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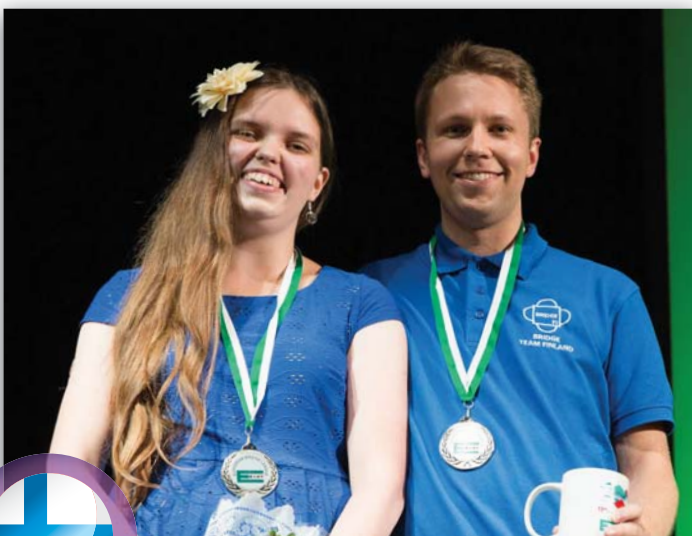
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PRESIDENT'S SPEECH

Dear Young bridge friends,

I am pleased to welcome you for the EBL Youth Pairs Championships Closing Ceremony.

This year, you have been 170 pairs coming from 26 countries.

You played in a very good spirit with a lot of fair-play.

Next month some of you will play in Salsomaggiore. I wish you all great success and numerous medals for the European countries during this World Championship.

This year, the EBL organises again a Youth camp. Around 120 players have now registered for this EBL 3-day camp.

I want to thank the Latvian Authorities for their great support and in particular Einars Fogelis, President of the Latvian Sports Federation's Council, and Vilnis Vitkovskis, Vice-Deputy Mayor of Liepāja.

Thank you also to all sponsors and in particular Latvijas Gaze, Akvedukts and Data Security Solutions.

I want to thank the Latvian Federation, the organising committee and all the staff from Latvia and EBL who worked with enthusiasm and professionalism to make this event in Liepāja such a success.

I hope that you will all keep a great memory of your stay in Liepāja.

Tomorrow, if you are not participating in the camp, you will go back home.

Have a safe journey and enjoy your evening.

I officially declare closed the 13th European Youth Bridge Pairs Championships.

Yves Aubry
EBL President






WOMEN'S PAIRS SESSION 7

by Brian Senior

Going into the second set of day two of three in the U26 Women's Pairs, two Dutch pairs headed the field, with Janneke Wackwitz and Merel Bruijnstee just ahead of Magdalena Ticha and Natalia Banas. We start the session with the leaders facing fourth-placed Magda Budzynska and Joanna Brede of Poland.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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


West	North	East	South
<i>Brede</i>	<i>Bruijnstee</i>	<i>Budzynska</i>	<i>Wackwitz</i>
–	–	–	Pass
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♥
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♦
Pass	3♥	All Pass	

The Dutch N/S pair stopped in partscore when Janneke Wackwitz transferred to hearts over the 2NT rebid then passed Merel Bruijnstee's completion. Three Hearts looks to be plenty high enough on the two hands but the cards lie very kindly for declarer, particularly if played by South, so that the club position cannot be attacked on the go.

Poland's Joanna Brede cashed the ace of spades to take a look at dummy and Magda Budzynska played the six, a neutral middle card. Brede switched to the three of diamonds, technically wrong – West should switch to the ten to surround the jack in case partner holds the queen and declarer the nine – but not important on the actual deal. Wackwitz ran the diamond to her nine and led the jack of hearts, running it to Budzynska's queen. Back came a spade so Wackwitz won and played the king of hearts to East's ace. This time the return was a diamond to dummy's jack. Wackwitz could draw the remaining trump and cash out for ten tricks and +170, worth a

dead average of 9 MPs each way.

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Brede</i>	<i>Bruijnstee</i>	<i>Budzynska</i>	<i>Wackwitz</i>
1♣	Pass	1♦	Pass
2♠	All Pass		

Brede opened a Polish Club, strong and artificial, a weak no trump, or clubs. One Diamond was either a negative or certain better hands usually based on diamonds, and 2♠ strong but not forcing. I think that a hand which requires only the right jack from partner is too strong to bid this way and would prefer to force to game, and indeed that approach would have been more successful on this deal as Budzynska passed as she had neither spade support nor useful high cards yet game was a good bet.

