

ENGLAND, FRANCE PROVIDE DRAMA FOR THE RAMA



Dancers at the opening ceremony of the 2nd World University Teams Championship

With one exception, close matches were scarce in the World Bridge Olympiad as the quarterfinal round comes to a close today. The only match with any mystery left was the Women's battle between France and England.

The match will be seen on Vugraph today starting at 11:00.

With 16 boards left, England takes a 102-90 lead into their match with France, having rallied from 41IMP down on the final set of the day on Monday.

The English women used a 62-9 surge in the fourth segment to take the lead after losing each of the first three sets.

The other seven matches in both series were not nearly so close. In the Women's, China lead Sweden 147-87, USA were ahead of Poland 145-93, while Russia were up over the Netherlands 152-87.

In the Open, the Netherlands were topping Ireland 227-142, Russia was ahead of Hungary 183.2-127.8, China were well up on Japan 158-57 and Italy had a 209-120 lead over Pakistan.

While the Olympiad continues, the 3rd World Transnational Mixed Teams begins play today with three qualifying rounds of Swiss Teams.

VUGRAPH MATCHES

WOMEN	France v England	11:00
	Semi-Final Boards 1-16	17:00
	Semi-Final Boards 17-32	21:20

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OPEN QUARTERFINALS RESULTS

Match		Boards 1-16	Boards 17-32	Boards 33-48	Boards 49-64	Boards 65-80	Total
Netherlands	Ireland	49 - 28	69 - 11	36 - 34	42 - 41	31 - 28	227 - 142
Hungary	Russia	16 - 42	51 - 31	9 - 51	5.8 - 34.2	46 - 25	127.8 - 183.2
China	Japan	10 - 23	52 - 2	34 - 15	13 - 13	49 - 4	158 - 57
Pakistan	Italy	42 - 22	8 - 48	33 - 36	14 - 52	23 - 51	120 - 209

WOMEN'S QUARTERFINALS RESULTS

Match		Boards 1-16	Boards 17-32	Boards 33-48	Boards 49-64	Total
China	Sweden	50 - 17	14 - 52	58 - 0	25 - 18	147 - 87
USA	Poland	26 - 30	41 - 22	19 - 23	59 - 18	145 - 93
Netherlands	Russia	35 - 41	27 - 17	15 - 26	10 - 68	87 - 152
France	England	38 - 17	25 - 6	18 - 17	9 - 62	90 - 102

Stress Test

By Josef Harsanyi (Hungary)

Board 15 in the round-robin match between Romania and Hungary caused some stress for declarer, Laszlo Honti.

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Stirbu	Szilagy	Serpoi	Honti
Pass	2♣	Pass	1♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♣
Pass	6♥	All Pass	3♠

West started off with the ♦J! Honti took some minutes be-

fore deciding on his play to trick one. Should he finesse with the queen or win the ace and plan to endplay an opponent who perhaps holds both the ♦K and the ♠K? If clubs break favourably, declarer could pull trumps, cash four clubs, pitching a diamond from dummy, then exit with a diamond. If the same player held both important kings, he would be endplayed.

An extra chance for playing the ♦A at trick one, however, would be the possibility that the ♦K is singleton, solving all problems.

Back to the first-trick finesse: if your bridge pupil attacks your slam with a jack, you can be sure that the king of this suit is off-side. It is different when your opponent is an expert who properly interprets the hidden information from the bidding and realizes that North most likely has the ♦A. Such an opponent could easily make an attacking lead from K J x.

The human factors decided, declarer finessed the ♦Q at trick one and earned a very big swing since North/South were minus at the other table. The moral of the story: underestimating your opponents is not the right way to win.

Honti deserves full credit for reading his expert opponent correctly, but a marginally better line of play, if declarer believes the ♦K might be onside, would be to win the ace, pull trumps, then lead up to the ♦Q. Declarer would still enjoy the benefit of the onside king (South's spade loser goes away) while protecting against the admittedly small chance of a singleton king with East – Editor.

What Green Card?

By Barry Rigal

The Danish women did not come to Istanbul to pass, nor should they given the performance on the following deal in their round-robin match against Wales.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
			1♥
Dble 3NT	Pass All Pass	2NT	Pass

East was Marlene Kirstan, who stretched to bid 2NT, trustingly raised to 3NT by West, Camille Krefeld. South kicked off with the ♥7 to the jack and king. The

♦2 went to dummy's king, and the ♣Q was ducked all around, followed by the ♣8 to South's jack. South, looking at a sure entry in the ♦A, cleared the hearts. East won the fourth round of hearts and ran the clubs.

This was the four-card ending:

	♠ 10 8		
	♥ —		
	♦ J 9		
	♣ —		
♠ A 6	N	♠ Q 9	
♥ —	W	♥ —	
♦ Q 10	E	♦ 8	
♣ —	S	♠ 10	
		♠ K J	
		♥ 9	
		♦ A	
		♣ —	

South was forced to discard his winning heart, and then was thrown in with the ♦A to lead away from the ♠K.

The Vugraph commentators had seen Zia jump to 2NT on the same auction, but when Krefeld was informed of it (and the fact that Michael Rosenberg had passed with the West hand), she said, "My partner plays them better than Zia."

Indeed, Zia had taken only eight tricks in 2NT.

Kielbasinski is IBPA Personality of the Year



Radoslaw (Radek) Kielbasinski, president of the Polish Bridge Federation, was named 2004 Personality of the Year by the International Bridge Press Association, one of several awards announced on Monday.

Kielbasinski has led the Polish organization to a period of prosperity during which the federation has achieved sound financial footing and now boasts an average age for members of 43 – and going down.

WBF President Jose Damiani was on hand for presentation of the award, commending the IBPA "for recognizing the merit of people who are trying to promote bridge, especially among the youth."

Kielbasinski declined to take credit for the success of the Polish federation, but he promised more good bridge news from Poland in the future: "I can promise you we have not said the last word yet."

More details about other IBPA awards – including best

performances and the book of the year — can be found in future issues of the Daily Bulletin.

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And



OPEN

Ireland v Sweden

ROUND
OF 16-5

Ireland led Sweden by 168-138 with 16 boards to play, setting up the possibility of a significant upset against one of Europe's top nations. The opening deal of the final set was a strange one.

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
McGann	Lindkvist	Hanlon	Fredin
	2♣	Pass	2♦
Dble	2♠	3♦	4♦
Pass	5♣	Pass	6♠
Dble	7♣	Dble	All Pass

West	North	East	South
Berthau	Garvey	Nystrom	Carroll
	2♣	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♣	Pass	Pass
3♥	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

Magnus Lindkvist's 2♣ opening was natural and limited to 15 HCP, Precision-style and Peter Fredin's 2♦ response a relay. Hugh McGann appears to have treated this as a natural sequence and doubled to show the other two suits and now, according to the Swedish system notes, 2♠ was a club one-suiter. The subsequent bidding would suggest that Fredin thought that the double altered their agreements and that 2♠ was natural. Who was right and who was wrong I cannot say, but someone was horribly wrong and Linkvist had to play a ridiculous grand slam. Hanlon tried to cash the ace of spades and Lindkvist ruffed, crossed to the ace of hearts and played a club up. When McGann ducked, he got that right by going up with the king but that was still two down for -300, the last thing Sweden needed.

Tommy Garvey's 2♣ opening was also natural and limited and John Carroll could make a natural and forcing bid, simplifying the auction for his side. When Garvey could only rebid 3♣, Carroll passed and Peter Berthau

balanced. When 3♥ came around, Carroll doubled, ending the auction. Garvey led the queen of diamonds and Carroll tried to overtake with the ace, ruffed. Berthau played a heart to Carroll's ace and he switched to his singleton club. Declarer ducked that to the king so Garvey gave his partner a ruff, returning the nine. Carroll was comfortable with the spade position, however, and preferred to return his remaining trump rather than a spade. Garvey won and played a diamond. Declarer ruffed, drew the last trump and played ace then jack of spades. Carroll won the ♠K, returned his last diamond for declarer to ruff, and made the ♠9 at the end; down two for another -300 and 12 IMPs to Ireland, ahead by 42.

