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If you can dream it, you can do it

We have been waiting a long time for this moment; at the end of the opening day's play in the 2021 World Bridge Team Championships we have four different countries topping the tables. The Netherlands in the Bermuda Bowl, Poland in the Venice Cup, USA I in the d'Orsi Trophy and Romania in the Wuhan Cup. They will all be hoping Walt Disney was right!

Important Notice – Starting Times

From Tuesday, 29 March, on all days where only three matches are scheduled, the starting time of the second match will be at 14.00 rather than at 13.30. The third match will start at 16.45 rather than 16.15.

This change is valid on Thursday 31 March, Friday 1 April and Sunday 3 April, as well as during the start of the play-off phase on Monday to Thursday 4-7 April.

So, the programme for all those dates will be:

10.00 – 12.15

14.00 – 16.15

16.45 – 19.00

This means that if you are due to have your team photograph taken on one of these dates, after lunch or after the end of play, then the time will be half an hour later. You will get an email reminder!

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SCHEDULE, DRAW, BBO MATCHES - Tuesday 29 March

BERMUDA BOWL

Round 4 – 10.00

DENMARK	-	ARGENTINA
CHINA HONG KONG	-	EGYPT
SWEDEN	-	UAE
USA 2	-	URUGUAY
CANADA	-	GUADELOUPE
NEW ZEALAND	-	SINGAPORE
BULGARIA	-	NORWAY
BBO		ITALY - ISRAEL
		AUSTRALIA - SOUTH AFRICA
BBO		NETHERLANDS - HUNGARY
BBO		INDIA - SWITZERLAND
BBO		USA 1 - ENGLAND

Round 5 – 14.00

ARGENTINA	-	BULGARIA
EGYPT	-	ITALY
UAE	-	NETHERLANDS
URUGUAY	-	INDIA
GUADELOUPE	-	ENGLAND
SINGAPORE	-	ISRAEL
CHINA HONG KONG	-	SWEDEN
BBO		AUSTRALIA - SWITZERLAND
BBO		NORWAY - NEW ZEALAND
BBO		HUNGARY - USA 2
BBO		USA 1 - DENMARK
		CANADA - SOUTH AFRICA

Round 6 – 16.45

CHINA HONG KONG	-	ARGENTINA
AUSTRALIA	-	EGYPT
HUNGARY	-	UAE
USA 1	-	URUGUAY
SOUTH AFRICA	-	GUADELOUPE
SWITZERLAND	-	SINGAPORE
USA 2	-	INDIA
BBO		NORWAY - DENMARK
BBO		SWEDEN - ISRAEL
BBO		ITALY - NETHERLANDS
		CANADA - BULGARIA
		ENGLAND - NEW ZEALAND

VENICE CUP

Round 4 – 10.00

SPAIN	-	PORTUGAL
FRANCE	-	MOROCCO
SWEDEN	-	UAE
TURKEY	-	EGYPT
ARGENTINA	-	CANADA
ITALY	-	USA 2
ENGLAND	-	HUNGARY
INDIA	-	DENMARK
BRAZIL	-	BELGIUM
SCOTLAND	-	GERMANY
NORWAY	-	AUSTRALIA
BBO		POLAND - USA 1

Round 5 – 14.00

PORTUGAL	-	ARGENTINA
MOROCCO	-	CANADA
UAE	-	NORWAY
EGYPT	-	USA 1
ITALY	-	INDIA
TURKEY	-	HUNGARY
FRANCE	-	GERMANY
BRAZIL	-	POLAND
SCOTLAND	-	DENMARK
SWEDEN	-	AUSTRALIA
BELGIUM	-	SPAIN
BBO		USA 2 - ENGLAND

Round 6 – 16.45

ITALY	-	PORTUGAL
INDIA	-	MOROCCO
BELGIUM	-	UAE
HUNGARY	-	EGYPT
USA 2	-	BRAZIL
BBO		ENGLAND - FRANCE
		CANADA - AUSTRALIA
		SCOTLAND - TURKEY
		USA 1 - GERMANY
		NORWAY - SPAIN
		DENMARK - ARGENTINA
BBO		SWEDEN - POLAND

D'ORSI TROPHY

Round 4 – 10.00

ICELAND	-	GUADELOUPE
POLAND	-	EGYPT
FRANCE	-	PAKISTAN
ITALY	-	MOROCCO
AUSTRALIA	-	NETHERLANDS
BBO		ARGENTINA - USA 1
		DENMARK - BRAZIL
		BELGIUM - ENGLAND
		INDIA - SWEDEN
		TURKEY - NORWAY
		BULGARIA - GERMANY
		USA 2 - CANADA

Round 5 – 14.00

GUADELOUPE	-	AUSTRALIA
EGYPT	-	NETHERLANDS
PAKISTAN	-	BULGARIA
MOROCCO	-	CANADA
ARGENTINA	-	BELGIUM
BBO		USA 1 - DENMARK
		POLAND - NORWAY
		INDIA - USA 2
		TURKEY - ENGLAND
		FRANCE - GERMANY
		SWEDEN - ICELAND
		ITALY - BRAZIL

Round 6 – 16.45

ARGENTINA	-	GUADELOUPE
BELGIUM	-	EGYPT
SWEDEN	-	PAKISTAN
BRAZIL	-	MOROCCO
USA 1	-	INDIA
DENMARK	-	POLAND
NETHERLANDS	-	GERMANY
TURKEY	-	ITALY
FRANCE	-	USA 2
BULGARIA	-	ICELAND
ENGLAND	-	AUSTRALIA
CANADA	-	NORWAY

WUHAN CUP

Round 4 – 10.00

INDIA	-	GUATEMALA
DENMARK	-	TUNISIA
SINGAPORE	-	JORDAN
ARGENTINA	-	EGYPT
GERMANY	-	BELGIUM
USA 1	-	AUSTRALIA
FRANCE	-	PORTUGAL
CHILE	-	ROMANIA
ITALY	-	USA 2
ISRAEL	-	TURKEY
NETHERLANDS	-	LATVIA
BBO		POLAND - CROATIA

Round 5 – 14.00

GUATEMALA	-	GERMANY
TUNISIA	-	BELGIUM
JORDAN	-	NETHERLANDS
EGYPT	-	AUSTRALIA
ITALY	-	CHILE
USA 2	-	FRANCE
DENMARK	-	TURKEY
POLAND	-	USA 1
ARGENTINA	-	PORTUGAL
SINGAPORE	-	LATVIA
CROATIA	-	INDIA
BBO		ISRAEL - ROMANIA

Round 6 – 16.45

ITALY	-	GUATEMALA
CHILE	-	TUNISIA
CROATIA	-	JORDAN
PORTUGAL	-	EGYPT
AUSTRALIA	-	TURKEY
FRANCE	-	DENMARK
BELGIUM	-	LATVIA
ISRAEL	-	ARGENTINA
SINGAPORE	-	USA 1
NETHERLANDS	-	INDIA
ROMANIA	-	GERMANY
BBO		USA 2 - POLAND



David Bird, BERMUDA BOWL, ROUND 1



AUSTRALIA vs NORWAY



What are my thoughts as I sink into my comfortable computer chair, enter the Bridge Base Online site, and await the start of the first match? I think back to the 1950s, when our TV programmes were often brought to a halt by this screen: 'We apologize for the fault. Normal service will be resumed as soon as possible.'

