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A Warm Welcome is assured

On a day when the perpetual sunshine was temporarily replaced by a torrential downpour, the strength of these World Championships was underlined in the second round when our hosts recorded a convincing victory over USAI, **Morocco** winning their Bermuda Bowl encounter 33-7.

Meanwhile **Netherlands**, **Norway** and **Italy** occupy the top three spots in the Blue-Ribbon event.

In the Venice Cup **Türkiye** enjoyed a fabulous day and has already established a significant lead, with **Sweden** and **Poland** leading the peloton. Belgium sits proudly at the top of the d'Orsi Trophy table, ahead of Netherlands and Australia.

In the Wuhan Cup it is Romania, Germany and Chinese Taipei who have made the fastest start.

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Editor's Log 200823



The Daily Bulletin reports on the happenings in the various tournaments but the Live News Bulletin offers information that is constantly being updated. To borrow a line from the James Bond movie, *Tomorrow Never Dies* it offers 'tomorrow's news today'. To access the Live News, the Daily Bulletin and all the results go worldbridge.org and click on the banner for the Championships on the home page.

Making an early exit from the magnificent buffet that followed Saturday's Opening Ceremony we encountered Operations Director Maurizio Di Sacco and Assistant Chief TD Gordon Rainsford attempting to find their way back to the main office. They were going in the wrong direction, so I pointed out to Gordon 'You have no sense of direction'.

On the flight to Marrakech Neal Rechtman (a member of the team representing Barbados in the Mixed Teams) remined me that some years ago I had helped him in connection with a book he was writing. That's one of the great things about world championships – you have a host of memories just waiting to be jogged.

A couple of players came to Arianna asking her where the VuGraph playing site was. She directed them to the VuGraph room and when they explained what they needed she said to go to the upper level (+1) not downstairs (-1).

'As you know, going +1 is much better than -1.'

We have a limited number of copies of the Wroclaw 2022 World Championship Book for sale, priced at €35. Visit the Daily Bulletin Office located on level -1.

If you would like to make a contribution, observation, or point out something the proof-readers missed please send it to: <u>bridgebulletins@gmail.com</u> or <u>markhorton007@</u> <u>hotmail.com</u> Explanations of complex auctions are especially welcome as they might feature in the 2023 World Championship Book!

The Times they are a Changin'

The time allowed for posting your line-up has been changed.

Instead of the 15 minutes written in the Conditions of Contest, you'll have 10 minutes after the end of the previous match to fill it in.

Furthermore, take please note that penalties will be issued in terms of VPs and not IMPs, according to the following scheme:

Teams who infringe this regulation will be subject to VP penalties according to this scale:

Ist occasion a written (through the Championship's Communication System) warning

2nd occasion 1/2 VP penalty

Subsequently I VP penalty for each occasion.

These penalties will be applied automatically by the scoring system and can only be waived by the Operations Director in exceptional cases.

Kind regards and good luck for the competition,

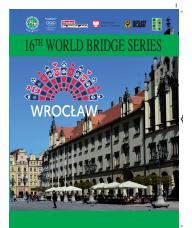
Maurizio Di Sacco WBF Operations Director

Video Corner

Explore the World Championships through this video:



WCB 2022



46th World Bridge Team Championships

Marrakech, Morocco

Draw for Today's Matches

Bermuda Bowl







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29		USA2	*	HONG KONG CHINA			
30	>	SOUTH AFRICA		UAE			
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Draw for Today's Matches

d'Orsi Trophy







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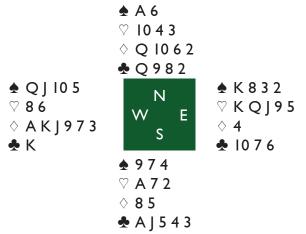


In English law, the phrase 'the man on the Clapham Omnibus' refers to a hypothetical 'ordinary and reasonable person' when one needs to determine if a person's actions have been in accord with accepted principles.

In so as bridge is concerned I use it mostly when attempting to determine the right course of action during the bidding process.

When the Championships got under way this deal soon appeared on the tables:

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.



It is easy to predict the early action – barring some conventional effort by East to indicate the majors West opens $I \diamond$ and rebids $I \clubsuit$ over East's $I \heartsuit$. When East raises to $2 \clubsuit$ what should West do?