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
McGann	Lindkvist	Hanlon	Fredin
		1♦	INT
Dble	All Pass		

West	North	East	South
Berthau	Garvey	Nystrom	Carroll
1♠	Pass	1♦	Pass
		INT	All Pass



John Carroll, Ireland

Fredin stretched to overcall INT and was doubled for his impudence. McGann led a low club and Fredin mis-guessed by playing low. Tom Hanlon put in the eight and, when that held, cashed the king then switched to a low spade. Fredin ducked that so McGann won and cashed out the clubs. McGann now switched to a diamond so Hanlon took his two aces for down two; -500.

Carroll passed over 1♦ and was on lead to 1NT. He led the ace of hearts and continued with a low one when Garvey encouraged. Garvey won the heart and returned the suit and the defence needed to find a diamond switch after cashing out the hearts. But Carroll switched to a club and now Fredrik Nystrom could win and give up a spade; +90 but 9 IMPs to Ireland; 189-138.

A series of quiet boards followed, just what the Irish wanted. Then a ray of hope for Sweden.

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

<p>♠ 10 ♥ 10 9 ♦ A 10 7 5 ♣ K Q J 9 5 3</p>	<p>♠ A 7 5 4 ♥ A Q 8 4 3 ♦ K 2 ♣ 6 4</p>	<p>♠ K J 8 6 2 ♥ 5 2 ♦ J 9 ♣ A 8 7 2</p>	<p>♠ Q 9 3 ♥ K J 7 6 ♦ Q 8 6 4 3 ♣ 10</p>									
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<p>West McGann</p> <p>2♣ 4♣ All Pass</p>	<p>North Lindkvist</p> <p>Dble 4♥</p>	<p>East Hanlon</p> <p>Rdbl 5♣</p>	<p>South Fredin</p> <p>Pass 3♣ Dble</p>									



Peter Bertheau, Sweden

<p>West Berthau</p> <p>2♣ 3♣</p>	<p>North Garvey</p> <p>Pass All Pass</p>	<p>East Nystrom</p> <p>2♠</p>	<p>South Carroll</p> <p>Pass Pass</p>
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Both Wests opened with a natural and limited 2♣. Surprisingly, Garvey went quietly on the North cards and let his opponents play 3♣, making with an overtrick when declarer slipped past the ace of spades; +130.

Lindkvist doubled 2♣ and the Swedes easily reached the unbeatable heart game, obliging their opponents to save in 5♣ doubled. Lindkvist led a trump and McGann won in hand to play his spade up. Lindkvist took the ace and switched to ace and another heart; down two for -500 and 12 IMPs to Sweden.

But that was the last significant swing of the match, despite the fact that there were some potentially lively boards to come. Ireland held on in some comfort to win by 193-160 to achieve that country's best ever result in a World Bridge Olympiad. Would there be more to come in the quarter-finals?



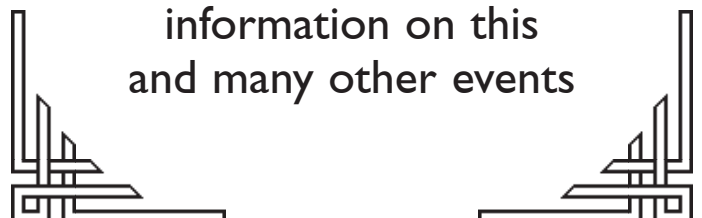
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OPEN

USA v Italy

ROUND
OF 16-4

by Mark Horton

With two sessions to go in the match that many would have liked to have been the final, Italy held a slender lead.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Welland	Lauria	Fallenius	Versace
3♠	Dble	4♠	Dble
All Pass			

When East raised his partner's third in hand preempt he made it much easier for North/South to achieve a plus score. On a club lead the contract would have been two down, but North led a trump. Declarer won in hand and played the ten of hearts. North went up with the ace and switched to a club. South won and played back a club. De-



Giorgio Duboin, Italy

clarer took the king, played off all his trumps and then took the heart finesse to finish one down, -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Rosenberg	Bocchi	Zia
2♠	Dble	Pass	Pass
Pass	4♥	3♠	Dble
		All Pass	

There was really nothing to the play, declarer losing two spades, two trumps and a club for two down, -200 and 7 IMPs to Italy.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Welland	Lauria	Fallenius	Versace
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♥
Pass	2♠*	Pass	2NT*
Pass	3♣*	Pass	3♦*
Pass	4♣*	Pass	4♦
Pass	4♥*	Pass	4♠*
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♦*
Pass	5♠*	Pass	5NT
Pass	7♦	All Pass	
2♠	16+, 6+ ♦ or ♦+♥		
2NT	Relay		
3♣	3♥'s		
3♦	Fit		
4♣	Slam try		
4♥	Cue		
4♠	Cue		
5♦	1/5		
5♠	Grand Slam invitation		

There were plenty of chances, and declarer set about taking them in order. He won the trump lead in hand,

cashd the ace of spades, crossed to the king of diamonds, cashd the king of spades pitching a heart, ruffd a spade, played off all the trumps bar one, cashd the top hearts and finally took the club finesse. One down, -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Rosenberg	Bocchi	Zia
Pass	2♣*	Pass	2♦*
Pass	3♦	Pass	4♦
Pass	4♥*	Pass	4♠
Pass	5♣*	Pass	5♥
Pass	5♠*	Pass	7♦
All Pass			

With a couple of minor variations the play was essentially the same, no swing.

On a trump lead my finessing friend tells me that the contract can be made, but only if declarer gives up one genuine chance by discarding a club on the king of spades and then a second by discarding hearts from hand on the run of the diamonds. In the ending, West gets squeezed in hearts and spades, but there is absolutely no reason to play that way.

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Welland	Lauria	Fallenius	Versace
Pass	2♦*	Pass	3♣*
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

This time East led a heart. West took the king and switched to a spade. Declarer won and played the queen of hearts. When that held he crossed to a spade and tried a low heart. East won and switched to diamonds. West was allowed to win with the jack and he played another spade. Declarer cashd his spades, pitching a club from dummy, and then played a club to the king. That meant he was one down, -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Rosenberg	Bocchi	Zia
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♥
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♠
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

East found the best lead of a diamond and the defenders kept playing the suit until declarer was forced to win with the ace. He played a couple of spades ending in dummy, a club to the king, two more spades and took the club finesse, +600, and 12 IMPs to USA, giving them the lead.

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Welland	Lauria	Fallenius	Versace
1♦*	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Full marks to the American pair for finding the notrump game. North led a diamond and declarer simply took his nine top tricks, +600.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Rosenberg	Bocchi	Zia
3♦	Pass	2♣	Pass
4♥	All Pass	3♥	Pass

South led a trump and declarer won and took a second round. When the 4-1 break was revealed he drew trumps ending in dummy and took a spade finesse. South won and switched to a low club. The blockage meant the defenders could only take three tricks in the suit, but that was still one down and another 12 IMPs.