Bruijnstee kicked off with the jack of hearts, which held the trick, then switched to a trump. I've seen a couple of earlier examples this week of (effectively) this club combination being misplayed, and it happened again. Brede won the spade switch on table and led a low club, putting in the queen when Wackwitz followed with the six. That won and Brede had 10 tricks for +170 and 4 MPs out of 18. Had she put in the eight, she could have crossed back to dummy with a second spade to finesse the club queen and would have had 11 tricks.

Of course, South could have prevented the above play by putting in the ten or jack on the first round of clubs, but the real benefit of leading low to the eight on the first round comes when South has the jack and ten but the king is in the North hand. The finesse of the eight increases declarer's chance of winning two tricks in the suit from 50% to 62.5%.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

	♠ Q 8 7 3 2		
	♥ A Q J 10 9 6		
	♦ –		
	♣ 9 6		
♠ A 10 9	<div style="display: inline-block; background-color: #003366; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 0 auto;">N W E S</div>	♠ K J	
♥ K 4 2		♥ 5 3	
♦ J 10 9 5 2		♦ A K 8 7 4 3	
♣ J 10		♣ A 5 4	
	♠ 6 5 4		
	♥ 8 7		
	♦ Q 6		
	♣ K Q 8 7 3 2		

West	North	East	South
<i>Wackwitz</i>	<i>Zareba</i>	<i>Bruijnsteen</i>	<i>Ciunczyk</i>
–	1♠	2♦	2♠
4♦	4♠	5♦	Pass
Pass	5♠	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

You will no doubt have your own views regarding North's opening bid. Were I to have a gun pointed at my head, obliging me to open the bidding, I would choose 1♥ over 1♠ as the suit is both longer and so much stronger – hearts will play facing a small singleton, which cannot also be said about spades. However, my preference would be to pass then make a two-suited overcall. If done at a high level, partner might even wonder why I hadn't opened the bidding when holding so much playing strength and work out that it was because my suits were in the wrong order to show both comfortably after opening at the one level.

Anyway, enough about me. Poland's Anna Zareba opened 1♠ and Hanna Ciunczyk raised to 2♠ after the overcall. The auction gained momentum from here until the Dutch E/W had reached their diamond game. Now we see another reason to open 1♥ – 5♦ is cold on a spade lead but goes down on a heart lead. Zareba went on to 5♠, perhaps a little dangerous facing a likely three-card raise but partner was allowed to hold a top spade, which would have not only reduced the number of trump losers but also provided a dummy entry to take a heart finesse. Five Spades was, of course, doubled to complete the auction.

Bruijnsteen led the king of diamonds, ruffed. Zareba led a club up, Bruijnsteen winning the ace and returning a club to dummy's king when a second diamond might have been more effective. Zareba won the club and led a spade when again, perhaps a heart finesse would have been a better choice. Not to worry, as the queen of spades lost to the king and again East failed to play a diamond to force declarer. Instead East played a

club and West ruffed the queen with the ace of spades and returned a heart. That did declarer no harm at all and Zareba put in the nine and, when that held, led a spade. Bruijnsteen won the ♠J and returned a heart and that picked up the suit for declarer who had escaped for down two, the same result as Deep Finesse suggests for double dummy play from both sides. Our declarer had, however, flirted with a much larger penalty had the defence been more challenging. Minus 500 was worth 8 MPs to N/S.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

	♠ J 9 6 3		
	♥ Q 9 5 4 2		
	♦ Q 9 7		
	♣ Q		
♠ A 10 8	<div style="display: inline-block; background-color: #003366; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 0 auto;">N W E S</div>	♠ K 7 2	
♥ A J 10		♥ 6 3	
♦ A 6 2		♦ K 8 5 4	
♣ A J 7 5		♣ K 6 4 3	
	♠ Q 5 4		
	♥ K 8 7		
	♦ J 10 3		
	♣ 10 9 8 2		


West	North	East	South
<i>Wackwitz</i>	<i>Zareba</i>	<i>Bruijnsteen</i>	<i>Ciunczyk</i>
–	–	Pass	Pass
1♣	2♦	Dble	Pass
Pass	2♥	Dble	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Zareba's 2♦ showed the majors but did not greatly inconvenience her opponents. She led the four of hearts against 3NT, the king losing to the ace. Wackwitz crossed to the king of clubs and the appearance of the queen changed her plans as she no longer had a club finesse to worry about. Instead, Wackwitz led the four of diamonds and ducked it round to Zareba's seven. The hearts could have been established now, of course, but Zareba was hooked on the idea that declarer might hold the jack without the ten, in which case it would be better if the next heart lead came from her partner. She therefore returned a low spade to the queen and ace. Wackwitz immediately played the ♥J back at her and Zareba won and led a second spade. Wackwitz ran that to her eight and had 11 tricks for +460 and 15 MPs.






Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Ciunczyk</i>	<i>Banas</i>	<i>Zareba</i>	<i>Ticha</i>
-	-	-	Pass
Pass	1♠	2♦	Pass
Pass	3♣	Pass	5♣
All Pass			

Natalia Banas and Magdalena Ticha had a simple auction to 5♣ and Zareba's trump lead allowed Banas to ruff out the spades and get rid of all of dummy's hearts on the spade winners, losing just one diamond trick so scoring +620 and 15 MPs.

Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

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


West	North	East	South
<i>Ciunczyk</i>	<i>Banas</i>	<i>Zareba</i>	<i>Ticha</i>
1♠	Pass	1NT	2♣
All Pass			

There was surprisingly little bidding on this deal as first West and then East judged not to compete over 2♣, no doubt because of the vulnerability. They were right to go quietly, as E/W cannot even make seven tricks in anything.

Against 2♣, Ciunczyk led the king of hearts and, when that was ducked, continued with her remaining heart to the jack and ace. Ticha led the nine of

diamonds, Ciunczyk going in with the ace and trying a low spade to the jack and ace (the ♠9 is a better switch as it traps dummy's ten on this layout). Ticha led a low heart, Ciunczyk ruffing in front of dummy with the jack and returning her remaining trump. Ticha could ruff her fourth heart and pick up trumps without further loss, coming to 10 tricks for +130 and 9 MPs each way (there were E/W pairs going two down vulnerable at other tables).

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

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


West	North	East	South
<i>Banas</i>	<i>Kampermann</i>	<i>Ticha</i>	<i>Damman</i>
-	1♣	Pass	Pass
1♥	2♣	Pass	2♠
3♥	All Pass		

Germany's Mareille Kampermann opened 1♣ and repeated the suit at her next turn after a surprising pass from Alexandra Damman. However, Damman made up for her previous pass by bidding 2♠ over 2♣ and that pushed Banas up to 3♥.

Three Hearts can always be made but will often fail on a trump lead, when it looks as though declarer has to win in hand and play on diamonds to set up the jack as her ninth trick while there is still an entry in dummy. However, Kampermann made the normal enough lead on the auction of ace and another spade, Banas ruffing out the jack. Banas now played two rounds of trumps ending in dummy followed by the queen of spades. That would be winning play whenever the last trump was in the South hand but on the actual layout it should have failed. In practice, South covered so Banas could ruff high, draw the missing trump and play on clubs to get to the established ♠10. But if South does not cover the spade declarer appears to be helpless. Once again, the winning line was to play diamonds from hand at trick three – not easy, though on this auction South's pass over 1♣ seems to mark North with both diamond honours.

Plus 140 scored 16 MPs for Banas/Ticha.

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.


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

West	North	East	South
<i>Banas</i>	<i>Kampermann</i>	<i>Ticha</i>	<i>Damman</i>
–	–	3♣	3♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

The pre-empt did its work when Damman viewed to overcall, getting the fifth heart into the action, rather than make a take-out double. Kampermann might have bid 3♠ over 3♥, but the raise was hardly a serious error.

Four Hearts was hopeless. Banas led the five of clubs, Polish style, to the king, and Ticha switched to the queen of diamonds. Damman won the ace and cashed the king then led the two of hearts to the five, queen and eight. She continued with a spade to her king followed by a diamond ruff with the three. A club ruff was followed by a low heart from hand but the five-one split meant that the contract drifted two off for –200 and a complete bottom for N/S.

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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


West	North	East	South
<i>Damman</i>	<i>Combescure</i>	<i>Kampermann</i>	<i>Thepaut-V</i>
–	–	–	1♦
1♥	1♠	3♥	Pass
Pass	Dble	All Pass	

Even vulnerable, it hardly looks a crime to make a pre-emptive heart raise when holding five-card

support for partner's overcall, does it? Perhaps not, but it worked out terribly for the Germans as Sarah Combescure made a take-out double of 3♥ and Solene Thepaut-Ventos left it in. Well done to N/S.

Combescure led a diamond and declarer had little option but to run it to her queen. No, Thepaut-Ventos had the king and won it then switched to a low club. The French N/S pair took two club tricks and there were two hearts and the ace of spades to come for down two; –500 and just 1 MP to E/W.

