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## FINAL EFFORT



Time for the sun to go down in Tromsø

There are just two matches remaining in the U26, U21 and Ladies Championships, and it is time for all the contenders to make one final effort to reach the finishing line.

Going into the final day, the U21 Championship seems to be between Netherlands and Sweden, with the fight for bronze being between Israel, Germany and France. Several teams still have a chance to take the final qualifying place for Salsomaggiore.

Short of something remarkable happening, France will win the Ladies from Poland, with Netherlands or Italy taking the bronze.

Long-time leaders England are no longer top of the U26 rankings. Pride of place goes to Poland, followed by Sweden, Netherlands, Norway, England and Italy, but there are sure to be more twists and turns today before that event is decided.



### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

	U26	U21	Ladies
10.00:	R16	R14	R19
14.00:	R17	R15	R20
19.00:	CLOSING CEREMONY		

**DRAW TODAY****U26 ROUND 16**

	GER	SWE	
	ENG	HUN	
	GRE	TUR	
	DEN	BUL	
	WAL	ISR	
	FIN	NOR	
	POL	ITA	
	NED	FRA	
	POR	AUT	

**TIME: 10.00****U26 ROUND 17**

	GRE	SWE	
	DEN	ENG	
	WAL	GER	
	FIN	HUN	
	POL	TUR	
	NED	BUL	
	POR	ISR	
	AUT	NOR	
	FRA	ITA	

**TIME: 14.00****U21 ROUND 14**

	FIN	SWE	
	FRA	ITA	
	POL	CZE	
	DEN	SCO	
	NOR	ENG	
	ISR	GER	
	HUN	LAT	
	NED	RUS	

**TIME: 10.00****U21 ROUND 15**

	CZE	SWE	
	ITA	SCO	
	FIN	ENG	
	FRA	GER	
	POL	LAT	
	DEN	RUS	
	NOR	NED	
	ISR	HUN	

**TIME: 14.00****LADIES ROUND 19**

	NED	FRA	
	ITA	NOR	
	HUN	POL	

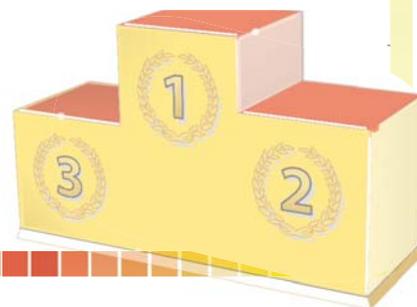
**TIME: 10.00****LADIES ROUND 20**

	FRA	POL	
	NED	ITA	
	NOR	HUN	

**TIME: 14.00**

## CLOSING CEREMONY

The Closing Ceremony for the U26, U21 and Ladies Championships will be held in the usual room in the Edge Hotel at 19:00 this evening.



## NEW VIDEOS AVAILABLE



*"Meet Bulgaria"*



*"Meet Portugal"*



*"Meet Turkey"*



*"Prize giving Under 16"*

***More videos are coming soon!***



## SOME TD RULINGS

by Marc van Beijsterveldt, Head TD

In previous years, players and readers from outside were informed about appeal committee decisions through their publication in the bulletin. As there are no longer appeals but only reviews, people interested in Laws have no source – as there are rarely any reviews, none so far in this Championship.

To fill that hole, EBL board member Josef Harsanyi suggested to present some TD cases in the bulletin, which I hereby do.

Case 1 – U21 Round 8

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

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

At this point, North asked for further explanation and his screen mate East told him that 2NT showed a three-card raise, invitational

or better and 3♣ was natural. On that basis, North decided to pass. After cashing his spade tricks, declarer claimed, conceding one more trick. Now North realised he had been given the wrong explanation as West had only one club so he called the TD. North explained that he had seriously considered bidding 4♠ but had not done so because of the explanation of 3♣. Up to the director: is there an infraction and if so, did it damage NS?

E/W were able to show their system notes which made clear that 3♣ was a relay, asking for length in hearts (it could sometimes be four) and strength. That made clear that East's explanation was not correct. The TD's task is now to find out if the wrong explanation has influenced North's decision to pass. That is done by making a poll with expert players (who preferably don't know the hand). They were asked what call they would make in this situation, or similar as not everyone chooses the same route to bid the north hand.

The poll made it clear that with the correct explanation it certainly was more attractive to bid. That could either be 4♠ or double, but after the double it is most likely South will not pass but bid 4♠. It was not a unanimous poll amongst the experts so the adjustment was a weighted score, based on 75% North bidding 4♠, going down two (doubled) and 25% passing. As on the other table the result was 4♠ doubled down two, the result was adjusted to -1 IMP for N/S, instead of the original loss of 3 IMPs.



Case 2 – U26 Round 10  
Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
1NT	Dble	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♥	Dble	All Pass

Table result: North 4♥ doubled –3, –800  
Result other table: North 3♦+1, +110

Only after the board had been played, did South call the TD. He said that just after he had bid 3♥ West alerted his partner's Pass: it was forcing and West was required to redouble.

Not alerting in time is an irregularity but South was in the position to call earlier: had he done so immediately after the late alert, he could have changed his bid but now it was too late.

Facts got slightly more complicated as, according to the N/S convention card, the double showed five-plus minor & four major so South 'knew' he had a huge fit. As North didn't have what he promised, the ruling was that the bad result was mostly because of the out-of-system bid by North and not because of West's failure to alert in time. The table result was allowed to stand.

Case 3 – U21 Round 4  
Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

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

Table result: East 4♥ –2, –200  
Result other table: North 1NT+1, +120

This case is also about changing a call. West explained to South that 3♥ showed a singleton somewhere and 3♠ was asking. After South and West's final passes the bidding tray went to the other side and now West corrected his explanations. They play something similar over a 1♠ opening but here 3♥ was just a minimum. South realised that E/W just had bid a very thin game, West being a passed hand and East showing a minimum. He thought he had good chances to defeat the contract and called the TD telling him that he wanted to double. Unfortunately, under Law 21 it was too late to change South's last pass.

The case seemed simple as South, before the outcome of the board, had already said he would have doubled. But there is something to consider: South is more or less free to make the statement, as if the contract makes, there is no damage from the infraction (the wrong explanation) and since N/S are the non-offenders, the TD will not adjust the score. Before taking the decision, this ruling too was polled amongst expert players. They felt sympathy for a double but the majority would not have chosen to do so. Therefore, although the player had called in time, he didn't receive full redress and again the score was adjusted to a weighted result: 60% of 4♥ doubled down two, 40% of 4♥ undoubled down two. That gave the non-offenders 6 IMPs instead of 2 IMPs against the result at the other table.