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

	♠ A K J 3 2 ♥ 9 7 4 ♦ 10 7 ♣ J 8 4											
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
Welland	Lauria	Fallenius	Versace
	Pass	1♥	2♣
2♥	2♠	All Pass	

East led the ace of hearts and switched to the nine of diamonds. Declarer won in dummy and played back a heart to East's king. He took the diamond continuation with the king, cashed the ace and king of spades, crossed to the ace of clubs and discarded a heart on the jack of diamonds. He made his contract on the nose, +110.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Rosenberg	Bocchi	Zia
	Pass	1♥	2♣
2♥	2♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

East led the ace of hearts and switched to the ten of clubs. Declarer let that run to hand and played back a heart. East won and switched to the nine of diamonds. Declarer won, played a spade to the jack followed by the top trumps. When a diamond brought forth East's queen he could discard a heart on the jack of diamonds and claim. +420 and 7 more IMPs to USA.

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

	♠ J 9 6 ♥ 6 4 2 ♦ A J 9 5 ♣ Q 8 6											
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W		E										
	S											
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
Welland	Lauria	Fallenius	Versace
		1♣	1♦
Dble	3♦	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	3♥	All Pass

South led a diamond and North took the ace and switched to a trump. Declarer drew three rounds ending in dummy and ran the ten of clubs, claiming nine tricks when it lost, +140.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Rosenberg	Bocchi	Zia
		1♣	Pass
1♦*	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♠*	Pass	INT	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

The defence started in similar fashion, but declarer took only two rounds of trumps ending in hand and ran the nine of clubs. North won and exited with a trump and declarer won in hand and played another club to South's ace. At this point it was perhaps impossible for South to see that he had to switch to a low spade. When he played back a club declarer took two rounds, discarding a spade, and in the ending below played the ace of hearts.

	♠ J 9 6 ♥ — ♦ J 9 ♣ —											
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W		E										
	S											
	♠ Q 4 2 ♥ — ♦ K 7 ♣ —											

North could not part with a diamond, so had to let go a spade, as did dummy. Now South had to discard a diamond, but declarer could cross to a spade and ruff a diamond, setting up the king. A trump squeeze for +620, and 10 IMPs.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

♠ Q 9 3 ♥ J 10 6 ♦ 9 4 3 2 ♣ 8 3 2	♠ A J 10 8 ♥ K Q 7 5 ♦ Q 6 ♣ Q 10 4 <div style="text-align: center; border: 1px solid black; width: 80px; height: 80px; margin: 10px auto;"> N W E S </div> ♠ K 7 4 ♥ A 4 2 ♦ K J 10 ♣ A K 7 5	♠ 6 5 2 ♥ 9 8 3 ♦ A 8 7 5 ♣ J 9 6
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
Welland	Lauria	Fallenius	Versace
Pass	1♣*	Pass	2♣*
Pass	2♦*	Pass	2NT*
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Lots of points, but with neither player having a five card suit the Italians elected to stop in game. Of course, with both hearts and clubs 3-3, declarer did not need to locate the queen of spades, +690.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Rosenberg	Bocchi	Zia
Pass	1♣	Pass	2♣
Pass	2NT	Pass	4NT
Pass	6NT	All Pass	

Those same breaks gave the USA another 13 IMPs, and their lead was reaching serious proportions.

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

♠ 10 4 ♥ Q 9 7 2 ♦ K 10 9 3 2 ♣ 10 5	♠ — ♥ 10 8 5 3 ♦ Q J 6 5 ♣ K 9 6 3 2 <div style="text-align: center; border: 1px solid black; width: 80px; height: 80px; margin: 10px auto;"> N W E S </div> ♠ K J 9 6 5 2 ♥ 6 4 ♦ A 7 4 ♣ J 7	♠ A Q 8 7 3 ♥ A K J ♦ 8 ♣ A Q 8 4
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Open Room

West	North	East	South
Welland	Lauria	Fallenius	Versace
Pass	Pass	1♠	All Pass

Despite the terrible trump break One Spade was in no danger. Declarer won the heart lead with dummy's queen and played a club to the queen. When that held he cashed the ace of clubs and played a club. South got rid of his remaining heart, but declarer could ruff and in due course made four more tricks, all of them in trumps, +110.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Rosenberg	Bocchi	Zia
Pass	2♥	Dble	2♦*
3♦	Pass	3NT	2♠
			All Pass

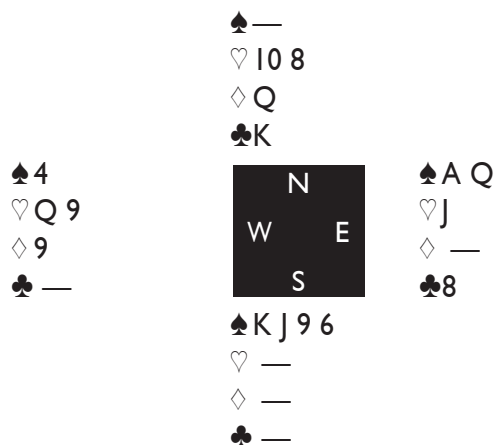
When South bid Two Spades East must have been hoping his partner would come up with a value showing double. As it was the alternative was to attempt the nine trick game.

South led the five of spades and declarer won in dummy with the ten as North discarded the three of clubs. Should that have persuaded declarer to play a club to the queen? (The genuine way to make the contract – when it holds declarer cashes three hearts and plays a diamond.) Whatever, he played the ten of clubs and ran it when North played the two. South won with the jack and found the best defence when he switched to a low diamond. Declarer put up the king from dummy and played back a diamond, South winning with the ace. He played back a diamond (very hard to realise that a heart switch is necessary at this point) and North won. He could not afford to cash the queen of diamonds and he switched to a club.



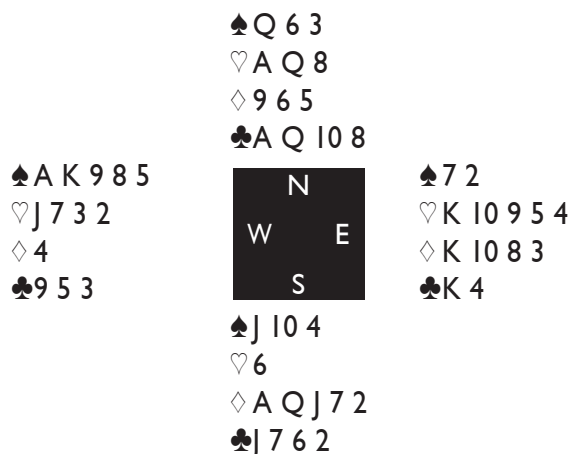
Bjorn Fallenius, USA

Declarer played the queen, and cashed the ace and king of hearts to reach this ending:



The ace of spades (or amusingly the queen) would have been enough to destroy the North hand, but declarer could not read the ending, and he overtook the jack of hearts and was one down, 5 IMPs away. Was that a decisive moment as the session score moved to 59-13?

Board 16. Dealer West. E/W Vul.



USA-Italy on Yugraph

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Welland	Lauria	Fallenius	Versace
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♦
Pass	INT	Pass	3♣
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

East led a low heart and North took the queen and finessed in diamonds. When the club finesse lost declarer ducked the next heart, then took his ace and repeated the diamond finesse. If West had followed the contract would have been secure, but the 4-1 split meant it was one down, -50.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Rosenberg	Bocchi	Zia
Pass	INT	Pass	Pass
2♣*	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

South led his trump and North took the ace and tried ace and another club. Declarer won, crossed to a spade, finessed in hearts, drew the last trump, ruffed the spades good and claimed ten tricks, +620 to give Italy 11 badly needed IMPs.