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Damman</i>	<i>Combescure</i>	<i>Kampermann</i>	<i>Thepaut-V</i>
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♦	Pass	3NT
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♥
Pass	6♦	All Pass	

The session ended with a smoothly bid slam for N/S. I guess I would have made a splinter raise of the 2♦ response but Combescure's slower approach meant that she knew a little more about her partner's hand and, when she got a heart cuebid out of Thepaut-Ventos she was off to the races, using RKCB then bidding the small slam.

Damman led a club so Kampermann won the ace but that was that for the defence. Kampermann actually switched to a spade in the faint hope that partner might be ruffing, but declarer would surely have played ace then ruffed a spade on a less helpful return and would have found the good news soon enough.

Plus 1370 scored only 7 MPs for N/S as a non-club lead permits declarer to claim an overtrick.

Of the pairs we have watched in this session, Wackwitz/Bruijnstee ended it in second place, just ahead of Banas/Ticha, with Thepaut-Ventos/Combescure in fourth and Brede/Budzynska fifth. The other two pairs were well down the field and not in contention, though there was still half the event to go so anything could happen.



DUTCH DIARY 4

by Kees Tammens

**Junior Pairs Final
Session 2**

The Dutch Junior pairs, and the U21 pairs even worse, (the best ranking is 19th out of 26, though the Dutch still had two Women's pairs in contention in their championship) made a poor start in the first ten boards but there still were many more boards to play, but, of course, they needed some good scores.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ A Q 5 2 ♥ A K 7 6 ♦ K 8 7 ♣ 8 7	♠ J 9 ♥ 10 9 5 3 ♦ 10 9 3 ♣ K Q 10 3	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ K 10 8 4 ♥ 4 ♦ A J 5 4 2 ♣ A J 4
	N											
W		E										
	S											
	♠ 7 6 3 ♥ Q J 8 2 ♦ Q 6 ♣ 9 6 5 2											

West <i>Asulin</i>	North <i>Kiljan</i>	East <i>Levi</i>	South <i>Tijssen</i>
–	–	1♦	Pass
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Dble	Pass(i)	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♥	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♣(ii)	Pass
6♠	All Pass		
(I)	Club stopper		
(ii)	Three key cards		

When the Israeli girls bid and made (a diamond went on ♣J, so the diamond finesse was not needed) this razor-blade sharp 6♠, they almost ruined the chances of the Dutch pair that had played so well in the first two days. So, after 20 boards, Chris&Ricardo Westerbeek (6th) and Kevin Gotink/Yordi Schouten (8th) seemed to be the Dutch horses the supporters from the Netherlands were rooting for. Of course, there were still 30 boards and many more matchpoints to negotiate. Let's wait and see what happens. This seems to be the last board I write for this year's bulletin; the editors want the final bulletin to be ready by the prize giving. However I want to congratulate the LBF and especially Karlis Rubins, the organiser on site, for a very well arranged tournament. Hope to meet and greet you all in future Championships.





ALL THE PRESIDENT'S MEN

by Mark Horton

All the President's Men is an American political thriller based on the book of the same name by Carl Bernstein and Bob Woodward, the two journalists investigating the Watergate scandal for *The Washington Post*.

The job of a bridge reporter is to investigate the facts and attempt to reach the right conclusion – sometimes with very little information to go on.

Here are the deals that caught my eye in today's first session:

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ K 6 4 2 ♥ A 10 6 2 ♦ 10 6 2 ♣ 8 2		♠ A ♥ 8 7 4 ♦ Q 7 ♣ K Q 10 7 5 4	♠ Q J 10 8 5 3 ♥ Q 9 5 3 ♦ A 9 4 ♣ –
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West	North	East	South
<i>Buus Th.</i>	<i>Weiss</i>	<i>Jepsen</i>	<i>Velja</i>
–	2♥*	3♣	4♠
5♣	Pass	Pass	5♠
Dble	All Pass		

2♥ Weak, both majors

North's gadget came in handy, although the spade fit was always going to come to light. It was South who took the key decision to save over 5♣ – a contract that was likely to make.

Declarer had to lose a spade, a heart and two diamonds for two down, –300 and 13-11 for N/S.



Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ K J 5 3 2 ♥ Q ♦ J 4 2 ♣ A J 8 6		♠ 10 8 4 ♥ K J 9 8 4 2 ♦ A K 10 7 ♣ –	♠ A Q 7 ♥ 7 6 5 ♦ Q 9 6 3 ♣ K 5 2
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West	North	East	South
<i>Buus Th.</i>	<i>Weiss</i>	<i>Jepsen</i>	<i>Velja</i>
–	–	1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♣*	Pass	4♠	All Pass

With time at a premium I won't enter into a long discussion about the inferences one should draw from East's first three bids, but you need to consider the difference between this type of sequence as opposed to a direct raise to 2♠.