Jumping to 4^{-} is a possibility, and so is an invitational 3^{-} . Perhaps you should bid 3° , showing your 6-4. At the table I was watching West elected to pass, which looks conservative. Just to make sure I asked my resident Clapham Omnibus man and he was in favour of bidding on. He couldn't decide what the best bid was but was clear that West should at least make a try.

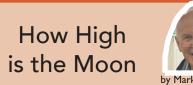
In the BB 20 pairs bid game (one in 4° which has no real chance) 11 of them going one down (which looks odd, as even a forcing defence in clubs should not succeed).

In the Venice Cup 20 Pairs bid game (again once in 4° – this time made – and there was a 3NT that went three down) only four pairs failing to collect 10 tricks.

In the d'Orsi Tophy 21 pairs essayed $4 \pm$ which failed 7 times.

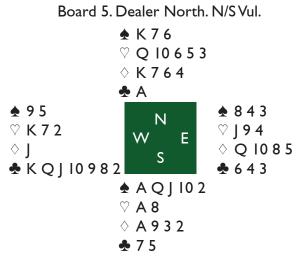
In the Wuhan Cup 18 pairs got to game (one making 4° another attempting a doomed 5 $^{\circ}$). Here too a spade game was defeated 7 times.

Those statistics make it clear that the man on the Clapham Omnibus was spot on in at least looking for game, but I'm beginning to wonder if I was asking the wrong question – what's the best line of play in $4 \pm$? It looks natural to play on hearts, but one might also be tempted by those diamonds.





This deal from the second round afforded NS an opportunity to bid a playable but by no means laydown slam:



Here is an example of a successful auction from the match between Switzerland and India in the Bermuda Bowl:

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Mukherjee	Nowosadzki	Tewari	Zimmermann
_	\square	Pass	♠
3♣	Pass	Pass	Dble
Pass	3 ◇	Pass	4♠
Pass	5 秦	Pass	6�
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

West led the \clubsuit K and declarer won perforce in dummy, played a heart to the ace and a heart for the ten and jack. East returned the \diamond 5 and declarer won with the ace, ruffed a club, ruffed a heart with the \bigstar 10, went to dummy with the \bigstar K, drew trumps and claimed, +1430 and 13 IMPs when compared with $4\bigstar$ +2 at the other table, West having overcalled $4\clubsuit$.

If West leads a diamond at trick one declarer can play to ruff a club in dummy, but will then need to get the hearts right.

In the BB 5 pairs bid and made 6^{\pm} , all collecting 13 IMPs. One pair attempted 6° .

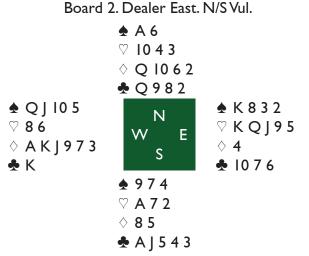
In the VC no one bid a slam and it was the same story in the d'Orsi Trophy.

In the Wuhan Cup UAE were the only team to bid 6th for the regulation 13 IMPs.



Nearly sixty years ago, I made my first incursion into tournament bridge, representing my college fourth team in a so-called Cuppers match. The glamorous summit of the bridge world was the Bermuda Bowl, with several historic finals between the fabulous Italian Blue Team and the maestros of the USA. That same year, a university friend and I visited exotic Marrakech, while touring Morocco's ancient imperial cities in a tiny Austin Healey sports car. After hours of wandering through the narrow-laned souks, we emerged into Djemaa El Fna square, witnessing an exotic circus of dancers, musicians, acrobats and snake charmers. Unforgettable!

Who would have guessed that I would one day be writing a bulletin report on a Bermuda Bowl encounter between Italy and the USA, played in Marrakech? Let's hope that the boards live up to the occasion.



