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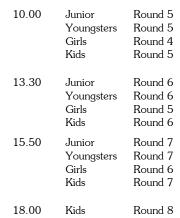
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From the Opening Ceremony The 17th Hengtong World Youth Bridge Team Championships are declared open.

One Down, Nine to Go.

Each event is approximately one-fifth of the way through the qualifying section.

In the Juniors, USA1 was the only team to win all four of its matches, gaining nearly 87 percent of the victory points. India is about half a match behind, with Sweden third.

In the Youngsters, three teams won all of their matches, Israel, Poland and Italy, There is then more than half a match to Sweden in fourth.

The Girls played only three rounds yesterday. Five teams won all of them; in order, the Netherlands, France, Turkey, China and England.

The Kids event was dominated by Canada on the first day. The only team to win all four matches, finishing nearly a match clear of Germany, with Norway third.

But as mentioned elsewhere in this bulletin, it is very early days.









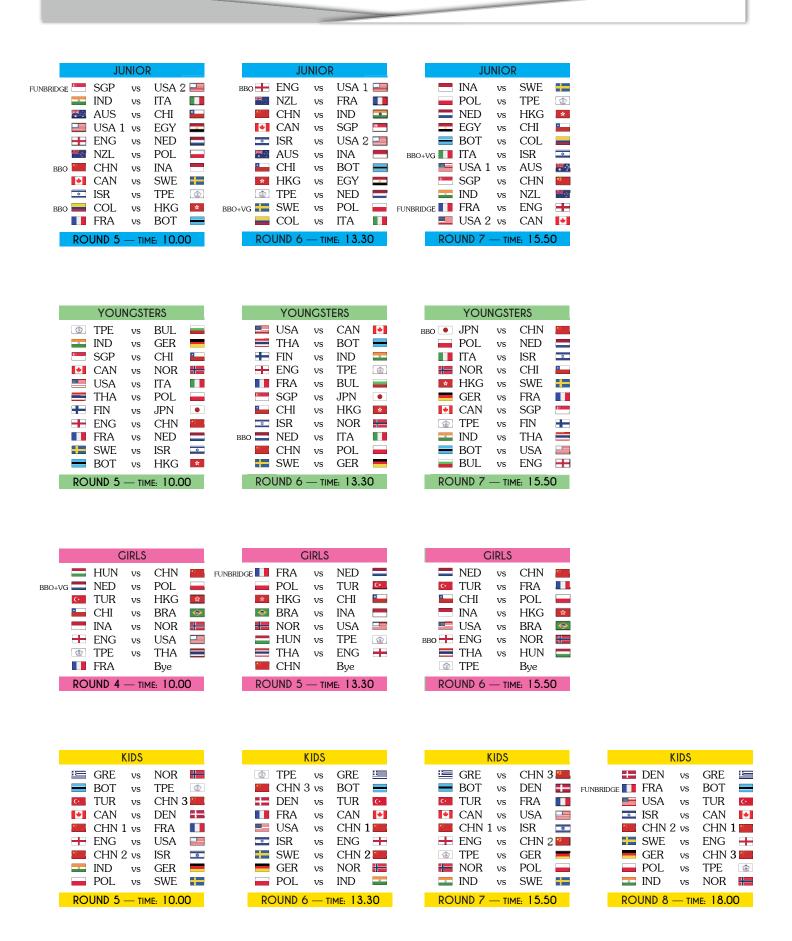








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FROM THE OPENING CEREMONY...

WBF NEW MEDALLISTS



During the Opening Ceremony, the WBF President Gianarrigo Rona awarded WBF 60th Anniversary medals to Mr. Zhu Guoping, Director General of the Board and Card Games Administration Mr. Li Ming, Mayor of Wujiang, Mr. Yang Yiming Director Jangsu Sport Bureau, and Mrs. Zhou Zhifang Director of Suzhou Sport Bureau (pictured from left to right).

WINNERS OF THE 1ST WBF YOUTH ONLINE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP



Winners in the Junior series — Egypt



Winners in the Kids series — China

The winners and runners-up of the 1st WBF Youth Online Team Championship were awarded. The Junior winners were Egypt (Ahmed Ashraf, Karim Ashraf, Marwan Awny, Abdelrahman Khamis, Ahmed Nasser, Omar Shaheen, Youssef Roushdy npc) ahead of Italy (Agnese Di Mauro, Andrea Manganella, Irene Montalti, Giacomo Percario, Roberto Sau, Sebastiano Scatà, Dario Attanasio npc). The one-two in the Kids were China (Miao Jiezhen, Tang Leyan, Song Ruiyang, Zhang Tianyi, Fu Tianxiang, Cheng Weizhe, Jin Yifu, Ai Yucheng, Zhao Bing npc, Yang Jianzhong coach) and England (Jasmine Bakhshi, Roland Bourne, Dido Coley, Andrew Cope, Jamie Fegarty, Liam Fegarty, Henry Rose, Oscar Selby, Giorgio Provenza npc, Laura Porro coach).



Runners-up in the Junior series — Italy



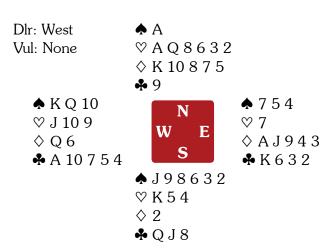
Runners-up in the Kids series — England





INSTANTLY IN MIDSEASON FORM

It has been pointed out that players tend to be more careless on the first and last boards of each session than on the other deals. The brain isn't working fully at the start, and the desire to score distracts at the end. But that clearly does not apply to Giovanni Donati from Italy. This was the first board of round one, rotated to make him South:



West	North	East	South
Devik	Porta	Curran	Donati
1♣	2NT (a)	Pass	3 %
Pass	4♡	All Pass	

(a) At least 5-5 in the red suits

Arne Osnes Devik from Norway led the spade king to dummy's ace.