Find all information about Youth activities in Europe at the official EBL Youth page 😊



*us on Facebook and post pictures*

### EBL Youth Committee photo contest

- Like and follow the EBL Youth Community Facebook page
- Post a picture on the EBL Youth Community Facebook page from the EYTC in Tromsø
- Selfies allowed, but groupies recommended
- 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*



73 Likes, July 24 at 1.45 pm



215 Likes, July 24 at 1.45 pm



441 Likes, July 24 at 1.45 pm



289 Likes, July 24 at 1.45 pm



337 Likes, July 24 at 1.45 pm



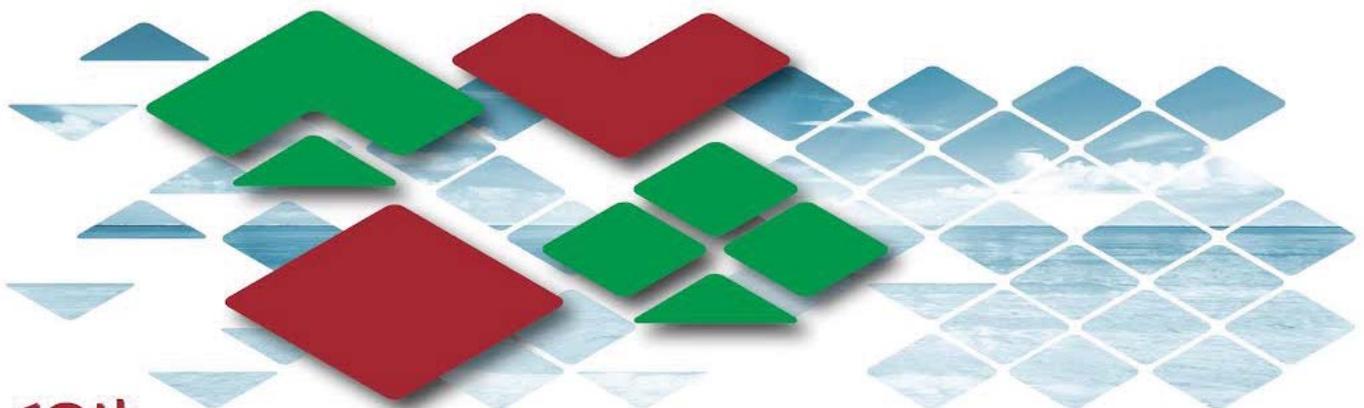
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**NEWS ON UPCOMING EBL EVENTS**by **European Bridge League****53rd European Team Championships**

The Championship will be held at the Ferencvárosi Torna Club Stadium, Budapest, Hungary, from Thursday 16th to Saturday 25th June 2016

Below is the Schedule of the events:

◇	National Women's Pairs Championship	Thursday 16th to Saturday 18th
◇	Opening Ceremony	Saturday 18th
◇	Open Teams Championship	Thursday 16th to Saturday 25th
◇	Women & Seniors Teams Championships	Sunday 19th to Saturday 25th
◇	Prize Giving & Closing Ceremony	Saturday 25th

**13th European Youth Pairs Championships****13<sup>th</sup> European Youth Bridge Pairs Championships**

Liepaja, Latvia, 13 to 20 July 2016



The 13th European Youth Pairs Championships will be held at the Liepajas Olympic Centre, Latvia. Please find below the Schedule of play.

◇	Opening Ceremony	19.00 - Tuesday
◇	Mixed competition	10.00 - Wednesday & Thursday
◇	Juniors, Girls, Youngsters & Kids	
♣	Competition	10.00 - Friday, Saturday, Sunday
♣	President Cup	10.00 - Sunday
◇	Prize Giving & Closing Ceremony	19.00 - Sunday
◇	Camp (from 15 to 25 years old)	- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

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**UNDER 26 ROUND 12****NETHERLANDS vs ITALY**by **Brian Senior**

Two of the medal contenders met in the last match on Thursday. Italy and Netherlands could both expect to be in Salsomaggiore next year, but who would come out on top in this vital match?

Italy picked up a couple of overtrick IMPs on Board 2, and Netherlands got on the board on the next deal.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

**Tom Van Overbeeke, Netherlands U26**

For Italy, Giuseppe Delle Cave opened 1♣ then rebid 3♣ freely and this convinced Gabriele Zanasi to jump to 5♣ to make his opponents guess. They guessed to double and Chris Westerbeeke led a diamond. His brother, Ricardo won the king and cashed the ace then switched to the nine of spades, second and fourth round to dummy, ducked to the jack. West switched to a heart for the king and ace and declarer rattled off the clubs. West seems to have been concerned about being endplayed with the ace of spades to lead into a heart tenace at trick twelve. For this reason his last discard was the ace of spades, and Delle Cave could cash the spade king and heart queen so was down only two for -300.

Giovanni Donati did not come in on the West cards so Tobias Polak responded 1♠ and Tom van Overbeeke made an artificial 2♦ rebid. When Polak now showed club support, van Overbeeke took a shot at 3NT. Donati led a heart to the king and ace and van Overbeeke took his only shot for the contract, crossing to the king of clubs to lead a spade to the king. When that lost to the ace he could have been several down. Donati, who had thrown the eight of diamonds, reverse count, on the club play, now returned a diamond. Gandoglia won and returned the ten of hearts, so van Overbeeke could win and cash out for only one down and -50, so 6 IMPs to Netherlands; 6-2.

West	North	East	South
<i>C.Westerbeeke</i>	<i>Zanasi</i>	<i>R.Westerbeeke</i>	<i>Delle Cave</i>
-	-	-	1♣
1♦	Pass	2♣	3♣
Dble	5♣	Dble	All Pass

West	North	East	South
<i>Donati</i>	<i>Polak</i>	<i>Gandoglia</i>	<i>v Overbeeke</i>
-	-	-	1♣
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♣	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

**Giuseppe Delle Cave, Italy U26**



Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>C.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Zanasi</i>	<i>R.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Delle Cave</i>
–	Pass	4♠	All Pass

West	North	East	South
<i>Donati</i>	<i>Polak</i>	<i>Gandoglia</i>	<i>v Overbeeke</i>
–	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
2NT	Pass	4♠	Pass
5♣	Pass	5♦	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♠	All Pass

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>C.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Zanasi</i>	<i>R.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Delle Cave</i>
<i>Donati</i>	<i>Polak</i>	<i>Gandoglia</i>	<i>v Overbeeke</i>
–	–	4♠	All Pass

This time both Easts opened 4♠. After a club lead and continuation, they both ruffed then led the diamond up, covered all around. Playing hearts without drawing trumps meant that each suffered a heart ruff and was three down for a push at –300.

Look at the N/S cards, and we see that 6♦ is not only cold but also an excellent contract. Was it possible to get there? Well, if either player had come into the auction the other might have done something to get them to slam, but who should have come in? It was too dangerous for North to double, as that would have been essentially for take-out, and the singleton heart was a big worry. As for South, he could have guessed to overcall 4NT on his minor two-suiter, but the hand contained a lot of losers and when it was wrong to bid the penalty could have been huge, or a phantom save against a non-making 4♠.

Ricardo opened 4♠, as would I, and that was that. He won the club lead, rattled off a few rounds of trumps then led a heart to the eight. That lost to the nine but the even heart split meant there was only one more trick to be lost; 11 tricks for +450.