North found the imaginative lead of the three of hearts and declarer put in dummy's nine and won in hand with the queen. The ace of clubs, pitching a heart, was followed by a club ruff, heart ruff and a third club ruff. Declarer cashed the ace and king of diamonds and ruffed a heart. She played her last club and when North covered with the queen ruffed with dummy's ten. South over-ruffed with the queen and had only to cash the queen of diamonds and play a fourth round of the suit to ensure two more trump tricks for the defenders. Alas, South miscalculated and played the nine of diamonds. North could ruff, but now the ace of spades was the only trick due to the defence; +420 and 7-17.

Have you spotted the winning line?

Instead of ruffing the fourth club, declarer must pitch a diamond from dummy. If South ruffs, cashes a diamond and plays another one, declarer will be able to ruff with dummy's ten and lead towards the ♠K-J.

With open cards you can take eleven tricks after a heart lead, ruffing two clubs in dummy and setting up the heart suit via two ruffs before playing a low spade to the ten.



However, if North starts with a diamond, then declarer has to play carefully to score ten tricks. One winning line is to win in dummy and play a heart to the queen and ace. Declarer wins the diamond return in dummy, pitches a diamond on a heart and plays a spade to the jack. When that holds declarer ruffs a club, pitches a club on the jack of hearts and plays a spade.

Board 3. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Toledano	Jepsen	Yekutieli	Buus Th.
-	-	-	1♣
Pass	2♣*	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

2♣ Inverted raise

West led the queen of spades, so declarer was not hard pressed to take all the tricks for +520 and 8-16.

The mirror distribution means that the fate of any slam depends on the location of the king of diamonds, but if North were 2-3-3-5 6♣ would be laydown. With such wonderful controls and five-card support, North had time in hand and could have bid 3♣ over 2NT.

Five pairs reached a slam, the top going to the two who scored +990.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

	♠ K 2											
	♥ K 10 8											
	♦ Q 9 8 7 6											
	♣ 6 5 2											
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West	North	East	South
Toledano	Jepsen	Yekutieli	Buus Th.
Pass	Pass	1♣	1♥
Pass	2♥	2♠	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♦*	Pass
6♣	All Pass		

If I were a betting man I would suggest that West did not have muesli for breakfast.

A quiet 3♣ would have seen East bid spades for a second time, after which 4♠ would be reached. Six Clubs was one down for -100, giving NS 22-2.



Asaf Yekutieli, ISRAEL



U26 PAIRS - FINAL RANKING FINAL A

1	HULT Simon	STOKKA Adam	SWE - SWE	63.25
2	ILZINS Janis	PELSIS Nauris	LAT - LAT	56.37
3	BUUS THOMSEN Signe	JEPSEN Peter	DEN - DEN	55.80
4	KITA Maciej	GRABIEC Maciej	POL - POL	55.51
5	KAZMIERCZAK Wojciech	NOWAK Kamil	POL - POL	55.13
6	WESTERBEEK Chris	WESTERBEEK Ricardo	NED - NED	53.33
7	FAGERLUND Vesa	AIMALA Antti	FIN - FIN	52.69
8	GOTINK Kevin	SCHOUTEN Yordi	NED - NED	51.26
9	MAJCHER Arkadiusz	MARKS Rafal	POL - POL	51.08
10	GRUDE Tor Eivind	GUNDERSEN Anders	NOR - NOR	50.73
11	LEVI Hila	ASULIN Adi	ISR - ISR	50.66
12	CHARIGNON Fabrice	LALOUBEYRE Clement	FRA - FRA	49.98
13	TIJSSEN Luc	KILJAN Veri	NED - NED	49.85
14	DEHEEGER Colin	ROUANET-LABE Anne	FRA - FRA	49.60
15	ROBERTS Alex	KHANDELWAL Ankush	ENG - ENG	49.52
16	VERBEEK Thijs	VAN ENGELEN Bas	NED - NED	49.01
17	SYNNOTT David	GORMALLY Hugh	IRL - IRL	48.79
18	MARCINOWSKI Piotr	SOBCZAK Mateusz	POL - POL	48.12
19	KONKOLY Csaba	SZIRMAY-KALOS Barnabas	HUN - HUN	47.62
20	BIRCHALL Alex	ROPER William	ENG - ENG	47.29
21	POLAK Tobias	VAN OVERBEEKE Tom	NED - NED	47.27
22	DONKERSLOOT Bob	COPPENS Pim	NED - NED	46.63
23	YEKUTIELI Asaf	TOLEDANO Oren	ISR - ISR	45.89
24	WEISS Florian	VELJA Stefan	AUT - AUT	44.46
25	COMBESCURE Baptiste	BERNARD Julien	FRA - FRA	43.43
26	VOVOS Konstantinos	KRITSALIS Philippos	GRE - GRE	36.73

