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## Five teams hoping for Magic Spray!

With sixteen boards to go, three of the quarter-finals are one sided. Two of them are in the Open series, with **Italy** and **USA** having commanding leads over **Brazil** and **Austria** respectively.

In the Women's series, Germany are out of sight in their encounter with **China**.

Attention will focus on the other five matches, which are by no means decided. Having looked down and out at one point, Iceland have fought back tremendously against **Poland**, to keep their hopes alive. In their bridge mad country, you can be sure every card will be followed in today's final session.

**England** have been playing a blinder against the mighty **Norwegians**, and they only have to hold their nerve to reach the semi-finals.

In the Women's contest, the lead in the match between **Canada** and **South Africa** has already changed hands several times, and may do so again before the winner is known.

The **USA** and The **Netherlands** have been involved in some heavy exchanges, but at the moment the initiative is with the **Americans**. **Chinese Taipei** and **Norway** are also involved in a very close encounter.

### Under Starters Orders

The Transnational Mixed Teams gets under way today, and a record entry is predicted.



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# OPEN TEAMS RESULTS

## QUARTER-FINALS

Home Team	Visiting Team	Board 1-16	Board 17-32	Board 33-48	Board 49-64	Board 65-80	Total
1 Brazil	Italy	31 - 52	27 - 33	37 - 38	22 - 54	-	118 - 177
2 England	Norway	40 - 29	23 - 31	50 - 33	45 - 23	-	158 - 116
3 Poland	Iceland	68 - 4	20 - 24	25 - 57	40 - 35	-	153 - 120
4 Austria	USA	31 - 37	14 - 46	40 - 48	29 - 45	-	114 - 176

# WOMEN'S TEAMS RESULTS

## QUARTER-FINALS

Home Team	Visiting Team	Board 1-16	Board 17-32	Board 33-48	Board 49-64	Board 65-80	Total
5 Germany	China	43 - 30	36 - 29	61 - 19	62 - 13	-	202 - 91
6 Canada	South Africa	13 - 33	37 - 24	44 - 33	42 - 24	-	136 - 114
7 Norway	Chinese Taipei	33 - 46	19 - 41	55 - 46	55 - 40	-	162 - 173
8 Netherlands	USA	9 - 35	47 - 12	23 - 36	16 - 43	-	95 - 126

## World Championship Book 2000

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The World Championship Book will be edited by Brian Senior. Principle analysts will be Brian Senior, Eric Kokish and Barry Rigal. There will also be guest writers from around the world.

The book will include coverage of all the best of the action from all the events being held in Maastricht, including every deal of the finals and semi-finals. There will be a complete listing of all participants, all the final rankings and statistics, and many photographs.

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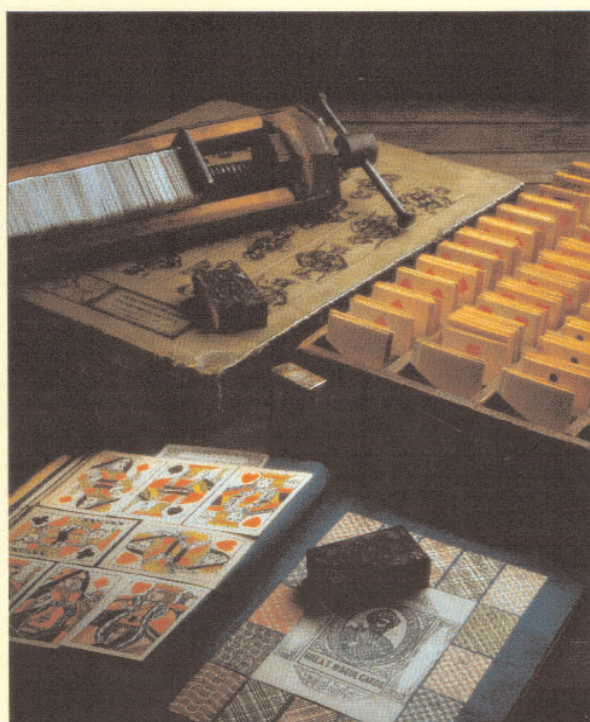
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**OPEN**

**France v Poland**

**ROUND OF 16  
Set Two**

The Poles had surprised a few people, including your reporter, by choosing to play against France. However, they went into the second session of the match with a lead of 13 IMPs.



Paul Chemla, France

**Open Room**

West	North	East	South
Jassem	Levy	Tuszynski	Chemla
2NT	Pass	1♠	Pass
3♠	Pass	3♣	Pass
4♥	Dble	4♣	Pass
Redbl	Pass	Pass	Pass
6♠	All Pass	5♦	Pass

This time 2NT was game forcing, and Tuszynski introduced his second suit. Jassem marked time, and when his partner rebid his clubs, he cue bid his heart control. When Levy doubled, Jassem was able to confirm he had a first round control. When his partner admitted to a diamond control, he went to the excellent slam. That was a well-deserved +980, and 11 IMPs to Poland.

Board 19. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

**Closed Room**

West	North	East	South
Palau	Balicki	Allegrini	Zmudzinski
Pass	1♣	INT	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	2♥
			All Pass

West's 2NT was a transfer to clubs. The part score was very sound, and declarer made nine tricks; +110.

**Open Room**

West	North	East	South
Jassem	Levy	Tuszynski	Chemla
Pass	1♣	INT	Pass
2♥	Dble	2NT	2♦
			All Pass

Two Diamonds was a transfer to hearts, and enabled Jassem to bid the suit as a takeout request. Declarer could not be prevented from scoring nine tricks, for +150 and an IMP.

On this layout, 3NT cannot be defeated, so full marks to Germany's Pony Nehmert & Andrea Rauscheid, who racked up +600, which not surprisingly earned their team 12 IMPs.

**Closed Room**

West	North	East	South
Palau	Balicki	Allegrini	Zmudzinski
2NT	Pass	1♠	Pass
		4♠	All Pass

According to the convention card, 2NT promised 10-15 with a fit. There were twelve easy tricks, +480. It did not take long to see a more cultured approach from the Poles.

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ A Q 8 7 4 ♥ 8 ♦ 7 ♣ 10 6 5 4 3 2	<table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W     E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W     E	S	♠ 10 6 5 2 ♥ A K Q 4 ♦ A Q 9 5 ♣ K
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	♠ J 9 ♥ J 10 9 5 2 ♦ 6 4 ♣ Q J 9 8				

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Palau</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Allegrini</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
Pass	1♦	Dble	Pass
4♠	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♦	Pass	5♠	All Pass

Was East overly aggressive when he tried Blackwood over his partner's jump to game? It got his side to an uncomfortable level, but the situation was such that it was easy enough to survive, +650.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Jassem</i>	<i>Levy</i>	<i>Tuszynski</i>	<i>Chemla</i>
2♦	Dble	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Two Diamonds promised a weakish two-suiter, with at least one major. 2NT was game forcing, and the Poles were not hard pressed to stop at a comfortable level. The same eleven tricks were made, so there was no swing.

In the match between the USA and Argentina, one East player declared One Heart (!) - perhaps after North opened One Diamond and East made a rather powerful overcall a la Mike Lawrence. +80 did not compensate for the missed game.

Board 21. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ A Q 2 ♥ K Q 6 2 ♦ 9 7 6 5 3 ♣ 5	<table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W     E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W     E	S	♠ K 10 9 6 4 ♥ 9 4 ♦ 10 8 4 ♣ Q 6 3
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S					
	♠ 5 3 ♥ A 10 8 7 ♦ Q 2 ♣ K 10 8 7 4				

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Palau</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Allegrini</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
Pass	INT	Pass	2♣
All Pass	2♦	Pass	3NT

In the aggressive style of the Polish pair, once North had opened with a 15-18 INT, there was no way South was going to stay out of game. A good view in clubs would lead to nine tricks, but here East had an automatic spade lead, and after five rounds of that suit and a heart switch, declarer took a wrong view in clubs to go three down, -300.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Jassem</i>	<i>Levy</i>	<i>Tuszynski</i>	<i>Chemla</i>
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♥
Pass	INT	All Pass	

Levy downgraded his hand, perfectly reasonable with four jacks and poor distribution, and the result was that he got to play at a comfortable level.