Gandoglia opened at the one level and described his long spades with secondary hearts. Donati liked that enough to move on past game despite having nothing to spare for his initial game-forcing response, and made two cuebids – every one of his points was working overtime. When Gandoglia jumped to slam he found that the contract was a poor one, just short of the nine of hearts, but not without play. However, as the cards lay there was no way to avoid two heart losers. Gandoglia followed the same line as at the other table, so was one down for –50 and 11 IMPs to Netherlands; 17-2.



Alessandro Gandoglia, Italy U26



Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>C.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Zanasi</i>	<i>R.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Delle Cave</i>
Pass	1♦	2NT	5♣
Pass	6♣	Dble	All Pass

West	North	East	South
<i>Donati</i>	<i>Polak</i>	<i>Gandoglia</i>	<i>van Overbeeke</i>
Pass	1♣	2NT	3♣
4♥	5♣	5♥	6♣
Dble	Pass	6♥	All Pass

played king of diamonds and, when that held, the diamond queen. Gandoglia won that and ruffed a diamond but the four-two split meant that he had a second diamond to lose and was down two for -100 and 5 IMPs to Netherlands; 22-2.

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>C.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Zanasi</i>	<i>R.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Delle Cave</i>
–	–	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
<i>Donati</i>	<i>Polak</i>	<i>Gandoglia</i>	<i>van Overbeeke</i>
–	–	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	2♠	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♣	Pass	5♦
Pass	5NT	Pass	7♥
All Pass			

The Italian auction didn't get close to getting the job done. South does not appear to have shown anything more than a five-five 11-count, while North might have liked his modest extra values and strong hearts sufficiently to cuebid on the way to game. They got very, very lucky. In the other room, Polak's initial response forced to game and he used relays to discover a lot about his partner's hand before inviting a grand slam – accepted by van Overbeeke.

The horrible spade break meant that even 6♥ requires care, and the grand slam was quite hopeless. Van Overbeeke won the trump lead, drew a second round of hearts then led a spade up. Gandoglia was taking no chances and ruffed, after which declarer could manage the rest; down one for -100. With Delle Cave also making 12 tricks in game for +680, that was worth 13 IMPs to Italy; 15-22.

What would you bid over a 1♣ opening on your right if holding the East cards? Double is not ideal when looking at a doubleton spade, while 2NT doesn't get across the relative length and strength of the two suits. I would be inclined to overcall 1♥ (the hand is way too good for 4♥), planning to show the diamonds later – it is very unlikely that there will be no later when you hold only two black cards. Both our Easts overcalled 2NT to show the two-suiter immediately and both Souths showed club support.

Delle Cave's jump to 5♣ saw Zanasi raise himself to Six, no doubt in the hope/expectation of making. Ricardo doubled to show his extras and Chris saw no reason to remove. There were two aces to be lost for down one and -100.

Van Overbeeke bid only 3♣ and Donati jumped to 4♥. Now it became clear that N/S were saving, but Gandoglia had such a good hand that, facing the jump to 4♥, he was unwilling to settle for a penalty and removed his partner's double of 6♣. This rather begs the question why he was willing to play in only 5♥ at his previous turn and only now bid slam after his partner had warned him off bidding on – was he always planning to bid on and wanting to be pushed into what he thought would be a making slam so that there would be no 7♣ sacrifice?

Gandoglia ruffed the club lead and drew trumps then led ace and another spade. Polak won and



Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

♠ 8 7 5  
♥ K 7 6 5 3 2  
♦ K Q 5  
♣ 4

♠ Q J 3  
♥ J 8 4  
♦ J 8 2  
♣ A K 7 3



♠ A K 6 4 2  
♥ A 9  
♦ 6 4  
♣ Q 10 9 8

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

West	North	East	South
<i>C.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Zanasi</i>	<i>R.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Delle Cave</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

West	North	East	South
<i>Donati</i>	<i>Polak</i>	<i>Gandoglia</i>	<i>v Overbeeke</i>
1♣	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	Pass	Dble	Rdbl
1NT	2♠	2NT	All Pass

back to hand with the heart ace and led the nine of clubs, judging to ruff it when there was no cover. when he next played king and another heart Ricardo could ruff in and promote a trump trick for the defence; down two for -200 and 7 IMPs to Netherlands; 29-15.

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

♠ 9 7 5 4 2  
♥ J 7 3 2  
♦ -  
♣ 10 9 6 4

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



♠ K Q 6  
♥ A Q 10 9 8  
♦ A J 9  
♣ 8 2

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

West	North	East	South
<i>C.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Zanasi</i>	<i>R.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Delle Cave</i>
-	-	-	1♣
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

West	North	East	South
<i>Donati</i>	<i>Polak</i>	<i>Gandoglia</i>	<i>v Overbeeke</i>
-	-	-	1♣
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦	All Pass		

Chris did not worry about the poor quality of the diamonds at favourable vulnerability and made a pre-emptive jump overcall of 3♦. Ricardo had a sufficient diamond fit to see game prospects and introduced his heart suit. After all, partner was allowed to hold three-card support, was he not? Instead, Chris had a double club stopper and bid 3NT, which ended the auction. Zanasi led the ten of clubs to the king and ace. Chris played king of diamonds then a diamond to the ace and a third round to clear the suit, and had nine tricks for +400.

Donati overcalled only 1♦ then repeated the suit twice in response to his partner's forcing bids. Bidding 1♦, 2♦ then 3♦ looks weak, but to me it guarantees a sound hand. Why? Because a hand with a long suit would have made a weak jump overcall unless too strong to do so. Hence, I would have bid on with the East cards. Well, we can see that the Italian style is not the same as mine

Donati opened the West hand while Chris did not. This led to two very different auctions.

Where there was an opening bid on his right, Polak overcalled then passed his partner's new-suit response. However, when van Overbeeke showed extras by redoubling, Polak admitted to some spade support. Gandoglia's 2NT was alerted at his side of the screen, presumably as some kind of minor-suit take-out, but it was passed out. After a spade lead and continuation, Donati came to six tricks, two in each minor, one in each major, so was down two for -100.

Where West passed, it was left to South to open the bidding. Zanasi used Drury to show a sound spade raise and 2♦ showed some interest in game. When Zanasi next showed heart values, Delle Cave jumped to the spade game. Chris led a top club then switched to a diamond for the king and ace. Ricardo switched to the ten of trumps and Delle Cave ducked. Had Ricardo continued with a second trump, declarer could have won, drawn the last trumps and ruffed out the hearts, using the queen of diamonds as an entry to the established winners. But Ricardo could see the threat presented by dummy's heart suit and accurately switched to a diamond to knock out the queen before hearts had been established. Delle Cave ruffed a diamond and led the queen of clubs to king and ruff, came



(probably they are happy about that, if not on this particular deal). though there was a diamond loser, the club was onside and there were 11 tricks for +150 but 6 IMPs to Netherlands; 35-23.

Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>C.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Zanasi</i>	<i>R.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Delle Cave</i>
Pass	1♦	2♣	Dble
3♣	3♦	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
<i>Donati</i>	<i>Polak</i>	<i>Gandoglia</i>	<i>van Overbeeke</i>
Pass	1♦	2♣	Dble
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥
3♣	All Pass		



**Chris Westerbeek, Netherlands U26**

Italy bid to making partscores at both tables on this deal. After identical starts to the two auctions, Chris raised immediately to 3♣ while Donati did not, only bidding 3♣ when Polak's 2♦ came back to him.