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bathurst	Sementa	Hurd	Versace
		Pass	Pass
$ \diamond$	Pass	\square	Pass
♠	Pass	2♠	All Pass

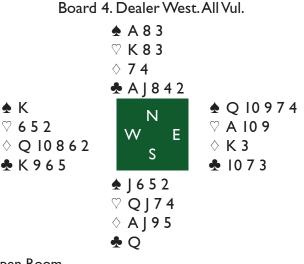
Although three aces were missing, claimed by some to be a death knell for major-suit games, $4^{\text{(m)}}$ was playable. Both players held back somewhat, stopping in $2^{\text{(m)}}$. A heart lead to dummy's king was ducked by Versace. A diamond to the ace was followed by a second heart to the queen and ace. Versace tried his luck with a (m)4 switch, and declarer soon claimed eleven tricks for +200.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Percario	Kranyak	Donati	Demuy
		Pass	Pass
$ \diamond$	Pass	\square	Pass
♠	Pass	2♣*	Pass
2 ◇	Pass	2♠	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

No holding back was evident at the other table, but would $4 \pm$ be made? Kranyak led the ± 8 to the ace, Demuy returning another club, ruffed by declarer. A heart to the king was ducked, followed by a diamond to the ace. Percario needed to play trumps next to succeed. When he played a second heart to the queen instead, South won and returned a diamond to the king. A trump to the ace allowed North to lead a third diamond, ruffed with the ± 8 and overruffed. The game was one down, and It was 6 IMPs lost instead of 6 IMPs won.

Further swings to USA-1 soon followed.



Open Room

North	East	South
Sementa	Hurd	Versace
♣	♠	Dble*
INT	Pass	2NT
3NT	All Pass	
	Sementa I ♣ I NT	Sementa Hurd I♣ I♠ INT Pass

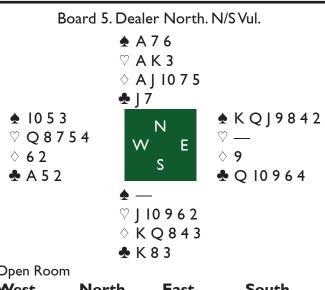
Hurd led the $\bigstar9$ to the king and ace, and a heart was played to East's 9 and the queen. Sementa then followed Restricted Choice (not to mention the fact that East was likely to hold five spades to West's one). He finessed the $\heartsuit8$, losing to the 10. Hurd played the $\bigstar10$ to dummy's jack, won the next heart and cashed his spade winners. A club switch put 3NT three down for a loss of 300.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Percario	Kranyak	Donati	Demuy
Pass	♣	♠	Dble*
Pass	INT	All Pass	

Demuy was more restrained in his valuation of the South cards. The first two tricks went the same way, but declarer continued with a heart to the king. It looked like eight tricks, but somehow declarer was able to claim an eventual nine for +150. That was 10 IMPs to USA-1.

Next came a deal where there was every chance of a big swing:



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bathurst	Sementa	Hurd	Versace
	INT	4♠	4NT*
Dble	Rdbl	Pass	5 ◇
5♠	6�	Dble	All Pass

I rather like Bathurst's bidding here - a double to show some defence, then a spade raise. East's double was clearly Lightner, and Bathurst soon had his $\heartsuit 4$ on the table. Declarer rose with the $\heartsuit A$, ruffed by East. When a $\clubsuit 6$ switch came, Sementa misguessed, putting up the king. The defenders duly snaffled two club tricks and entered +500 on their card.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Percario	Kranyak	Donati	Demuy
Pass	2♣	4♠	4NT*
Pass	5◇	5♠	6�
6♠	Dble	All Pass	



Alfredo Versace, Italy



John Hurd, USAI

Kranyak rated his hand beyond the 15-17 range and opened 24 (18-19 balanced). I have some sympathy for the 5♠ bid, but perhaps less sympathy for West's 6♠. What do you think? It's never easy to judge such matters when all 52 cards are in view. Anyway, it was two down for 300 away and another 11 IMPs to USA-1.

Any disgruntled Italian supporters who have not yet flipped over to the next match report may be glad to hear that the remaining big swings in this match went in a different direction.

Board 12, Dealer West, N/S Vul.