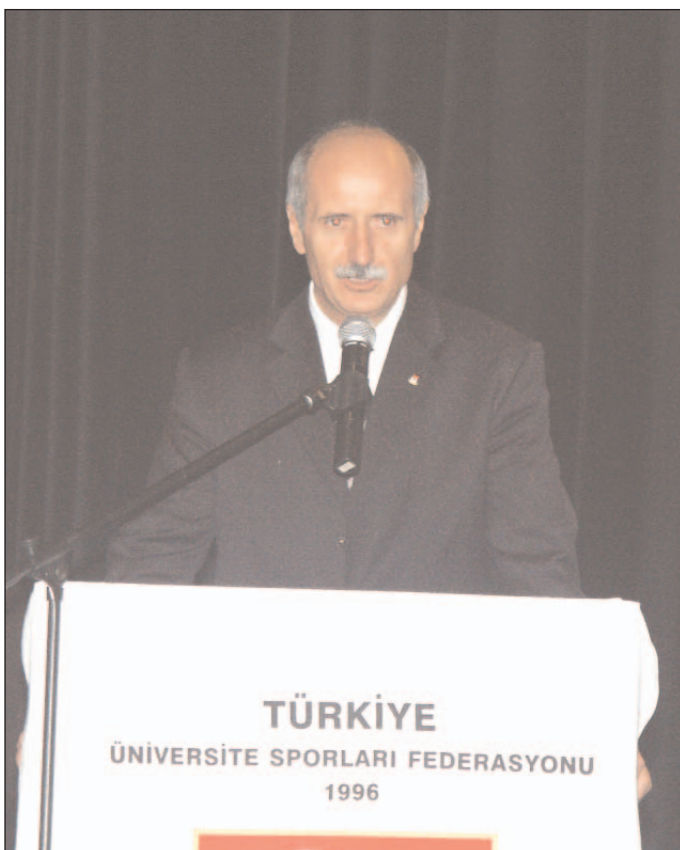
The winning defence is to attack dummy's trump holding. When North is in with the ace of hearts he must switch to a diamond. South wins and must find the club switch. North wins and plays a second diamond and the defence is in control. That would have been defence of the decade by a long way.

With one session to go USA were in the box seats – would they be able to stay there?



Alfredo Versace checks on Results

Opening of FISU World Bridge University Championships



On Monday at 10 am, Prof. Dr. Kemal opened the second World Bridge University Championships. Some pictures as well as all the present people were witness of this wonderful Opening Ceremony. I thank very much all the members of Organising Committee, especially Mr. Kemal and Mr. Doker, to make it such a nice ceremony.

Geert Magerman
Chairman CT FISU Bridge



UNIVERSITY

Italy v Netherlands

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The Dutch team, who performed well in previous University Championships with wins in Aarhus (1995), Palermo (1996), Weimar (2000) and Rotterdam (2001) started with the match against an always dangerous Italy.

At the first board Andor van Munnen tried to stir things up with a junior preempt.

Board 1 - Dealer North. None Vul.

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



Fabio Lo Presti, Italy

West	North	East	South
<i>Gr'boom</i>		<i>van Munnen</i>	
	1♦	2♥	Dble
Pass	2♠	Pass	3 NT
All Pass			

When you preempt you better not bid in the eight card fit of opponents that gets bad splits of the trumps. South could have passed hoping for a re-opening double by partner but as it seems North, Lo Presti, would have passed out 2♥ for a near down four and +200. Anyway 3NT was the best game in this hand.

Merijn Groenenboom did not have a heart so had to find another lead. The lead was ♦, ♦, ♦8, ♦K. Declarer crossed to dummy with ♥A and finessed for ♠K. West took and played ♦Q for the Ace in dummy. Now declarer gave up a trick to ♥Q: and East played back 10. With a spade and a heart lost, 3NT depended on the guess in clubs. Did East really jump to 2♥ with only two Queens? Declarer could not believe that and put in ♣K, so the contract was defeated with ♣A, ♣J and a club for ♣Q in east.

The first blow for the Dutch.

The equaliser followed shortly after that, exactly in the second board.

Board 2 - Dealer East. North-South Vul

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

West	North	East	South
	<i>LoPresti</i>		<i>Sbarigia</i>
		Pass	2♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	3♦
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	Pass	5♣
Pass	5♥	Pass	6♠
All Pass			

After the raise to 4♠ south, Matteo Sbarigia, went on with a well judged 5♣ getting a useful cooperation with 5♥ by Fabio Lo Presti.

The lead was a small club for ♣Q and ♣A. ♠A, ♠K and a small spade for ♠Q in West, who returned a club ruffed by South. A, heart for the king in dummy, ♠J and a diamond. The appearance of ♣Q meant +1430 for the Italians who took the lead when the Dutch pair in the other room after a similar bidding sequence passed rather quietly at 4♠.

It stayed calm until board six.

Board 6 - Dealer East. East-West Vul.

♠ 5 2 ♥ J 9 4 ♦ 2 ♣ J 10 9 8 4 3 2	N W E S	♠ A J 10 ♥ 10 3 ♦ A Q J 9 8 4 3 ♣ K	♠ 9 ♥ A K Q 8 5 2 ♦ K 6 5 ♣ 7 6 5
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West	North	East	South
1 ♠	2 ♥	1 ♣	1 ♥
4 ♠	Pass	Dble	4 ♥
5 ♠	Pass	4 NT	Pass
		6 ♠	All Pass

Going on after 4♠ really seemed too much and the chanceless slam was bid. North led the singleton diamond but unfortunately for the Dutch declarer did not have ♣K so the slam was one down when declarer refused the finesse.

At the other table the Italian pair reached 5♠. Against that contract it was not sure if you could cash two tricks in hearts so the lead of the singleton diamond can be better understood. But this time the eleven tricks were good for 650 and 13 IMPs.

So the second and third blow were Italian and they had more good to come.

After a grand slam, bid by Italy and missed by the Netherlands, the final nail in the Dutch coffin.

Board 10 - Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ A J ♥ K J 9 3 ♣ Q 10 5 2 ♠ 8 7 4	N W E S	♠ Q 7 6 5 2 ♥ Q 8 7 2 ♣ Q 6 4 ♣ Q	♠ K 4 ♥ A 10 6 4 ♣ A J 8 7 ♠ 10 9 6 ♠ 10 9 8 3 ♥ 5 ♣ 9 3 ♣ A K J 5 3 2
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West	North	East	South
<i>Gr'boom</i>	<i>LoPresti</i>	<i>van Munnen</i>	<i>Sbarigia</i>
3 ♥	3 NT	2 ♥	3 ♣
		All Pass	

This time the Dutch preemptive opening backfired. An enthusiastic 3♣ overcall by South after which North had an obvious 3NT.

♥7 was for the ace and the ♥10 return covered with ♥J for ♥Q in east. Nine tricks were there for the taking with ♣Q in east. So Italy cruised on to a 70-21 win in IMPs, 25-4 in VPs. The last blow was certainly theirs.

The US team

USA university team is made up of five different universities from both the West Coast and the East Coast of the United States. **Ari Greenberg** and **Joon Pak** attend Stanford University and are majoring in computer science and physics, respectively. **Noble Share** and **Charlie Garrard** are both graduate students; Noble studies at UVA in computer science and Charlie studies at Carnegie Mellon University in computer science. **John Kranyak** and **Mark Glickman** are undergraduate students at Columbia and Yale University.

Free tournament

On Sunday, before the official start of the FISU Championships, a free tournament was organised at the Sport Hotel. This tournament allowed the players to get to know each other and create a university spirit. Seven different nationalities were organised into six mixed teams for an international competition.

The English speaking team from **Alex** and **Jon** (UK) and **Ari** and **Joon** (USA) seemed to be the strongest. Congratulations!