Once again the defenders started with five rounds of spades. That made the discarding for declarer a little awkward, and when he elected to part with three of dummy's clubs, it was clear he was not going to take a winning view in clubs - indeed, there was no real reason why he should. He was one down, but still picked up 5 IMPs.

That left France just twenty behind, 23-43.

Board 22. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

♠ - ♥ A K Q J 8 ♦ A K 6 3 ♣ K J 8 7	<table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W     E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W     E	S	♠ A Q J 10 5 2 ♥ - ♦ 9 8 2 ♣ Q 10 6 4
N					
W     E					
S					
	♠ K 9 6 ♥ 9 7 5 ♦ Q 10 7 5 ♣ A 9 3				

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Palau</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Allegrini</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
2NT	Pass	2♥	Pass
3NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
		4♠	All Pass

Two Hearts was weak in either major - I'm sure you would get votes for other actions as well, and after discovering, surprise, surprise, that East's suit was spades, West decide to try for the nine trick game. East overruled him, and had no real problems in arriving at ten tricks for +620.





Alain Levy, France

After the game forcing Two Diamonds, the response promised an ace in a minor suit. The meaning of Four Clubs is not entirely clear, but if West had been able to rebid Two No-Trumps, Three Clubs would have been Stayman. However you interpret the auction, the final contract was not without its chances.

North led the five of clubs - low from a doubleton - and declarer won with the ace and took the heart finesse. When it held, he played three more rounds of the suit, discarding two spades from dummy, as North discarded the four of spades and the five of diamonds. The Polish pair play Suit Preference, low (lower suit), high (higher suit) when discarding. South switched to the five of spades after winning with the queen of hearts, and although declarer can get home by going up with the ace and playing for the spade diamond squeeze, he not unreasonably took the finesse and was one down.

Suppose after the heart finesse holds, declarer goes back to the club suit, cashing the ace, and then overtaking the queen with the king. He now knows that North started with a doubleton club, and when he subsequently discovers that North also started with only two hearts, he might at least consider the possibility of the squeeze when South switches to a spade.

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Jassem	Levy	Tuszynski	Chemla
4♠	All Pass	3♠	Pass

Once again, a possible slam in clubs went a begging, as the suit was never mentioned. This time declarer lost only to the king of trumps, to pick up two rather undistinguished IMPs.

Six Clubs is clearly an excellent contract, but it requires a certain amount of care. In the Women's match between China and England, China went one down in Six Clubs. As you might expect, it proved to be a big swing, but it went to China, as the English pair in the other room had an accident, and were in Seven Clubs doubled, down two, -500.

England's David Burn and Brian Callaghan earned 12 IMPs for their team by bidding and making the slam.

Board 24. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Palau	Balicki	Allegrini	Zmudzinski
2♦	Pass	3♣	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♥	Pass	6NT	All Pass

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Jassem	Levy	Tuszynski	Chemla
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	2NT	Pass
4NT	All Pass		

One Club was three way, natural, prepared or strong, and the response was a positive. The Poles stopped at a safe level, and recorded eleven tricks, for +460 and 11 IMPs, pushing the Polish lead to 39 IMPs.

One final thought, if the West hand could have been ♠Ax ♥AKQJ8 ♦K97 ♣AQ2, then there would be twelve top tricks.

Board 26. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Palau	Balicki	Allegrini	Zmudzinski
All Pass		Pass	3♥

West led the ace of clubs, and switched to the queen of spades. Declarer took dummy's ace, East following with the six, standard count, and cashed the top trumps. When he played the five of diamonds, West played low, and the king of diamonds was

the contract fulfilling trick. Poland +140.

Should West have got this problem right?

He knew his partner had a singleton club, and East had peered in hearts, presumably showing three. If East had started with four spades, then it was clear that the contract could be defeated by going up with the ace of diamonds, and continuing with the king and jack of clubs. East would ruff, and cash the king of spades.

**Open Room**

<b>West</b> Jassem	<b>North</b> Levy	<b>East</b> Tuszynski	<b>South</b> Chemla
3♣	All Pass	Pass	2♥

Jean-Paul Meyer assures me that Paul Chemla does not like preempting, but he had enough for a super solid French style weak two bid. That made life very awkward for Jassem, and the final contract was not a success. Declarer arrived at six tricks, -300 and 4 IMPs for France.

Board 27. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

**Closed Room**

<b>West</b> Palau	<b>North</b> Balicki	<b>East</b> Allegrini	<b>South</b> Zmudzinski
Pass	1♣	Pass	Pass
Pass	3NT	All Pass	1♦

After a Polish Club and a negative response, Balicki took a shot at game, probably hoping to leave the defenders in the dark. His prayers were answered when East led the queen of hearts, but his first hope vanished when West discarded on the second round of diamonds, and the second string to his bow did not materialise when the spades did not come in. Declarer took his seven tricks and resigned, two down, -100.

**Open Room**

<b>West</b> Jassem	<b>North</b> Levy	<b>East</b> Tuszynski	<b>South</b> Chemla
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♦	Pass	5♦
All Pass			

Would Chemla rebid his spades or raise diamonds? He preferred the latter, and Tuszynski rapidly led the queen of spades. That would certainly have been a killer, as he would be able to get a ruff later on. However, it was not his lead, and on the other side of the screen Jassem, forgetting that Chemla had responded Two Diamonds, was gazing into space, and clearly had no intention of leading anything. Eventually Chemla reminded him it was his turn to start, and of course he played the ace of clubs. There was no defence from this point, and Chemla scored +400 to collect 11 IMPs, reducing the deficit to 24 IMPs.

Board 28. Dealer West. N/S.

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

**Closed Room**

<b>West</b> Palau	<b>North</b> Balicki	<b>East</b> Allegrini	<b>South</b> Zmudzinski
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♣
Pass	1♠	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

West led a heart, and declarer won in dummy and established his ninth trick by taking the spade finesse. West won and played a second heart. Declarer won in hand, unblocked the ace of spades, and cashed the ace of diamonds. When the jack fell, he could set up a second trick in the suit, giving him a total of ten, and +630.



Adam Zmudzinski, Poland

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Jassem	Levy	Tuszynski	Chemla
Pass	Pass	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♦
Pass	6NT	All Pass	

Two Diamonds followed by Two-No Trumps showed 19-23 points, so perhaps North's leap to slam was a little hasty. Chemla won the heart lead in dummy and played the seven of diamonds. East played a surprising nine, and the queen collected East's jack. Declarer was in with a chance now, and after establishing four diamond tricks by playing low towards the ten, Chemla asked about the location of the king of spades. When West claimed possession of his majesty, France had recorded another poor result at the slam level. 12 IMPs to Poland made the score 74-38 IMPs.

Board 29. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Palau	Balicki	Allegrini	Zmudzinski
	Pass	INT	Pass
2♦*	Dble	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♦	All Pass	

East's opening bid gave the Poles a problem they could not solve. It was easy to take eleven tricks for +150.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Jassem	Levy	Tuszynski	Chemla
Pass	Pass	1♣	1♠
3♥	2♦	Pass	3♦
All Pass	4♦	Pass	5♦

That was well done by the French pair, who picked up 10 IMPs.