Over the immediate 3♣ raise, Zanasi knew that his partner must be short in the suit and felt able to compete to 3♦ despite his minimum point-count. Three Diamonds ended the auction and Zanasi wasted no time in making his contract. Ricardo led a top club and, on seeing dummy's shortage, switched to a trump. Zanasi won the second round of trumps and played king of hearts and a heart to the ace then took the ruffing heart finesse and had ten tricks for +130.

In the other room, where Donati only gave delayed club support, it seemed that N/S had already done all their bidding on the board. Here, there was no free diamond rebid – and the actual 2♦ response to the negative double could have been the default action on a hand unsuitable for any other bid, hence van Overbeeke's reluctance to compete with the South hand despite the diamond support and ruffing value.

Gandoglia won the diamond lead and cashed two top trumps, getting the bad news. Next he played the heart queen and van Overbeeke took his ace and played a second diamond. Polak won and returned the ten of clubs to declarer's queen, and now Gandoglia played a second heart, ducking to the bare king. Polak returned his spade but Gandoglia rose with the king to play a fourth club. Polak won that but had nothing but diamonds to play. Gandoglia ruffed and van Overbeeke was squeezed in front of dummy's major-suit holdings to give the contract; +110 and 6 IMPs to Italy. Nicely played and Italy closed to 29-35.



**Tobias Polak, Netherlands U26**



Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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



West	North	East	South
<i>C.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Zanasi</i>	<i>R.Westerbeek</i>	<i>Delle Cave</i>
–	–	–	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♥	All Pass

West	North	East	South
<i>Donati</i>	<i>Polak</i>	<i>Gandoglia</i>	<i>v Overbeeke</i>
–	–	–	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♥	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	All Pass

I'm not sure what Donati's 3♣ bid was intended to mean but it didn't seem to work out as he had intended as Gandoglia bid 3NT over it. Van Overbeeke led the ten of diamonds. Polak won the ace and returned a low diamond, ducked to the nine, and van Overbeeke continued with the queen to declarer's king. Gandoglia played on hearts and Polak took his three winners for one down and -100.

Chris's 2♣ opening showed at least five-four in the majors with around 10-13 HCP and 2♦ and 2NT were asking bids, after which Ricardo knew a lot about his partner's hand and could choose the best game.

Delle Cave led the ten of diamonds, which Zanasi won with the ace. He cashed the club ace then reverted to diamonds, Ricardo winning the king and cashing the king of clubs, ace of spades and queen of clubs. Next he ruffed a diamond low, cashed the king of spades and ruffed the last spade with the nine, coming to ten tricks for +620 and 12 IMPs to Netherlands.

The Dutch had won this important match by 53-33 IMPs, converting to 14.58-5.42 VPs, and lay second with five rounds to play. Italy, meanwhile, had dropped to eighth.

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# U26 ROUND 13



## SWEDEN vs NORWAY



by Patrick Jourdain

As the match began between the countries of long-standing rivalry, Norway was third and Sweden fourth in the table. And the top six were all close, with leader England meeting Poland, so this match could well decide a medal.

In practice the match began quietly with Norway gaining 1 IMP on Boards 2 and 3. The first swing of note came here:

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

both majors, whereas Christian Bakke chose 2♠, showing only support for hearts.

In the Closed Room Tor Eivind Grude knew there were game values and his 4NT asked South to pick a minor so they ended in the safe 5♦.

By contrast, Daniel Gullberg could only show one of the minors initially and that led to Gronkvist selecting the awkward 4-3 club fit instead.

5♦ was easy with a twelfth trick appearing when Hegge picked up the club queen. That was 620 to Norway.

So the question became, was there any way Gullberg could manage 11 tricks playing in clubs?

The lead was a spade to the ace and Bakke played a second round forcing dummy to ruff. Gullberg sensibly played for clubs to be friendly. He ran ♣10 successfully, cashed the ace, crossed to hand with a heart, and laid down ♣K.

Bad news. West still held the queen and, when Gullberg ran the diamonds, ruffed the third round and cashed a spade for one down. This was 12 IMPs to Norway who led 14-0.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bakke	Gullberg	Eide	Gronkvist
Pass	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♠	Pass	Pass	Dble
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♠
Dble	Rdbl	Pass	5♣
All Pass			

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Ekenberg	Grude	Hult	Hegge
Pass	Pass	2♦	Dble
3♥	Pass	3♠	Dble
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♦
All Pass			

Both Easts opened a Multi. Kristoffer Hegge, South for Norway in the Closed Room, acted at once with a double, whereas Michael Gronkvist in the Open awaited developments. Both Wests made a call that was 'pass or correct' but Simon Ekenberg jumped to 3♥, implying support for



Kristoffer Hegge, Norway U26



The only reason to show Board 9 is to draw attention to David Jackson's book the Banzai point count (I am not on commission). This argues the standard point count under-rates tens and over-rates aces in balanced hands. He counts A,K,Q,J,10 as 5-4-3-2-1 i.e. 60 points in the pack, so you can compare by adding one point for every honour card and taking off a third to get back to standard.

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

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

Both tables bid 1NT - 3NT and the defence cashed five heart tricks. But even if the hearts were 4-4 there would be at most eight tricks. Banzai re-assesses the North hand as worth only 13 points (15+4 less a third) and the South hand as 10 (9+6 less a third) so you would keep out of game.



**The Closed Room of the match**

The next board was a part-score swing:

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

Again the auction was the same at both tables with East opening 1♠, passed round to North who bid 2♥ to end the matter.

The key difference was in the opening lead. Eide of Norway chose ♠A, giving Gullberg a favourable start. The underlead of the ♣A at trick two did not phase declarer. He put up the king, knocked out ♦A, ruffed a spade with ♥9 and made eight tricks.

The play was more interesting in the Closed Room. First, Simon Hult underled his club ace at trick one! Grude did well to get this right, putting up the king. He led a second club and West played low, forcing East to win with the ace. Hult now played ace and another diamond. Declarer cashed the third diamond throwing a losing spade and East ruffed with his small trump. Now he exited with the heart king to declarer. Declarer cashed his trumps but had to lose three spades at the end for -100 and 5 IMPs to Sweden. The half-time score was 15-14 to Norway.



**Christian Bakke, Norway U26**



The next deal gave Sweden the lead:

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bakke	Gullberg	Eide	Gronkvist
3♣	Dble	All Pass	Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Ekenberg	Grude	Hult	Hegge
Pass	1NT	All Pass	Pass

Only one bid at each table, both by Norway. Bakke opened 3♣, Gullberg doubled, and Gronkvist, despite holding four spades, rightly decided he would have a better chance in defence than attack. So he passed.

North led a top diamond. If he had made the error of playing ace and queen of spades declarer actually makes 3♣ doubled: cash ace, king of trumps, ♥J covered, return with a spade ruff, finesse ♥9, and get rid of both diamonds as South ruffs in. However, knowing South could not have five spades, Gullberg switched to a sneaky ♠J.