On this very day, in the world of bridge kibitzing, normal service has been resumed in a big way. We can all enjoy seeing the world's best players displaying their skills, absolutely free of charge. Hurrah for that!

The first swing in the match between Australia and Norway arose on Board 2. Vulnerable against not, Norway's Terje Aa and Alan Livgard ventured a borderline 4♠ on ♠J853 ♥AJ95 ♦A105 ♣32 opposite ♠AQ1072 ♥1072 ♦KQ2 ♣108. With the ♠K onside and the heart honours split, they collected 10 IMPs.

Both teams failed a bidding test on Board 7:

Board 7. Dealer South. Both Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Hans</i>	<i>T.Helness</i>	<i>Gill</i>
—	—	—	Pass
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♣	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

The bidding was exemplary up to 4♥. Clubs were agreed, via the fourth suit, and Helgemo then denied first- or second-round diamond control by bidding 4♥. 'What an excellent use of cue-bidding!' I thought to myself, noting the deal for future use. 'They diagnose the diamond flaw in 3NT, and then stop in 5♣ after discovering the lack of a diamond control.' Very well done.

But Helness passed 4♥. Was that right? Playing in hearts, he was hoping to lose two diamonds and at most one heart. Sartaj Hans, in the North seat, very much agreed with this decision, and Helgemo did well to escape for two down.

Could lightning strike twice on the same board?

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Milne</i>	<i>Livgard</i>	<i>Coutts</i>	<i>Aa</i>
—	—	—	Pass
1♥	Pass	2♣	2♠
3♠*	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

Yes, it could. Liam Milne went three down, as was always likely, and Norway collected 3 IMPs. There are cases where a player's cue-bid in his main suit suggests an alternative stopping place. Here, I think that West's 4♥ should be taken as a cue-bid, particularly after his previous bid of 3♠ (Yes, I did notice that the 6-0 heart break allows the defenders to defeat 5♣ with a heart ruff.)

Both North-South pairs made amends by bidding well to a low point-count 6♥ on the next board:

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Hans</i>	<i>T.Helness</i>	<i>Gill</i>
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♥	Pass	2NT*	Pass
4♥	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♥*	Pass	6♥	All Pass

2NT was a forcing enquiry. As you see, you could whip away six of the HCP in the minors and the slam

would still be good.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Milne</i>	<i>Livgard</i>	<i>Coutts</i>	<i>Aa</i>
1♣	Pass	1♦*	Dble
2♥	4♣	4♠	2♠
3♠*	Pass	4♣	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♥	All Pass

1♦ showed hearts, and South's double indicated diamonds. Livgard then bid a lead-directing 4♣ on the way to 4♦. It was a very distinguished push board. In the Bermuda Bowl, only 9 pairs out of 24 reached the slam. (Sadly, one pair overstretched to a grand slam.)

Our next swing board was largely down to the choice of opening lead:

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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



Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Hans</i>	<i>T.Helness</i>	<i>Gill</i>
—	—	—	Pass
1NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Tor Helness spurned Stayman on his 4-3-3-3 shape, a decision that was particularly clear-cut on the hand that he held. Hans led the ♣A and received an encouraging ♣4 from his partner. Four club tricks were soon accompanied by the ♠A and that was a smart one down.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Milne</i>	<i>Livgard</i>	<i>Coutts</i>	<i>Aa</i>
—	—	—	Pass
1NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Allan Livgard preferred to lead the ♥3. Milne won with dummy's queen and slipped the ♠4 through South's ace. He then had nine tricks, +400 and 10 IMPs in the plus column.

Two boards later, we saw the biggest swing of the match:

Board 13. Dealer North. Both Vul.

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



Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Helgemo</i>	<i>Hans</i>	<i>T.Helness</i>	<i>Gill</i>
—	Pass	Pass	1♣*
1♠	Pass	2♣	4♥
All Pass			

Helgemo found the best lead of a trump, preventing a spade ruff, but it still seemed that the game would be made. Peter Gill led the ♠3 to trick two, the defenders winning and drawing dummy's last trump. After two more rounds of trumps, declarer crossed to the ♣A. He needed to take the diamond finesse at this stage, but he ruffed a club instead. He doubtless placed the ♦K offside and hoped that a strip-and-endplay might be possible.

Helgemo won the ♠K with the ace and returned the ♠J to South's queen. When it became apparent that a throw-in could not succeed, declarer cashed the ♦A and went one down.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Milne</i>	<i>Livgard</i>	<i>Coutts</i>	<i>Aa</i>
—	Pass	Pass	2♣*
Pass	2♦*	Pass	2♥*
Pass	2♠*	Pass	3♥*
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Aa's 2♥ was Kokish, showing hearts or a strong balanced hand. His decision to pass 3NT was... well, it was inspired. James Coutts led the ♣5, expecting North to hold some club length. His eyes may have lit up at the sight of his partner's ♣Q, but declarer simply set up a ninth trick in spades. That was 12 IMPs to Norway.

It had been an enjoyable match. Australia won by 29-25, giving them 11.20 VPs.



Jos Jacobs, D'Orsi Trophy, ROUND 1



DENMARK vs FRANCE



Monday morning, the beginning of a new week. For bridge players at top level, it might have felt like the beginning of a new era: post-covid international championships, even though Italy has not yet reopened entirely. Much had remained the same as before, however, e.g. over- and underbidding. Here are the first two boards of the seniors' event – in fact, they were playing the same boards in all events.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Levy</i>	<i>Schou</i>	<i>Abécassis</i>	<i>Hansen</i>
—	Pass	1♣	1♦
1♥*	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♥*	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

- 1♥ Spades
- 2♥ Spades

Had West's diamonds and spades honours been swapped, 4♠ might have been a good proposition but as it was, two working finesses and a decent trump break was asking too much. One down, Denmark +50.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>P Schaltz</i>	<i>Bompis</i>	<i>D Schaltz</i>	<i>Soulet</i>
—	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♥	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♣*	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♠	All Pass		

Helped by the nowadays customary 2♣ general

invitational response, the Danish couple was able to stop one level lower, albeit already too high as well. When North led a club rather than a heart, declarer was in with sort of a chance. The finesse lost but... South returned the ♦Q which inspired North to try another diamond rather than a heart after winning the first round of trumps. Just made, Denmark another +140 and 5 IMPs.