It had been a fascinating set, where the French had got most things right at the game level, but had dropped a lot of points when they went higher.

The smart money was still on Poland.

PUB Drive



The winners!

Yesterday's drive was played at the restaurant Bokes in a pleasant atmosphere, and included players from both the Open and the Women's series. The leading places went to:

<b>Smith - Barclay</b>	NZ	66.56
<b>Barlund - Savolainen</b>	FIN	58.92
<b>Balakian - Kleyn</b>	NL	55.66

The New Zealanders were in great form, being the only pair to get to the top spot on this deal:

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
3♠	Pass	1♥	3♣
4NT	Pass	4♠	Pass
5♥	Pass	5♦	Pass
7♠	All Pass	6♣	Pass

The response of Six Clubs showed the ♠Q and the ♥K. Pub Bridge (after a few rounds!) generally makes the players more daring, which sometimes results in rather obscure auctions.

The next, and last, pub drive will be organised on Thursday 7 September. You can register at the hospitality desk until 12.30.



**OPEN**

**USA v Argentina**

**ROUND OF 16**  
Set Three

**On a streak**

Entering the third set of the round of 16, USA held an 88-60 lead over Argentina. The Americans did nothing to change the view that they are one of the favorites in the 11th World Team Bridge Olympiad. USA won the set 55-17 on their way to a 184-108 victory that sent them into the quarterfinal round against Austria.

The rout started with the first board.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

	♠ 8 7 5		
	♥ A 10 4		
	♦ K 4		
	♣ K Q 10 8 4		
♠ K 10 9 3	N	♠ J 6 4	
♥ K 8 7 6 3	W     E	♥ Q J	
♦ 6 5	S	♦ Q 9 7 2	
♣ 9 6		♣ A 7 5 2	
	♠ A Q 2		
	♥ 9 5 2		
	♦ A J 10 8 3		
	♣ J 3		
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Berkowitz	Mooney	Cohen	Monsegur
Pass	1♦ <sup>(1)</sup>	Pass	2♦ <sup>(2)</sup>
All Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT

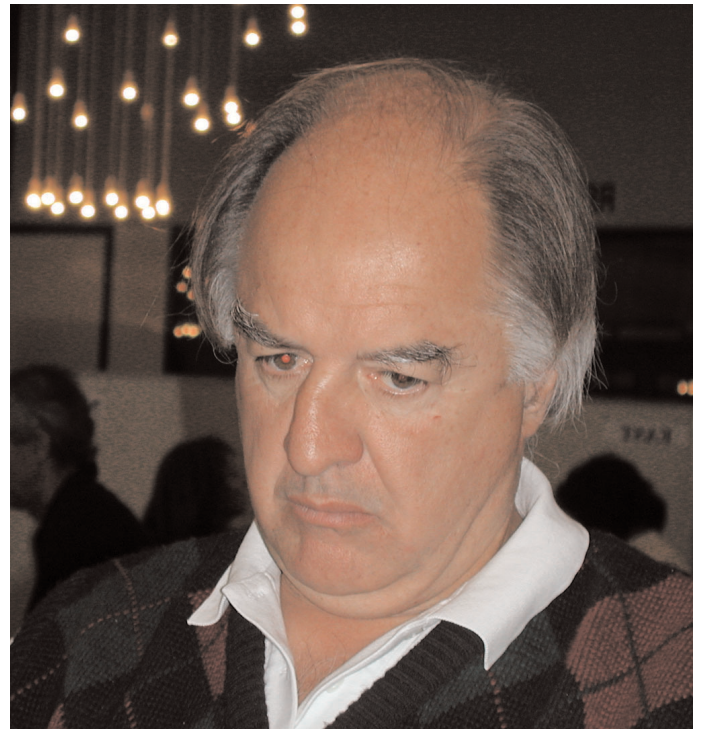
<sup>(1)</sup> Precision  
<sup>(2)</sup> Strong raise

Larry Cohen started with a low club, taken by Mooney in hand with the 10. Cohen ducked when declarer played a club to the jack, and Mooney used the ♦K to get back to his hand to play more clubs. Cohen won the ♣A and shifted to the ♥Q, Mooney ducked the heart, winning the next heart and ran his clubs. He tried the wrong finesse for his ninth tricks, however, playing a spade to the queen. David Berkowitz won and cashed out the hearts for two down.

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Rizzo	Garner	Bianchedi	Weinstein
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♦
All Pass	INT	Pass	3NT

Steve Garner got the opening lead of the ♥Q. Looking at all the cards, the correct play is to win the first trick or duck twice. Garner, as did Mooney, got it wrong, winning the second, but Garner survived anyway.

He led a club to the jack at trick three and a club back to his hand. Bianchedi won the ♣A and shifted to a spade. Garner went up with the ace, played a diamond to his king and cashed the clubs. Rizzo and Bianchedi discarded well, giving little information to Garner, but after long thought he took the diamond finesse to



Mooney, Argentina

make his contract for an 11-IMP pickup.

Another 8 IMPs went to the USA when Bianchedi and Rizzo were unable to sort out the auction to find their vulnerable game.

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

	♠ 7 6		
	♥ J 6 2		
	♦ 7 5 4 3		
	♣ 10 8 5 4		
♠ Q 5	N	♠ A 10 9 4 2	
♥ Q 9 5 4	W     E	♥ A 8 7 3	
♦ A 8 2	S	♦ 9	
♣ J 9 6 2		♣ A K 7	
	♠ K J 8 3		
	♥ K 10		
	♦ K Q J 10 6		
	♣ Q 3		
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Berkowitz	Mooney	Cohen	Monsegur
INT	2♦	1♣ <sup>(1)</sup>	1♦
2NT	Pass	2♠	Pass
4♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
		4♥	All Pass

<sup>(1)</sup> Precision

Monsegur led the  $\diamond K$  to the ace, and Cohen ruffed a diamond in hand. He followed with the  $\spadesuit 9$ , taken by South with the king. Another diamond forced Cohen's hand again, and he went to dummy's  $\spadesuit Q$  and played a heart to his ace and another heart. In with the  $\heartsuit K$ , South played a fourth round of diamonds, but Cohen ruffed in dummy, discarding a club from his hand, and cashed the  $\heartsuit Q$ , pitching a spade. He lost two spades and a heart for plus 620.

West	North	East	South
Rizzo	Garner	Bianchedi	Weinstein
		$1\spadesuit$	INT
Dble	Redble <sup>(1)</sup>	Pass	$2\diamond$
Dble	All Pass		

<sup>(1)</sup> Telling partner to start bidding four-card suits

East-West had too much firepower for Howard Weinstein to survive despite the nine-card diamond fit, and he went off two for minus 300 and a nice gain. East might have considered that if West had enough to double INT, they might have enough for a game. Considering the vulnerability, perhaps Bianchedi should have made a stab with a  $2\heartsuit$  bid.