Declarer led the club nine to the jack and ace. West shifted to the heart jack. South took that with his king and played a diamond to the seven. East took that trick and returned a spade, ruffed in the dummy.



Now declarer made the key play, leading dummy's diamond king. He ruffed away East's ace, drew trumps and conceded one diamond to East's jack. Donati lost only one club and two diamonds.

How did Donati find this play? Because he was on the same side of the screen as East, who had paused noticeably over four hearts. Clearly, he was thinking about making a penalty double. The only reason to justify that would be good diamonds.

Finally, though, did you notice the tough defense that Carl-Otto Curran (East) missed? He would have defeated the contract if he had not covered the diamond king with his ace. Then, if declarer drew trumps, he would have lost one club and three diamonds. Or if he had persevered with another diamond, West would have overruffed declarer.







TIPS FROM THE TOP

The learning curve

One of the best aspects of any Junior Championship is the tremendous enthusiasm that is shown by all the competitors. These major events bring together players from every corner of the globe and offer an opportunity to gather invaluable experience.

Looking back to the days when I first started to play bridge (no Internet and Nottingham Forest were the kings of Europe), I soon learnt that in order to make progress you had to listen carefully to the wise advice of strong players.

This story is about one such piece of information handed down to me by England's Tony Sowter.

At the end of last month, the first major event of the ACBL's Summer Nationals in Atlanta was the Grand National Teams.

Have a look at this hand from the second session of the final between Spector and Donn:

Dealer South. EW Vul.

- ♠ AJ964
- ♥ 865
- ♦ J 7 4
- ♣ K 2

In both rooms your partner opens $2\clubsuit$, Precision style, promising a six-card suit and 11-15 points. You respond with a non-forcing $2\spadesuit$ and partner raises to $3\spadesuit$. Your bid.

In one room, North passed; in the other, he advanced to $4 \spadesuit$. Who do you think was right?

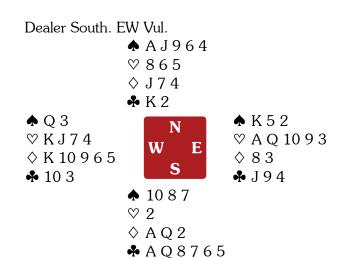
The Kaplan-Rubens hand evaluator rates North's collection at 8.90, while Danny Kleinman's evaluation is 8+. If you could be sure partner held a maximum, then you would probably take a shot at game, after all, your •K must be a great card. However, there are plenty of hands where partner won't be maximum. Is there anything else that can help you to make your decision?

This is where Tony Sowter's advice comes in.

If you have a five-card major and partner supports it, the fifth card in the suit acquires a significant extra value; roughly speaking, it becomes worth 3 points, the value of an extra king.

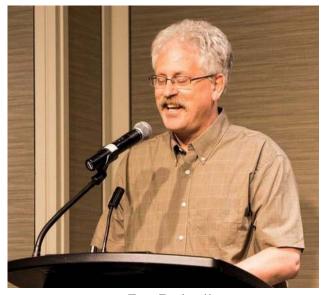
That makes the North hand worth around 12 points, and with an opening bid opposite an opening bid, it is a sound idea to make sure you bid a game, which is perhaps why Eric Rodwell bid $4 \spadesuit$.

This was the full deal:



East led the $\diamondsuit 8$, and when declarer played low from dummy, West won with the king and returned the $\diamondsuit 10$. Declarer won in dummy and tabled the $\spadesuit 10$. When West followed with the three, North thought for a while before running it. East won with the king and underled his hearts so that his partner could get in and deliver a diamond ruff to defeat the game.

Despite the result, I'm sure this is a game you would like to be in.



Eric Rodwell





FRANCE VS USA

YOUNGSTERS - ROUND 1

There are ten days of play, so the first round is hardly critical. However, making a good start is psychologically helpful. The Youngsters match between France and the United States, two teams expected to contest for the medals, was a good example.

But before we get to the action, here are two bidding problems.

1. With only the opponents vulnerable, you hold:

♠ 8 4 ♡ A Q J 6 3

♣ Q 10 9 6 5 4

The auction begins like this:

West	North	East	South
Opener	You	Responder	Partner
		Pass	Pass
$1 \diamondsuit$	2NT (a)	Dble	3♣
3♡	Pass	3♠	Pass
4 ♠	??		

(a) At least 5-5 in hearts and clubs

What would you do now?

2. With neither side vulnerable, you are dealt:

♣ --♡ A Q 6 2♦ A Q 10 9 6♣ J 10 8 4

West	North	East	South
Responder	You	Opener	Partner
		1♣	Pass
1 ♠	Dble	2 (a)	3♡
4♠	??		

(a) Four-card support

What is your decision?

There was a quiet start, France leading by 3-1 after four boards. Then a French bidding misunderstanding cost 11 imps. Board 6 also featured a big swing.

Dlr: East Vul: E-W	♦ 8 4 ♡ A Q J 6 3 ◇ ♣ Q 10 9 6 5	4
♠ A Q J 2 ♡ K 10 9 2 ◇ A Q J 6 ♣ 8	W E S	★ K 7 3♡ 8 7 5 4◇ 5 3♣ A K 7 2
	♠ 10 9 6 5 ♡	
	⋄ K 10 9 8 7 ♣ J 3	4 2

West	North	East	South
Basler	Huang	Bellicaud	Xiao
		Pass	3♦
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

This was a normal result, Raphael Basler taking nine tricks via four spades, three diamonds and two clubs.

At the other table, Arthur Boulin might have been the only player to pass with that South hand:

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Duffie	Guillemin	Wan	Boulin
		Pass	Pass
$1 \diamondsuit$	2NT (a)	Dble	3♣
3♡	Pass	3♠	Pass
4 ^	5♣	Dble	All Pass

(a) At least 5-5 in hearts and clubs

North's Unusual Notrump picked off his opponents' 4-4 heart fit.