On the next board, apparent overbidding would have worked very well.

Board 2. Dealer East. NS Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Levy</i>	<i>Schou</i>	<i>Abécassis</i>	<i>Hansen</i>
—	—	Pass	1♠
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

Once South showed a minimum by bidding 3♣ over North's invite+-raise, North could do little else than sign-off. Ten easy tricks, Denmark +170. Getting to game was not so easy, as a quick scan of the scores all over the Palazzo dei Congressi made clear. I even spotted a few pass-outs.

In the replay, the auction was what one might call a semi-passout:

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>P Schaltz</i>	<i>Bompis</i>	<i>D Schaltz</i>	<i>Soulet</i>
—	—	1NT	All Pass

One down when the defence collected their obvious tricks. France +50 but 3 more IMPs to Denmark.

Bidding on or keeping quiet was the issue on the

next board.

Board 3. Dealer South. EW Vul

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Levy</i>	<i>Schou</i>	<i>Abécassis</i>	<i>Hansen</i>
—	—	—	1♠
2♦	Dble	3♦	All Pass

The 2♦ overall would not have been everybody's choice but it worked out well. One overtrick, France a decent +130.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>P Schaltz</i>	<i>Bompis</i>	<i>D Schaltz</i>	<i>Soulet</i>
—	—	—	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

Peter Schaltz does not believe in this type of overcalls, apparently. When 2♠ ran round to Dorthe, she was far away from having the values to compete so the Danes could only defend 2♠. On the ♥A lead (East playing the ♥4) and the shift to a low club away

from the ace, the defenders got a lot of ruffs and thus defeated the contract by no less than three tricks. Denmark +150 and one maybe unexpected IMP to them to lead 9-0.

A few boards later, we saw a typical partscore battle.

Board 6. Dealer East. EW Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Levy</i>	<i>Schou</i>	<i>Abécassis</i>	<i>Hansen</i>
—	—	Pass	Pass
Pass	1♦	1♠	Dble
3♦	Pass	3♠	4♦
All Pass			

Alain Levy's good spade raise took away the opponents' top spot but going down one undoubled in 3♠ would have been OK for the French. Beating 4♦ by one trick to turn -100 into +50, was even better for them, however. Still, the Danish could consider themselves unlucky with both red kings misbehaving badly.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>P Schaltz</i>	<i>Bompis</i>	<i>D Schaltz</i>	<i>Soulet</i>
—	—	Pass	Pass
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♥
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♦
All Pass			

The same not too aggressive style by the Schaltzes again. The East hand was not worth an overcall so the French were allowed to collect +110 and 4 IMPs in diamonds.

The next board offered more substantial chances.

Championship offer

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Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Levy</i>	<i>Schou</i>	<i>Abécassis</i>	<i>Hansen</i>
—	—	—	2♠
Dble	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Neither South nor West showed his proper two-suiter but South could try his secret weapon when East made a practical bid over partner's double. One down, Denmark +100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>P Schaltz</i>	<i>Bompis</i>	<i>D Schaltz</i>	<i>Soulet</i>
—	—	—	2♥*
2♠*	Pass	4♥	All Pass

In the replay, South did not show his two-suiter either, 2♠ being weak or strong in spades only. West could show a two-suiter and did so but for East, it was difficult to imagine that five of a minor might be a good spot at all. The trump break was unfortunate, as

they say, so the French scored +300 here, good for 5 IMPs.

To end my story, I have a lead problem for you.
You hold: ♠973 ♥J1043 ♦843 ♣AK3

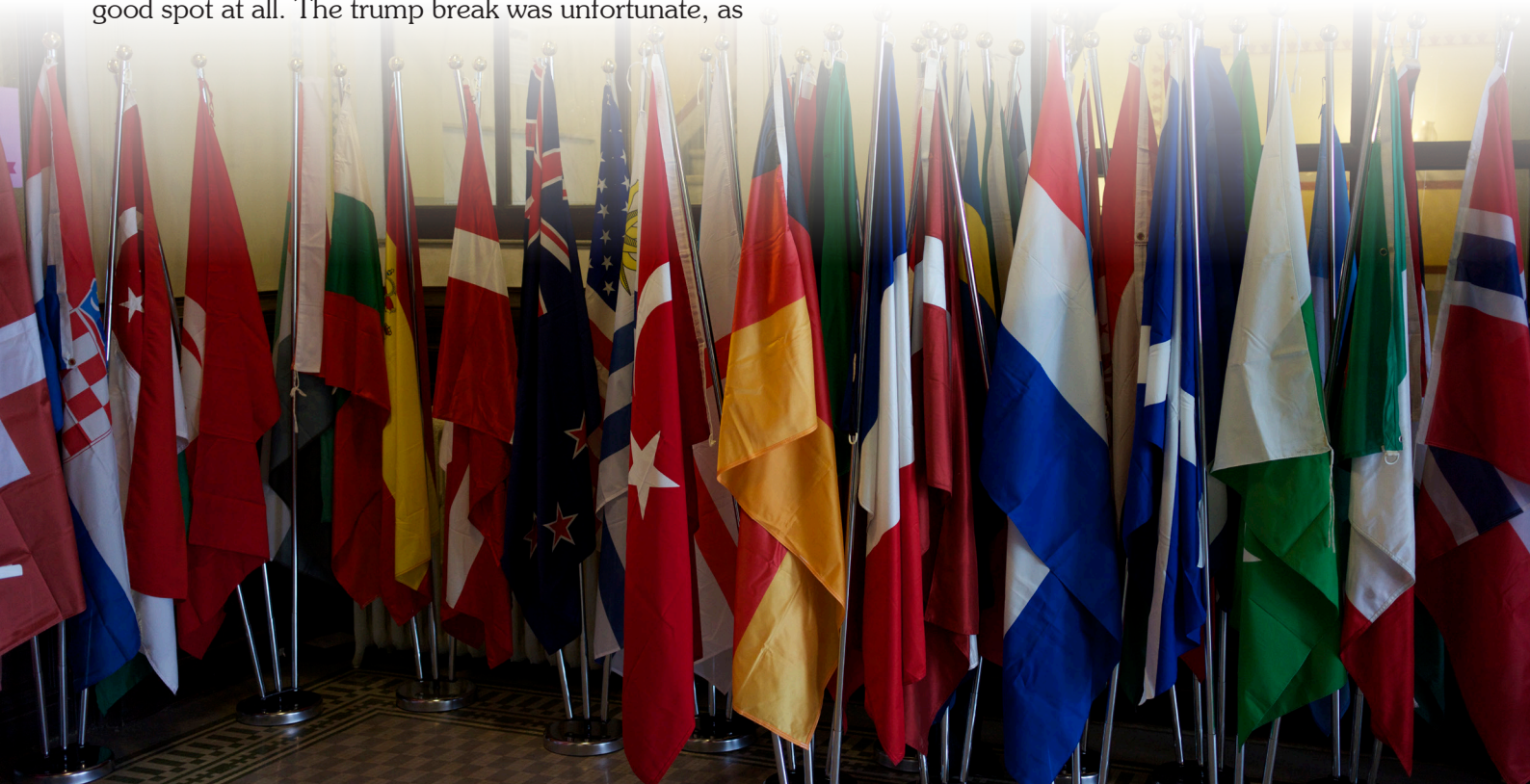
The auction is short and routine: 1NT-pass by you-3NT- end. Your lead please!

