 2♣(i) |
| Pass | 3♣ | Pass | 3NT |
| All Pass | | | |

(i) Artificial, invitational plus

| West | North | East | South |
|--------------|---------|--------|--------|
| Sprinkhuizen | Ezion | Mendes | Zamir |
| – | 1♠ | Pass | 1NT |
| Pass | 2♣(i) | Pass | 2♦(ii) |
| Pass | 3♣(iii) | Pass | 3NT |
| All Pass | | | |

(i) Natural or any 16+

(ii) Any 8+

(iii) 16+ and natural

It is natural to reach 3NT, but the difficult communications make the play very awkward despite all the high cards.

Urman led a diamond so Tijssen cashed the three top diamonds then took the heart finesse. When that won, he seems to have been concerned about squeezing dummy, because he next led a low heart, and Urman won the ten and returned the jack of spades to the queen and king. Toledano now switched to the ten of clubs and that was ducked to dummy's jack. Tijssen returned a club but Urman had three tricks there and could cash them then exit with his remaining spade. That meant down two for -100.

Hearts were again unbid in the other room, and here Sprinkhuizen chose to lead the ten of hearts to the queen and ace. Zamir took the losing spade finesse and Mendes De Leon seems to have played his partner to have led the heart ten from some stronger holding than was actually the case as he now returned a low heart. Zamir did well by putting in the eight and must have been charmed to find that it held the trick. He could cash the hearts then the top diamonds and spade ace before exiting with the jack of clubs and finding that his club queen made the last trick; ten tricks for +430 and 11 IMPs to Israel.

The final match result was 41-32 IMPs in favour of Israel, converting to 12.30-7.70 VPs.


Luc Tijssen, Netherlands U21

**RESULTS****UNDER 26****ROUND 4**

| | TEAM 1 | TEAM 2 | IMP1 | IMP2 | VP1 | VP2 |
|---|----------|-------------|------|------|-------|-------|
| 1 | SWEDEN | DENMARK | 58 | 30 | 15.93 | 4.07 |
| 2 | GREECE | WALES | 70 | 36 | 16.80 | 3.20 |
| 3 | ENGLAND | FINLAND | 63 | 17 | 18.23 | 1.77 |
| 4 | GERMANY | POLAND | 32 | 30 | 10.55 | 9.45 |
| 5 | HUNGARY | NETHERLANDS | 54 | 35 | 14.39 | 5.61 |
| 6 | TURKEY | PORTUGAL | 27 | 66 | 2.56 | 17.44 |
| 7 | BULGARIA | AUSTRIA | 74 | 0 | 20.00 | 0.00 |
| 8 | ISRAEL | FRANCE | 36 | 34 | 10.55 | 9.45 |
| 9 | NORWAY | ITALY | 60 | 41 | 14.39 | 5.61 |

ROUND 5

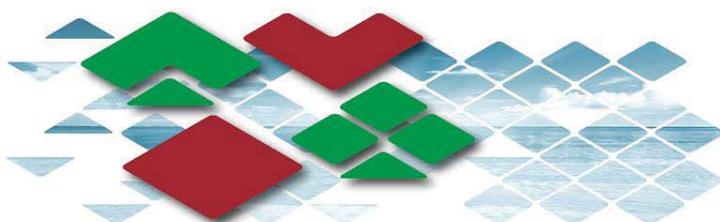
| | TEAM 1 | TEAM 2 | IMP1 | IMP2 | VP1 | VP2 |
|---|----------|-------------|------|------|-------|-------|
| 1 | PORTUGAL | SWEDEN | 11 | 79 | 0.00 | 20.00 |
| 2 | AUSTRIA | NETHERLANDS | 26 | 57 | 3.62 | 16.38 |
| 3 | FRANCE | POLAND | 36 | 35 | 10.28 | 9.72 |
| 4 | ITALY | FINLAND | 50 | 42 | 12.07 | 7.93 |
| 5 | NORWAY | WALES | 70 | 11 | 19.41 | 0.59 |
| 6 | ISRAEL | DENMARK | 41 | 53 | 7.02 | 12.98 |
| 7 | BULGARIA | GREECE | 45 | 44 | 10.28 | 9.72 |
| 8 | TURKEY | ENGLAND | 39 | 38 | 10.28 | 9.72 |
| 9 | HUNGARY | GERMANY | 28 | 34 | 8.41 | 11.59 |