RESULTS**ROUND 1**

Match		IMPs		VPs	
1	Hungary Romania	31	26	16	14
2	Italy Netherlands	70	21	25	4
	Germany Bye	0	0	18	0
3	Indonesia Poland	15	58	5	25
4	Belgium USA	34	41	14	16
5	Chinese Taipei UK	65	16	25	4
6	Denmark Turkey	38	49	13	17
7	France Sweden	44	37	16	14

ROUND 2

Match		IMPs		VPs	
1	Poland Hungary	21	25	14	16
2	USA Italy	46	29	19	11
3	Romania Germany	45	67	10	20
4	Netherlands Indonesia	23	53	8	22
5	UK Belgium	36	20	19	11
6	Turkey Chinese Taipei	25	41	11	19
7	Sweden Denmark	24	17	16	14
	France Bye	0	0	18	0

ROUND 3

Match		IMPs		VPs	
1	Hungary Netherlands	21	30	13	17
2	UK USA	34	54	10	20
3	Germany Poland	37	39	15	15
4	Indonesia Italy	12	76	2	25
5	Belgium Turkey	73	8	25	1
6	Chinese Taipei Sweden	26	34	13	17
	Denmark Bye	0	0	18	0
7	France Romania	52	17	23	7

**RANKING
AFTER 3 ROUNDS**

1	ITALY	61
2	CHINESE TAIPEI	57
	FRANCE	57
4	U.S.A.	55
5	POLAND	54
6	GERMANY	53
7	BELGIUM	50
8	SWEDEN	47
9	DENMARK	45
	HUNGARY	45
11	UNITED KINGDOM	33
12	ROMANIA	31
13	INDONESIA	29
	NETHERLANDS	29
	TURKEY	29

PROGRAM**ROUND 4**

1	Italy	Hungary
2	UK	Turkey
3	Netherlands	Germany
4	USA	Indonesia
5	Sweden	Belgium
	Bye	Chinese Taipei
6	Romania	Denmark
7	Poland	France

ROUND 5

1	Hungary	Indonesia
2	Turkey	USA
3	Germany	Italy
4	Sweden	UK
	Belgium	Bye
5	Chinese Taipei	Romania
6	Denmark	Poland
7	France	Netherlands

ROUND 6

1	USA	Hungary
2	Turkey	Sweden
3	Indonesia	Germany
	UK	Bye
4	Romania	Belgium
5	Poland	Chinese Taipei
6	Netherlands	Denmark
7	Italy	France

No Faith in Finesses

On this deal from the Open and Women's series of the World Bridge Olympiad, many pairs bid the North/South cards to a grand slam in diamonds. Many also went down.

In their Women's series match against USA, Filiz Uygan and Belis Atalay of Turkey were even more ambitious, landing in 7NT. It was up to Uygan to bring home all the tricks – and she came through.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

West	North <i>Uygan</i>	East	South <i>Atalay</i>
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♦	Pass	4♦
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♣
Pass	5NT	Pass	6♣
Pass	6♥	Pass	7♥
Pass	7NT	All Pass	

Atalay's response to 5NT indicated possession of the ♣K or the major-suit kings. As Uygan was looking at the ♣K, she knew it was the other two. With 12 top tricks, Uygan had finessing possibilities in hearts and clubs, but who wants to make a grand slam on a finesse? It's much more elegant to play as Uygan did.

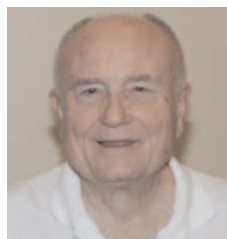
East started with a low spade, which went to the 9 and ace. Uygan played a diamond to the king and a second to the ace. On the ♦Q, declarer pitched a heart from dummy as West threw a club. On the fourth round of diamonds, East discarded a club, dummy a spade and West a second club.

Uygan then cashed the top clubs, getting a heart discard from West. Now the last two diamonds were played, and Uygan pitched the ♣J and ♥J from dummy. West, down to two spades and three hearts with a discard to make, was finished – squeezed in the majors.

It was a well-earned plus 2220 and a 20-IMP gain since the contract at the other table was 7♦, down one.

Turns out the only lead to defeat 7NT – or 7♦, for that matter – is a heart, which ruins the communication necessary for the squeeze.

Age No Barrier To New Champion



Many, many years ago, Marshall Miles and Eddie Kantar were on an airplane heading for a tournament, and Kantar was giving Miles a bit of a hard time.

Kantar knew Miles favoured weak INT openers, so Kantar asked Miles a question: "If you had a weak notrump opener but you knew that if you opened INT it would cost you a world championship, what would you do?"

Miles, going along with the joke, said, "Open INT."

Now that he has won a world championship, does that change his view?

"I guess it does," said Miles shortly after receiving his medal as part of the USA team that rallied on the final round of the 2nd International Senior Cup to edge the Netherlands for the championship.

At 77, Miles is one of the oldest players ever to win a world title. He is also highly respected and well known in the USA as a player and author, contributing regularly to the ACBL *Bridge Bulletin*. He has also written 10 bridge books.

Miles took an unusual route to his bridge expertise. His interest was piqued as a youngster when he overheard his mother discussing the game with a friend. He went to the local library where he lived in California and retrieved old newspapers so that he could read the bridge columns, learning how to play without reading a book.

He earned a law degree in 1954 and practiced in Southern California until he retired about 10 years ago.

He played a lot of bridge with his wife, Betty, until her death about four years ago. When he first got married, Miles said, he was afraid his bridge playing would be curtailed, "but Betty actually pushed me out the door to play with her."

Miles considers bidding his strong point as a player, "although my partners might not agree with me."

Interestingly, Miles brought along one of his books – *Reisinger Challenge* – to read while at the tournament, "and I found the problems very difficult."

Miles isn't all that impressed with being one of the oldest players ever to win a world title. "I would rather be the youngest," he said. "I would like to have another 50 years to play bridge."

Championship Diary

We get numerous communications by email from our worldwide readers. Jon Honeyball of Belchamp St.Paul, Suffolk, England, would like to see a scandalous back page, compromising photographs and a caption competition. We are working on these and other ideas.

Meanwhile, following Tacchi's piece in the Bulletin we have already received more than a hundred requests for the location of the Vaupillon Club and are working on a limited (very limited) edition of a learned treatise on the System of the same name. Both pages should be of considerable interest.

At one point on Saturday Bridgebase attracted 6150 viewers, a record. It will surely be broken as the tournament reaches its climax.

At stressful moments (and we have had more than our fair share at this tournament) we sometimes break into song. One of our favourites comes from the movie 'A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court.'

We're busy doing nothing, working the whole day through, trying to find lots of things not to do. We're busy going nowhere, isn't it just a crime? We'd like to be unhappy but... We never do have the time. We hear that the Butler scores will be published in the bulletin as soon as possible. The intention was for them to appear at the

end of the Round Robin but there was a problem with some of the records on Bridgebase.

We pose the question? If a man makes a statement in a forest and there is no woman there to hear it, is he still wrong?

Yesterday our Layout Editor, Katialena Maneta, celebrated her birthday. That is the good news. The bad news is that she realised that it will always be celebrated during a World Championship!

Jim Priebe paid a visit to the Spice Bazaar and decided to come back to the hotel on the bus – a snip at 1,000,000 Lira. He told the driver where he wanted to go and after travelling for a while the driver stopped the bus, hailed another bus and told Jim to get on that one. After a few more minutes this procedure was repeated, and in due course, much to Jim's surprise, he found himself back at the hotel. That's the best transfer system used at these Championships!

The number of zero's on Turkish currency can be confusing. The eagle eyed may have spotted that a ticket to the Victory Banquet costs either US\$50, £28, Euro 40 or a mere 750,000,000 Lira! Tacchi said he would opt for the \$50 menu!

Today's Agenda

OPEN / WOMEN

11.00 Quarterfinal Round 4
last segment

13:45 Captain's Meeting

14.00 Round 5

16:00 Match 1 to 3
(ends at 20:30)

17.00 Semifinal Round 6
Boards 1-16

21.20 Semifinal
Boards 17-32

WORLD UNIVERSITY

TRANSNATIONAL MIXED

No Smoking

Smoking is prohibited in ANY lobby area other than the area near the hotel's main reception desk. Smoking is also prohibited in any areas of the Congress Centre, including the Press and Bulletin rooms, the WBF Main Office, the Scoring and Results Room and the VuGraph Auditorium.