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

♠ 9 7 3 ♥ J 10 4 3 ♦ 8 4 3 ♣ A K 3 ♠ K Q 2 ♥ K 2 ♦ A Q 10 7 6 ♣ 9 8 6		♠ J 6 5 4 ♥ A Q 7 ♦ K J 5 ♣ 10 7 2 ♠ A 10 8 ♥ 9 8 6 5 ♦ 9 2 ♣ Q J 5 4
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As you can see, the ♣A lead wins the jackpot, though on this auction a minor suit lead does not look attractive. It must be admitted that even if you lead a more normal low heart, your chances are not yet gone. The only thing required now is an alert partner, who must rise with the ♠A if declarer plays the suit from dummy to return...a club! Nick Jacob for New Zealand v. Argentina found this defence, I gather.

In our match, the French did not and thus conceded -400. Steen Schou for Denmark came up with the ♣A and thus paved the way for five defensive tricks and 10 IMPs to Denmark. When the remaining boards kept quiet, the final score in this match thus became 22-16 or 11.76 – 8.24 to Denmark.




Mark Horton, Venice Cup, ROUND 1

ENGLAND vs SWEDEN


DEFENCE OF THE REALM

On Sunday evening I was sitting outside my hotel when two members of England's Venice Cup team walked by. That was enough of an omen for me to take a glance at their first-round match with Sweden, who just happen to be the reigning Champions!

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bertheau</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Larsson</i>	<i>Brock</i>
—	Pass	1♣*	1♦
1♠	2♦	Pass	Pass
2♠	Pass	Pass	3♦
All Pass			

1♣ 2+♣

West led the ♠7 and declarer won with the ace and played the ♦J, West taking the king and exiting with the ♠J. Having won in dummy declarer played a club and East went up with the ace and switched to the ♥7. When the king held declarer cashed the ♣K, and exited with a heart, West winning with the queen and returning the ♥5. East won and played the ♣J and when declarer discarded the ♥10 she continued with the ♣Q. Declarer ruffed with the four and when West ruffed with the ace she claimed seven tricks, -100. Ruffing the third club would have saved a trick.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Fawcett</i>	<i>Ovelius</i>	<i>Draper</i>	<i>Clementsson</i>
—	Pass	1♣*	1♦
1♠	2♦	Pass	3♦
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

1♣2+♣

4♠ needed a lot of cards to be well placed. With none of them cooperating declarer was two down, -100 and Sweden collected 5 IMPs.

Board 3. Dealer South. EW Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bertheau</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Larsson</i>	<i>Brock</i>
—	—	—	1♠
2♦	Dble*	3♦	All Pass

2♦ was uncomplicated, declarer losing a spade and two diamonds, +130.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Fawcett</i>	<i>Ovelius</i>	<i>Draper</i>	<i>Clementsson</i>
—	—	—	2♠*
All Pass			

2♠ 10-13



West led the ♥A and switched to the ♦A, East following with the three, which, according to the convention card was discouraging. When West continued with the ♦4 declarer could pitch two clubs on dummy's ♦KQ and then run the ♠8. West won with the queen and cashed the ♣A which meant that declarer scored an overtrick, +140. Not bad for a contract that might have gone three down, and another 7 IMPs for Sweden.

England recovered 6 IMPs when Sweden bid a game that was down in top tricks and as the mid-way point of the match approached they had reduced their deficit to a single IMP.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Bertheau</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Larsson</i>	<i>Brock</i>
1♣*	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♣*	Pass
3NT	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♥	All Pass

- 1♣ 2+♣
- 3♣ Shortage
- 3NT 4♥
- 4NT RKCB
- 5♥ 2 key cards

There was nothing to the play, declarer taking the lead of the ♠6 with dummy's ace and drawing trumps, +980.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Fawcett</i>	<i>Ovelius</i>	<i>Draper</i>	<i>Clementsson</i>
1♣*	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♥	Pass	2NT*	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♠*	Pass
4♣*	Pass	4♦*	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

- 1♣ 2+♣

2NT was clearly forcing, and presumably 3♥ confirmed possession of a fourth card in the suit. After what looks like an exchange of cue bids West was unwilling to go past game, +480 and an 11 IMP loss.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Bertheau</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Larsson</i>	<i>Brock</i>
—	Pass	Pass	2♣*
Pass	2♦*	Pass	2♥
Pass	2♠*	Pass	3♠*
Pass	3NT	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

- 2♦ Waiting
- 2♥ Kokish
- 2♠ Kokish
- 3♠ ♥+♠

There is a good case for South to pass 3NT.

West led the ♥10 and declarer won with the ace and played the ♠Q, West taking the ace and returning the ♥9. Declarer won, drew the outstanding trump and after cashing two more hearts exited with the ♠3. East won and tried the ♦6 but declarer put in the queen for +620.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Fawcett</i>	<i>Ovelius</i>	<i>Draper</i>	<i>Clementsson</i>
—	Pass	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

Opening 4♥ is not without risk, but here partner did not have the cards that would have offered a play for slam.

West led the ♥10 and declarer won with the ace, played a club to the ace and a spade for the king and ace. West exited with the ♥9 and declarer could

muster only nine tricks, -100 and a loss of 12 IMPs, putting England 5 IMPs ahead.