The South Americans put a dent in the USA lead a couple of boards later, outbidding their opponents to find the right game.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

	$\spadesuit$ K Q 5		
	$\heartsuit$ A 7		
	$\diamond$ K 8 4 2		
	$\clubsuit$ K 10 5 3		
$\spadesuit$ 4		$\spadesuit$ J 9 8 7 3	
$\heartsuit$ Q 8 6 5 3 2		$\heartsuit$ K J 9 4	
$\diamond$ Q 10 3		$\diamond$ J 6 5	
$\clubsuit$ A 6 4		$\clubsuit$ 7	
	$\spadesuit$ A 10 6 2		
	$\heartsuit$ 10		
	$\diamond$ A 9 7		
	$\clubsuit$ Q J 9 8 2		

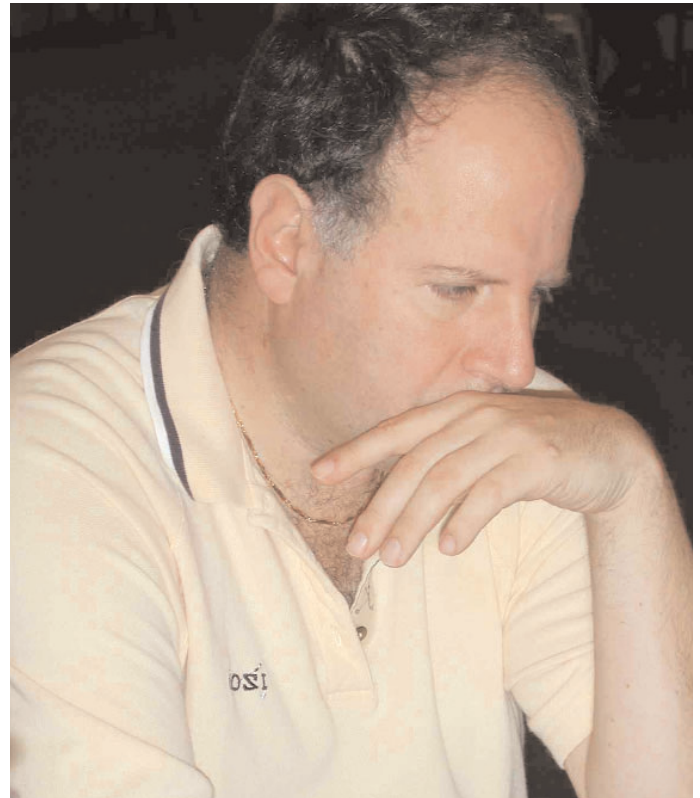
West	North	East	South
Berkowitz	Mooney	Cohen	Monsegur
Pass	INT	Pass	$2\clubsuit$
Pass	$2\diamond$	Pass	$3\clubsuit$
Pass	$3\spadesuit$	Pass	$5\clubsuit$
All Pass			

How helpful to have an unimpeded auction, and a well-judged one at that. 3NT has no play at all on a heart lead. Monsegur had no difficulty with the club game and duly scored up plus 400.

Garner and Weinstein did not have a free run in the bidding.

West	North	East	South
Rizzo	Garner	Bianchedi	Weinstein
$2\heartsuit$	Dble	$4\heartsuit$	$4\spadesuit$
All Pass			

With trumps splitting so badly, Weinstein had no chance, going down two for minus 10 and 11 IMPs to Argentina. USA still led comfortably, however, 116-77.



David Berkowitz, USA

Argentina was in a position for another small gain, but Bianchedi and Rizzo got too high.

Board 10. Dealer East. Both Vul.

	$\spadesuit$ Q 8 7		
	$\heartsuit$ 10 9 5		
	$\diamond$ A 4		
	$\clubsuit$ K 10 5 4 2		
$\spadesuit$ 10 9 6 5 3 2		$\spadesuit$ K J	
$\heartsuit$ Q 3		$\heartsuit$ A K J 7 4	
$\diamond$ Q 7 3		$\diamond$ 10 9 8	
$\clubsuit$ A Q		$\clubsuit$ J 6 3	
	$\spadesuit$ A 4		
	$\heartsuit$ 8 6 2		
	$\diamond$ K J 6 5 2		
	$\clubsuit$ 9 8 7		

West	North	East	South
Berkowitz	Mooney	Cohen	Monsegur
$1\spadesuit$	Pass	$1\heartsuit$	Pass
$2\clubsuit$ <sup>(1)</sup>	Pass	INT	Pass
		$2\heartsuit$	All Pass

<sup>(1)</sup> Checkback

Monsegur led a diamond to partner's ace, won the diamond return and gave his partner a diamond ruff. When Mooney got out with a spade, Cohen misguessed, putting up the king. Monsegur won the  $\spadesuit A$  and switched accurately to a club. Cohen had no choice but to put in the queen. When that lost to the king, North cashed the  $\spadesuit Q$  for down one.



West	North	East	South
Rizzo	Garner	Bianchedi	Weinstein
		1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♣ <sup>(1)</sup>	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

<sup>(1)</sup> Checkback

He Bianchedi and Rizzo been able to apply the brakes, they would have cut further into the USA lead. Garner helped the declarer with an opening lead of a low club, but Rizzo was still doomed. Weinstein won the ♠A at trick two and switched to a diamond. North-South collected two diamond tricks and a diamond ruff, but there were two trump tricks coming anyway for down one and a push.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Berkowitz	Mooney	Cohen	Monsegur
			1♥
Pass	3♣	Pass	3NT
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♣
All Pass			

The Argentinians went to the 5♣ well once too often, and the silly contract went down two after Cohen led the ♠9. Mooney won the ace when Berkowitz inserted the ♠J. The ♣A was ducked, and the ♣Q taken by the ace. The bad trump split doomed the contract, and when Cohen switched to the ♥K, Mooney played low from dummy to try to maintain control. The defenders took four tricks for plus 100.

West	North	East	South
Rizzo	Garner	Bianchedi	Weinstein
			1♥
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♣	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

A heart lead would have scuttled the contract, but that's a tall order for West on the bidding. Rizzo led the ♦10 to Weinstein's queen. Weinstein played a club to the queen and East's ace. Since the diamond could have been from K 10 9 x (x), Bianchedi returned his partner's suit. Weinstein won in dummy with the ♦A

and, having noted the fall of the ♣8 earlier, simply drove out the 10 to get home with four clubs, three diamonds and the major-suit aces. Another 11 IMPs to USA.

USA gained another 6 IMPs when Berkowitz and Cohen were able to stop in 2♥ on the auction 1♣ (strong) - Pass - 2♥ (weak), while Bianchedi and Weinstein judged this hand

♠ 10
♥ K 9 8 6 5 4 3
♦ 8 7 6 2
♣ 7

to be worth a 4♥ bid after partner opened 1♦. A bad trump split made eight tricks the limit, so USA gained another 5 IMPs to increase their lead to 136-77.

USA gained 6 IMPs in most curious fashion on the following deal.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Berkowitz	Mooney	Cohen	Monsegur
			1♠
INT	4♥	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

Mooney had to lose one trick in each suit for minus 100.

West	North	East	South
Rizzo	Garner	Bianchedi	Weinstein
			1♠
INT	2♥	2NT <sup>(1)</sup>	Pass
Pass	3♥	All Pass	Pass

<sup>(1)</sup> A source of confusion at the table.

Bianchedi meant his 2NT bid as a relay to 3♣. He intended to show his diamond suit and a minimum hand by bidding 3♦ (a direct 3♦ would show a better hand). Rizzo, however, thought 2NT was natural, although with four hearts to the king Rizzo must have wondered about his partner's stopper.

The effect was to confuse Garner as well. He had done well in the bidding not to sail into 4♥, and he pondered his move over 2NT for a long time before bidding one more time. He lost the same four tricks but emerged with a plus and another gain for his team.



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**WOMEN** **England v China** *By Tony Gordon, England* **ROUND OF 16**  
**Set Three**

**A**fter a poor second set, England trailed China by 41 IMPs (97-56) at the half-way stage of their Round of 16 encounter. However, first blood in Set Three went to England:

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Dhondy	Sun	Smith	H. Wang
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♠	Pass
5♣	All Pass		

In the Closed Room, England reached 5♣ and the spotlight was on Ming Sun in the North seat. If she had led a top diamond or her trump, 5♣ would have been defeated but, fortunately for England, she led a spade and Heather Dhondy could pitch her losing diamond on dummy's ♠A and just lose a trump and a heart; +600 to England.