Bakke put on the king and led another spade. Now the defence took their diamond ruff and South had to come to another trump for one off and 100 to Sweden.

In the Closed Room North was in 1NT on a heart lead. By playing on spades at once he can hold the deficit to one off, but in practice went two light for a further 100 to Sweden. Sweden led for the first time 19-15.



The lead did not last long:

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vulnerable.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bakke	Gullberg	Eide	Gronkvist
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♦
Pass	3♥(i)	Pass	4NT
All Pass			

North had denied a major and over the natural and game-forcing 3♦ the BBO commentator described North's 3♥ as showing a doubleton diamond with five clubs. South's 4NT was invitational and North declined.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Ekenberg	Grude	Hult	Hegge
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♣
Pass	4♥	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♣	Pass	6NT
All Pass			

Every call by Grude and Hegge between 1NT and 6NT was alerted so here is an explanation:

Normal Stayman was followed by 3♣, a further shape enquiry. 3♦ showed a five-card minor which a further relay showed to be clubs. 4♣ was a natural slam try, 4♥ a cuebid, 4NT keycard for clubs and 5♣ showed 0 or 3 keys.

Declarer has an easy 11 tricks and the heart lead cleared up the position for the twelfth; 1440 to Norway and 13 IMPs to retake the lead 28-19.

What if East had led a diamond against 6NT?



We suppose North would win and knock out the ♣A and East would play another diamond. Now, suppose declarer tests the spades with three rounds ending in hand, East showing up with the guard. Declarer leads his last club in this ending:

♠ -	♥ A J 5	♦ -	♣ 6
♠ -	♥ Q 9 6	♦ Q	♣ -
♠ 9	♥ K 7	♦ 9	♣ -

♠ J	♥ 10 8 3	♦ -	♣ -
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On the last club East has to keep the ♠J and so has to throw a heart. Dummy now ditches the ♠9. West is forced to keep the ♦Q and so also has to throw a heart. The hearts come in for the twelfth trick even when North's third heart is quite small. If anyone made the slam on this double squeeze, let us know.

On Board 13 Norway gained 6, 34-19. Board 14 was flat in a relatively easy 6♠. Board 15 was 1 IMP to Sweden and Board 16 was 3 to Norway, whose lead was now 37-20. But then



the pendulum swung back:

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

♠ AKJ108763	♥ A 10 4	♦ 5 4	♣ -
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bakke	Gullberg	Eide	Gronkvist
1♦	4♠	All Pass	All Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Ekenberg	Grude	Hult	Hegge
Pass	1♦	4♠	5♦
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

Against 4♠ Gronkvist led a diamond and the defence cashed two tricks in the suit. It was important that North did not err by playing a trump or declarer could have reached dummy with the ♠9 for the club ace. No, North correctly switched to ♥J. Declarer won and laid down a top spade, hoping the queen would fall to create an entry to dummy. When it did not, he cashed the second spade and later conceded two hearts for one down.

In the Closed Room Hegge decided to bid 5♦ over 4♠. East doubled and led two rounds of spades. Declarer ruffed, drew trumps and played ♥J. East won and exited with a heart. Declarer was able to throw two clubs away on the hearts but still had to lose two clubs to West. This was a further 300 to Sweden and 8 IMPs.



**Simon Ekenberg, Sweden U26**



Sweden also gained 6 on Board 18 to bring the scores to 37-34 still in Norway's favour. But Sweden took the lead for the second and most crucial time on this deal:

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bakke	Gullberg	Eide	Gronkvist
1♠	Pass	1NT	2♦
Pass	3♦	Dble	All Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Ekenberg	Grude	Hult	Hegge
1♠	2♦	Dble	1♦
All Pass			3NT!



**Tor Eivind Grude, Norway U26**

East's double of 3♦ was presumably based on having maximum values, whereas West may have interpreted it more as for penalty. Anyway, West led a club to East's ace and then the defence switched to three rounds of spades. East ruffed the third with the ♦9. Declarer over-ruffed, drew trumps, and conceded only a heart, for 470 to Sweden.

As to 3NT (a psyche thinking E/W had game) even on a club lead declarer made only eight tricks before conceding the rest. This was a further 50 to Sweden and 11 IMPs.

When the last board was a push this left Sweden the winner by 45-37 or 12.07-7.93.



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## REVENGE!

### 5 MINUTES WITH SIMON FELLUS

by Francesca Canali

“Hi! What is your comment after this defeat?”

The young man that for the last three years has been chasing bridge players during the European and the World bridge championships is Simon Fellus.

Reckless of danger (he was often the first to welcome players after a final match and to inform them that they had just lost), thanks to his friendly behaviour he has always succeeded in closing his interviews with the smile of even the most enraged declarer.

Since last January, Simon has started to collaborate more closely with both the World and the European Bridge Federations. So, on behalf of all the players, the journalists and the staff members who were caught by him in the past, today it will be him who is under the press' spotlights.

He has Libyan/Polish/German origins, physically looks like an Irishman, and lives in Switzerland, but he is definitely Italian. He is now responsible for EBL communications and he is the WBF Secretary.

#### **What does your normal day in Lausanne look like?**

I work in the headquarters of the World Bridge Federation, so every morning I go to the 'Maison du sport'. I commit part of the day to WBF secretarial jobs, acting as intermediary for mails, accounting and every kind of communication to Marc (De Pauw, treasurer, ed), Dirk (De Clercq, treasurer assistant, ed), Marina (Madia, President assistant, ed) and Gianarrigo (Rona, WBF President, ed). For the EBL, I take care of the website updates, marketing and promotion, so I am in touch with Catherine (Vitry, EBL Secretariat, ed), Paul (Porteous, EBL Communication Committee Chairman, ed) and Yves (Aubry, EBL President, ed).

#### **How did you start working for the EBL and WBF?**

I have worked as a journalist and video-making assistant at the main Championships since 2012, then I simply proposed myself for a more full-time



collaboration both as secretary (for the WBF) and in communications (for the EBL)

#### **So, in your opinion how could EBL communications be improved?**

First of all, I think that a website-restyling is necessary. Then, I think that more external freelance operators should be involved, in order to be always updated about what is happening in all bridge Federations. We are thinking about this.

#### **In these Open and Youth Championships the daily bulletin was only available online on the website. What do you think about this initiative?**

I think this was a great idea. Nowadays, everybody has a tablet, a smartphone or a computer at his/her disposal. Reading the bulletin online is simple for everybody, it is just a matter of habit. These electronic bulletins were also interactive, so they are even better than the past ones.

#### **Let's talk about Simon-bridge player. When and how did you start playing bridge?**

My parents are both bridge players, but at first I thought it was an oldish game. Then, when I was 20, I saw the advertising for a free course restricted to young people and I decided to give it a try. I immediately fell in love with a girl who was attending the course with me.

**So it was two loves in one go!**

Yes but the story with the girl finished after two years. With bridge it will never be finished.