Well done if you guessed to use dummy's entry to take a diamond finesse – and give West a mark for not making the mistake of leading the ♥2 which would have allowed declarer two bites of the cherry.

Four pairs bid 6♥ and they all made it! It was easy after the lead of the ♠A, but on the other two occasions West led the ♣Q. My guess is declarer won in dummy and played a spade to the king and ace. If West tried a second club declarer could play to ruff two spades (notice East cannot overruff) and take the diamond finesse.

Board 16. Dealer West. EW Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bertheau</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Larsson</i>	<i>Brock</i>
Pass	1♣*	Dble	1♥
Pass	1NT	Dble	2♦
All Pass			

1♣ 2+♣

West led the ♠7 and East won with the king and played three rounds of diamonds. Declarer won in dummy and played a spade and West won with the queen and switched to a heart which speeded up the play, declarer soon claiming nine tricks, +110.

If West leads a club (or an esoteric ♠Q followed by a club) the defenders should be able to set up a ruff for West's ♦J – a difficult defence to find).

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Fawcett</i>	<i>Ovelius</i>	<i>Draper</i>	<i>Clementsson</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣*	Pass
1♥	Pass	2NT	All Pass

1♣ 2+♣

South led the ♦7 for the jack, queen and ace and declarer played the ♣Q, North taking the king and switching to the ♠3. Declarer won with dummy's queen and played the ♣10 for the jack and king. Followed by a club for the eight and nine, South pitching the ♥6. North exited with the ♣6 and declarer won as South threw the ♦4. A heart saw South put up the queen and exit with the ♥10 for the jack and ace. When North returned the ♠5 declarer played low and when dummy's seven won she had arrived at eight tricks for +120 and 6 IMPs, giving England a 12.80-7.20 win over one of the favourites.



Every adventure starts with bureaucracy...



Marc Smith, Bermuda Bowl, ROUND 2

SWITZERLAND vs ITALY

With plenty of serious contenders in the field, there is likely to be a battle between two heavyweights in almost every round, and this early match brings together two of the strongest European teams in a head-to-head meeting. The large crowds watching the action live on BBO VuGraph were not disappointed as two gladiators battled it out. We begin, though, with a couple of bidding problems for you to consider. We will find out later how your choices would have worked.

What do you bid now?

Next, again with just your side vulnerable, you are North with:

♠ J 9 7 6 4 2
♥ 4
♦ Q 10 9 6
♣ 10 5

With just your side vulnerable, you are North holding

♠ 9 8 6
♥ A 9 6
♦ 6 2
♣ 9 8 6 4 2

West	North	East	South
2♣*	Pass	2♥	2♠
3♥	4♠	5♥	Dble
Pass	?		

2♣ 11-15, 6+♣ or 5+♣/4Maj

West	North	East	South
—	—	1NT	2♥*
2NT*	Pass	3♣	3♦
Pass	?		

While you consider those, we start the action on the second deal of the match, where a combination of systemic methods and Italian aggression at both tables produced the first swing of the encounter.

- 1NT 15-17
- 2♥ Hearts and a minor
- 2NT Lebensohl



Board 18. Dealer East. NS Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Gawrys</i>	<i>Versace</i>
—	—	1NT	2♥*
2NT*	Pass	3♣	3♦
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

Alfredo Versace's 2♥ overcall of East's strong no-trump opening showed hearts and a minor. Michel Klukowski's 2NT was Lebensohl, suggesting that he was intending just to compete to 3♣. When Versace then took a second bid at adverse vulnerability at the three-level, Lorenzo Lauria was faced with the first of the bidding problems detailed above. Despite holding only a single honour card in a fairly shapeless hand, Lauria took his partner seriously and jumped to game. Well judged!

There was little to the play. Versace won the spade lead, crossed to dummy with the ♥A, and successfully took the diamond finesse. Cashing the ♥K broke the defenders' trumps, and a diamond ruff with dummy's remaining heart established that suit. Declarer lost just one trick in each major: N/S +650.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Madala</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Duboin</i>	<i>Brink</i>
—	—	1NT	2♦*
3NT	All Pass		

East also opened 1NT in the replay, but methods dictated that Sjoert Brink start with 2♦, showing diamonds and a major. Where Klukowski had settled for competing in his minor at the three-level, Agustin Madala jumped to 3NT on his 8-count, despite holding no stop in diamonds or either major. Clearly, North could not even contemplate bidding, and one can hardly blame Brink for not taking a second bid after this development.

Brink correctly began the defence by cashing the ♦A, and he was thus able to continue with a low

diamond at trick two, bringing down declarer's king. Duboin could cash his club winners but that was it, the defenders had the rest of the tricks as soon as they regained the lead. N/S +150 but still 11 IMPs and first blood to ITALY.

The crowd of more than 2500 kibitzers watching the match live on BBO VuGraph did not have to wait long for the next swing, although this time the auction was identical at both tables:

Board 20. Dealer West. Both Vul.

♠ 8 5 ♥ K J 5 4 ♦ 10 7 6 4 ♣ 9 8 3		♠ K 10 9 4 ♥ 7 6 3 2 ♦ K Q 9 ♣ J 2	♠ A 7 6 3 ♥ Q 8 ♦ J 8 ♣ A K 6 5 4
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West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Gawrys</i>	<i>Versace</i>
<i>Madala</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Duboin</i>	<i>Brink</i>
1NT	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Both West players declared 4♠ after a Stayman auction. Declarer appears to have three top tricks and a trump to lose but the defenders have to be quick. With little to guide him, Bas Drijver fished out the ♦6 as his opening lead. Many declarers would have played low from dummy, but Madala played a thoughtful king, disguising the position in the suit. Brink took the ♦A, and now needs to switch immediately to hearts. When he instead tried his luck in clubs, Madala was in with a chance. He won with the ♣A, cashed the ♦J, crossed to dummy with the ♠K, and pitched a heart on the ♦Q. Declarer then exited with a heart. North won and continued the suit, declarer ruffing. The ♣K and a club ruff established winners in that suit, and when Madala then played a trump to the ace, that suit behaved too and he claimed, conceding just one trump trick. E/W +620.

At the other table, Lauria opened the ♣3, covered by jack, queen and ace. Klukowski immediately led the ♦8 to dummy's king, but Versace ducked. When declarer then continued with the low diamond from dummy, Versace rose with his ace and Lauria signalled with a helpful suit-preference ♦10. Versace now switched to the ♥10 and the defence collected



their two tricks in that suit. With a trump winner still to come, that was one down: E/W -100 and another 12 IMPs to ITALY.

Board 23 was a bidding challenge for the N/S pairs.