ROUND 6

| | TEAM 1 | TEAM 2 | IMP1 | IMP2 | VP1 | VP2 |
|---|-------------|----------|------|------|-------|-------|
| 1 | SWEDEN | FINLAND | 28 | 46 | 5.80 | 14.20 |
| 2 | POLAND | WALES | 102 | 17 | 20.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 | NETHERLANDS | DENMARK | 63 | 19 | 18.01 | 1.99 |
| 4 | PORTUGAL | GREECE | 42 | 52 | 7.47 | 12.53 |
| 5 | AUSTRIA | ENGLAND | 24 | 84 | 0.51 | 19.49 |
| 6 | FRANCE | GERMANY | 9 | 35 | 4.39 | 15.61 |
| 7 | ITALY | HUNGARY | 36 | 47 | 7.24 | 12.76 |
| 8 | NORWAY | TURKEY | 38 | 8 | 16.23 | 3.77 |
| 9 | ISRAEL | BULGARIA | 27 | 62 | 3.07 | 16.93 |

RANK**AFTER ROUND 6**

| | | |
|----|-------------|-------|
| 1 | ENGLAND | 99.92 |
| 2 | SWEDEN | 93.10 |
| 3 | NORWAY | 89.57 |
| 4 | NETHERLANDS | 85.47 |
| 5 | POLAND | 83.14 |
| 6 | GERMANY | 82.94 |
| 7 | GREECE | 69.87 |
| 8 | ITALY | 66.88 |
| 9 | BULGARIA | 63.19 |
| 10 | FINLAND | 63.07 |
| 11 | HUNGARY | 60.71 |
| 12 | ISRAEL | 55.49 |
| 13 | FRANCE | 48.38 |
| 14 | DENMARK | 42.57 |
| 15 | TURKEY | 32.09 |
| 16 | PORTUGAL | 26.90 |
| 17 | AUSTRIA | 12.91 |
| 18 | WALES | 3.80 |



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ROUND 4

| TEAM 1 | TEAM 2 | IMP1 | IMP2 | VP1 | VP2 |
|----------------|------------|------|------|-------|-------|
| 11 SWEDEN | FRANCE | 21 | 70 | 1.47 | 18.53 |
| 12 POLAND | FINLAND | 69 | 34 | 16.93 | 3.07 |
| 13 DENMARK | ITALY | 55 | 68 | 6.80 | 13.20 |
| 14 NORWAY | CZECH REP. | 58 | 60 | 9.45 | 10.55 |
| 15 ISRAEL | SCOTLAND | 135 | 21 | 20.00 | 0.00 |
| 16 HUNGARY | ENGLAND | 13 | 69 | 0.83 | 19.17 |
| 17 NETHERLANDS | GERMANY | 46 | 36 | 12.53 | 7.47 |
| 18 RUSSIA | LATVIA | 35 | 72 | 2.81 | 17.19 |

ROUND 5

| TEAM 1 | TEAM 2 | IMP1 | IMP2 | VP1 | VP2 |
|----------------|---------|------|------|-------|-------|
| 11 HUNGARY | SWEDEN | 26 | 57 | 3.62 | 16.38 |
| 12 NETHERLANDS | ISRAEL | 32 | 41 | 7.70 | 12.30 |
| 13 RUSSIA | NORWAY | 43 | 23 | 14.58 | 5.42 |
| 14 LATVIA | DENMARK | 39 | 64 | 4.55 | 15.45 |
| 15 GERMANY | POLAND | 82 | 26 | 19.17 | 0.83 |
| 16 ENGLAND | FRANCE | 35 | 71 | 2.94 | 17.06 |
| 17 SCOTLAND | FINLAND | 22 | 88 | 0.07 | 19.93 |
| 18 CZECH REP. | ITALY | 38 | 67 | 3.92 | 16.08 |

ROUND 6

| TEAM 1 | TEAM 2 | IMP1 | IMP2 | VP1 | VP2 |
|---------------|-------------|------|------|-------|-------|
| 11 SWEDEN | LATVIA | 49 | 18 | 16.38 | 3.62 |
| 12 GERMANY | RUSSIA | 52 | 23 | 16.08 | 3.92 |
| 13 ENGLAND | NETHERLANDS | 39 | 50 | 7.24 | 12.76 |
| 14 SCOTLAND | HUNGARY | 18 | 50 | 3.48 | 16.52 |
| 15 CZECH REP. | ISRAEL | 45 | 14 | 16.38 | 3.62 |
| 16 ITALY | NORWAY | 42 | 45 | 9.18 | 10.82 |
| 17 FINLAND | DENMARK | 29 | 60 | 3.62 | 16.38 |
| 18 FRANCE | POLAND | 35 | 57 | 5.06 | 14.94 |