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
W. Wang	Brunner	Yu Zhang	Goldenfield
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	2♣	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♣	All Pass

In the Open Room, China stopped in 4♣, which was perhaps just as well since Michelle Brunner led the ♦K and Wenfei Wang was held to ten tricks. However, that was still 10 IMPs to England.

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Dhondy	Sun	Smith	H. Wang
		1♠	2♦
Dble	4♦	4♥	All Pass

Hongli Wang led the ♦K against Nicola Smith's 4♥ contract and Smith won the ace and crossed to a club to play a low spade from hand. South rose with the king and continued diamonds and declarer ruffed in hand. She now played a spade to the queen and a heart to the ace and discarded dummy's last diamond on the ♠A as North ruffed with the ♥6. North exited with a diamond and Smith ruffed in hand while discarding a club from dummy, and was now at the crossroads. Not knowing that the ♣Q was falling, she decided to ruff out the ♠J. Had she ruffed with dummy's ♥Q, all would have been well, but she ruffed with the ♥9 and North over-ruffed with the jack and South's ♥K was the setting trick.

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
W. Wang	Brunner	Yu Zhang	Goldenfield
		1♠	INT
Dble	Pass	Pass	2♦
Pass	Pass	Dble	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♥	All Pass

At this table, West became declarer in 4♥ and Brunner decided to lead a club. However, the auction had placed all the outstanding high cards with South and Enfei Wang made short work of the hand. She won the ♣A at trick one and played a low heart from dummy won by South's king. Rhona Goldenfield switched to the ♦K and declarer won the ace, cashed the ♥A and played a low spade from dummy to South's third king. Declarer ruffed the diamond continuation and drew the last trump with the ♥Q. She now overtook her ♠Q with dummy's ace and ran the ♠10, discarding a diamond when South did not cover. A spade ruff established dummy's long spade and the ♣K provided the entry to cash it. The fall of the ♣Q was merely the icing on the cake as she scored +650 for a 13 IMP swing to China that increased their lead to 37 IMPs.

On Board 8, England had a free run to 5♣ which made easily. However, China had to cope with a weak 2♥ opening at the other table and landed in 4♠. Declarer was unable to cope with the bad trump split and went one down for a 10 IMP gain to England.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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





Heather Dhondy, England

In both rooms North/South bid 1♥ - 2♣ - 2♥ - 3NT. Where Brunner was the declarer for England, East led a friendly ♣3. Brunner won with the ♣9 and dislodged the ♣A. Yu Zhang switched to the ♥K and Brunner ducked two rounds of the suit and won the third round. She then crossed to the ♦A, conceded a trick to the ♠10 and claimed nine tricks.

Where Sun was the declarer for China, East led the ♠8 to the jack and ace. Declarer started on clubs and Smith took the second round and also switched to the ♥K. Hoping that the defence could not unscramble the heart suit, declarer rose with the ♥A and led the ♠Q from dummy. However, Dhondy took the ♠K and played a low heart to Smith's jack and two more rounds of hearts sank the contract.

The 10 IMP gain to England reduced the margin to 27 IMPs, but a misunderstanding then cost them 11 IMPs on Board 12. However, the next two boards tightened up the match considerably.

Board 13. Dealer North. Both Vul.

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

In the Closed Room, China bid 2♦ - 2♥ - 2NT - 3♣ - 3♥ - 3NT. Dhondy had doubled 3♣ and Smith would have been happy to have led a club, but as it was she was faced with an unappetising choice and eventually settled for the ♦9. Clearly, all declarer has to do is rise with dummy's jack and she is home and dry but, possibly misled by the lead, she won in hand with the ♦K

instead and could not recover. She went one down for +100 to England.

In the Open Room, England bid 2NT - 3NT and Yu Zhang was faced with the same awkward lead problem as Smith. She eventually chose the ♥Q and Brunner won with the ♥A and crossed to dummy's ♣A as East discarded the ♦6. A finesse of the ♣J followed as East discarded the ♠4. Declarer now had eight tricks and the ninth trick would have to come from the red suits. With a future endplay on East in mind, Brunner now exited with the ♠6 and East rose with the ♠Q and played a second round of hearts to Brunner's king. Declarer continued the elimination process by ducking another spade and this time West won and switched to the ♦10. However, declarer's plan now came to fruition as she won the ♦A and cashed the ♣K and ♠A. East had thrown the ♦8 on the ♣K, so Brunner played king and another diamond and East had to concede the ninth trick to declarer's ♥9. That well played hand was worth 12 IMPs to England and there was more to come on the next board.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

		♠ Q 4 ♥ A Q J 9 8 7 3 2 ♦ 8 ♣ K 3	
♠ 9 6 ♥ K 6 5 4 ♦ A K 6 5 3 ♣ 9 8	N W   E S	♠ A J 10 5 3 ♥ - ♦ Q 10 7 4 2 ♣ A 7 4	
		♠ K 8 7 2 ♥ 10 ♦ J 9 ♣ Q J 10 6 5 2	
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Dhondy	Sun	Smith	H. Wang
2♦	4♥	1♠ 6♦	Pass All Pass

Smith's jump to 6♦ put the spotlight on Sun once again. It takes a club lead to defeat the slam, but when she selected the ♥A, Dhondy had twelve tricks and England had +920.

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

		♠ K Q 7 4 ♥ Q J 8 4 ♦ Q 9 8 6 3 ♣ -	
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
W. Wang	Brunner	Yu Zhang	Goldenfield
INT	4♥	1♠ Pass	Pass Pass
Dble	All Pass		

In the other room, the forcing INT response lost the diamond suit and Brunner was left to play in 4♥ doubled. That contract has four obvious losers, but the defence slipped up. Yu Zhang led the ♦2 and Wenfei Wang won with the king and switched to a trump. Brunner finessed the ♥Q and then played ♥A and ♥9 to West's king. West switched to the ♣9 and East took declarer's king with the ace and mistakenly played a second diamond. A grateful declarer ruffed, drew the last trump and discarded her spades on dummy's clubs; +590 and 17 IMPs to England, putting them only 9 IMPs behind.

Three more IMPs to England on the last two boards meant that they had won the set by 73-38 and now trailed by only 6 IMPs (135-129).

**WOMEN**

**ROUND OF 16  
Set Four**

Going into the last 16 deals of the Round of 16 in the Women's event, the closest of the eight matches was that between China and England, where China led by just 6 IMPs. Meanwhile, Scotland were holding USA to only a 7 IMP lead. Could either of the two new nations, created by the split up of the British Bridge League earlier this year, pull back their small deficits and make it to the next round?

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

England had closed to trail China by only 4 IMPs when this board was reached and they missed a great chance to move into the lead when the Chinese pair in the Open room stopped in game on the sequence:

<b>West</b>	<b>East</b>
Yalan Zhang	Ling Gu
1♣	1♥
2NT	3♠
4♠	Pass

One Club was strong and 1♥ a natural positive. Presumably,



Nicola Smith, England

Yalan Zhang had to rebid 2NT on her near minimum balanced hand because 1NT would have been an asking bid. If 2NT did show a minimum strong club opener, then perhaps West should cuebid on the way to 4♠.

In the Closed Room, Nevena Senior opened 1♠ and Sandra Penfold responded 2NT, showing a game-forcing spade raise. Senior rebid 3NT, 15+ balanced, and Penfold simply bid 4♠, suggesting a minimum 2NT bid. Senior had a little to spare in high-card terms but was completely balanced and slam looked very unlikely if partner could not find a cuebid over 3NT - and surely Penfold should cuebid 4♦, which does not commit her side to going past game. Senior would cuebid 4♥ in reply and Penfold could sign-off in 4♠ now to show that she didn't have that good a hand. But Senior is worth another try and the small slam should be reached.