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Open Room				
West Bathurst I♣ Rdbl Pass All Pass	North Sementa Pass 2♡ 3♡		ss	South Versace Dble 2♠ 3NT
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West's Redouble showed 3-card heart support. He led a heart to partner's ace, and Hurd switched to the \clubsuit , West winning with the king. After a club to the ace and the ○KQ, only eight tricks were on view. The play description

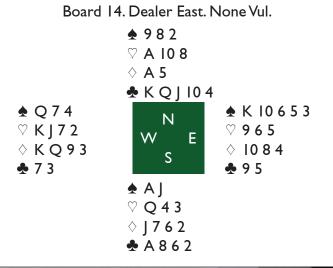
came to an end, and we were informed that the claim of nine tricks had been accepted for +600.West did still have to find two discards on the diamonds, and was perhaps endplayed to concede a second spade trick.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Percario	Kranyak	Donati	Demuy
Pass	I¢	Pass	I.♠
Pass	INT	Pass	3NT
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All Pass

There were no such mysterious happenings in the Closed Room. After the $\clubsuit7$ lead to the king and a club to dummy's ace, Kranyak played the $\Diamond KQ$ and a spade to the queen and king. When declarer led a heart, Donati could have taken the contract two down by rising with the ace. This would preserve West's $\heartsuit K$ as an entry to a second spade trick. He played low and 3NT was only one down. Still a swing to Italy of 12 IMPs.

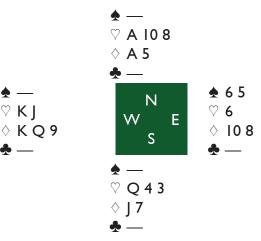




Giovanni Donati, Italy

Open Room	า		
West	North	East	South
Bathurst	Sementa	Hurd	Versace
—		Pass	♣
Dble	Redble	2♠	Pass
Pass	Dble	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Bathurst led the ♠4, after which 3NT can be beaten. Sementa ducked the first spade and won the next with the ace, West unblocking the queen. The defenders survived the ordeal of discarding on five rounds of clubs. Declarer then exited with a spade, hoping for some miracle to give him a ninth trick. Declarer had made six tricks and these cards were left:



East needs to cash one more spade next, dummy throwing a heart and West a diamond. East must then switch to hearts to break the game. Although the play record does not extend to this depth, it seems that East must have played his last spade. A heart is thrown from dummy and West is suicide-squeezed for +400.

Closed Room

North	East	South
Kranyak	Donati	Demuy
	Pass	$ \diamond$
2 🛧	Pass	3 🛧
3♡	Pass	3♠
3NT	Pass	4 🛧
4 \diamond	Pass	4NT
6 🙅	All Pass	
	Kranyak — 2♣ 3♡ 3NT 4◊	KranyakDonati—Pass2♣Pass3♡Pass3NTPass4◊Pass

A balanced 14 opposite a balanced 12, with $6\clubsuit$ two down on any lead. What can one say? The auction up to 3NT looked fine. Any reason to bid further on the South cards is beyond my powers to describe. Donati led the \bigstar 3, and $6\clubsuit$ in fact went three down for a loss of 150 and 11 IMPs.

USA-1 took the match by 37 - 26 IMPs, which is 12.54 VPs to 6.46.



by Christina Lund Madsen

This is the first of a series of intermittent articles where you can find the results of Christina persistently pestering participants

Well, I lost my luggage, which is apparently still in Paris. Bad for me, but good for the audience who didn't have to listen to my 6 pages long speech, which is still safely hidden in my suitcase. Apart from that some players told me this is the best venue ever. So far so good.

What were you like as a child?

Well – it is too late for you to ask my parents (I can give you the contact details of my sister if you want proof ⁽²⁾) but I believe I was very laid back, almost lazy. Around sixth grade I got a B in "Orderliness" (getting an A was almost automatic) since I never brought the right books, never did my homework. The Olympic Games in Rome took place while I was in class and I brought a small transistor radio with an ear-bud, and for two weeks I had no idea what we studied. It's a miracle I graduated!

What interests do you have outside of bridge?

Wine, particularly from Burgundy. That is the topic of a constant argument with Eric (Laurant) who clearly has no clue about wine since he prefers Bordeaux.

Tell us something you are really good at and really bad at.

I think I am good at analysing and evaluating the pros and cons of proposals and actions. I am bad at a lot of things but let's limit it to three: I am not politically correct, I hold grudges, and I tend to procrastinate until the very last moment (but then I'm fast).