U21 PAIRS - FINAL RANKING FINAL A

1	ZVEZDIN Zigfrid	POSTOVALOV Ilia	RUS - RUS	58.80
2	MAJEWSKI Konrad	GODLEWSKI Piotr	POL - POL	58.10
3	ALTER Florian	STRECK Lauritz	GER - GER	58.10
4	KRAWCZYK Blazej	LENKIEWICZ Jakub	POL - POL	54.46
5	BELLICAUD Luc	BASLER Raphael	FRA - FRA	53.11
6	NIJSSEN Oscar	OVERVELDE Sven	NED - NED	52.61
7	STOUGIE Leen	STOUGIE Marc	NED - NED	52.52
8	KOIVU Oskari	AALTO Aleks	FIN - FIN	51.94
9	BUNE Soren	TODD-MOIR Victor	DEN - DEN	51.72
10	PATREUHA Jakub	PATREUHA Patryk	POL - POL	51.50
11	CLARK Jonathan	PANCHAGNULA Kripa	ENG - ENG	51.19
12	BOULIN Arthur	GUILLEMIN Theo	FRA - FRA	51.15
13	NORTON Ben	BEHRENS Sam	ENG - ENG	50.67
14	SUCHODOLSKI Adam	ZURAWSKI Tytus	POL - POL	50.06
15	KLEMS Erik	MELCAK Martin	CZE - CZE	49.27
16	VORNKAHL Leonard	JESSE Stig	GER - GER	48.77
17	ANDRUSZKIEWICZ Jakub	SUCHARDA Edward	POL - POL	48.35
18	BUNE Sophie	CHRISTENSEN Malene Holm	DEN - DEN	47.93
19	SLUSZNIAK Mateusz	KEDZIERSKI Maciej	POL - POL	47.75
20	FRAGOLA Maxence	TEIL Clement	FRA - FRA	47.17
21	OKUNIEWSKI Wojciech	KRAJNIK Dominik	POL - POL	46.21
22	IHER Mirjam	MAIDE Rasmus	EST - EST	45.87
23	LEJEUNE Mette	HUVERS Wisse	NED - NED	45.19
24	LE LEZ Victor	THORPE Stephan	FRA - FRA	43.64
25	KALETA Michal	PAWELCZYK Tomasz	POL - POL	41.78
26	BALODIS Martins	SALMINA Sintija	LAT - LAT	41.56



U26 WOMEN PAIRS - RANKING AFTER SESSION 10

1	MOSZCZYNSKA Zuzanna	PIESIEWICZ Dominika	POL - POL	61.29
2	TICHA Magdalena	BANAS Natalia	NED - NED	58.84
3	WACKWITZ Janneke	BRUIJNSTEEN Merel	NED - NED	56.82
4	MADUZIA Anna	BALDYSZ Zofia	POL - POL	56.09
5	BUDZYNSKA Magda	BREDE Joanna	POL - POL	53.45
6	THEPAUT-VENTOS Solene	COMBESCURE Sarah	FRA - FRA	53.37
7	LE PENSEC Alice	MOURGUES Jennifer	FRA - FRA	52.09
8	LELEU Anais	THUILLEZ Mathilde	FRA - FRA	51.91
9	MYLLAERI Maria	SIIRA Sini	FIN - FIN	51.12
10	WISEMAN Yvonne	NEGREANU Carina	ENG - ENG	50.37
11	VISSER Esther	VAN OMMEN Maaike	NED - NED	50.01
12	RAFFA Enrica	BROCCOLINO Susanna	ITA - ITA	49.60
13	DE LUTIO Caterina	CAPOBIANCO Sophia	ITA - ITA	49.09
14	PIIBOR Johanna	LAAN Susanna	EST - EST	48.59
15	KAMPERMANN Mareille	DAMMAN Alexandra	GER - GER	48.51
16	GARKAJE Ginta	KAMPARA Diana	LAT - LAT	47.19
17	CIUNCZYK Hanna	ZAREBA Anna	POL - POL	45.47
18	RIEGER Mona	NORDMANN Leonie	GER - GER	40.32
19	BAILEY Olivia	NESOM Suzanna	SCO - SCO	39.11
20	BROKA Sandra Elvira	BROKA Jolanta Gundega	LAT - LAT	36.91