Just a flat board then in England v China, but a huge swing in Scotland v USA. The American East/West pair stopped in game, leaving an opening which Liz McGowan and Fiona McQuaker exploited to the full:

<b>West</b>	<b>East</b>
McGowan	McQuaker
1♠	2♥
2NT	4♠
4NT	5♠
7♠	Pass

McGowan's 2NT rebid was forcing and McQuaker completed her Delayed Game Raise by jumping to 4♠. Knowledge that she was facing a five-card heart suit as well as prime spade support was the key for McGowan. She checked on key cards and, on finding her partner with two plus the queen of trumps, could bid the grand slam, confident that it would be at worst on a 3-2 heart split.

I believe that McGowan and McQuaker were the only pair in either series to reach the grand slam. Very nicely done and 17 huge IMPs to Scotland.

Board 21. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

Both Easts in England v China declared 4♠, but there was a crucial difference in the auctions. Ming Sun had opened 2♥ on the North cards, showing hearts and a minor and a weak hand. That was enough to convince Hongli Wang to make the attacking lead of the king of diamonds from the South hand. After taking her diamond ruff, all Wang had to do was to make a passive exit in either major to defeat the game; minus one for 100 to China.



That should have been a game swing to China because in the other room, facing a silent partner, and hearing the opposing auction 2♠ - 4♣, Heather Dhondy led a low club to the jack and queen. Ling Gu led the queen of spades and, when Dhondy ducked smoothly, started to think. If spades were 2-1, the only way she could go down was to take a losing trump finesse then run into a diamond ruff. Finally, Gu went up with dummy's ace, and could no longer make her contract. She actually played a second spade and Dhondy won and switched to king and another diamond to get her ruff.

It might seem that it would be better for declarer to cash the ace of hearts to throw a diamond before playing the second trump, but three rounds of diamonds promotes the ♠9 for the same one down. Correct play is to lead low to the ♠A at trick two then throw a diamond on the ♥A. Declarer can now play to ruff two clubs in dummy without having to worry about a possible diamond ruff, and if the defence do play three rounds of diamonds when they finally get in with the ♠K declarer's trumps are good enough that she can afford to ruff high. It is the oldest story in the book - think before playing to trick one, or in this case trick two, as otherwise it may be too late.

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

♠ A Q 9 ♥ A K J ♦ K 10 7 5 4 ♣ 9 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		♠ K 10 3 ♥ 6 4 ♦ 9 6 3 ♣ A K 10 3 2	
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Dhondy opened an ugly weak 2♥ on the South cards and Nicola Smith raised her to game. Zhang found the killing lead of a spade and Dhondy had no option but to finesse. Gu won and cashed two top clubs then switched to a diamond - down one for -100.

In the other room, Wang did not open the South hand and Sun opened a strong club. Wang judged her hand to be a negative, with its doubleton queen, jack and lack of aces and kings, and Sun rebid INT. Transfer sequence now saw the Chinese pair bid to game but, crucially, from the North hand. There was no way to get at the spade trick now and China had picked up 12 IMPs.

Board 31. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

China still led by only 10 IMPs with two boards to play so English hopes were still very much alive. Board 31 finally put an end to those hopes, however.

In the Open Room, Zhang/Gu bid the East/West cards 1♦ - 1♠ - 2♠ - Pass. Even with both black kings offside, there was no defence to 2♠. Dhondy led a club, giving the overtrick.

That looked good for China because a weak no trump and Stayman auction rated to get England too high in the other room. Sure enough, Senior opened one no trump and Penfold responded 2♣. But Wang doubled to show clubs and now, when Senior showed her spades, there was a strong case for Penfold downgrading her club values and passing 2♠. Alas for England, Penfold was of the opinion that England needed a good board or two and decided to gamble out 4♠ anyway. Senior went one more down than was strictly necessary, but it didn't matter. Three down meant -150 and 7 IMPs to China. The match was over. China gained a further 4 IMPs on the final deal and ran out winners by 21.

Board 32. Dealer West. E/W Vul.

♠ 6 ♥ A Q J 10 2 ♦ A 7 5 4 ♣ K 5 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		♠ J 7 4 3 ♥ 9 7 3 ♦ Q 9 ♣ A J 10 3	♠ Q 9 8 2 ♥ K ♦ J 6 3 2 ♣ 9 8 7 6
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Scotland v USA was dead level going into the final deal. In their first ever appearance in a World Championship, Scotland had put up a very strong performance but their hearts were to be broken by this last deal.

In one room, Robin Klar and Joan Jackson bid the East hands quietly to 2♦. The auction was 1♥ - 1♠ - 2♦ - Pass. The contract was one down for 100 to Scotland.

In the other room, McGowan and McQuaker started the same way: 1♥ - 1♠ - 2♦, but now McQuaker raised to 3♦ and McGowan took her seriously, trying 3NT. North found a brave double and when that came back to McGowan she ran to 4♥. Nobody doubled that but it was a hopeless contract. McGowan was allowed to make only the six tricks she started with - five hearts and a diamond. Minus 400 meant 7 IMPs to USA - just their margin of victory. USA were still alive while Scotland could only dream of what might have been.

## Smoking Reminder

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**Ton Kooijman**  
Operations Manager

# An Norwegian Artist at Work

by Jon Sveindal, Norway

## Quarterfinals

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
			Pass
1♠	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♥	Dble	Pass	Pass
Redbl	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♣	All Pass

When this board came up in the Vu Graph, it was easy to see how all thirteen tricks could be taken on a diamond lead. By taking the ruffing finesse in spades, you win four spade tricks in addition to the seven clubs and two aces.

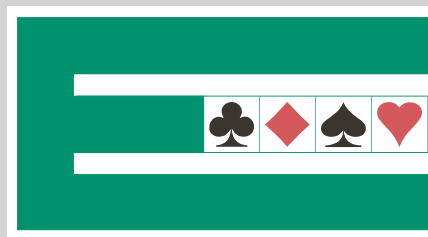
However, after the auction above, Tor Helness received a low heart lead, which took away the entry to the spade suit. But Tor, an artist in the World Bridge Circus and on the Norwegian Open team for more than 20 years, once again demonstrated his magic skills. The ace of hearts was followed by six rounds of clubs. North had to cling to his four spades to prevent Tor from establishing the suit by ducking a round. North's two other cards were the king of hearts and a diamond. Tor cashed his diamond ace, and the spade ten was covered by the queen and ace. A heart ruff eliminated North's last exit card, and a spade was ducked. North could take his jack, but had to give dummy the last two spade tricks. Had South played low to the ten of spades, Tor would take the ace, ruff a heart, and play the king of spades and another. The nine of spades would still yield the extra trick - and the contract. Brilliant!

## A spectacular plea

I have inadvertently left my flat focus spectacles, used to read computer screens, in somebody's hospitality bag or around the press room. They are in a brown case and the name of the optician is inside (Jonathan Kay of Liverpool).

I would like to retrieve them if possible.

**Grattan Endicott**



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**OPEN**

**Brazil v Italy**

**QUARTER-FINAL**  
*Set One*

Last time these two teams met in a World Championship knock-out match, Italy blew Brazil away in the final of the Rosenblum in Lille. Brazil's first goal was to prevent that from happening again, then they could set about trying to win the match.

Italy picked up an overtrick IMP on Board 1, then came a well bid and played flat board:

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ K J 10		♠ 9 8 5 3									
♥ J 10 9 3		♥ Q 6 5 2									
♦ 10 4 3		♦ 9 6									
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**Closed Room**

West	North	East	South
Campos	Lauria	Villas-Boas	Versace
		Pass	1♥
Pass	2♣	Pass	3♦
Pass	4♦	Pass	4♥
Pass	4♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♠	Pass	6♦
All Pass			

**Open Room**

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Chagas	Bocchi	Branco
		Pass	1♥
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♦
Pass	4♦	Pass	4NT
Pass	6♦	All Pass	

Both Joao Paulo Campos and Giorgio Duboin led a spade against the slam. Alfredo Versace and Marcelo Branco both rose with dummy's ace and played the ace of clubs followed by the queen of clubs, pitching their losing spade. With both minors behaving perfectly, there were 12 easy tricks now; +1370 and a flat board.