Violations of this policy will subject you to a fine of 2VPs. Continued violations will result in the player being prohibited from playing and the team not being admitted to the playing area.



KONICA MINOLTA

JUDGEMENT RULINGS

by Grattan Endicott

Appeals Committee Coordinator

This Olympiad has attracted a remarkable number of entries, including quite a number of players who have not played previously in a WBF Tournament. In fairness to them it is surely right to draw their attention to the careful way in which the directors' judgemental rulings are made.

Following best practice a director does not give such a ruling instantaneously; he collects the facts and discusses them with other directors. But it goes far beyond this. The WBF Code of Practice requires him to consult a number of quality players on the bridge judgements that have to be made and he is careful to do this in a way that allows them to give their opinions unbiased by extraneous information. This is not all. Having gathered the opinions of players he takes this feedback to his colleagues, one of whom will be the chief tournament director or a very experienced director the CTD has nominated to act for him.

Players new to all this will understand that when the table director returns to them and gives them a ruling involving bridge judgement, the ruling he gives them has been the subject of three stages of consultation and is a fully considered decision. If taken to appeal it is no surprise that at the start of the hearing the Appeals Committee will believe the ruling to be well justified. Only if the evidence they hear convinces the committee that after the process described above the directors have still got it wrong, will the committee make any change in the director's adjudication. We will be extremely surprised if that happens often, for which reason we do urge captains to think very carefully before they enter an appeal.

The regulations empower the chief director to authorize the award of a weighted score where in the director's opinion this achieves a better equity in the adjustment.

The Appeals Committee will retain the US\$50 deposit when it considers it necessary.

Notice to Transnational Mixed Teams

Players in the Transnational Mixed Teams MUST complete a WBF Convention Card and bring two copies to the table, one for each opponent. Blank copies of the card are available from the Systems Desk.

The Transnational Mixed Teams is a Category 3 event and no HUM or Brown Sticker Conventions are allowed. Copies of the definitions are also available at the Systems Desk should players need them.

Artificial systems must be fully described, using the Convention Card and Supplementary Sheets if necessary. In particular, conventions and treatments that require defensive preparation should be listed on the front of the Card and fully described either inside, or in the Supplementary Sheets.

Players are reminded that these are short matches, so excessively artificial methods are undesirable.

John Wignall

Chairman, WBF Systems Committee

Victory Banquet invitations

The Victory Banquet is Saturday night, Nov. 6. Invitations can be collected from the Hospitality Desk on Wednesday and Thursday.

Invitations will be given to players on the Open and Women's series in the World Bridge Olympiad, the International Senior Cup and the World University Teams, plus non-playing captains and coaches, all staff and the first four teams in the World Transnational Mixed Teams.

For anyone else wishing to attend the banquet, the cost is \$50 US, £28, 40 Euros or 75,000,000 Turkish Lira.


 The logo for SISKOM is displayed in a large, bold, blue, sans-serif font. The letters are thick and closely spaced, with a modern, geometric feel. The 'S' and 'K' are particularly prominent due to their size and the way they connect to the other letters.

OPEN

France v Hungary

ROUND
OF 16-5

With ten deals to go in their Round of 16 clash with Hungary. France led by 162-136 IMPs. Just a few nice flat boards and they would be into the quarter-finals.

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Szilagyi	Multon	Honti	Quantin
2NT	Pass	4♣	Pass
			All Pass

West	North	East	South
Rombaut	Szalay	Palau	Macskasy
1♣	1♥	1♠	2♠
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

Every now and then along comes a deal that just fits your methods perfectly. Laszlo Szilagyi could open 2NT to show opening values below a strong club, with six clubs and four diamonds and once that had slipped past Franck Multon Laszlo Honti could pre-empt with 4♣, leaving the French pair with no second chance to get into auction. It takes a diamond lead before declarer gains the lead to play on spades to defeat 4♣ and, hardly surprisingly, Multon did not find it, preferring a trump. Szilagyi won in hand and played his spade up. Multon took his ace and switched to ace and another heart and now came the diamond switch from Jean-Christophe Quantin, but it was too late. Szilagyi won the ace and played a club to dummy then king and a spade ruff, dropping the queen. That provided sufficient discards for the diamonds; +130.

At the other table Jerome Rombaut did not have this unusual weapon at his disposal so opened 1♣. That allowed Gyorgy Szalay in with a simple heart overcall and in the fullness of time Gabor Macskasy drove to the heart game. There was no problem in the play. Jean-Jacques Palau led the ♣A and another and declarer ruffed and played a diamond towards his king. Rombaut took the ace

and switched to his spade so declarer rose with the ace, unblocked the ♦K and led a heart to the jack, ruffed a diamond high then drew trumps ending in dummy to cash the diamonds; +620 and 13 IMPs to Hungary, who closed to 149-162.

Board 27. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Szilagyi	Multon	Honti	Quantin
INT	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♠	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
Rombaut	Szalay	Palau	Macskasy
1♣	4♠	All Pass	Pass

Multon showed the majors then longer spades when Quantin expressed no preference. A low diamond lead



Gyorgy Szalay, Hungary

was not the best for the defence as it went to the queen and king. Multon played a heart to the jack and king and put in the ten on the trump return. He played the ♠10 round to the ace and back came a second trump. Multon won, drew the last trump and had eight tricks for +110.

Szalay was looking for a swing and overcalled 4♠. He got a swing, just not in the direction he had hoped. Here the opening lead was a heart to the king, so that declarer could eventually establish two heart winners. However, the defence again switched to spades and, with no dummy entry, Szalay eventually had to play diamonds from hand so lost both of those' two down for -100 and 5 IMPs to France, whose lead was back up to 168-150 with just five deals to play.

Board 28. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

♠ J 10 9 7 5 4 ♥ 9 7 4 ♦ 8 ♣ 10 6 5	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; 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		♠ — ♥ A 5 3 2 ♦ A K 10 6 2 ♣ J 7 4 3	♠ K Q 2 ♥ K 10 8 ♦ Q J 7 3 ♣ K Q 9
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West	North	East	South
Szilagy	Multon	Honti	Quantin
2♠	Dble	3♠	3NT
Pass	Pass	Dble	Pass
Pass	Rdbl	Pass	4♥
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

West	North	East	South
Rombaut	Szalay	Palau	Macskasy
Pass	1♦	INT	Dble
2♥	Dble	2♠	Pass
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♦
All Pass			

Szilagy opened a light weak two bid and Honti raised pre-emptively over the take-out double with his 16-count. When Quantin's 3NT came around, Honti doubled and Multon redoubled to express doubt. Quantin ran and Honti doubled again.

The lead against 4♥ doubled was a diamond to dummy's king and Quantin played a heart to his jack then a diamond up, Szilagy throwing a club so dummy's ace won the trick. Next came a club to the ace, followed by ace and another. Declarer ruffed the spade then conceded a diamond and back came the ♣K and another for West to ruff. Szilagy returned his last trump to dummy's ace and Quantin ruffed a diamond then a spade and had nine tricks for down one; -200.

No weak two bid meant a very different auction in the other room and it ended with Szalay declaring 3♦. Szalay ruffed the lead of the ♠K and led a low heart, won by Palau with the king. He returned a heart to dummy's jack and Szalay played a diamond to the ace, a heart to the queen, and a club to the seven and nine. Back came a spade to dummy's ace and now Szalay cashed the ace of clubs, ruffed a spade and played the thirteenth heart. With both missing trumps on his left, that solved the problem nicely; +110 and 7 IMPs to Hungary. It was 157-168 with four deals to play.