U16 PAIRS - RANKING AFTER SESSION 10

1	KOPKA Kacper	MASZENDA Michal	POL - POL	59.77
2	PIGULSKI Adam	RACEWICZ MACIEJ	POL - POL	59.09
3	CICHY Krzysztof	CAUS Dominik	POL - POL	58.26
4	ALTUN Toygar Tuncay	EREN Umut Gorkem	TUR - TUR	58.09
5	MADDEN Harry	SELBY Oscar	ENG - ENG	57.57
6	HUHTAMAKI Hermanni	NIEMINEN Aapo	FIN - FIN	57.39
7	STADLER Raphael	LEPPER Jannik	AUT - AUT	56.15
8	JOHNSEN Christian Fredrik	AUSTAD Marius Dalemark	NOR - NOR	55.55
9	MAZUR Jeremiasz	KUCZKOWSKI Michal	POL - POL	54.70
10	GUENDEL Marius	DRANSFELD Karl	GER - GER	52.39
11	KORDAS Konstanty	MACKOWIAK Karol	POL - POL	52.38
12	KOZAK Jakub	CIESLINSKI Jan	POL - POL	52.29
13	ROSE Henry	PEMBERTON Alexander	ENG - ENG	50.55
14	STASIK Michal	KASPERCZYK Lukasz	POL - POL	48.90
15	KURLIT Franciszek	KUFLOWSKI Kacper	POL - POL	48.09
16	DYBDAHL Sanna Emilie Dybvik	BREKKE Kaja	NOR - NOR	47.57
17	FARWIG Niels Ole	LANGER Emil	GER - GER	47.39
18	YASAR Isil	BAKAR Umran Zeynep	TUR - TUR	46.52
19	KEISALA Arttu	MAKELA Lasse	FIN - FIN	41.22
20	RUBINS Ralfs	PIRS Maksimilians	LAT - LAT	39.77
21	ZATORSKI JAKUB	DZIUBA JAKUB	POL - POL	38.32
22	GROCHOWSKI Albert	CIESLIK Joanna	POL - POL	37.15
23	PUSKARJOVS Aleksandrs	GOROVOJS Adrians	LAT - LAT	30.90