If Cornelius Duffie had passed over three clubs, Qingin Wan would presumably have doubled that.

If not willing to pass, West might have bid three notrump, deducing that his partner had to have something in clubs for her double. As it went, East was worried that her side did not have a heart stopper, so she went for game in the 4-3 fit that rated to walk into a bad trump break.



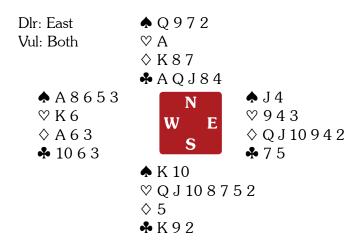
If North had doubled, asking for an unusual lead, the defense would presumably have gone: diamond ruff, heart ace, heart ruff, diamond ruff, heart ruff for down two.

But North fell from grace, bidding five clubs. East happily doubled.

West led a trump. East won and returned a spade. When West played three rounds of the suit, declarer ruffed in the dummy, trumped a heart in his hand, ruffed his last spade with the club ten (East discarded a diamond) and led the club queen. East took that trick and shifted to a diamond. South ruffed in the dummy, cashed the club nine and took the heart ace, but conceded the balance to go down five, minus 1100 and another 11 imps to USA, now ahead by 23-3.

However, it was not quite so simple. When West bid three hearts, he told South that he was showing a heart stopper and asking for a club stopper. But East told North that West was asking for a heart stopper. So, North, thinking his partner had the heart king, was emboldened to bid five clubs. The Tournament Director was called and polled five experts, none of whom bid five clubs. It was agreed that given the explanations, North should have been optimistic about defeating four spades. The result stood.

Over the next three boards, USA gained 1 overtrick imp. This was Board 10:



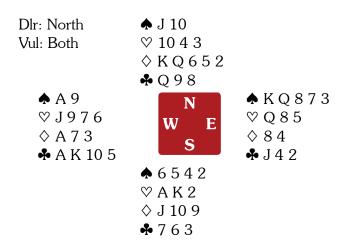
West	North	East	South
Basler	Huang	Bellicaud	Xiao
Duffie	Guillemin	Wan	Boulin
		Pass	3♡
Pass	4♡	All Pass	

At both tables, West led a club. The declarers won, unblocked the heart ace and played a spade to the king and ace. In the Open Room, Basler led another club. To make now, South had to take dummy's spade queen, dropping the jack, and continue with the high spade nine. However, he immediately led the heart jack. West won with the king, cashed the diamond ace

and gave his partner a club ruff for down one.

At the other table, West tried a low diamond at trick four. Boulin won with dummy's king, ruffed a diamond and led the heart queen to end with eleven tricks and 13 imps to France. The score was 24-16 to USA.

The next two deals gave an overtrick imp to USA. Then came Board 13.



Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Basler	Huang	Bellicaud	Xiao
	Pass	Pass	1♦! (a)
	1NT	$2 \diamondsuit$	2 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

(a) Two-plus diamonds, 11-15 points

What an incredible opening bid, especially vulnerable, by Brent Xiao. And it seemed to have backfired when the opponents stopped in a safe two spades making four. Even though four spades was theoretically unbeatable, most teams were going down in three notrump after this auction:

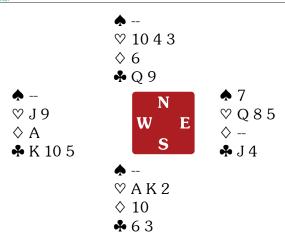
Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
Duffie	Guillemin	Wan	Boulin
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1NT	Pass	2 %	Pass
2♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

North led a low diamond. Declarer ducked the first two rounds, then South found the best play with a shift to the club seven. (If South leads a third diamond, in theory declarer can run the spades to strip squeeze South, but no one did in the youngsters.)

Duffie won with his ace and ran the spades to bring about this position...

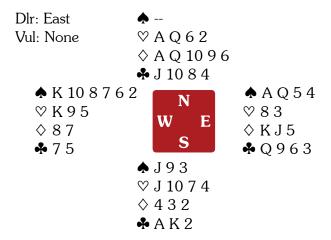




On the last spade, South made the subtle error of discarding a club instead of the heart two.

Duffie discarded the heart nine, then, reading the position perfectly, led the club jack to his king, cashed the diamond ace and exited with the heart jack. South had to concede the last trick to the heart queen. Brilliant!

Minus 170 and plus 600 gave USA 10 imps. This was the final board of the match:



Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Basler	Huang	Bellicaud	Xiao
		1♣	Pass
1 ^	Dble	2 4	3♡
4♠	5♡	All Pass	

Closed Room:

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West	North	East	South
Duffie	Guillemin	Wan	Boulin
		1♣	Pass
1 ♠	Dble	2♠ (a)	3♡
3♠	4♡	Pass	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Dble
Pass	Pass	Pass	

(a) Four-card support



Bidding like Duffie usually isn't recommended. If you are willing to bid four spades, get there immediately, so that the opponents cannot exchange more information.

Four spades doubled lost the obvious five tricks: two hearts, one diamond and two clubs.

In the Open Room, Kevin Huang understandably bid five hearts, given his partner's free three-heart advance. (I like to play in this type of situation that double by North says he wants to bid five hearts, but just in case South has a good reason to believe that is not right, he may pass, as he presumably would have done here.)

Five hearts looked doomed, but after ruffing the spade lead in the dummy, a club to the ace and a diamond to the ten, East accidentally pulled the wrong card, winning with his king instead of the jack. So South could win the next trick with his club king, draw trumps with the aid of the finesse and 3-3 break, then run the diamonds.

Plus 450 and minus 300 gave USA 4 imps and a match win by 39 imps to 16, which converted into 15.85-4.15 in victory points.