What motivated you to become the president of the EBL and now the WBF?

a) I was never good enough a player to reach the top, but still was very keen and wanted to stay involved in international bridge

Jan Kamras What is your age, where are you from, where do you live and are you single? (asking for a

Victim of the Day:

friend...) I'm a 42-year-old mind in a 72-year-old body, from Gothenburg/Sweden (where it rains from the side, not from above) living on Gotland/Sweden or Tel

not from above), living on Gotland/Sweden or Tel Aviv/Israel (depending on the weather) and I am single.



What is your professional background and current position?

University degree in Economics, worked in international commodity trading and now full-time president and CEO of the WBF.

How do you feel about the championships so far?

b) I was quite critical of how these organisations were run (or seemed to be run) so , rather than complaining (on unnamed discussion boards ^(C)) I decided that one can only change things from the inside.

Tell us your most memorable moment from a bridge tournament.

Getting a compliment from Tony Forrester (yes – you heard right) on the bidding of Johan Upmark and myself at table 42 (!) of an international Swiss qualifying event when we reached slam by basically natural, quantitative means by diagnosing that we each held the singleton King in our partner's AQJTxxx-ish suit.

What do you see as Bridge's biggest challenge right here and now?

The dwindling number of tournament players, of course exaggerated by the Covid pandemic. Everyone else you ask will give you the "politically correct" answer – "getting more youngsters to the game". Of course, that is one challenge, but not the only one. Why not first pick "the low hanging fruit"? 45–55-year-olds who have nothing better to do when the kids are out of the house should not be so hard to convince.

What has been the worst defeat in your life so far?

Hm... the only defeat I can think of is when you beat me at arm wrestling in a bar in Wuhan in 2019.

Hearts, was doubled and went for 300 against 140. That was enough for the NPC to bench them for the rest of the tournament!

This felt so unjust that fairness in all aspects of life became a main focus for me.

How would your wife have described you in 3 words if she were still alive?

Opinionated, judgemental, sentimental.

Who would you like to partner, kiss, kill between Eric Laurant, Jose Damiani and Gianarrigo Rona?

I can't kill Eric since he is the one I can partner on occasion when we are both at some NABC or other event. He'd probably also run away if I kissed him. I'd kiss Gianarrigo since he is Italian and does a lot of "*baci*" and "*abbraccio*" so probably wouldn't mind (well, Chippi might). By default, I'd have to kill José, with a bonus being that I wouldn't have to listen to how great online bridge is all the time.

Who would you like to nominate as a future Victim of the Day in this bulletin?

Antonio Riccardi. He is retiring after 38 years as chief tournament director after these championships. I would like to know who has been his favourite and least favourite EBL/WBF president? ©

Tell us about an experience that had a significant impact on you as a person.

Not a personal experience but a story my father told me. My father and his partner had finally been selected to represent Sweden for the 1960 Olympiad after having won the Swedish Team Championships three years in a row. Early on they were lined up against the world champions from USA. As complete unknowns internationally my father didn't want the stars to think he was intimidated, so he ventured a green-vs-red overcall of I Spade on \bigstar AKJT and out. All was well until his partner competed to 3 Spades over 3



Jan trying once again to explain to Eric why Burgundy is superior to Bordeaux

Results for Today's Matches

Bermuda Bowl

	Round I								
			IMF	s	VF	P s			
Т	ITALY	USAI	25	37	6.22	12.78			
2	CHINA	POLAND	37	43	8.24	11.76			
3	SOUTH AFRICA	HONG KONG CHINA	61	24	17.72	2.28			
4	NEW ZEALAND	PANAMA	76	33	18.44	1.56			
5	CANADA	MOROCCO	52	12	18.09	1.91			
6	BELGIUM	NORWAY	П	56	1.34	18.66			
7	NETHERLANDS	CHILE	67	34	16.67	2.33			
8	BRAZIL	INDIA	54	45	12.55	7.45			
9	SWITZERLAND	SINGAPORE	92	П	20.00	0.00			
10	IRELAND	UAE	66	24	18.33	1.67			
П	AUSTRALIA	EGYPT	40	49	7.45	12.55			
12	USA2	ISRAEL	44	50	8.24	11.76			