Board 23. Dealer South. Both Vul.

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

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Gawrys</i>	<i>Versace</i>
—	—	—	1♦
Pass	1NT*	Pass	2♠
Pass	2NT*	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♥	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

Lauria's 1NT response was a game-forcing relay and Versace bid out his shape, first with 2♠ then 3♣. Lauria showed diamond support and Versace now bid 3♠ (a control, or perhaps just denying anything else to say). When Lauria then cue-bid his heart control, was it clear which suit was agreed? I suspect they knew, but I leave you to draw your own conclusions as to exactly what South's 3♠ and 4♠ said about his hand.

Versace won the heart lead in dummy and played a trump, finessing to West's jack. Klukowski's heart continuation forced declarer to ruff, guaranteeing a trick for East's ♠K. Playing safely for ten tricks, Versace, crossed to the ♦A, ruffed dummy's last heart, He then cashed the ♠A and, when West showed out, he conceded two trump tricks: N/S +620.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Madala</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Duboin</i>	<i>Brink</i>
—	—	—	1♦
Pass	1♠	Pass	2NT*
Pass	3♣*	Pass	3♠*
Pass	3NT	Pass	4♣
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♥
Pass	6♦	All Pass	

The Dutch ex-pats began with two natural bids and a jump to 2NT, which showed 15+ HCP and four-card spade support. Drijver's 3♣ was now a game-forcing relay, and 3♠ showed short hearts. 3NT confirmed serious slam interest and 4♣ showed a control. Blackwood discovered that there was a key-card missing for spades but, when Drijver offered an alternative strain with his 6♦ bid, Brink was happy to accept the suggestion.

Madala knew that his opponents were missing a key-card and, of course, it might have been the ♠A, so his ♠J lead was probably the best chance the defence had to beat the contract. As it happened, of course, that picked up the suit for declarer and thus Brink was soon claiming all 13 tricks. N/S +1390 and 13 IMPs to SWITZERLAND.

A well-deserved swing for the Swiss, this deal was played in spades at 20 of the 24 tables in the BB, with some pairs going down in 6♠ and many stopping out of slam. Our next deal was a classic battle between the major suits:

Board 28. Dealer West. NS Vul.

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

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Gawrys</i>	<i>Versace</i>
2♣	Pass	2♥	2♠
3♥	4♠	5♥	Dble
Pass	5♠	All Pass	

Klukowski began with a natural, limited 2♣ opening and Piotr Gawrys bid his hearts. Versace overcalled in spades and Klukowski bid a competitive 3♥. With six-card spade support and very few points, everyone would probably jump to 4♠ on the North cards. Today's second bidding problem then rears its ugly head when East bids a fifth heart and your partner doubles.

We all know that the five-level belongs to the opponents, but it would be a brave man who defended 5♥-X with this hand after partner had overcalled in

spades. Lorenzo Lauria duly took out the insurance, effectively swapping +100 for a similar minus, as both five-level contracts are off a cashing Ace-King and the ace of trumps. N/S -100

In the other room, the Italians managed to get themselves overboard without being pushed.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Madala</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Duboin</i>	<i>Brink</i>
1NT	Pass	4♣	Dble
4♥	4♠	4NT	Pass
5♠	Pass	6♥	Dble
All Pass			

Agustin Madala started with an off-shape 1NT and Giorgio Duboin's jump to 4♣ was a transfer to hearts. Understandably, though, Brink was not prepared to go quietly. After South's double, Madala's 4♥ showed at least three-card support and, here too, North essayed 4♠. Had the Italians now found their way to 5♥, North might have been more inclined to defend after this auction, but they failed to put Drijver to the test. One assumes that Duboin's 4NT was RKCB, but quite what the 5♠ response meant is anyone's guess. It was clearly not a response for which Duboin was prepared, forced as he was to then bid a slam knowing he was off two aces. South doubled and duly collected his three top tricks: N/S +300 and 9 IMPs to SWITZERLAND


Having one accident with Blackwood is perhaps unfortunate. Two, though...

When the penultimate board was placed on the table, the Swiss led 33-32.



Bas Drijver

Board 31. Dealer South. NS Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Madala</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Duboin</i>	<i>Brink</i>
2♣*	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2♥*	Pass	2♠*	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♥	Pass
4♠	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♠	All Pass		

Madala opened a strong/artificial 2♣, and his 2♥ was then the Kokish convention, forcing 2♠ so that he could show a balanced 24+ with his 2NT rebid. Duboin transferred to spades and Madala broke to 4♣, showing a control with at least three-card spade support. It is unclear whether Duboin's 4♥ is then a cue-bid or a re-transfer, but I suspect the latter in light of Madala's 4♠ bid.

Perhaps Duboin should then advance with 5♥, pinpointing the diamond weakness, but he preferred to roll out Blackwood from the weak side. Madala responded 5♠ and Duboin simply forgot something that we all knew many years ago, but in 40 years it has never happened. In a panic at finding three key cards were missing, Duboin hastily passed 5♠. Of course, though, 5♠ shows two or five plus the trump queen. Has it ever come up at the table before? I don't remember it happening for sure. The Italians were, thus, one of only two pairs in the 24-table Bermuda Bowl fields not to reach slam. E/W +510 but, believe it or not, every Italian cloud really does have a silver lining.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Gawrys</i>	<i>Versace</i>
1♣*	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♥	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♦	Pass
5NT	Pass	6♣	Pass
6♥	Pass	7♠	All Pass

The 1♣ opening was Polish (clubs, weak no-trump, or any 17+) and the 1♠ response was a natural positive. Klukowski showed the strong hand with a spade fit, and Gawrys jumped to show a sixth spade and confirm the suit as trumps. A couple of cue-bids and some advanced Blackwood then propelled the pair to the grand slam.

South led a diamond, removing a crucial entry from dummy. Declarer has one discard on the third round of clubs, so he needs to establish one long heart to take care of the other diamond. After winning with the ♠A, though, Gawrys immediately drew all three of South's trumps. When he then set about hearts, he had only one outside entry left in dummy. The 4-2 heart break meant that he could no longer both set up the thirteenth heart and get back to dummy to cash it. E/W -50 and a rather bizarre 11 IMPs to ITALY.

Eight pairs (out of 24 in the BB) reached the grand slam, six of them making 13 tricks. If hearts are breaking 5-1, then you will surely go down whatever you do. It cannot cost, therefore, to cash two high hearts and ruff the third round with the ♠J before drawing the third round of trumps. You can then return to dummy with the third high spade, and ruff a fourth round of hearts. The club suit then provides access to the long heart winner, and away go declarer's diamond losers.