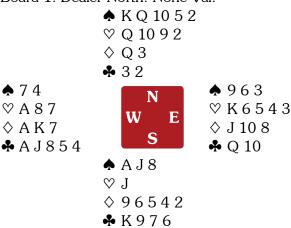
SWEDEN VS ISRAEL

JUNIORS - ROUND 2

The ruffing finesses

Both Israel and Sweden were off to a flying start in the juniors series when they managed to win against England and USA 2 in their first matches of this championship. Both teams must be considered as serious medal contenders and it would be interesting to see how the match would go.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.



Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Asulin	O Rimstedt	Levi	M Rimstedt
	2♠	Pass	4♠
Dble	Pass	Pass	Pass

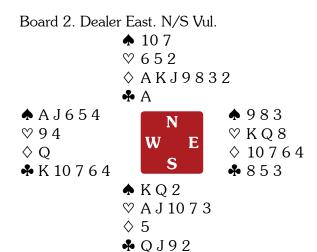
The aggressive 4 stood no chance to make. West punished the Swedes even more when she decided to double the contract and then Levi did very well to pass. East led a heart and declarer finally escaped with two down for 300 to E-W when declarer managed to score six tricks in trumps and two hearts.

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
I Grönkvist	Zamir	M Grönkvist	Toledano
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1NT	Pass	$2 \diamondsuit$	Pass
2♡	Pass	Pass	Dbl
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	Pass
3♡	3♠	All Pass	

The play went the same way in the Closed Room, the big difference being that the Israelis were one level lower and were not doubled. Still one down, but first 6 IMPs to Israel who were off with a flying start of the match.

But things was about to change ...



Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Asulin	O Rimstedt	Levi	M Rimstedt
		Pass	1 %
$2 \heartsuit^*$	4 \&O*	4♠	Pass
Pass	5♦	Pass	5♡
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Asulin–Levi did well to push the Swedish twins up to the five-level, since 4♥ was a cold contract. After much thought Asulin decided to cash the ace of spades, which turned out to be fatal for the defence, and switched to a club. Mikael Rimstedt won with the ace of clubs in dummy and immediately played a heart to the jack when East followed with the eight. When the jack held, declarer cashed the ace of hearts and continued with a diamond to dummy. When the queen arrived from West, declarer could claim his eleven tricks. It would have been interesting to see what declarer would have managed to do with either the queen of diamonds or a club as the opening lead.

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
I Grönkvist	Zamir	M Grönkvist	Toledano
		Pass	1 %
2♡*	3♣*	Pass	3♦
Pass	3♡	All Pass	

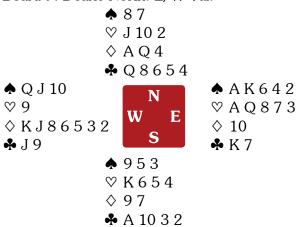
In the Closed Room, Zamir-Toledano stopped in 3♥. Ida Grönkvist kicked off with her singleton queen



of diamonds. A heart to the queen and declarer's ace followed. Declarer set the jack of clubs by a ruffing finesse (West covered and dummy ruffed), played a spade to the queen and ruffed his last spade. When diamonds were 4-1, he had no way to get back to his hand to pull the outstanding trumps and had to concede two more tricks for a total of ten.

Only 2 imps were shared during the next six boards, both going to Sweden from overtricks. Then came:

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.



Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Asulin	O Rimstedt	Levi	M Rimstedt
	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ^	Pass	4 ♠	All Pass

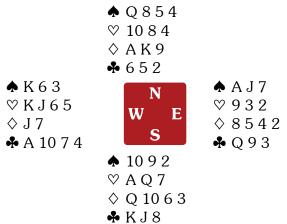
Levi got a trump lead from South. Declarer won in dummy and played a heart to the ace. A diamond to the king and North's ace followed. When North led back another evil trump, not letting declarer ruff her hearts, declarer won in dummy with the jack and tried to ruff diamonds good. Ruffing the two of diamonds wasn't right, when the queen didn't show up. (A ruffing finesse by leading the jack of diamonds would have worked well.) Levi now ruffed a heart and tried a club to the king and South's ace. Another club followed to North's queen. North exited with a heart, and declarer managed to escape for one down in the cold game when it could have been three down if North had managed to play the queen of diamonds at that point.

Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
I Grönkvist	Zamir	M Grönkvist	Toledano
	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
1NT*	Pass	2♣*	Pass
3♠*	Pass	4 ♠	All Pass

Bridge is sometime really amazing. Declarer in the Open Room could have been three down in his contract. In the Closed Room. Mikel Grönkvist got a heart lead, which went to the nine, ten and queen. Declarer cashed the ace of hearts and pitched a club from dummy, then ruffed a heart in dummy. When declarer called for a diamond from dummy, North smoothly followed low, allowing declarer to win with his ten. Another heart ruff followed, setting up declarer's last heart. Grönkvist then cashed the queen of spades and called for the jack of clubs. North again followed low smoothly and South won with the ace, which was the only trick the defense managed to get, since declarer's hand was now high. That was a difference of six tricks in the same contract between the two tables. Amazing ... In the scoresheet we noted another 13 imps to Sweden.

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.



Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Asulin	O Rimstedt	Levi	M Rimstedt
1♣	Pass	$1 \diamondsuit$	Pass
$1 \heartsuit$	Pass	1NT	All Pass

Declarer got a spade led straight into her ace-jack. Declarer tried the queen of clubs, South covered with the king and dummy's ace won. A second club to the nine and jack followed, and South continued the defense with a passive spade. Declarer rose with the king from dummy and cashed the ten of clubs. When all followed, he also cashed the seven of clubs. The problem was that declarer now had to use her last entry to hand in spades to play a heart towards the king for the seventh trick. When South jumped up with the ace and switched to a diamond, the defense could claim one spade, one heart, four diamonds and one club for one down. Declarer needed to win the second round of spades in hand with the ace and lead a heart towards the king-jack to be able to make the contract and avoid this ending.