RANK

AFTER ROUND 6

| | | | |
|----|--|-------------|-------|
| 1 | | FRANCE | 91.31 |
| 2 | | NETHERLANDS | 86.91 |
| 3 | | SWEDEN | 77.06 |
| 4 | | POLAND | 76.24 |
| 5 | | GERMANY | 71.51 |
| 6 | | CZECH REP. | 70.13 |
| 7 | | ISRAEL | 67.00 |
| 8 | | LATVIA | 62.96 |
| 9 | | DENMARK | 61.83 |
| 10 | | ITALY | 59.60 |
| 11 | | RUSSIA | 52.71 |
| 12 | | FINLAND | 49.90 |
| 13 | | NORWAY | 43.71 |
| 14 | | ENGLAND | 39.97 |
| 15 | | HUNGARY | 35.38 |
| 16 | | SCOTLAND | 14.06 |

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| TEAM 1 | TEAM 2 | IMP1 | IMP2 | VP1 | VP2 |
|----------------|---------|------|------|-------|-------|
| 21 NETHERLANDS | POLAND | 82 | 46 | 17.06 | 2.94 |
| 22 ITALY | FRANCE | 28 | 75 | 1.67 | 18.33 |
| 23 NORWAY | HUNGARY | 62 | 31 | 16.38 | 3.62 |

ROUND 5

| TEAM 1 | TEAM 2 | IMP1 | IMP2 | VP1 | VP2 |
|----------------|--------|------|------|-------|-------|
| 21 NETHERLANDS | NORWAY | 21 | 64 | 2.10 | 17.90 |
| 22 HUNGARY | ITALY | 37 | 72 | 3.07 | 16.93 |
| 23 FRANCE | POLAND | 56 | 36 | 14.58 | 5.42 |

RANK**AFTER ROUND 6**

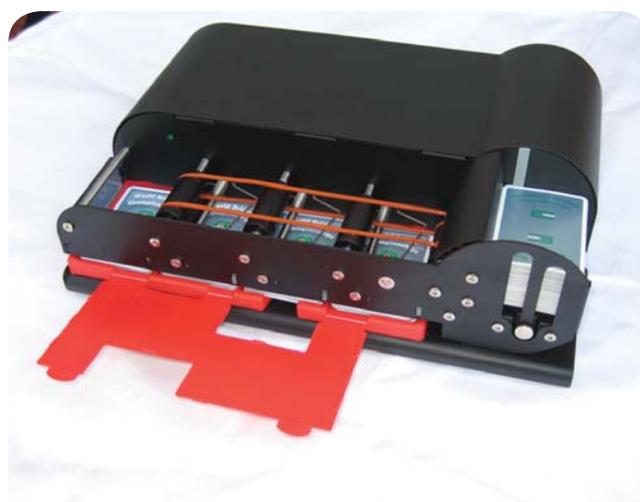
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|----------|---|--------------------|-------|
| 1 |  | FRANCE | 95.38 |
| 2 |  | NETHERLANDS | 69.33 |
| 3 |  | NORWAY | 65.43 |
| 4 |  | POLAND | 65.42 |
| 5 |  | ITALY | 50.61 |
| 6 |  | HUNGARY | 13.83 |

ROUND 6

| TEAM 1 | TEAM 2 | IMP1 | IMP2 | VP1 | VP2 |
|----------------|---------|------|------|-------|-------|
| 21 NETHERLANDS | FRANCE | 29 | 65 | 2.94 | 17.06 |
| 22 POLAND | HUNGARY | 62 | 14 | 18.43 | 1.57 |
| 23 ITALY | NORWAY | 40 | 58 | 5.80 | 14.20 |