With a mixture of good bridge and good fortune, Italy emerges with victory by 43-34. Doubtless, we will



Alfredo Versace

be seeing plenty more of these two teams, and I think it is probably safe to say both will be in contention when we approach the pointy end of the tournament.



Giorgio Duboin

RESULTS

BERMUDA BOWL

Round	Team 1	Team 2	W	L	TS	BS
Round 1	ARGENTINA	NEW ZEALAND	18	76	0.15	19.85
	EGYPT	SWITZERLAND	23	36	6.48	13.52
	UAE	ITALY	11	18	7.97	12.03
	URUGUAY	SWEDEN	43	31	13.28	6.72
	GUADELOUPE	USA 2	4	41	2.28	17.72
	SINGAPORE	CANADA	11	42	3.12	16.88
	ISRAEL	CHINA HONG KONG	38	29	12.55	7.45
	DENMARK	ENGLAND	22	23	9.69	10.31
	BULGARIA	USA 1	22	30	7.71	12.29
	AUSTRALIA	NORWAY	29	25	11.2	8.8
	NETHERLANDS	SOUTH AFRICA	26	25	10.31	9.69
	HUNGARY	INDIA	42	31	13.04	6.96
	Round 2	ISRAEL	ARGENTINA	45	20	15.92
DENMARK		EGYPT	35	19	13.68	5.32
AUSTRALIA		UAE	47	22	15.92	4.08
NETHERLANDS		URUGUAY	63	29	17.31	2.69
INDIA		GUADELOUPE	23	19	11.20	8.80
ENGLAND		SINGAPORE	46	22	15.74	4.26
BULGARIA		SOUTH AFRICA	20	45	4.08	15.92
SWITZERLAND		ITALY	34	43	7.45	12.55
CHINA HONG KONG		CANADA	46	32	13.75	6.25
NORWAY		SWEDEN	47	36	13.04	6.96
HUNGARY		NEW ZEALAND	42	35	12.03	7.97
USA 2		USA 1	27	20	12.03	7.97 A
Round 3		ARGENTINA	SWITZERLAND	29	70	1.79
	EGYPT	BULGARIA	42	41	10.31	9.69
	UAE	NORWAY	9	99	0.00	20.00
	URUGUAY	HUNGARY	13	55	1.67	18.33
	GUADELOUPE	USA 1	16	49	2.83	17.17
	SINGAPORE	SOUTH AFRICA	7	51	1.45	18.55
	ITALY	ENGLAND	3	19	5.58	14.42
	CHINA HONG KONG	NEW ZEALAND	50	61	6.96	13.04
	DENMARK	AUSTRALIA	64	15	19.07	0.93
	SWEDEN	NETHERLANDS	7	40	2.83	17.17
	USA 2	ISRAEL	33	39	8.24	11.76
	INDIA	CANADA	49	37	13.28	6.72

Ranking after Round 3

1		NETHERLANDS	44.79
2		SOUTH AFRICA	44.16
3		HUNGARY	43.40
4		DENMARK	42.44
5		NORWAY	41.84
6		NEW ZEALAND	40.86
7		ENGLAND	40.47
8		SWITZERLAND	40.26
9		ISRAEL	40.23
10		USA 2	37.99
11		USA 1	37.43
12		INDIA	31.44
13		ITALY	30.16
14		AUSTRALIA	29.98
15		CANADA	29.85
16		CHINA HONG KONG	28.16
17		BULGARIA	21.48
18		EGYPT	21.03
19		URUGUAY	17.64
20		SWEDEN	16.51
21		GUADELOUPE	13.91
22		UAE	10.12
23		SINGAPORE	8.83
24		ARGENTINA	6.02

VENICE CUP

Round	Team 1	Team 2	W	L	TS	BS
Round 1	PORTUGAL	HUNGARY	53	30	15.56	4.44
	MOROCCO	ITALY	44	30	13.75	6.25
	UAE	INDIA	40	23	14.39	5.61
	EGYPT	BELGIUM	15	39	4.26	15.74
	GERMANY	USA 2	14	40	3.91	16.09
	AUSTRALIA	SPAIN	31	48	5.61	14.39
	ARGENTINA	POLAND	16	45	3.42	16.58
	NORWAY	DENMARK	30	38	7.71	12.29
	FRANCE	SCOTLAND	40	41	9.69	10.31
	CANADA	TURKEY	48	28	14.90	4.90
	BRAZIL	USA 1	10	46	2.41	17.59
	ENGLAND	SWEDEN	36	26	12.80	7.20
	Round 2	GERMANY	PORTUGAL	46	45	10.31
USA 2		MOROCCO	43	33	12.60	7.00
BRAZIL		UAE	42	59	5.31	14.09
DENMARK		EGYPT	92	25	20.00	0.00
AUSTRALIA		ENGLAND	11	68	0.23	19.77
SPAIN		ARGENTINA	30	19	13.04	6.96
BELGIUM		POLAND	10	50	1.91	18.09
ITALY		TURKEY	18	71	0.57	19.43
CANADA		SWEDEN	18	28	7.20	12.80
INDIA		USA 1	30	25	10.98	8.02
SCOTLAND		HUNGARY	46	27	14.80	5.20
FRANCE		NORWAY	48	11	17.72	2.28
Round 3		PORTUGAL	AUSTRALIA	26	32	8.24
	MOROCCO	ENGLAND	45	48	9.09	10.91
	UAE	SCOTLAND	18	51	2.83	17.17
	EGYPT	POLAND	18	88	0.00	20.00
	SPAIN	FRANCE	50	28	15.38	4.62
	ARGENTINA	ITALY	17	18	9.69	10.31
	DENMARK	TURKEY	53	27	16.09	3.91
	CANADA	BELGIUM	77	45	17.03	2.97
	INDIA	NORWAY	27	73	1.23	18.77
	BRAZIL	HUNGARY	9	44	2.55	17.45
	SWEDEN	GERMANY	45	12	17.17	2.83
	USA 2	USA 1	47	35	13.28	6.72

Ranking after Round 3

1		POLAND	54.67
2		DENMARK	48.38
3		ENGLAND	43.48
4		SPAIN	42.81
5		SCOTLAND	42.28
6		USA 2	41.97
7		CANADA	39.13
8		SWEDEN	37.17
9		PORTUGAL	33.49
10		USA 1	32.33
11		FRANCE	32.03
12		UAE	31.31
13		MOROCCO	29.84
14		NORWAY	28.76
15		TURKEY	28.66
16		HUNGARY	27.09
17		BELGIUM	20.62
18		ARGENTINA	20.07
19		INDIA	17.82
20		AUSTRALIA	17.60
21		GERMANY	17.05
22		ITALY	16.71
23		BRAZIL	10.27
24		EGYPT	4.26