Closed Room:

West	North	East	South
I Grönkvist	Zamir	M Grönkvist	Toledano
1 ♣	Pass	1 ^	Pass
1NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

In the Closed Room, the Swedes managed to get the declaration into the other hand. North led a spade, Ida Grönkvist finessed with the jack and as in the Open Room called for the queen of clubs, which went to the king and ace. A second round of clubs followed to South's jack. Instead of returning a spade, the defense cashed out their four tricks in diamonds and exited with a spade. Then declarer could cash her two clubs and enter dummy with the ace of spades to play a heart towards her king-jack in hand. When South had both, declarer couldn't go wrong and it was just made for another 4 imps to Sweden.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ 8 2♡ 9 4♦ A Q 6 5♣ A Q 7 5 3

♠ K 9 6 5 4
♡ A K J 6
◇ 9 7

4 10 2

N W E S ♣ J 10 3♡ 7♦ J 10 2

♣ KJ9864

♠ A Q 7 ♥ Q 10 8 5 3 2 ♦ K 8 4 3

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Open Room:

West	North	East	South
Asulin	O Rimstedt	Levi	M Rimstedt
		Pass	1 %
1 ♠	Dble	2 %	3♦
3♠	5♦	All Pass	

Playing double-dummy, at first glance it looks like a question of how many down 5\$\phi\$ would go, with the ace-king-jack of hearts and both black kings offside.

West led the seven of diamonds. Mikael Rimstedt won with the ace and immediately played the four of hearts, which went to seven, ten and king. Asulin, who didn't know what to believe, finally shifted to a spade, which ran to declarer's queen.

Two rounds of trumps followed, leaving declarer in dummy. Declarer called for the nine of hearts, which ran to West jack, when East pitched a club. West was now neatly endplayed in this hopeless contract, and South, with two entries to hand, had no problem in establishing his hearts with another ruffing finesse for eleven tricks.

That was a further 11 imps to Sweden when North-South in the Closed Room elected to play in what turned out to be a hopeless 3NT, which went two down. Sweden finally won the match against Israel by 40-6, which converted to 17.63-2.37 in victory points.







NORWAY VS USA

YOUNGSTERS - ROUND 2

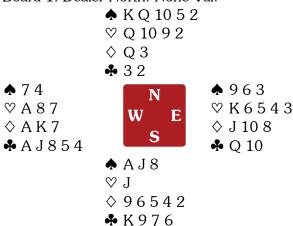
Dawn Patrol

On Wednesday, countries across Europe and the World commemorated the centenary of the battle of Amiens, which played a decisive role in bringing World War I to an end. The battle was notable because for the first time, forces on the ground, the allied tanks, could communicate with forces in the air, the Royal Air Force, via radio. The relentless advance of technology has continued ever since, which helps to explain why your far flung reporters can follow the action from the other side of the world. It also explains why we are getting up at 05.30, in time to see the sun rise and get ready for work, just about the same time that in 1918 aircraft would take off for their 'dawn patrol'.

The small BBO audience included Natalie Huang of the USA and Barre Lund from Norway -- I wonder if they are related to a couple of the players?

The internet can sometimes be a problem - this time the details of the play were sometimes sketchy.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.



Open Room

West	North	East	South
Huang	Devik	Xiao	Curran
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1NT	2 %	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

2♥ DONT: both majors

West led the $\Diamond A$ and switched to a trump, declarer taking East's nine with the jack and playing the $\heartsuit J$. East won with the king and now needed to find a club switch.

When he returned a trump, declarer won with the ace and can now play a diamond. West wins, but is

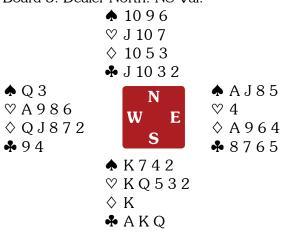
then endplayed in all three suits! However, declarer played a spade to dummy and a heart, West winning and cashing the $\Diamond K$. At this point exiting with either red suit will see declarer lose two clubs, but it seems that West cashed the $\clubsuit A$, as declarer is credited with eight tricks, plus 110.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lund	Jeng	Helgeby	Youngquist
_	Pass	Pass	$1 \diamondsuit$
1NT	Pass	2◊*	Pass
2 %	Pass	Pass	Pass

2\$ Transfer

Board 5. Dealer North. NS Vul.



Open Room

North	East	South
Devik	Xiao	Curran
Pass	Pass	2♣*
$2 \diamondsuit^*$	Pass	$2 \heartsuit^*$
4♡	All Pass	
	Devik Pass 2◊*	DevikXiaoPassPass2♦*Pass

2♣ 22+ or 8.5 tricks 2♦ Weak or waiting



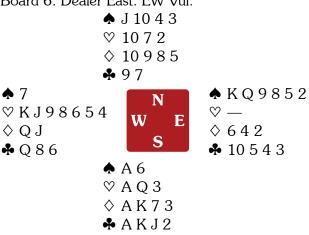
2% was alerted, but their convention card doesn't give the precise meaning. West led the $\clubsuit9$, and declarer, with no hope at all, played a heart to the jack and a heart to the queen, West winning with the ace and exiting with the $\diamondsuit7$. East took the ace and exited with a diamond and declarer inevitably finished three down, minus 300.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lund	Jeng	Helgeby	Youngquist
_	Pass	Pass	1 %
Pass	Pass	Dble	Rdbl
$2\Diamond$	2 %	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3♡	All Pass	

Here West led the $\Diamond Q$ and that gave declarer a little help, thanks to the presence of dummy's ten. East won with the ace and returned the four. If declarer throws a spade on this, he should come to eight tricks, but he ruffed, played a heart to the jack and led the ten of spades. East does best to duck this, so that West can eventually get in with the $\spadesuit Q$ and play a second trump, but East took the ace and played a third diamond. Declarer ruffed high, and can now play three rounds of clubs, again back on track for eight tricks. When he preferred the $\heartsuit K$, West took the ace and exited with a heart to dummy's ten. That ended the little game of ping-pong and declarer had to go two down, minus 200, a 3 imp pick up for the USA, tying the scores at 6-6.