**How would you define your bridge skill and what are the best results you achieved as a player?**

I'd say expert. The most recent victory was at the South-American transnational in Buenos Aires. Before, I have won some important International events in Italy, such as the Festivals of Viareggio and Venice and the International tournament of Naples.

**Have you ever played in the Italian National Team?**

Yes, I did. It was in Beijing in 2008, during the 'World Bridge Games' for teams under 28.

**What is your best bridge-related memory?**

The 'bridge hunger' that used to overtake all of us, especially in our junior years. During championships, we played all the day long, we came back to the hotel and... we started to play again in our rooms!

**Bridge is the centre of both your social and professional life. Can you imagine how your life would look without bridge?**

I graduated in communication sciences and I took two master degrees in sport management, so my life would surely be somehow related to sports. Maybe I would be doing the same job for another sport.

**Would you leave bridge to do the same job for another sport?**

At the moment surely I wouldn't. In the future I don't know. Never say never.

**One thing you like and one you don't like about bridge.**

I like so many things about bridge. The structure of the game, because every board is different and you can reason in every single card.

Particularly, I love defensive play. Besides, I like meeting people from all over the world. And I like that you can play bridge at any age.

On the other hand, I don't like the atmosphere of some clubs. I am talking about Italian bridge clubs, because as a member of an Italian Zonal Committee I mainly know about the atmosphere of the Italian clubs. Sometimes novice players are hardly accepted, especially if young.

**Do you have other hobbies apart from bridge?**

Soccer. I root for Inter and I especially watch the Premier League. I also like watching NBA matches.

**Choose your favourite one:****Soccer or bridge?**

Bridge!

**Lausanne or Tromsø?**

Lausanne, because it is warmer.

**Open or Youth Championships?**

Youth, for sure! The atmosphere is much funnier and captivating. Anyway, I observed that also during the last Open Championships there were many young players, and they got outstanding results.

**As a communication expert: Facebook or Twitter?**

Facebook, because in Europe it is more popular. Besides, it is used by every age segment.

**Italian or Swiss girls?**

Italians. But also French, and especially in this circumstance I must say Hungarian...

Simon-the-reporter blushes. Let's turn the camera off!



**Simon with (all!) the girls of the French National team**



## U21 ROUND 14



## NETHERLANDS vs FRANCE



by Brian Senior

Round 13 of 15, and leaders the Netherlands faced third-placed France. A win here would go a long way towards winning the gold medal for the Dutch, while France too needed the win as they tried to trade up from bronze to silver or gold while also fending off the chasing pack.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

paid hidden dividends, because Mendes De Leon won in dummy and cashed the ace of hearts then led the jack and, when Theo Guillemin played low, thought for quite some time before putting up the king. Presumably, declarer had convinced himself that the lead was a singleton, in which case maybe he could afford to run the heart in case North had queen-ten to four. Fortunately, he decided finally not to risk it and his play just cost the overtrick; +980.

I'm not sure what was going on in the French auction as there is nothing on their convention card about ace asking. If 4NT was indeed some form of Blackwood, then something went badly wrong. Raphael Basler played in simple fashion after a club lead so made all 13 tricks for +440 but 11 IMPs to Netherlands.

West	North	East	South
Basler	Kiljan	Bellicaud	Tijssen
-	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♠	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♦	All Pass

West	North	East	South
Sprinkhuizen	Guillemin	Mendes	Boulin
-	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♠	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♣	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♥	All Pass		

Both E/W pairs found the double fit very quickly and explored slam prospects. For Netherlands, Thibo Sprinkhuizen asked for key cards and, on finding two in his partner's hand, raised to 6♥.

Guy Mendes De Leon was not put under the pressure of a club lead. Arthur Boulin led a diamond, hoping that his opponents had a really big fit there and that his partner might be ruffing. That nearly



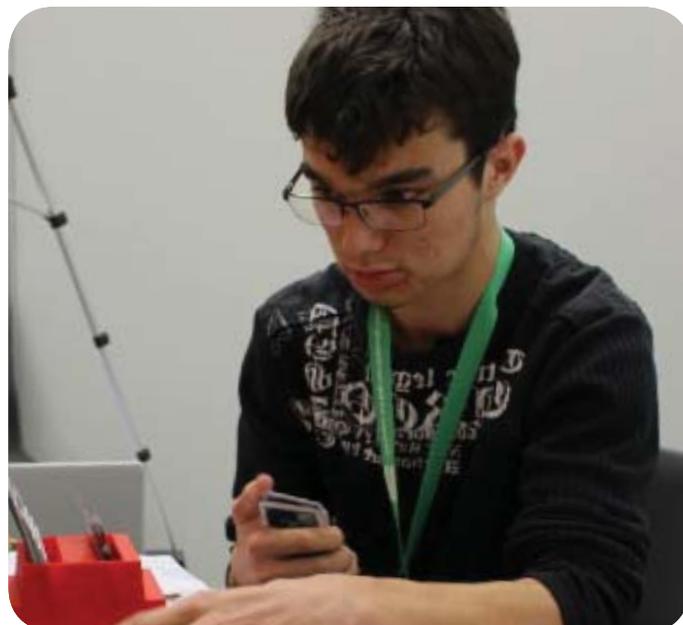
Luc Bellicaud, France U21

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Basler	Kiljan	Bellicaud	Tijssen
-	-	1♣	2♠
Dble	Pass	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♥	Pass
5♣	Dble	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
Sprinkhuizen	Guillemin	Mendes	Boulin
-	-	1♣	1♠
2NT	All Pass		


**Raphael Basler, France U21**

Mendes De Leon opened 1♣, possibly two cards, and Sprinkhuizen made a natural invitational jump to 2NT over Boulin's overcall. With a balanced minimum, Mendes De Leon passed.

Guillemin led the seven of hearts and Sprinkhuizen ran this to his nine. He led a diamond to the ten and jack, guarding against a four-zero break, and back came a heart. Guillemin won and switched to a spade so Boulin took the king and ace, leaving Sprinkhuizen with the rest of the tricks; +150.

Luc Bellicaud also opened 1♣, promising three cards. When Luc Tijssen made a weak jump overcall, Basler doubled, hoping to show his diamonds on the next round to show a long suit but insufficient values for a forcing 3♦ bid. Of course, the 3♥ response got in the way of that so Basler bid 3♠ to ask for a stopper. No luck there, and Bellicaud signed off in 4♥, which didn't suit Basler at all. All he could do now was to pray that his partner had genuine clubs, so he 'corrected', if that is the right word on this deal, to 5♣, and Veri Kiljan informed him that he might just have made a mistake.

I will take pity on the French pair and not give the full gory details of the play. It is enough to say that the contract was down five for -1100 and that meant a further 15 IMPs to Netherlands, who led by 26-0 after only two boards. The deal perhaps illustrates the danger of using the single-suited type of negative double where there is a danger that partner may respond in a suit higher-ranking than that long suit.

The Dutch picked up small swings on each of the next two deals then, after a flat game, came another swing deal.