RESULTS

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Round	Country 1	Country 2	Score 1	Score 2	Score 3	Score 4
Round 1	GUADELOUPE	BRAZIL	23	32	7.45	12.55
	EGYPT	ARGENTINA	18	64	1.23	18.77
	PAKISTAN	BELGIUM	24	39	6.03	13.97
	MOROCCO	SWEDEN	40	20	15.00	5.00
	NORWAY	USA 1	17	46	3.42	16.58
	GERMANY	ICELAND	37	20	14.39	5.61
	AUSTRALIA	USA 2	13	62	0.43	18.57
	DENMARK	FRANCE	22	16	11.76	8.24
	POLAND	TURKEY	62	26	17.59	2.41
	NETHERLANDS	ITALY	20	29	7.45	12.55
	INDIA	CANADA	32	37	8.52	11.48
	BULGARIA	ENGLAND	19	28	7.45	12.55
	Round 2	NORWAY	GUADELOUPE	69	2	20.00
USA 1		EGYPT	60	38	15.38	4.62
INDIA		PAKISTAN	49	34	13.97	6.03
ENGLAND		MOROCCO	68	16	19.34	0.66
GERMANY		DENMARK	29	37	7.71	12.29
ICELAND		AUSTRALIA	8	53	1.34	18.66
ARGENTINA		ITALY	16	26	7.20	12.80
POLAND		BULGARIA	39	33	11.76	7.64
NETHERLANDS		FRANCE	23	36	6.48	13.52
BELGIUM		CANADA	21	48	3.74	16.26
TURKEY		BRAZIL	41	48	7.97	12.03
SWEDEN		USA 2	65	19	18.77	1.23
Round 3		GUADELOUPE	GERMANY	23	62	2.03
	EGYPT	DENMARK	27	64	2.28	17.72
	PAKISTAN	TURKEY	85	5	20.00	0.00
	MOROCCO	USA 2	47	44	10.91	9.09
	ICELAND	POLAND	24	32	7.71	12.29
	AUSTRALIA	ARGENTINA	29	54	4.08	15.92
	USA 1	CANADA	61	14	18.87	1.13
	NETHERLANDS	SWEDEN	34	11	15.56	4.44
	BELGIUM	BULGARIA	21	40	5.20	14.80
	INDIA	BRAZIL	62	16	18.77	1.23
	FRANCE	NORWAY	52	19	17.17	2.83
	ENGLAND	ITALY	27	50	4.44	15.56

Ranking after Round 3

1		USA 1	50.83
2		INDIA	43.05
3		DENMARK	41.77
4		ARGENTINA	41.65
5		POLAND	41.64
6		ITALY	41.15
7		GERMANY	40.07
8		FRANCE	38.93
9		ENGLAND	36.33
10		PAKISTAN	32.06
11		BULGARIA	29.89
12		NETHERLANDS	29.49
13		USA 2	28.89
14		SWEDEN	28.21
15		CANADA	27.08
16		MOROCCO	26.57
17		NORWAY	26.25
18		BRAZIL	25.81
19		AUSTRALIA	23.17
20		BELGIUM	22.91
21		ICELAND	14.66
22		TURKEY	10.38
23		GUADELOUPE	9.48
24		EGYPT	8.13

WUHAN CUP

Round	Country 1	Country 2	Score 1	Score 2	Score 3	Score 4
Round 1	GUATEMALA	PORTUGAL	24	55	3.12	16.88
	TUNISIA	ITALY	15	23	7.71	12.29
	JORDAN	CHILE	39	25	13.75	6.25
	EGYPT	CROATIA	16	34	5.40	14.60
	TURKEY	USA 2	34	24	12.80	7.20
	LATVIA	INDIA	16	26	6.60	12.80
	NETHERLANDS	ROMANIA	24	44	5.00	15.00
	FRANCE	SINGAPORE	38	27	13.04	6.96
	DENMARK	ISRAEL	31	35	8.80	11.20
	BELGIUM	ARGENTINA	42	40	10.61	9.39
	POLAND	AUSTRALIA	30	30	10.00	10.00
	GERMANY	USA 1	34	12	15.38	4.62
	Round 2	TURKEY	GUATEMALA	15	33	5.40
USA 2		TUNISIA	75	7	20.00	0.00
POLAND		JORDAN	61	22	17.97	2.03
ROMANIA		EGYPT	52	10	18.33	1.67
CROATIA		USA 1	30	53	4.44	15.56
INDIA		GERMANY	6	45	2.03	17.97
ITALY		ARGENTINA	72	17	19.61	0.39
DENMARK		NETHERLANDS	23	49	3.91	16.09
BELGIUM		SINGAPORE	58	5	19.43	0.57
CHILE		AUSTRALIA	29	60	3.12	16.88
ISRAEL		PORTUGAL	39	30	12.55	7.45
LATVIA		FRANCE	28	29	9.69	10.31
Round 3		GUATEMALA	LATVIA	0	104	0.00
	TUNISIA	FRANCE	17	105	0.00	20.00
	JORDAN	ISRAEL	13	27	6.25	13.75
	EGYPT	USA 1	22	55	2.83	17.17
	INDIA	DENMARK	27	32	8.52	11.48
	ROMANIA	ARGENTINA	62	39	15.56	4.44
	USA 2	AUSTRALIA	32	34	9.39	10.61
	BELGIUM	CROATIA	17	21	8.80	11.20
	CHILE	NETHERLANDS	38	49	6.96	13.04
	POLAND	PORTUGAL	32	29	10.91	9.09
	SINGAPORE	TURKEY	8	34	3.91	16.09
	GERMANY	ITALY	39	41	9.39	10.61

Ranking after Round 3

1		ROMANIA	48.89
2		FRANCE	43.35
3		GERMANY	42.74
4		ITALY	42.51
5		POLAND	38.88
6		BELGIUM	38.84
7		ISRAEL	37.50
8		AUSTRALIA	37.49
9		USA 1	37.35
10		USA 2	36.59
11		LATVIA	36.29
12		TURKEY	34.29
13		NETHERLANDS	34.13
14		PORTUGAL	33.42
15		CROATIA	30.24
16		DENMARK	24.19
17		INDIA	23.35
18		JORDAN	22.03
19		GUATEMALA	17.72
20		CHILE	16.33
21		ARGENTINA	14.22
22		SINGAPORE	11.44
23		EGYPT	9.90
24		TUNISIA	7.71