	Round 2						
			IMF	s	VF	P s	
Т	SWITZERLAND	INDIA	20	32	6.72	13.28	
2	BELGIUM	NETHERLANDS	15	53	1.40	17.10	
3	CANADA	ISRAEL	7	15	7.71	12.29	
4	PANAMA	CHINA	23	59	2.41	17.59	
5	SOUTH AFRICA	NORWAY	18	36	5.40	14.60	
6	ITALY	HONG KONG CHINA	63	I	20.00	0.00	
7	CHILE	SINGAPORE	16	45	1.42	16.58	
8	NEW ZEALAND	POLAND	49	39	12.80	7.20	
9	BRAZIL	AUSTRALIA	36	5	16.88	3.12	
10	UAE	EGYPT	19	9	12.80	7.20	
П	MOROCCO	USAI	33	7	16.09	3.91	
12	IRELAND	USA2	13	36	4.44	15.56	

Round 3						
			IMF	s	VPs	
Т	NORWAY	MOROCCO	26	29	9.09	10.91
2	USAI	USA2	41	8	17.17	2.83
3	CANADA	SINGAPORE	55	34	15.19	4.81
4	ITALY	PANAMA	48	29	14.80	5.20
5	BELGIUM	ISRAEL	22	10	13.28	6.72
6	SOUTH AFRICA	NETHERLANDS	30	38	7.71	12.29
7	AUSTRALIA	CHILE	21	20	10.31	9.69
8	CHINA	HONG KONG CHINA	32	38	8.24	11.76
9	NEW ZEALAND	SWITZERLAND	29	37	7.71	12.29
10	INDIA	UAE	54	41	13.52	6.48
П	BRAZIL	POLAND	13	66	0.57	19.43
12	EGYPT	IRELAND	24	41	5.61	14.39

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	Round I								
			IMP	s	VF	s			
21	BRAZIL	BARBADOS	67	21	18.77	1.23			
22	SWEDEN	UAE	68	38	16.73	3.27			
23	USAI	CANADA	50	34	14.18	5.82			
24	TURKIYE	EGYPT	88	4	19.50	-0.50			
25	ISRAEL	AUSTRALIA	37	42	8.22	10.78			
26	MOROCCO	HONG KONG CHINA	39	35	11.20	8.80			
27	USA2	NEW ZEALAND	37	39	9.39	10.61			
28	CHINA	GERMANY	21	27	8.24	11.76			
29	DENMARK	CHINESE TAIPEI	55	8	18.87	1.13			
30	FRANCE	SOUTH AFRICA	54	12	18.33	1.67			
31	INDIA	ARGENTINA	35	П	15.74	4.26			
32	NORWAY	POLAND	15	63	1.03	18.97			

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		Round 2				
			IM	Ps	VF	s
21	BARBADOS	AUSTRALIA	29	27	10.61	9.39
22	BRAZIL	POLAND	14	59	1.34	18.66
23	SWEDEN	USA2	35	13	15.38	4.62
24	EGYPT	MOROCCO	57	8	19.07	0.93
25	USAI	UAE	26	7	14.80	5.20
26	ISRAEL	CANADA	46	18	16.42	3.58
27	NEW ZEALAND	CHINESE TAIPEI	25	21	11.20	8.80
28	TURKIYE	HONG KONG CHINA	72	0	20.00	0.00
29	CHINA	INDIA	15	14	10.31	9.69
30	SOUTH AFRICA	ARGENTINA	14	16	8.52	9.69
31	DENMARK	GERMANY	20	10	12.80	7.20
32	FRANCE	NORWAY	37	17	15.00	5.00

		Round 3				
			IMF	s	VF	s
21	UAE	BARBADOS	48	26	15.38	4.62
22	AUSTRALIA	NORWAY	25	55	3.27	16.73
23	BRAZIL	CHINESE TAIPEI	13	32	5.20	14.80
24	ISRAEL	EGYPT	53	39	13.75	6.25
25	SWEDEN	POLAND	43	31	13.28	6.72
26	USAI	USA2	33	38	8.52	11.48
27	INDIA	NEW ZEALAND	36	29	12.03	7.97
28	MOROCCO	CANADA	18	29	6.96	13.04
29	TURKIYE	DENMARK	70	27	18.44	1.56
30	GERMANY	SOUTH AFRICA	6	56	0.84	19.16
31	CHINA	HONG KONG CHINA	49	50	9.69	10.31
32	ARGENTINA	FRANCE	31	34	9.09	10.91