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ROUND 4

| TEAM 1 | TEAM 2 | IMP1 | IMP2 | VP1 | VP2 |
|----------------|---------|------|------|-------|-------|
| 31 FRANCE | ENGLAND | 62 | 33 | 16.58 | 3.42 |
| 32 ISRAEL | SWEDEN | 29 | 36 | 7.97 | 12.03 |
| 33 SCOTLAND | HUNGARY | 18 | 105 | 0.00 | 20.00 |
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| 35 GERMANY | POLAND | 16 | 67 | 0.75 | 19.25 |
| 36 NETHERLANDS | NORWAY | 69 | 38 | 16.88 | 3.12 |

ROUND 5

| TEAM 1 | TEAM 2 | IMP1 | IMP2 | VP1 | VP2 |
|----------------|------------|------|------|-------|-------|
| 31 FRANCE | GERMANY | 51 | 17 | 17.31 | 2.69 |
| 32 NETHERLANDS | CZECH REP. | 44 | 17 | 16.26 | 3.74 |
| 33 NORWAY | SCOTLAND | 42 | 33 | 12.55 | 7.45 |
| 34 POLAND | ISRAEL | 51 | 47 | 11.20 | 8.80 |
| 35 IRELAND | ENGLAND | 46 | 72 | 0.00 | 12.00 |
| 36 HUNGARY | SWEDEN | 58 | 53 | 11.48 | 8.52 |

ROUND 6

| TEAM 1 | TEAM 2 | IMP1 | IMP2 | VP1 | VP2 |
|------------|-------------|------|------|-------|-------|
| 31 NORWAY | FRANCE | 22 | 55 | 2.83 | 17.17 |
| 32 POLAND | NETHERLANDS | 41 | 22 | 14.80 | 5.20 |
| 33 IRELAND | GERMANY | 32 | 42 | 0.00 | 12.00 |
| 34 HUNGARY | CZECH REP. | 39 | 37 | 10.61 | 9.39 |
| 35 SWEDEN | SCOTLAND | 121 | 12 | 20.00 | 0.00 |
| 36 ENGLAND | ISRAEL | 45 | 21 | 15.74 | 4.26 |

RANK

AFTER ROUND 6

| | | | |
|----|--|-------------|-------|
| 1 | | NETHERLANDS | 85.83 |
| 2 | | POLAND | 85.43 |
| 3 | | FRANCE | 85.06 |
| 4 | | SWEDEN | 78.10 |
| 5 | | ISRAEL | 69.21 |
| 6 | | ENGLAND | 68.58 |
| 7 | | CZECH REP. | 64.95 |
| 8 | | HUNGARY | 48.74 |
| 9 | | NORWAY | 35.09 |
| 10 | | SCOTLAND | 25.93 |
| 11 | | GERMANY | 25.08 |
| 12 | | IRELAND | 0.00 |

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| Victor | TODD-MOIR |
| Morten R. | BUNE (captain) |
| Dennis | BILDE (coach) |

ENGLAND

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| Sam | BEHRENS |
| Laura | COVILL |
| Nicholas | DEAN |
| Frederick | ILLINGWORTH |
| Stephen | KENNEDY |
| Ben | NORTON |
| Michael | BYRNE (captain) |
| Bryony | YOUNGS (coach) |

FINLAND

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| Aleksi | AALTO |
| Hermann | HUHTAMAKI |
| Tatu | SAMMALISTO |
| Vaino | TORNROOS |
| Kari | PATANA (captain) |

FRANCE

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| Raphael | BASLER |
| Luc | BELLICAUD |
| Francois | BEUGIN |
| Arthur | BOULIN |
| Melic | DUFRENE |
| Theo | GUILLEMIN |
| Christophe | OURSSEL (captain) |

GERMANY

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| Florian | ALTER |
| Stig | JESSE |
| Philipp | PABST |
| Lauritz | STRECK |
| Sibrand | VAN OOSTEN |
| Leonard | VORNKAHL |
| Hartmut | KONDOCH (captain) |
| Kareen R | SCHROEDER (coach) |

HUNGARY

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| Balint | HOMONNAY |
| Hanka | LAJOS |
| Kartal | NAGY |
| Barna | VILLANYI |
| Katalin | MEZEI (captain) |
| Laszlo | HONTI (coach) |

ISRAEL

| | |
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| Shahaf | AVITAL |
| Amir | EZION |
| Oren | TOLEDANO |
| Lior | URMAN |
| Asaf | YEKUTIELI |
| Ami | ZAMIR |
| Eran | ASSARAF (captain) |