Board 6. Dealer East. EW Vul.



Open Room

- 1	-		
West	North	East	South
Huang	Devik	Xiao	Curran
		2♠	Dble
Pass	2NT*	Pass	3NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

East led the AK. Declarer won with dummy's ace

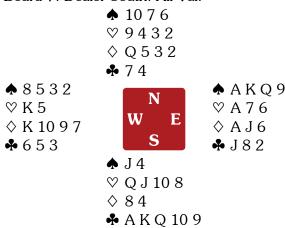
and cashed the $\Diamond K$. When the queen fell on the next round, prospects had improved somewhat. Nine tricks were already assured, and there are various ways in which declarer can arrive at more — take a good view in the club suit and West will be endplayed for eleven tricks.

Happy to get home, declarer settled for his contract, plus 400.

Closed Ro	om		
West	North	East	South
Lund	Jeng	Helgeby	Youngquist
		2 ^	Dble
Pass	2NT*	Pass	3NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Here East led the $\diamondsuit 2$ and declarer won in dummy and played the $\clubsuit 2$, West going in with the queen and returning the $\spadesuit 7$, which ran to declarer's ace. Cashing the diamond king resolved the position in that suit and declarer cashed his minor-suit winners ending in dummy and ducked a heart to West for ten tricks, plus 430 and an imp.

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.



Open Room			
West	North	East	South
Huang	Devik	Xiao	Curran
			$1 \clubsuit^*$
Pass	$1 \heartsuit$	Dble	2 %
2♠	Pass	4 ♠	All Pass

1♣ 11+, 3+♣

I like North's response, but it could not keep EW out of game. The play record is incomplete, but it looks as if the defence started with three rounds of clubs (notice that if South held $\clubsuit Jxx$, then a fourth club would promote a trump trick). If South then switched to the $\heartsuit Q$, declarer will be inclined to play North for the $\diamondsuit Q$ — he must have something for his response.

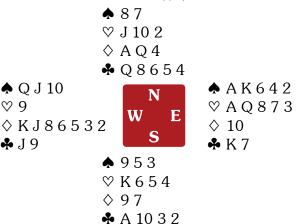


In any event declarer recorded plus 620.

Closed Ro	om		
West	North	East	South
Lund	Jeng	Helgeby	Youngquist
			1♣
Pass	Pass	Dble	Pass
1 ^	Pass	2♣*	Dble
$2 \diamondsuit$	Pass	2 4	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

South started with three top clubs, North ruffing the third round and switching to the four of hearts. Declarer won with dummy's king, drew trumps, cashed the ace of hearts, ruffed a heart and played North for the $\Diamond Q$ (perhaps because South might have opened 1NT with that card?) to flatten the board.

Board 9. Dealer North. EW Vul.



Open	Room
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West	North	East	South
Huang	Devik	Xiao	Curran
	Pass	1♣*	Pass
$1 \heartsuit^*$	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
$2\diamondsuit$	Pass	2♡	Pass
2 ^	Pass	3♠	Pass
$4\Diamond$	Pass	4♠	All Pass

1♣ Precision1♡ 8-11

South led the \$\int 3\$ and declarer won with dummy's ten and played a heart to the queen. South won and for reasons that are unclear, cashed the \$\int A\$, which, on this layout, ended the defenders hopes'. I cannot tell you how the play developed, but as you can see, the heart position is very friendly for declarer.

Had South calmly returned a second spade, declarer would have been struggling. As it was, he was plus 620.

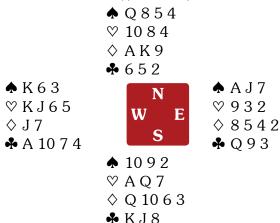
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West	North	East	South
Lund	Jeng	Helgeby	Youngquist
_	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2♣*	Pass	2 %	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	All Pass

2♣ 9-11 with 3♠ or 10+ with (3)4+♣

Here South led the $\diamondsuit 9$ and North won with the queen and switched to the four of clubs. Declarer played the king, but South won and returned the $\clubsuit 3$, North winning with the queen, and exiting with the $\heartsuit 2$. Declarer took the ace, played a spade to the queen and ran the king of diamonds. He cashed the $\spadesuit 10$, ruffed a diamond high and returned to dummy with a trump to cash the diamonds, no swing.

Board 12. Dealer West. NS Vul.



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West	North	East	South
Huang	Devik	Xiao	Curran
$1 \diamondsuit^*$	Pass	1NT	All Pass

 $1 \diamondsuit 2 + \diamondsuit, 11 - 15$

South led the $\clubsuit 2$. Declarer took North's queen with the ace and played a club to the ace and a club to the queen and king. South switched to the $\diamondsuit 3$ and North won with the ace and went back to spades, declarer finishing two down, minus 100.

If you take the club suit in isolation, the best chance is to play a low club to the nine, which delivers three tricks around 56% of the time. Equally, if declarer had guessed to play a heart at trick two, the favourable layout would have seen him get home.



Closed Room

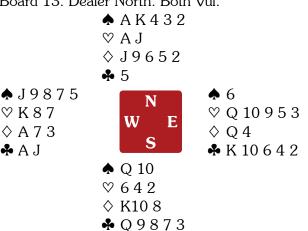
North	East	South
Jeng	Helgeby	Youngquist
Pass	1♠*	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass
	Jeng Pass	Jeng Helgeby Pass 1♠*

2+**\$**, 11+

6-10 (normally no major) or any HCP with diamonds

North led the ♠4. When dummy's jack held, declarer played the AQ, covered by the king and ace. South won the next club with the jack and switched to the three of diamonds, North putting in the nine when declarer played low, cashing the **AK** and exiting with a heart, establishing a seventh trick for declarer, plus 90 and 5 imps to Norway.