**Thibo Sprinkhuizen, Netherlands U21**



Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Basler</i>	<i>Kiljan</i>	<i>Bellicaud</i>	<i>Tijssen</i>
-	-	Pass	2♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
<i>Sprinkhuizen</i>	<i>Guillemin</i>	<i>Mendes</i>	<i>Boulin</i>
-	-	Pass	Pass
1♠	Pass	4♦	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

Sometimes your methods work out perfectly for you. Tijssen was able to open the South hand, 2♥ showing below opening values with five hearts and a four-card or longer minor. Basler might have overcalled, but he had only 10 HCP and a poor spade suit so both risked a penalty and that his partner might play him for a significantly better hand and bid too much. I have no problem at all with his decision to pass. And, of course, Kiljan could jump to 4♥ and now Bellicaud was in a horrible situation. He had excellent distribution but only 9 HCP and faced a passed partner. He too could have conceded a big penalty by bidding and, had he chosen to overcall 4♠, there is no guarantee that Basler would not have looked for a slam.

Basler led his singleton against 4♥. He ducked the first heart but won the second, by which time he had seen an encouraging spade discard from his partner so underled the ace. Bellicaud won the queen and returned a diamond, declarer playing low and Basler ruffing and playing the ace of spades. It looks as though there is just one club to lose from here for down one, but the players agreed two down so I guess that is what we have to go with; -100.

There was no opening bid from South in the other room so E/W had the auction to themselves after Sprinkhuizen had scraped up an opening bid

of 1♠. Four Diamonds was presumably a heart splinter, though that is not clear on their card, and Sprinkhuizen quickly signed off. There were just three top tricks to be lost; +620 and 11 IMPs to Netherlands, up now by 42-0.

Netherlands picked up a 6-IMP swing when the French E/W pair let through a heart partscore, but finally came some good news for France.

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Basler</i>	<i>Kiljan</i>	<i>Bellicaud</i>	<i>Tijssen</i>
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♥	Pass
4♠	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♠	Pass	6♠	All Pass

West	North	East	South
<i>Sprinkhuizen</i>	<i>Guillemin</i>	<i>Mendes</i>	<i>Boulin</i>
4♠	All Pass		

Sometimes, to pre-empt causes terrible problems for your opponents, while on other occasions it causes problems for your own side.

Basler opened the West hand at the one level then kept on bidding his spades until Bellicaud became convinced that they would make a more than adequate trump suit. Looking at all good cards – no loose queens or jacks – he asked about key cards and the two plus the queen response was just what he was hoping for. Basler won the trump lead in dummy and played three rounds of hearts, ruffing, then ace of clubs and a club ruff to get back to hand to draw the missing trumps, and just conceded a diamond; +980.

Sprinkhuizen opened at the four level and Mendes De Leon feared a much less suitable hand with which even the five level might not be secure. He passed and Sprinkhuizen made only 11 tricks for +450 but 11 IMPs to France, who closed to 14-48.



### The Open Room of the match

The boards seemed to go quiet after this, and the score had moved on only to 53-15 to Netherlands when something strange happened to the French E/W pair.

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Basler</i>	<i>Kiljan</i>	<i>Bellicaud</i>	<i>Tijssen</i>
–	2♥	Pass	2♠
Pass	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

West	North	East	South
<i>Sprinkhuizen</i>	<i>Guillemin</i>	<i>Mendes</i>	<i>Boulin</i>
–	Pass	1♦	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♣
All Pass			

After a pass from North, Mendes De Leon opened 1♦ and Boulin overcalled 1♠ then showed his second suit at his next turn. Sprinkhuizen led a trump to the jack and ace and Boulin played the queen of diamonds. Sprinkhuizen won the king and returned a diamond to the ace and Mendes

De Leon played a third round. Boulin pitched a spade, allowing Sprinkhuizen to have his ruff. He won the heart return with dummy's ace and led a spade up, Mendes De Leon rising with the ace to lead a fourth round of diamonds. This time declarer ruffed in with the ten and crossruffed his way to eight tricks for +90.

Kiljan opened 2♥, weak with five hearts and a four-card or longer minor, and Tijssen suggested spades as an alternative spot. That went round to Bellicaud, who balanced with what he would appear to have intended as a natural 2NT. Basler, however, took it as being for the minors so showed his club preference and Bellicaud assumed that to be a long suit. Tijssen doubled and there the matter rested.

Kiljan led his spade. Basler won the ace and played a trump, Tijssen winning the king and cashing the ace before returning the queen of spades to the king and ruff. Ace and another heart gave Tijssen a ruff and he drew the missing trump before playing the queen of diamonds. Basler won in hand and played a heart but Tijssen could ruff with his last trump, cash the jack of spades and exit with a diamond, and Kiljan won the last trick for a second –1100 in a club contract in the set, and 14 IMPs to Netherlands; 67-15.





Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

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



West	North	East	South
Basler	Kiljan	Bellicaud	Tijssen
-	-	Pass	Pass
1♠	Pass	1NT	2♦
3♥	Pass	4♦	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♥	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

West	North	East	South
Sprinkhuizen	Guillemin	Mendes	Boulin
-	-	3♣	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

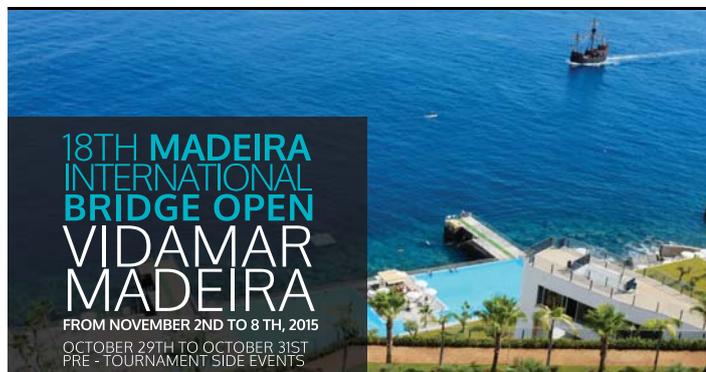
Mendes De Leon opened 3♣ as dealer and Sprinkhuizen asked about three-card majors, 3♠ showing three hearts. Expecting that most of his partner's values would be in clubs, and so wasted, Sprinkhuizen settled for 4♥. He won the diamond

lead and cashed the ace and king of hearts then ruffed his low diamond and led a spade up. Boulin won the bare ace and played back a diamond, so Sprinkhuizen won the king and gave up a heart, losing to the jack; ten tricks for +420.

Bellicaud did not open the East hand but, when Basler made a game-forcing jump rebid of 3♥, cuebid 4♦ to show a hand too good for a simple raise. Basler now launched into RKCB and bid the small slam, doubled by Tijssen, who was getting a taste for the red card.

Dummy must have been something of a disappointment, with all those wasted club values, but slam did not look to be impossible after Kiljan's lead of the eight of spades to his partner's ace. Tijssen returned a diamond so Basler won the ace and cashed the top hearts, learning his fate. He could take two ruffs in the dummy so was down just one for -100 and 11 IMPs to Netherlands; 78-15.