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1	SHAH Shivam	ILLINGWORTH Frederick	ENG - ENG	63.63
2	NAKAMARU-PINDER Jun	ZALITIS Aleksis	SCO - EST	60.38
3	SPRINKHUIZEN Thibo	MENDES DE LEON Guy	NED - NED	59.75
4	SCHANKA Martin	KOHUTOVA Lucie	CZE - CZE	59.37
5	COENEN Joost	LUCASSEN Adriaan	NED - NED	59.29
6	CALMANOVICI Alessandro	SAU Roberto	ITA - ITA	58.47
7	AYDOGDU Erkmen	AYDOGDU Ataman	TUR - TUR	57.56
8	GIUBILO Gabriele	ROSALBA Andrea	ITA - ITA	57.22
9	VALENTINE Ronan Richard James	MACKILLOP Donald	SCO - SCO	56.62
10	VASAR Martin	ZVOROVSKI Rao	EST - EST	56.35
11	SCATA Sebastiano	MANGANELLA Andrea	ITA - ITA	55.68
12	CASPERSEN Soeren Veel	LAHRMANN Christian	DEN - DEN	55.62
13	STEFANEC Kristijan	FERENCA Matko	CRO - CRO	55.60
14	EIDE Harald	SJODAL Sofie Grasholt	NOR - NOR	55.48
15	DJILOVIC Josko	MIJIC Ante	CRO - CRO	55.15
16	BARR Stephen	DONNELLY MICHAEL	IRL - IRL	54.94
17	KOSMA Lukasz	MAKULEC Marek	POL - POL	54.77
18	BALDURSSON Heidar Arni	SIGURDSSON Logi	ISL - ISL	54.43
19	VAN OOSTEN Sibrand	PABST Philipp	GER - GER	54.35
20	TUKENMEZ Can Erdem	YILDIZ Busra Aslihan	TUR - TUR	54.18
21	DEAN Nicholas	PIMENTA Carolina	ENG - POR	53.64
22	DOYLE Nathan	BOLGER Arran	IRL - IRL	53.64
23	GOUDZWAARD Dieter	DUPONT Pim	NED - NED	52.47
24	TOMA Anca	RETZLER Rainer	ROM - ROM	51.95
25	FREIMANIS Gints	FALCONER Glen	SCO - SCO	51.93
26	ALISHAW Michael	KENNEDY Stephen	ENG - ENG	51.92
27	NORDMANN Felix	SCHIFFMANN Darius	GER - GER	51.57
28	BRASS Tommy	LEEMING India	ENG - ENG	50.86
29	COVILL Laura	MEKIE Sean	ENG - ENG	50.72
30	RAMOS Francisco	RAYNER Dominic	POR - ENG	50.39
31	BRODERSEN Jon	BRANDGAARD DANIEL	DEN - DEN	50.18
32	CANKUDIS Mikolaj	MORAWSKI Patryk	POL - POL	50.12
33	VON BUEREN Yannick	PRII Milvi	SUI - EST	49.66
34	ZAMIR Ami	EZION Amir	ISR - ISR	49.59
35	MAASIK Martin	TORV Helina	EST - EST	49.51
36	DREIMANIS Gints	GAVRILOVA Elizaveta	LAT - LAT	49.38
37	SCHEBERAN Philip	FLIERL Vanessa	AUT - AUT	49.37
38	WILSON Abigail	MILNE Jake	SCO - SCO	49.30
39	HERMANN Sophie	EDER Felix	AUT - AUT	49.09
40	LEMBER Manglus	TUUS Hanna	EST - EST	48.89
41	PROCHAZKA Adam	VOLHEJN Petr	CZE - CZE	48.45
42	CONNOLLY John	DOYLE Jason	IRL - IRL	47.94
43	CHAVARRIA Margherita	MONTANELLI Enea	ITA - ITA	47.84
44	ERSEK Laura	HOMONNAY Balint	HUN - HUN	47.19
45	BLOM Jasper	VAN DE PAVERD Tim	NED - NED	46.87
46	WEISS Christine	HOLZNER Michael	AUT - AUT	46.21
47	KONRADS Klavs	TAPINS Ernests	LAT - LAT	45.74
48	CASTRO Francisco	RIBEIRO Miguel	POR - POR	45.61
49	PRIEDITIS Gatis	JAUNSKALZE Roberts	LAT - LAT	45.45
50	KRAUZE Kristaps	KUZIS Karlis	LAT - LAT	44.74
51	VAN BEIJSTERVELDT Bas	MCDONNELL Jarleth	NED - IRL	44.68
52	WINTER Daniel	SANDERSON Liam	ENG - ENG	44.03
53	OTTO Viktor	LITTERST Maximilian	GER - GER	43.93
54	HAHN Frederik	WEBER Stefan	GER - GER	43.22
55	GUTH Romaric	RABOURDIN Hugo	FRA - FRA	42.95
56	WATTERS Roisin	VARLEY Daniel	IRL - IRL	42.01
57	FARWIG Sven Niklas	NURMBERGER Simon	GER - GER	41.79
58	ILDEIKINS Viktors	GOFMANS Andris	LAT - LAT	41.43
59	WALSH Sheila	FILIPOVIC Branimir	IRL - CRO	40.98
60	FRIDRICH Tomas	OTRADOVCOVA Zuzana	CZE - CZE	40.92
61	KANE Ariane	DOMITROVIC Andrija	IRL - CRO	40.05
62	SKURULE Karina Meta	CACE Atis	LAT - LAT	39.18
63	BRANCS Artis	KRAUJA Toms	LAT - LAT	38.58
64	CARTHY Joseph	FARRELL Conor	IRL - IRL	37.49

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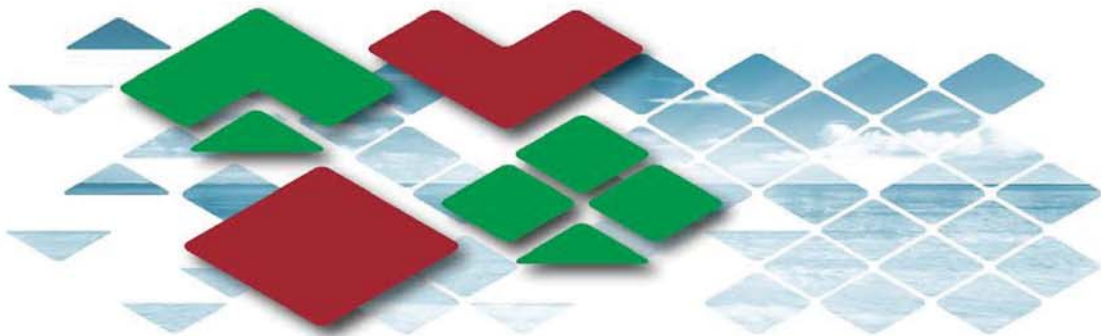


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