Results for Today's Matches

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		Round I				
			IM	Ps	VF	P s
41	ARGENTINA	COLOMBIA	65	18	16.87	-0.87
42	USAI	BELGIUM	18	77	-0.43	19.43
43	FRANCE	SWEDEN	34	39	8.52	11.48
44	NETHERLANDS	GUADELOUPE	106	6	20.00	0.00
45	POLAND	NORWAY	49	21	16.42	3.58
46	CHINESE TAIPEI	HONG KONG CHINA	20	0	15.00	5.00
47	PAKISTAN	MOROCCO	46	49	9.09	10.91
48	CHINA	ITALY	24	50	3.27	16.73
49	INDIA	AUSTRALIA	32	82	0.84	19.16
50	SOUTH AFRICA	REUNION	28	55	3.74	16.26
51	ISRAEL	CANADA	46	34	13.28	6.72
52	DENMARK	USA2	31	41	7.20	12.80
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Round 2							
			IMI	Ps	VF	° s	
41	COLOMBIA	NORWAY	26	75	0.93	19.07	
42	ARGENTINA	USA2	14	39	4.08	15.92	
43	USAI	PAKISTAN	40	4	17.59	2.41	
44	GUADELOUPE	CHINESE TAIPEI	18	19	9.69	10.31	
45	FRANCE	BELGIUM	22	30	7.71	12.29	
46	POLAND	SWEDEN	25	11	13.75	6.25	
47	MOROCCO	AUSTRALIA	7	39	2.97	17.03	
48	NETHERLANDS	HONG KONG CHINA	53	I	19.34	0.66	
49	CHINA	ISRAEL	16	25	7.45	12.55	
50	REUNION	CANADA	П	35	4.26	15.74	
51	INDIA	ITALY	38	19	14.80	5.20	
52	SOUTH AFRICA	DENMARK	12	39	3.74	16.26	

		Round 3				
			IMP	s	VF	° s
41	BELGIUM	COLOMBIA	68 15		19.43	0.57
42	NORWAY	DENMARK	42	17	15.92	4.08
43	ARGENTINA	AUSTRALIA	43	25	14.60	5.40
44	POLAND	GUADELOUPE	38	36	10.61	9.39
45	USAI	USA2	44	22	15.38	4.62
46	FRANCE	PAKISTAN	40	25	13.97	6.03
47	ISRAEL	MOROCCO	43	55	6.72	11.28
48	CHINESE TAIPEI	SWEDEN	33	29	11.20	8.80
49	NETHERLANDS	INDIA	31	41	7.20	12.80
50	ITALY	REUNION	45	17	16.42	3.58
51	CHINA	HONG KONG CHINA	48	26	15.38	4.62
52	CANADA	SOUTH AFRICA	58	41	14.39	5.61

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Round I							
			IM	IPs VPs			
61	CANADA	COLOMBIA	18	73	0.39	19.61	
62	BARBADOS	BELGIUM	17	55	1.15	17.85	
63	ISRAEL	USA2	42	56	6.25	13.75	
64	AUSTRALIA	MOROCCO	40	44	8.80	11.20	
65	ARGENTINA	CHINA	36	33	10.91	9.09	
66	USAI	FRANCE	33	41	7.71	12.29	
67	POLAND	TUNISIA	70	32	17.85	2.15	
68	GERMANY	ITALY	37	24	13.52	6.48	
69	SINGAPORE	ROMANIA	21	65	1.45	18.55	
70	INDIA	UAE	33	39	8.24	11.76	
71	NEW ZEALAND	CHINESE TAIPEI	34	48	6.25	13.75	
72	DENMARK	EGYPT	46	30	4. 8	5.82	

		Round 2				
			IMF	•s	VF	s
61	COLOMBIA	CHINA	20	32	6.72	13.28
62	CANADA	EGYPT	24	23	10.31	9.69
63	BARBADOS	POLAND	25	28	9.09	10.91
64	MOROCCO	USAI	25	69	1.45	18.55
65	ISRAEL	BELGIUM	30	38	7.71	12.29
66	ARGENTINA	USA2	26	30	8.80	11.20
67	TUNISIA	ROMANIA	29	36	7.97	12.03
68	AUSTRALIA	FRANCE	14	26	6.72	13.28
69	GERMANY	NEW ZEALAND	40	7	17.17	2.83
70	UAE	CHINESE TAIPEI	38	52	6.25	13.75
71	SINGAPORE	ITALY	15	43	3.58	16.42
72	INDIA	DENMARK	21	24	9.09	10.91