France rounded out the match with a couple of partscore swings on the last two boards to gain 5 and 7 IMPs respectively and give a little respectability to the score. However, Netherlands still won the match by 78-27 IMPs, or 18.73-1.27 VPs.



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## RESULTS

## UNDER 26

## ROUND 13

	TEAM 1	TEAM 2	IMP1	IMP2	VP1	VP2
1	SWEDEN	NORWAY	45	37	12.07	7.93
2	ISRAEL	ITALY	29	45	6.19	13.81
3	BULGARIA	FRANCE	30	45	6.39	13.61
4	TURKEY	AUSTRIA	45	28	14.01	5.99
5	HUNGARY	PORTUGAL	70	20	18.63	1.37
6	GERMANY	NETHERLANDS	32	33	9.72	10.28
7	ENGLAND	POLAND	26	56	3.77	16.23
8	GREECE	FINLAND	38	37	10.28	9.72
9	DENMARK	WALES	49	18	16.38	3.62

## ROUND 14

	TEAM 1	TEAM 2	IMP1	IMP2	VP1	VP2
1	SWEDEN	FRANCE	67	18	18.53	1.47
2	ITALY	AUSTRIA	112	25	20.00	0.00
3	NORWAY	PORTUGAL	72	4	20.00	0.00
4	ISRAEL	NETHERLANDS	16	67	1.27	18.73
5	BULGARIA	POLAND	11	70	0.59	19.41
6	TURKEY	FINLAND	20	60	2.44	17.56
7	HUNGARY	WALES	42	26	13.81	6.19
8	GERMANY	DENMARK	79	22	19.25	0.75
9	ENGLAND	GREECE	35	54	5.61	14.39

## ROUND 15

	TEAM 1	TEAM 2	IMP1	IMP2	VP1	VP2
1	WALES	SWEDEN	38	75	2.81	17.19
2	FINLAND	DENMARK	42	36	11.59	8.41
3	POLAND	GREECE	71	11	19.49	0.51
4	NETHERLANDS	ENGLAND	39	47	7.93	12.07
5	PORTUGAL	GERMANY	27	68	2.32	17.68
6	AUSTRIA	HUNGARY	37	63	4.39	15.61
7	FRANCE	TURKEY	55	9	18.23	1.77
8	ITALY	BULGARIA	51	24	15.77	4.23
9	NORWAY	ISRAEL	34	39	8.66	11.34

## RANK

## AFTER ROUND 15

1		POLAND	208.21
2		SWEDEN	203.45
3		NETHERLANDS	197.22
4		NORWAY	196.40
5		ENGLAND	193.84
6		ITALY	185.69
7		GERMANY	174.42
8		FRANCE	170.59
9		FINLAND	168.31
10		HUNGARY	166.62
11		BULGARIA	164.55
12		ISRAEL	147.28
13		GREECE	141.24
14		DENMARK	123.68
15		TURKEY	119.31
16		AUSTRIA	56.92
17		PORTUGAL	56.55
18		WALES	25.72

**RESULTS****UNDER 21****ROUND 12**

TEAM 1	TEAM 2	IMP1	IMP2	VP1	VP2
11 POLAND	SWEDEN	14	71	0.75	19.25
12 DENMARK	FRANCE	66	42	15.28	4.72
13 NORWAY	FINLAND	43	47	8.92	11.08
14 ISRAEL	ITALY	47	42	11.34	8.66
15 HUNGARY	CZECH REP.	62	39	15.11	4.89
16 NETHERLANDS	SCOTLAND	69	41	15.93	4.07
17 RUSSIA	ENGLAND	40	25	13.61	6.39
18 LATVIA	GERMANY	42	51	7.70	12.30

**RANK****AFTER ROUND 13**

1		NETHERLANDS	173.53
2		SWEDEN	168.74
3		FRANCE	150.36
4		ISRAEL	148.49
5		GERMANY	139.89
6		LATVIA	133.15
7		CZECH REP.	130.53
8		RUSSIA	127.71
9		ITALY	124.63
10		DENMARK	122.48
11		POLAND	122.28
12		NORWAY	94.32
13		ENGLAND	89.57
14		HUNGARY	88.75
15		FINLAND	71.01
16		SCOTLAND	34.84

**ROUND 13**

TEAM 1	TEAM 2	IMP1	IMP2	VP1	VP2
11 NORWAY	SWEDEN	53	56	9.18	10.82
12 ISRAEL	DENMARK	48	50	9.45	10.55
13 HUNGARY	POLAND	44	38	11.59	8.41
14 NETHERLANDS	FRANCE	78	27	18.73	1.27
15 RUSSIA	FINLAND	32	63	3.62	16.38
16 LATVIA	ITALY	28	42	6.59	13.41
17 GERMANY	CZECH REP.	70	44	15.61	4.39
18 ENGLAND	SCOTLAND	54	33	14.76	5.24

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# RESULTS

## LADIES

### ROUND 16

TEAM 1	TEAM 2	IMP1	IMP2	VP1	VP2
21 POLAND	ITALY	57	9	18.43	1.57
22 NETHERLANDS	NORWAY	55	26	16.08	3.92
23 FRANCE	HUNGARY	62	56	11.59	8.41

### ROUND 17

TEAM 1	TEAM 2	IMP1	IMP2	VP1	VP2
21 ITALY	FRANCE	75	56	14.39	5.61
22 NORWAY	POLAND	42	54	7.02	12.98
23 HUNGARY	NETHERLANDS	61	61	10.00	10.00

### RANK

#### AFTER ROUND 12

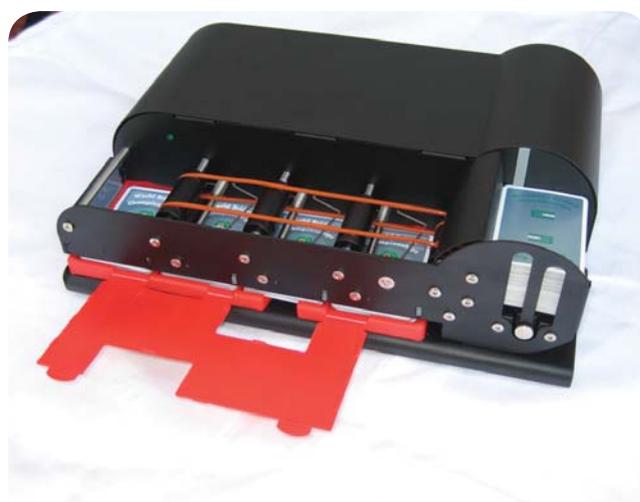
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2		POLAND	220.76
3		NETHERLANDS	192.19
4		ITALY	191.10
5		NORWAY	155.00
6		HUNGARY	67.97

### ROUND 18

TEAM 1	TEAM 2	IMP1	IMP2	VP1	VP2
21 FRANCE	NORWAY	52	32	14.58	5.42
22 POLAND	NETHERLANDS	42	11	16.38	3.62
23 ITALY	HUNGARY	103	7	20.00	0.00

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**NETHERLANDS**

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**

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

**RUSSIA**

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**

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

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

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.