ITALY

| | |
|------------|-------------------|
| Andrea | MANGANELLA |
| Giacomo | PERCARIO |
| Federico | PORTA |
| Andrea | ROSALBA |
| Roberto | SAU |
| Sebastiano | SCATA |
| Gianni | MEDUGNO (captain) |
| Dario | ATTANASIO (coach) |

LATVIA

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| Martins | BALODIS |
| Gints | DREIMANIS |
| Viktors | ILDEIKINS |
| Janis | ILZINS |
| Karlis | RUBINS |

**NETHERLANDS**

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| Veri | KILJAN |
| Guy | MENDES DE LEON |
| Thibo | SPRINKHUIZEN |
| Leen | STOUGIE |
| Marc | STOUGIE |
| Luc | TIJSSEN |
| Niek | BRINK (captain) |
| Maarten | SCHOLLAARDT (coach) |

**NORWAY**

| | |
|-------------|------------------|
| Sebastian | GEISLER |
| Ole Andre | HAUKAAS |
| Joakim | SAETHER |
| Marcus | SCHEIE |
| Lars | EIDE (captain) |
| Lars Arthur | JOHANSEN (coach) |

**POLAND**

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| Jakub | ANDRUSZKIEWICZ |
| Zofia | BALDYSZ |
| Blazej | KRAWCZYK |
| Edward | SUCHARDA |
| Krzysztof | SUPERSON |
| Marcin | SZYMANSKI |
| Tomasz | RADKO (captain) |
| Adrian | BAKALARZ (coach) |

**RUSSIA**

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|-----------|--------------|
| Elizaveta | ARSENTYEVA |
| Nikolay | SKARZHINSKIY |
| Ivan | VYSHESLAVOV |
| Vsevolod | ZUBOV |
| Zigfrid | ZVEZDIN |

**SCOTLAND**

| | |
|------------|-------------------|
| Olivia | BAILEY |
| Jun | NAKAMARU-PINDER |
| Suzanna | NESOM |
| Liam | OBRIEN |
| Stewart | PINKERTON |
| Ronan R.J. | VALENTINE |
| Elizabeth | McGOWAN (captain) |

**SWEDEN**

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|----------|-----------------------|
| Carl | BLEKEMO |
| Ida | GRONKVIST |
| Johannes | MATSSON |
| Mikael | RIMSTEDT |
| Ola | RIMSTEDT |
| Johan | SAFSTEN |
| Per | LEANDERSSON (captain) |
| Tom | GARDS (coach) |

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOOK 2014

I have a small supply of the new 2014 World Championship Book, about the championships held in Sanya last year. These are for sale in Tromsø for a special Youth price of just 150 Krone (just over half the normal price).

Anyone interested can find me in the Bulletin Office, through the white sheets on the far side of the cafeteria.

Brian Senior



**TEAM ROSTERS****LADIES****FRANCE**

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| Sarah | COMBESCURE |
| Anne-Laure | HUBERSCHWILLER |
| Anais | LELEU |
| Jennifer | MOURGUES |
| Solene | THEPAUT-VENTOS |
| Mathilde | THUILLEZ |
| Jerome | ROMBAUT (captain) |

HUNGARY

| | |
|-----------|-----------------|
| Maria | BEKO |
| Zsofia | BEKO |
| Zsuzsanna | BEKO |
| Laura | ERSEK |
| Hanna | REVAI |
| Laszlo | HONTI (captain) |
| Katalin | MEZEI (coach) |

ITALY

| | |
|------------|-------------------|
| Rossella | BENINCASA |
| Margherita | CHAVARRIA |
| Margherita | COSTA |
| Caterina | DE LUTIO |
| Michela | SALVATO |
| Giulia | SCIATTIOLI |
| Gianni | MEDUGNO (captain) |
| Emanuela | CAPRIATA (coach) |

NETHERLANDS

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|---------|-------------------|
| Merel | BRUIJNSTEEN |
| Carla | GROENLAND |
| Sandra | KOLEN |
| Lotte | LEUFKENS |
| Doris | VAN DELFT |
| Janneke | WACKWITZ |
| Martine | VERBEEK (captain) |
| Laura | DEKKERS (coach) |

NORWAY

| | |
|------------|--------------------|
| Katarina | EKREN |
| Stine | FROYSE |
| Thea Hove | HAUGE |
| Thea Lucia | INDREBO |
| Marte H. | KLINGEN |
| Sofie G. | SJODAL |
| Sven Olai | HOYLAND (captain) |
| Rosaline | BARENDREGT (coach) |

POLAND

| | |
|-----------|--------------------|
| Joanna | BREDE |
| Magda | BUDZYNSKA |
| Izabella | JAWORSKA |
| Zuzanna | MOSZCZYNSKA |
| Dominika | PIESIEWICZ |
| Justyna | ZMUDA |
| Piotr | ZATORSKI (captain) |
| Katarzyna | DUFRAT (coach) |

TIME OFF?