Board 13. Dealer North. Both Vul.



Open Room

- 1			
West	North	East	South
Huang	Devik	Xiao	Curran
	1 ^	Pas	1NT
Pass	$2\diamondsuit$	Pass	2♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

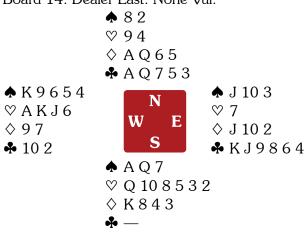
East led the $\heartsuit 10$ and declarer took West's king with the ace and played a spade to the ten. West won and returned a heart, East winning and forcing declarer with a third heart. Even with the diamond queen onside there were only seven tricks now, minus 100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South				
Lund	Jeng	Helgeby	Youngquist				
_	1 ♠	Pas	1NT				
Pass	$2\diamondsuit$	Pass	2 ♠				
Pass	Pass	Pass					

After an identical start North followed the generally sound strategy of developing the side suit first, playing a diamond for the ten and ace. When the defenders continued hearts, North ruffed the third round and played the $\Diamond J$ to the queen and king. Next he took two rounds of trumps before returning to diamonds. That ensured eight tricks, plus 110 and 5 imps to the USA.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.



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West	North	East	South
Huang	Devik	Xiao	Curran
_		Pass	1 %
1 ♠	2♣	2♠	Pass
Pass	3♦	Pass	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	Pass	$4\diamondsuit$
Pass	Pass	Pass	

East led the \heartsuit 7 and West won with the jack, cashed the ace and exited with the ♥6. Declarer threw a spade and East's ruff was the last trick for the defence, declarer winning the spade switch with the ace, drawing trumps and claiming, plus 130.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lund	Jeng	Helgeby	Youngquist
_		Pass	1 %
Pass	2♣	Pass	2 %
Pass	3♡	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♡	All Pass	

West led the $\Diamond 9$ and declarer won with dummy's ace and ran the $\heartsuit 9$. West took this with the jack and exited with a diamond. Declarer won in hand with the $\Diamond K$ and played the ∇Q , West winning and returning the \$10. Declarer could not avoid the loss of a third heart and a spade, one down, minus 50 and another 5 imps to Norway, who won a low-scoring match 20-10 imps, 12.97-7.03 victory points.



RESULTS

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ROUND 1						ROUND 2				
CHINA	AUSTRALIA	20	39	4.94	15.06	CHINA HONG KON	GCHILE	11	32 4.54	15.4
BOTSWANA	POLAND	36	78	1.35	18.65	SINGAPORE	AUSTRALIA	30	10 15.26	
ITALY	INDONESIA	39	10	16.88	3.12	SWEDEN	ISRAEL	40	6 17.63	2.
USA 2	SWEDEN	19	28	7.29	12.71	INDONESIA	CANADA	32	13 15.06	4.
SINGAPORE	CHINESE TAIPEI	27	39	6.52	13.48	POLAND	CHINA	9	31 4.34	
INDIA	CHINA HONG KONG	G 47	24	15.85	4.15	NETHERLANDS	NEW ZEALAND	39	8 17.19	2.
FRANCE	CHILE	60	29	17.19	2.81	EGYPT	ENGLAND	23	23 10.00	10.
USA 1	COLOMBIA	39	7	17.34	2.66	BOTSWANA	USA 1	38	70 2.66	17.
ENGLAND	ISRAEL	18	33	5.81	14.19	ITALY	FRANCE	8	16 7.56	12.
NEW ZEALAND	CANADA	22	70	0.72	19.28	USA 2	INDIA	11	56 1.02	18.
EGYPT	NETHERLANDS	16	42	3.62	16.38	CHINESE TAIPEI	COLOMBIA	50	33 14.64	5.
ROUND 3						ROUND 4				
CHILE	COLOMBIA	17	24	7.84	12.16	NEW ZEALAND	ENGLAND	2	37 2.23	17.
CHINA HONG KONG	GISRAEL	9	52	1.24	18.76	CHINA	USA 1	9	54 1.02	18.
CHINESE TAIPEI	CANADA	41	33	12.44	7.56	CANADA	FRANCE	23	51 3.28	16.
USA 2	AUSTRALIA	19	27	7.56	12.44	AUSTRALIA	POLAND	35	14 15.46	4.
INDONESIA	NEW ZEALAND	35	17	14.85	5.15	COLOMBIA	SINGAPORE	21	29 7.56	12.
POLAND	ENGLAND	26	20	11.87	8.13	CHILE	USA 2	15	41 3.62	16.
NETHERLANDS	USA 1	12	34	4.34	15.66	CHINA HONG KON	GITALY	25	28 9.03	10.
EGYPT	FRANCE	39	14	16.21	3.79	CHINESE TAIPEI	BOTSWANA	24	46 4.34	15.
BOTSWANA	INDIA	0	104	0.00	20.00	SWEDEN	EGYPT	62	5 20.00	0.
ITALY	SINGAPORE	4	73	0.00	20.00	INDONESIA	NETHERLANDS	43	54 6.77	13.
SWEDEN	CHINA	27	41	6.04	13.96	ISRAEL	INDIA	56	40 14.42	5.
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4 SINGAPO				12	POLAND	38.09	20		WANA	20.9
5 NETHER				13	CHINA	35.58	21	CHINA	A HONG KONG	18.9
6 II FRANCE				14	ITALY	35.41	22		ZEALAND	10.9