Jean-Jacques Palau, France



Laszlo Szilagy, Hungary

Board 29. Dealer North. All Vul.

♠ Q J 9 8 ♥ K 6 ♦ K Q 9 8 5 2 ♣ 7	<table 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		♠ 7 2 ♥ A Q J 9 8 5 3 ♦ — ♣ A K J 2	♠ K 10 ♥ 10 4 ♦ J 10 7 4 ♣ 10 6 5 4 3
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West	North	East	South
Szilagy	Multon	Honti	Quantin
2♦	1♥ 4♥	Pass All Pass	1♠

West	North	East	South
Rombaut	Szalay	Palau	Macskasy
2♦ Pass Pass	1♣ 2♥ 3♥ 6♥	Pass 3♦ Pass All Pass	1♠ Pass 4♥

Multon opened with a natural 1♥ and rebid 4♥ at his next turn. Quantin could not know that he had exactly what was required for slam and that was that; +710.

Szalay opened with a strong club and heard that his partner had a positive with spades. Szalay bid and rebid his hearts then, on getting delayed support, blasted the heart slam, relying on his opponents to have most of the high cards in diamonds. He won the club lead and played a heart to the ace then the ♥Q, giving up on the overtrick



Franck Multon, France

to avoid the risk of a club ruff; +1430 and 12 IMPs to Hungary, who suddenly had the narrowest of leads at 169-168 with three deals to play.

The next two deals were flat so the match went into the final deal with the margin still a single IMP to Hungary.

Board 32. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Szilagy	Multon	Honti	Quantin
1♣ 2♦ 2NT 4♣ 4♥ 5♥ 7♣	Pass Pass Pass Pass Pass All Pass	2♣ 2♥ 3♦ 4♦ 4NT 6♣	Pass Pass Pass Pass Pass Pass

West	North	East	South
Rombaut	Szalay	Palau	Macskasy
1♣ 2NT 4♦ 5♦	Pass Pass Pass Pass	1♥ 4♣ 4NT 6♣	Pass Pass Pass All Pass

For Hungary, 1♣ was 16+, 2♣ 8+ with at least five clubs, and 2♦ a relay. Sorry, but after that you are on your own. At the end of a series of questions, Szilagy was able to bid a confident 7♣. There was nothing to the play; +2140.

The natural French auction fell short in the other room; +1390 but 13 IMPs to Hungary, who had come on strong at the end to win by 182-168 and move into the quarter-finals.

Taksim Shuttle schedule change

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, three shuttle buses will leave Taksim Square at 9 a.m.. One bus will leave at 10 a.m.

We Have The Technology

by David Burn

On a deal from England's match against Poland in the Round Robin, reported in Sunday's bulletin, West at one table raised a non-vulnerable 15-17 no trump to 3NT with:

♠J3 ♥Q64 ♦K9862 ♣Q53

an action of which the reporter said that it was "right more often than not."

It would until recently have been impossible to subject this claim to any kind of independent verification. However, recent advances in bridge software mean that we can now put the matter to an empirical test.

What you do is this. Using a program called Dealmaster Pro, you give West the thirteen cards above, and tell the program to give East a random strong no trump and North-South the other 26 cards, making sure that South does not have a hand with which he would bid over INT. You ask for 1,000 such deals to be generated, which takes a couple of seconds.

Then, you invoke the double-dummy analyser Deep Finesse to tell you how many tricks East can make in no trumps, given best play and best defence.

The results are illuminating. On 139 deals, East could not even make INT. On 255, there were seven tricks available. On 338, declarer could make eight tricks, on 218 he could make nine, and on 50 he could make one or two overtricks.

Suppose that West in the other room passes INT, as in fact happened. Then, his team will: gain 2 IMPs (for extra undertricks) on 139 deals; gain 5 IMPs (for making INT or 2NT while 3NT is going down) on 583 deals; and lose 6 IMPs (for making 150 or 180 in INT while 3NT scores 400 or 430) on 268 deals. His expectation is thus: $278 + 2915 - 1608 = +1.585$ IMPs per deal.

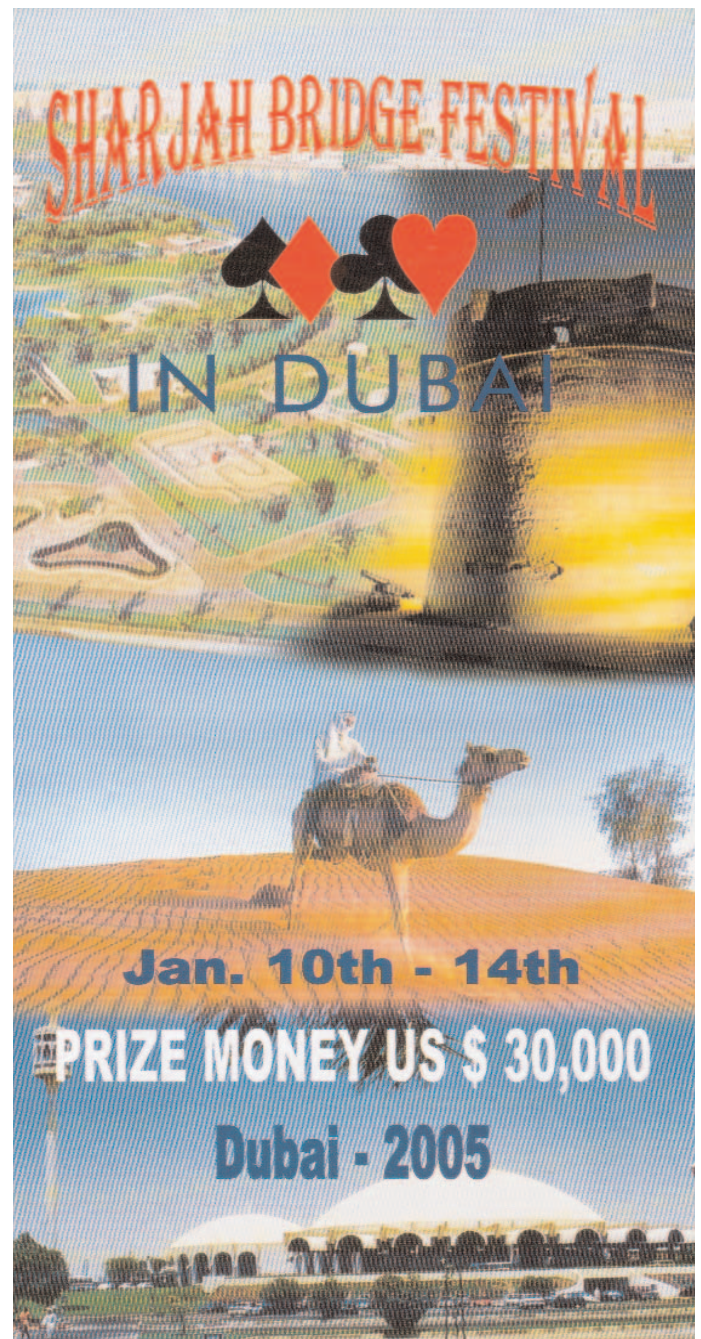
The picture changes if East-West are vulnerable. Then, the gain will be 5 IMPs on the deals where even INT is going down, 7 IMPs where seven tricks are the limit, and 6 IMPs where eight tricks can be made. The loss will be 10 IMPs on deals where game is possible. This gives a total expectation of: $5 \times 139 + 7 \times 255 + 6 \times 338 - 10 \times 268 = +1.828$ IMPs per deal.

The assumption of double dummy play and defence tends to bias results such as these in favour of the defenders; often, they do not find the best lead, and contracts are misdefended more frequently than they are misplayed.