		Round 3				
			IM	Ps	VF	s
61	BELGIUM	COLOMBIA	4	25	4.81	15.19
62	CHINA	DENMARK	45	40	11.48	8.52
63	CANADA	ROMANIA	15	41	3.91	16.09
64	ARGENTINA	MOROCCO	60	15	18.66	1.34
65	BARBADOS	EGYPT	30	67	1.28	17.72
66	ISRAEL	POLAND	34	34	10.00	10.00
67	NEW ZEALAND	TUNISIA	97	3	20.00	0.00
68	USAI	USA2	39	24	13.97	6.03
69	AUSTRALIA	SINGAPORE	44	19	15.92	4.08
70	ITALY	UAE	53	37	14.18	5.82
71	GERMANY	FRANCE	47	31	14.18	5.82
72	CHINESE TAIPEI	INDIA	62	33	16.58	3.42

Rankings after Round 3

Bermuda Bowl

		44.04
I	NETHERLANDS	46.06
2	NORWAY	42.35
3	ITALY	41.02
4	CANADA	40.99
5	SWITZERLAND	39.01
6	NEW ZEALAND	38.95
7	POLAND	38.39
8	IRELAND	37.16
9	INDIA	34.25
10	CHINA	34.07
11	USAI	33.86
12	SOUTH AFRICA	30.83
13	ISRAEL	30.77
14	BRAZIL	30.00
15	MOROCCO	28.91
16	USA2	26.63
17	EGYPT	25.36
18	SINGAPORE	21.39
19	UAE	20.95
20	AUSTRALIA	20.88
21	BELGIUM	16.02
22	HONG KONG CHINA	14.04
23	CHILE	13.44
24	PANAMA	9.17

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I	TURKIYE	57.94
2	SWEDEN	45.39
3	POLAND	44.35
4	FRANCE	44.24
5	ISRAEL	38.39
6	USAI	37.50
7	INDIA	37.46
8	DENMARK	33.23
9	NEW ZEALAND	29.78
10	SOUTH AFRICA	29.35
11	CHINA	28.24
12	USA2	25.49
13	BRAZIL	25.31
14	EGYPT	24.82
15	CHINESE TAIPEI	24.73
16	UAE	23.85
17	AUSTRALIA	23.44
18	ARGENTINA	23.04
19	NORWAY	22.76
20	CANADA	22.44
21	GERMANY	19.80
22	HONG KONG CHINA	19.11
23	MOROCCO	19.09
24	BARBADOS	16.46

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Ι	BELGIUM	51.15		I	ROMANIA	46.67
2	NETHERLANDS	46.54		2	GERMANY	44.87
3	AUSTRALIA	41.59		3	CHINESE TAIPEI	44.08
4	POLAND	40.78		4	COLOMBIA	41.52
5	NORWAY	38.57		5	USAI	40.23
6	ITALY	38.35		6	POLAND	38.76
7	CANADA	36.85		7	ARGENTINA	38.37
8	CHINESE TAIPEI	36.51		8	ITALY	37.08
9	ARGENTINA	35.55		9	BELGIUM	34.95
10	USA2	33.34		10	CHINA	33.85
П	ISRAEL	32.55		11	DENMARK	33.61
12	USAI	32.54		12	EGYPT	33.23
13	FRANCE	30.20	0.36	13	AUSTRALIA	31.44
14	INDIA	28.44		14	FRANCE	31.39
15	DENMARK	27.54		15	USA2	30.98
16	SWEDEN	26.53		16	NEW ZEALAND	29.08
17	CHINA	26.10		17	ISRAEL	23.96
18	MOROCCO	25.16		18	UAE	23.83
19	REUNION	24.10		19	INDIA	20.75
20	GUADELOUPE	19.08		20	CANADA	14.61
21	PAKISTAN	17.53	695	21	MOROCCO	13.99
22	SOUTH AFRICA	13.09		22	BARBADOS	11.52
23	HONG KONG CHINA	10.28		23	TUNISIA	10.12
24	COLOMBIA	0.63		24	SINGAPORE	9.11