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# Back from the Brink



The winning squad in the Senior Teams, Markowicz

The nervous and faint of heart would not have fared well as observers of three matches on Monday that were settled as the figurative time was running out on them.

The most dramatic occurred in the McConnell, where the Steiner team trailed China Global Times by 7 IMPs with one board to go. Steiner scored a game swing to win a match in which they had trailed by 27 IMPs in the fourth quarter.

The winning Senior Team, led by American Victor Markowicz, was tied with their finals opponent, captained by Lew Finkel, with two boards to go. The American-Israeli-Polish team scored 6 IMPs on the next-to-last board and survived when the final deal was a push, winning 59-53.

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### VuGraph Programme

<b>Teatro Verdi</b>	
10.30	<b>McConnell Final</b>
13.45	<b>TBA</b>
16.05	<b>TBA</b>
18.25	<b>TBA</b>

### TODAY'S PROGRAMME

<b>Rosenblum Cup (Semi-Final)</b>	
<b>McConnell Cup (Final)</b>	
<b>10.30</b>	Boards 1-15 (Session 1)
<b>13.45</b>	Boards 16-30 (Session 2)
<b>16.15</b>	Boards 31-45 (Session 3)
<b>18.45</b>	Boards 46-60 (Session 4)
<b>Open and Women's Pairs (Semi-Final)</b>	
<b>10.30</b>	Session 2
<b>15.30</b>	Session 3
<b>IMP and Senior Pairs</b>	
<b>10.30</b>	Session 1
<b>15.30</b>	Session 2

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**ROSENBLUM CUP***Quarter-Final Phase*

		Boards	Boards	Boards	Boards	Total	
		1-14	15-28	29-42	43-56		
1	Nickell	<b>Meltzer</b>	42 - 18	13 - 26	26 - 27	5 - 38	86 - 109
2	Mahaffey	<b>Henner</b>	24 - 25	12 - 41	9 - 61	56 - 19	101 - 146
3	<b>Yadlin</b>	China SMEG	22 - 42	23 - 34	55 - 27	48 - 28	148 - 131
4	Soulet	<b>Welland R</b>	22 - 22	32 - 31	31 - 46	33 - 45	118 - 144

**McCONNELL CUP***Semi-Final Phase*

33	Katt-Bridge	<b>Narasimhan</b>	27 - 18	8 - 43	38 - 23	24 - 43	97 - 127
34	<b>Steiner</b>	China Global	28 - 2	6 - 37	23 - 43	34 - 6	91 - 88

**SENIOR TEAMS***Semi-Final Phase*

		Boards	Boards	Total	
		1-12	13-24		
21	Netherlands I	<b>Markowicz</b>	4 - 19	28 - 30	32 - 49
22	<b>Finkel</b>	Jean-Marsha	21 - 28	40 - 22	61 - 50

*Final Phase*

		Boards	Boards	Total	
		1-12	13-24		
21	<b>Markowicz</b>	Finkel	11 - 33	48 - 20	59 - 53

*Play-Off Phase*

		Boards	Boards	Total	
		1-12	13-24		
22	<b>Netherlands I</b>	Jean-Marsha	19 - 42	52 - 18	71 - 60