We do not have the full play record from the Closed Room, but on vugraph it appeared that Branco was a little fortunate. He ruffed the spade return and crossed to the queen of diamonds then ruffed a club high. That line requires diamonds to break 3-2. Better is to play ace of diamonds and a diamond to the queen. If East has four diamonds declarer may be able to survive now if clubs divide evenly by running the suit through him. If East ruffs, declarer simply over-ruffs and the ♦J is an entry back to the remaining clubs.

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

**Closed Room**

West	North	East	South
Campos	Lauria	Villas-Boas	Versace
		1♣	1♥
2♦	3♥	3NT	All Pass

**Open Room**

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Chagas	Bocchi	Branco
		1♣	1♥
2♣	3♥	All Pass	

As Duboin's 2♣ bid was a transfer to diamonds, the auctions were effectively identical as far as the pre-emptive heart raise. Now Bocchi was willing to go quietly while Miguel Villas-Boas took a shot at 3NT. Branco lost the obvious six tricks in 3♥ after a low club lead; -100. Three No Trump was equally hopeless and Villas-Boas was also two down after a heart lead; -200 and 7 IMPs to Italy.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

**Closed Room**

West	North	East	South
Campos	Lauria	Villas-Boas	Versace
1♦	2♣	2♦	Dble
3♦	Pass	Pass	3NT
Dble	Pass	Pass	4♣
All Pass			



Alfredo Versace, Italy

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Duboin	Chagas	Bocchi	Branco
	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	INT	Pass	4♣
All Pass			

Four Spades went down in the Closed Room after a club lead to the ace and a second club, on which Villas-Boas discarded a diamond; -50.

The lead in the Open Room was also a club, the ten. Branco won the ace and played a second club and Bocchi ruffed and switched to ace and another diamond. Branco won the king and played ace and another spade; ten tricks for +420 and 10 IMPs to Brazil.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Campos	Lauria	Villas-Boas	Versace
1♦	Pass	2♦	2♠
3♣	3♠	Pass	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♠	Pass
5NT	Pass	7♦	All Pass

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Duboin	Chagas	Bocchi	Branco
1♦	Pass	3♦	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Even the small slam is nothing special on the East/West cards - it just happens to make - and the Italians didn't even look at it. After a club lead, Duboin made all 13 tricks when the defenders threw too many hearts away; +520.

As for the Closed Room auction, perhaps Campos was a little optimistic in launching into Blackwood so quickly, but when he checked for kings, how could Villas-Boas be confident that there would be 13 tricks just because he held a sixth diamond? Seven Diamonds was down two as declarer tried desperately to find a way home; -100 and 12 IMPs to Italy.

Open Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Duboin	Chagas	Bocchi	Branco
1♦	3♣	3♦	3NT
Dble	All Pass		

Even facing a simple overcall, Versace was willing to be persuaded by the double that his 3NT bid had perhaps been ill-judged. Villas-Boas led a spade against 4♣ and Campos won and switched to a trump, allowing Lorenzo Lauria to get one of his heart losers away on the fourth spade; +130.

I find Branco's decision to stand for 3NT doubled, facing a weak jump overcall, utterly incomprehensible in the Open Room. Duboin led out his top hearts and the defence quickly took seven tricks for -500 and 12 IMPs to Italy.

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

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

Closed Room

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Campos	Lauria	Villas-Boas	Versace
Pass	1♥	Pass	2♣
All Pass	2♠	Pass	4♠



Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Campos	Lauria	Villas-Boas	Versace
Pass	Pass	1♦	Dble
All Pass	3♣	Pass	3NT

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Chagas	Bocchi	Branco
All Pass	Pass	INT	Dble

After a diamond lead, 3NT required the diamonds to split evenly or, perhaps, for there to be an unlikely blockage. All was well, and Versace soon had his nine tricks for +600.

In the Open room, the weak no trump (12-14) was severely punished when Branco had a double and that ended the auction. Branco led spades and Bocchi held up until the third round and, on winning the ace, tried a low club from hand. Gabriel Chagas overtook Branco's eight to return a second club, thereby avoiding the danger that the defence might be misled into thinking that declarer was interested in clubs so that they would attack a different suit. Branco won the ♣Q and cashed the 13th spade, Chagas throwing a low diamond. Now Branco cashed the ace of clubs and switched to a low heart to the ace, allowing Chagas to cash the remaining clubs. A diamond through completed the route - five down for -1400 and 13 IMPs to Brazil.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Campos	Lauria	Villas-Boas	Versace
1♥	Pass	1♦	Pass
4♥	All Pass	2♥	Pass

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Duboin	Chagas	Bocchi	Branco
2♥	2♠	INT	Dble
		3♥	All Pass

When Bocchi's 9-12 no trump was doubled, Duboin gave up on thoughts of game, even when Bocchi was able to raise the hearts in competition. Chagas led king and another club, and Duboin had an easy ten tricks for +170.

The Brazilians reached game in the other room after a normal strength opening bid of 1♦. Lauria led a spade to declarer's king and Campos led a heart to the ace then a spade to his queen. A second heart to the ace was followed by the ace of spades, ruffed by South. The contract could no longer be made, because declarer had one trump less than was needed for a complete cross-ruff, and he could not establish clubs because he could not lead up towards his hand twice to pick up the jack. A definite chance missed by Brazil; down one for -50 and 6 IMPs to Italy.

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

Both Souths declared INT on the lead of a low heart. Both misguessed by rising with dummy's king and both Easts won the ace. Bocchi continued with a second heart now, to the ten and queen. Though Duboin found a low diamond switch, ducked by Bocchi, it was too late. Branco had seven tricks for +90 without needing to play on clubs.

In the other room, Villas-Boas found the killing diamond switch at trick two. He ducked the diamond return and the defence had four diamonds, two hearts and one club for down one; -50 and 4 IMPs to Brazil.

That made the final set score 52-31 in favour of Italy.

Some might suggest that Brazil deserved to be more than 21 IMPs behind, after making a number of pretty strange decisions.

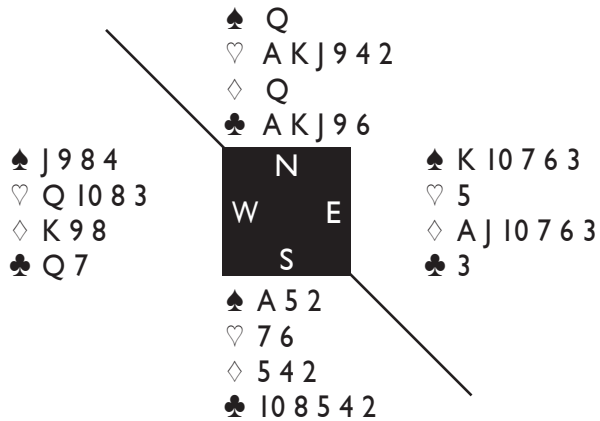
# Appeal No. 9

## Yugoslavia v Israel

**Appeals Committee:**

Joan Gerard (Chairman, USA), David Stevenson (Scribe, England), Herman De Wael (Belgium), Grattan Endicott (England), Jeffrey Polisner (USA).

Open Teams - Round 10  
Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.