But, even allowing for "declarer's advantage," it is clear from the above that passing INT is right considerably more often than it is wrong; moreover, the received wisdom that bidding vulnerable games is more worthwhile than bidding non-vulnerable ones does not apply when more than one undertrick is involved. A mistake in the Bulletin? Oh, really?

It would also be interesting to know how successful a raise to 2NT would be.

The famous chess master Joseph Henry Blackburne played all comers for a shilling (for shilling you may read IMPs). On one occasion he was extremely lucky to win, as his opponent was not slow to point out. 'You are right,' said Blackburne, 'Morally the game is yours.' But the shilling is mine!' Editor



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Pakistan v Italy

QUARTER FINAL
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After one set of their quarter-final against tournament favourites Italy, Pakistan led by 42-22 IMPs. But to beat the strongest team in the world over 16 deals is one thing, could the Pakistanis continue to do so over the necessary 96 boards to make it through to the semi-finals?

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

<p>♠ A Q 10 8 4 ♥ Q 7 4 3 ♦ 9 8 3 ♣ 5</p>	<table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W</td><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		<p>♠ K 9 6 ♥ A 8 6 ♦ A Q 10 ♣ A Q 7 4</p>	<p>♠ J 5 ♥ 10 9 2 ♦ K J 6 2 ♣ 9 8 3 2</p>
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		<p>♠ 7 3 2 ♥ K J 5 ♦ 7 5 4 ♣ K J 10 6</p>										

West	North	East	South
Versace	Hadi	Lauria	Shoaib
Pass	1♣	Pass	2♣
Dble	Rdbl	Pass	Pass
2♠	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

West	North	East	South
Fazli	Bocchi	Allana	Duboin
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♠
Dble	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

Both Easts led the jack of spades. Where Bocchi was declarer, this was ducked all round and a second spade went to Jan-E-Alam Fazli's ace. He returned the ♠10 to the king, Abdul Rehman Allana pitching a diamond. Bocchi crossed to the ten of clubs to finesse the ten of diamonds, losing to the jack, and Allana switched to the ten of hearts, covered all round. Bocchi cashed the clubs then played two rounds of hearts and Allana had to lead into the diamond tenace for +400.

Versace outdefended Fazli when he overtook the ♠J with the queen. Khursheed Hadi still had to duck, but now Versace could switch to the nine of diamonds for the queen and king. Back came a spade to the ace and Versace, rather than clear his suit, played a second diamond through. Lauria won the ten with his jack and cleared the diamonds. Hadi could cash his winners but eventually had no option but to take the heart finesse for his ninth trick; down one for -50 and 10 IMPs to Italy.

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

<p>♠ A 9 4 2 ♥ A ♦ Q 10 6 ♣ K Q 9 4 2</p>	<table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W</td><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		<p>♠ Q 10 5 ♥ 8 7 5 3 2 ♦ K 9 7 5 2 ♣ —</p>	<p>♠ — ♥ K Q J 10 6 ♦ A J 4 ♣ A J 10 5 3</p>
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		<p>♠ K J 8 7 6 3 ♥ 9 4 ♦ 8 3 ♣ 8 7 6</p>										

West	North	East	South
Versace	Hadi	Lauria	Shoaib
2♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	3♣	Pass
4♥	Pass	4♣	Pass
Rdbl	Pass	5NT	Dble
7♣	All Pass		Pass

West	North	East	South
Fazli	Bocchi	Allana	Duboin
2♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
4NT	Pass	3♠	Pass
7♣	All Pass	5NT	Pass

Both pairs bid smoothly to the cold grand slam. Versace's 2♣ response was forcing to game and he continued with two cuebids then redoubled to confirm first-round



Jan-E-Alam Fazli, Pakistan

spade control, at which point Lauria checked on trump quality and Versace duly bid seven.

Allana splintered and Fazli was sufficiently impressed to take control. The 5NT response showed two key cards plus a void and that was all Fazli required; flat at +1440.

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

♠ — ♥ A 10 7 5 2 ♦ 7 ♣ A K Q 10 6 5 2	<table style="margin: auto; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠ J 8 4 3 ♥ K Q 4 ♦ J 10 6 5 3 2 ♣ —	♠ 7 5 ♥ 8 6 ♦ K Q 9 8 4 ♣ J 9 4 3
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West	North	East	South
Versace	Hadi	Lauria	Shoaib
2♣	3♣	4♣	1♠
5♣	5♠	Pass	4♠
6♣	Pass	Pass	6♠
All Pass			

West	North	East	South
Fazli	Bocchi	Allana	Duboin
5♣	5♠	Pass	1♠
6♣	Pass	Pass	Pass
All Pass			Dble

Versace chose to show his two-suiter, 2♣ being clubs and hearts, and Hadi's 3♣ showed diamonds. From here

both sides confirmed their black-suit fits and eventually the music stopped with Kemal Shaib at the helm in what proved to be a cold 6♠; +1430.

At the other table Fazli ignored his second suit and just blasted 5♣. When Bocchi bid 5♠ under pressure Fazli went on to 6♣ and Bocchi made a forcing pass but Duboin didn't fancy the spade slam. Six Clubs doubled was a fine result for Fazli; one down for -200 but 15 IMPs to Pakistan.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ A K 8 4 2 ♥ Q 9 8 2 ♦ K 9 ♣ 5 2	<table style="margin: auto; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠ J 7 6 ♥ A 7 3 ♦ A 8 6 ♣ Q 10 7 6	♠ 9 5 3 ♥ K J ♦ Q 10 7 5 3 ♣ A K J
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West	North	East	South
Versace	Hadi	Lauria	Shoaib
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	4♠	All Pass

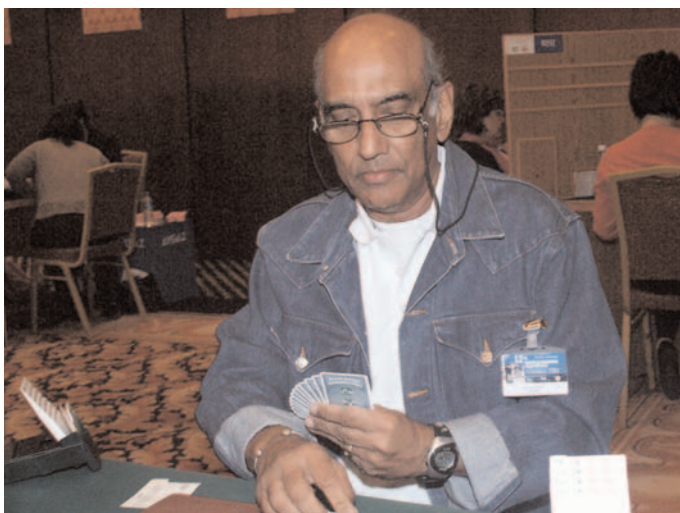
West	North	East	South
Fazli	Bocchi	Allana	Duboin
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Fazli may have been the hero of the previous board, but he gave back 10 of the IMPs gained on this next one.

Against Versace the lead was a club to the ace. Declarer played a spade to the ace then a heart to the king and, when that held, the ♥J. Hadi won and cashed the ♦A then played a club. Versace won the king, crossed to the king of spades, and ruffed the ♥9; +420.

Fazli also received a club lead to dummy's ace. He too crossed to the ace of spades to play a heart to the king but, when that held, played a spade to the king followed by the king of diamonds. Bocchi won the ♦A, cashed the ♠J, and played a club to the king. Fazli played the ♥J and Bocchi won the ace and returned a diamond to dummy's queen. Declarer had no chances left except that the ♥10 would drop. When it did not he was one down for -50 and 10 IMPs to Italy.

The Italians won the second set by 45-16 and moved into a 67-58 lead after 32 deals.



Kemal Shoaib, Pakistan

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