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ROUND 1						ROUND 2					
FINLAND	SINGAPORE	39	37	10.66	9.34	ISRAEL	CHILE	56	13	18.76	1.2
CHINA HONG KON	NG POLAND	32	39	7.84	12.16	CHINESE TAIPEI	SINGAPORE	18	42	3.97	16.0
GERMANY	JAPAN	39	36	10.97	9.03	CHINA	FRANCE	3	34	2.81	17.
BULGARIA	CHINA	53	13	18.41	1.59	JAPAN	ENGLAND	28	24	11.28	8.
CHINESE TAIPEI	NETHERLANDS	33	30	10.97	9.03	POLAND	FINLAND	69	8	20.00	0.0
INDIA	ISRAEL	0	71	0.00	20.00	ITALY	THAILAND	43	23	15.26	4.
BOTSWANA	CHILE	8	94	0.00	20.00	NORWAY	USA	20	10	12.97	7.0
CANADA	SWEDEN	25	31	8.13	11.87	CHINA HONG KO	NG CANADA	12	54	1.35	18.0
USA	FRANCE	39	16	15.85	4.15	GERMANY	BOTSWANA	77	9	20.00	0.0
THAILAND	ENGLAND	44	16	16.72	3.28	BULGARIA	INDIA	46	37	12.71	7.3
NORWAY	ITALY	11	46	2.23	17.77	NETHERLANDS	SWEDEN	36	29	12.16	7.8
ROUND 3						ROUND 4					
CHILE	SWEDEN	6	64	0.00	20.00	THAILAND	USA	17	63	0.92	19.0
ISRAEL	FRANCE	50	26	16.03	3.97	FINLAND	CANADA	19	35	5.58	14.4
NETHERLANDS	ENGLAND	25	31	8.13	11.87	ENGLAND	BOTSWANA	69	10	20.00	0.0
BULGARIA	SINGAPORE	12	45	2.51	17.49	SINGAPORE	POLAND	23	69	0.92	19.0
JAPAN	THAILAND	48	15	17.49	2.51	SWEDEN	CHINESE TAIPEI	71	21	19.47	0.
POLAND	USA	52	8	18.87	1.13	CHILE	BULGARIA	31	57	3.62	16.
ITALY	CANADA	45	24	15.46	4.54	ISRAEL	GERMANY	41	12	16.88	3.
NORWAY	BOTSWANA	59	31	16.72	3.28	NETHERLANDS	CHINA HONG KONG	50	33	14.64	5.3
CHINA HONG KON	NG INDIA	29	18	13.23	6.77	CHINA	NORWAY	47	38	12.71	7.5
GERMANY	CHINESE TAIPEI	64	16	19.28	0.72	JAPAN	ITALY	22	75	0.26	19.
CHINA	FINLAND	44	25	15.06	4.94	FRANCE	INDIA	50	20	17.04	2.9
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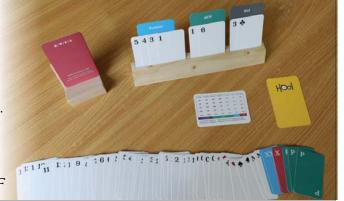
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THAILAN	D 30	24	11.87	8.13	HUNGARY	POLAND	2	3 31	7.56	12.44
ONG KONG HUNGAR	Y 11	56	1.02	18.98	NETHERLANDS	BRAZIL	5	7 18	18.29	1.71
' NETHERL	ANDS 22	45	4.15	15.85	TURKEY	NORWAY	3	1 22	12.71	7.29
TURKEY	26	39	6.28	13.72	CHILE	USA	2	0 61	1.47	18.53
JIA CHILE	15	18	9.03	10.97	ENGLAND	INDONESIA	4	9 39	12.97	7.03
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ROUND 1						ROUND 2				
GREECE	SWEDEN	15	26	6.55	13.45	GERMANY	GREECE	32	16 14	.70 5.
BOTSWANA	GERMANY	0	76	0.00	20.00	POLAND	BOTSWANA	85		.00 0.
TURKEY	POLAND	28	31	8.95	11.05	INDIA	TURKEY	1		.00 20
CANADA	INDIA	47	22	16.55	3.45	NORWAY	CANADA	6		.63 16.
CHINA 1	NORWAY	24	29	8.30	11.70	CHINESE TAIPEI	CHINA 1	24		.37 4.
ENGLAND	CHINESE TAIPEI	27	22	11.70	8.30	CHINA 3	ENGLAND	37		.22 5.
CHINA 2	CHINA 3	23	14	12.90	7.10	DENMARK	CHINA 2	34		.99 4.
ISRAEL	DENMARK	34	22	13.71	6.29	FRANCE	ISRAEL	39		.08 2.
USA	FRANCE	48	8	18.78	1.22	SWEDEN	USA	46	17 17	.24 2.
ROUND 3 GREECE BOTSWANA TURKEY CANADA	POLAND INDIA NORWAY CHINESE TAIPEI	44 20 23 44	20 64 41 1	16.37 0.76 4.85 19.13	3.63 19.24 15.15 0.87	ROUND 4 INDIA NORWAY CHINESE TAIPEI CHINA 3	GREECE BOTSWANA TURKEY CANADA	30 77 24 7	16 20 42 4	.36 9. .00 0. .85 15.
CHINA 1	CHINA 3	25	12	13.97	6.03	DENMARK	CHINA 1	22		.69 12.
ENGLAND	DENMARK	32	42	6.82	13 18	FRANCE	ENGLAND	16		.78 14.
CHINA 2	FRANCE	34	39	8.30	11.70	USA	CHINA 2	23		.10 12
ISRAEL	USA	30	42	6.29	13.71	SWEDEN	ISRAEL.	17		.69 12
GERMANY	SWEDEN	35	24	13.45	6.55	GERMANY	POLAND	19	36 5	.07 14
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