West	North	East	South
<i>Kalish</i>	<i>Vucic</i>	<i>Podgur</i>	<i>Vladan</i>
Pass	2♣ <sup>(1)</sup>	2NT <sup>(2)</sup>	Pass
3♦	3♥	4♦	Db1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Pass	4♥	All Pass	Pass

**Comments:**

- <sup>(1)</sup> Alerted, strong, 23+ HCP or up to four losers
  - <sup>(2)</sup> Alerted, two-suiter, both minors
  - <sup>(3)</sup> Alerted, one ace, diamonds or spades
- Other calls natural

**Contract:**

Four hearts, played by North.

**Result:**

11 tricks, N/S +450

**TD's statement of Facts:**

I was called at the end of play by North who complained because the explanations by their opponents were different on the two sides of the screen.

- (1) East alerted 2NT according to his system as a two-suiter (minors). Note: the system card and the written note from the North/East side of screen were presented to the Committee. But West described 2NT only as "two-suiter".
- (2) East's description does not correspond with his hand (he has ♦ and ♠).
- (3) Why did West bid 3♦ if he did not know that 2NT showed both minors?

**The Director:**

In these conditions it seems very difficult to reach the correct contract of 6♣.

North had correct explanation according to East/West's convention card. So, no infraction and no redress.

**Ruling:**

Result Stands.

**Relevant Laws:**

Law 75B, example 2.

**North/South appealed.**

**Present:**

All players except South.

**The Players:**

At the Committee, East said he made a mistake. He described the sequence of events as First, he bid 2NT: then he alerted: then he was asked: then he wrote "Two-suiter": then he realised his mistake: then he wrote "Minors".

**The Committee:**

There was no problem in Law: the Director's ruling was clearly correct. The deposit was returned because it was not obvious that the players understood the Law. The Committee comments that a screening process would be helpful to avoid this sort of appeal.

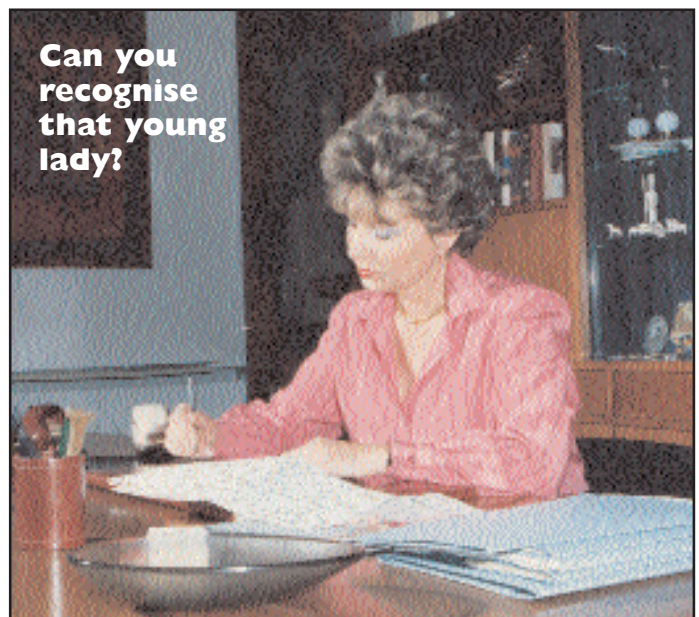
According to the Law, a player has a right to get a correct explanation of the meaning of his opponents' calls, and is entitled to redress if he is damaged by an incorrect explanation. However, there is no redress when a player gets a correct explanation but his opponent has misbid because he forgot the meaning: making mistakes in bidding is just bridge!

**The Committee's decision:**

Director's ruling upheld.

**Deposit:**

Returned.





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The AGM will be followed by a lunch hosted by the Dutch Bridge Federation, to be held in the Golden Tulip Hotel (next door to MECC, the Garden Restaurant of Barbizon Room) at 1 p.m. All IBPA members are cordially invited and must register in the Press Room if they wish to attend.

**Please note;** The next Meeting of the IBPA Executive will take place at 9.30 am on Monday, 4th September. Meet in the Press Room.

## VUGGRAPH

### Auditorium I

*(Dutch commentary)*

**The Netherlands v USA**

*(WOMEN)*

To be decided

To be decided

### Time

**11.00**

*Boards 1-16*

**17.00**

**21.20**

### Auditorium II

*(English commentary)*

**Poland v Iceland**

*(OPEN)*

To be decided

To be decided



## Ed's Column door Ed Hoogenkamp

### Operatie geslaagd, patient overleden

In de kwartfinale speelde het Nederlands vrouwenteam gisteren tegen de VS. In de eerste ronde van 16 spellen kwam een spel voor met een opvallende speelfiguur. De leider speelde een klein slem wat u en ik met onze ogen dicht maken. We zouden namelijk gewoon onze voor de hand liggende vijftig procent kans hebben genomen voor twaalf slagen. Wereldkampioene Anneke Simons beschikt over meer dan voldoende kwaliteiten om een spel goed te doorzien. In dit geval werkte dat tegen haar. Zij zag nog iets anders. Het spel ligt een kwartslag gedraaid voor het gemak van de lezer.

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Zuid speelt 6♦. Uitkomst ♠8.

In het bieden had oost een schoppenbieding van noord gedoubleerd, maar op een latere hartenbieding van noord gepast. West kwam dus met schoppen uit, via de heer voor het aas van zuid. De voor de hand liggende speelwijze is: troeftrekken en een harten uit de dummy spelen, richting vrouw. Dit leidt moeiteloos tot twaalf slagen omdat ♥H goed zit. Simons, die het niet was ontgaan dat oost 4♥ niet had gedoubleerd, zag een andere mogelijkheid. Ze trok de troeven, Incasseerde ♠V, speelde ♣A en ♣H en ging van slag met de derde klaveren. Beide zwarte kleuren waren nu geëlimineerd. Simons had bedacht dat de tegenstander die aan slag zou komen met ♣V, gedwongen was harten na te spelen (Op een naspel in een zwarte kleur zou ze ♥6 weggooien in de dummy en claimen.) Ze speelde er dus op dat ♥H bij ♣V zat (50 procent).

Elegant gespeeld en in haar ogen een betere kans dan spelen op het goezitten van ♥H vanwege het uitblijven van een doublet op 4♥. Haar goede spel werd niet beloond. West had ♣V maar niet ♥H. Harten kwam door voor de heer van oost. Een down.

Gelukkig voor Nederland had de Amerikaanse leider aan de andere tafel een volledige blackout en ging ze down in 6SA zodat het spel uitsloeg.

**Voor meer Nederlandstalige verslagen:**

[www.bridgeolympiad.nl/vandagtotdag.html](http://www.bridgeolympiad.nl/vandagtotdag.html)

#### Appeals Committee

Tuesday 9.30 a.m. No appeals.

Please check notice site for possibility of appeals at the end of the first session today.

#### IPBA Members

David Birman has left some information for all members present in Maastricht. Please collect you copy from the Daily Bulletin office.

### Exhibition of linoleum art

At Forbo-Krommenie's initiative and thanks to its sponsoring on the occasion of its 100th anniversary, an exhibition on the history of lithography was held at the Amstelveen Cobra Museum. More than 150 works were on display including lithographs by Picasso, Matisse, Escher, Corneille and Kandinsky.

In order to emphasize the future-oriented character of linoleum and Forbo-Krommenie, the company has commissioned one large and one small linoleum art print from four artists from the four continents in which Forbo-Krommenie is active. Some of the exhibits are currently on display at the MECC, at the second floor gallery. The various styles and techniques make a visit worthwhile.

### This week's visitors drives

**Golden Tulip Drives:** every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, starting at 20.00 hrs. in the Golden Tulip Hotel (next to the MECC). Subscription at the Hospitality Desk (MECC) or at 19.30 hrs. in the Hotel.