The nearest spot to visit from the playing venue is Polaria, the Arctic exhibition, aquarium, and seal pool. The building is just outside, looking like a set of falling dominoes.

The seals are fed at 12.30 and 3 pm each day and are taught tricks as they feed. There is a 10-minute film about the Northern Lights half-an-hour before the seal feeding time.

Bridge players showing their badge should get the student entry fee rate of 70 Norwegian Kroner. Under 16s are 60 NKr.



TEAM ROSTERS

UNDER 16

 **CZECH REPUBLIC**

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| Tomas | FRIDRICH |
| Adam | PROCHAZKA |
| Petr | VOLHEJN |
| Otradovcova | ZUZANA |
| Michal | KRALIK (captain) |
| Milan | MACURA (coach) |

 **ENGLAND**

| | |
|--------|------------------|
| Isaac | CHANNON |
| Harry | MADDEN |
| Jack | RONAYNE |
| Liam | SANDERSON |
| Oscar | SELBY |
| Daniel | WINTER |
| Paul | BARDEN (captain) |
| David | BAKHSHI (coach) |

 **FRANCE**

| | |
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| Maxence | FRAGOLA |
| Romaric | GUTH |
| Hugo | RABOURDIN |
| Clement | TEIL |
| Christophe | OURSSEL (captain) |

 **GERMANY**

| | |
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| Felix | DOERMER |
| Viktor | OTTO |
| Julian | PETER |
| Ruben | SCHULTE |
| Frederik | HAHN (captain) |
| Hartmut | KONDOCH (coach) |

 **HUNGARY**

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| Zsolt | ARGAY |
| Tamas | KERENYI |
| Leo | SZUCS |
| Andrea | TOTH |
| Istvan | KERENYI (captain) |
| Bernadette | ARGAYNE MAGYAR (coach) |

 **IRELAND**

| | |
|---------|-----------------|
| Brendon | BINNIE |
| Leah | FINNEGAN |
| Conor | GALLAGHER |
| Denise | WALSH |
| Ken | WALSH (captain) |

 **ISRAEL**

| | |
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| Roi | ARGELAZY |
| Nir | KHUTORSKY |
| Tomer | LOONSTEIN |
| Gal | MATATYAHOU |
| Jonathan | SCHARO |
| Aviv | ZEITAK |
| Jorge | SCHARO (captain) |

 **NETHERLANDS**

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| Jasper | BLOM |
| Dieter | GOUDZWAARD |
| Oscar | NIJSSEN |
| Tim | VAN DE PAVERD |
| Jan | KOLEN (captain) |
| Carla | ARNOLDS (coach) |

 **NORWAY**

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|--------------|---------------------|
| Marius D. | AUSTAD |
| Kaja | BREKKE |
| Anders | BROGELAND |
| Sanna E.D. | DYBDAHL |
| Christian F. | JOHNSEN |
| Audun | MURUD |
| Kristian | ELLINGSEN (captain) |
| Solvi K. | FLO (coach) |

 **POLAND**

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| Maciej | KEDZIERSKI |
| Kacper | KOPKA |
| Michal | KUCZKOWSKI |
| Michal | MASZENDA |
| Mateusz | SLUSZNIAK |
| Oskar | TRYBUS |
| Roland | LIPPIK (captain) |
| Marcin | DOBROWOLSKI (coach) |

 **SCOTLAND**

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| Saketh | JAMPANA |
| Adam | TOBIAS |
| David | TOBIAS |
| Wan-Hew | TRAN |
| Ronald | GAFFIN (captain) |
| John | DI MAMBRO (coach) |

 **SWEDEN**

| | |
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| Willem | BERNER |
| Sanna | CLEMENTSSON |
| Erik | HANSSON |
| Castor | MANN |
| Alexander | SANDIN |
| Per | LEANDERSSON (captain) |
| Hans-Ove | SANDIN (coach) |