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**L' Arena**

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# OPEN PAIRS QUALIFYING

## Final Standings (After 5th Session)

Rank	Names	Total		Total	
1	Ashok Kumar GOEL - Kamal MUKHERJEE	59.42	68	Bang Xiang ZHANG - Jia Xiang SHEN	53.46
2	Patrick GRENTHE - Michel DUGUET	58.68	69	Konrad ARASZKIEWICZ - Dariusz KOWALSKI	53.45
3	Jean-Paul BALIAN - Philippe TOFFIER	58.02	70	Paul CHEMLA - Philippe CRONIER	53.44
4	Tomasz GOTARD - Josef PIEKAREK	57.93	71	Giulio BONGIOVANNI - Jacek ROMANSKI	53.43
5	Bryan MAKSYMETZ - Lars ANDERSSON	57.88	72	Sartaj HANS - Tony NUNN	53.31
6	Jens AUKEN - Soren CHRISTIANSEN	57.40	73	Roman GRZELAK - Tadeusz RALKO	53.25
7	Giovanni ALBAMONTE - Riccardo INTONTI	57.36	74	Jacek KALITA - Krzysztof KOTOROWICZ	53.23
8	N. K. GUPTA - Sandeep THAKRAL	57.04	75	Steve ROBINSON - Peter BOYD	53.22
9	John KRANYAK - Ron SMITH	56.57	76	Marian RADULESCU - Marina STEGAROIU	53.17
10	Tim COPE - Glen HOLMAN	56.56	77	Vadim KHOLOMEEV - Jouri KHIOPPENEN	53.13
11	Raju TOLANI - Ajay KHARE	56.47	78	Lucian TACIU - Mihai STAVRACHE	53.12
12	Jerome ROMBAUT - Lionel SEBBANE	56.32	79	Andrzej JASZCZAK - Piotr WALCZAK	53.11
13	Wei Dong LIU - Hong Lu ZHONG	56.30	80	Hans-Herman GWINNER - Andreas PAWLIK	53.05
14	Jean-Jacques PALAU - Pierre-Yves GUILLAUMIN	56.18	81	Arno LINDERMANN - Martin SCHIFKO	53.05
15	Franck MULTON - Pierre ZIMMERMANN	56.14	82	Thibault MALARME - Romain TEMBOURET	53.03
16	Tezcan SEN - Okay GUR	55.86	83	Bobby RICHMAN - Zoltan NAGY	53.02
17	Keiran DYKE - David WILTSHIRE	55.79	84	Gitte HECHT-JOHANSEN - Valentin Dgiasim AL-SHATI	53.01
18	Rafal JAGNIEVSKI - Boguslaw PAZUR	55.71	85	Kamal Kumar ROY - Debashish ROY	52.99
19	Marc BOMPIS - Thierry De SAINTE MARIE	55.70	86	Aymeric LEBATTEUX - Nicolas LHUISSIER	52.97
20	Jon Egil FURUNES - Per Erik AUSTBERG	55.53	87	Maija ROMANOVSKA - Karlis RUBINS	52.90
21	Maris MATISONS - Andris SMILGAJS	55.38	88	Jacek CIECHOMSKI - Piotr JUREK	52.87
22	Jorgen MOLBERG - Terje AA	55.31	89	Vasil BATOV - Ilko BONEV	52.80
23	Aubrey STRUL - Bobby JONES	55.20	90	Jaanus MARIPUU - Tanel KOIVUPUU	52.78
24	Carel BERENDREGT - Bert PAPING	55.05	91	Maria Joao LARA - Manuel d' OREY CAPUCHO	52.77
25	Stefano CATA - Giancarlo MARINI	54.99	92	John DAVIDSON - Michael WHIBLEY	52.76
26	Andreas GLOYER - Wolfgang LAUSS	54.95	93	Arnaud ANCESSY - Frederic BRUNET	52.71
27	Assaf LENGY - Gadi LBOVITS	54.91	94	Larissa PANINA - Michael ROSENBLUM	52.68
28	Jason HACKETT - Justin HACKETT	54.84	95	Herve VINCENT - Federico GODED	52.64
29	Rene STIENEN - Ernst WARENDORF	54.80	96	Wojciech OLANSKI - Wlodzimierz STARKOWSKI	52.62
30	Tom TOWNSEND - David GOLD	54.80	97	Piero ARGANINI - Grant BAZE	52.51
31	George JACOBS - Alfredo VERSACE	54.75	98	Martin REINERTSEN - Erik RYNNING	52.50
32	Jose Carlos HENRIQUES - Juliano BARBOSA	54.75	99	Robert LEBI - Nader HANNA	52.49
33	Alain DELFOUR - Francois STREZT	54.73	100	Badal Chandra DAS - Sibnath Dey SARKAR	52.42
34	Igor CURLIN - Dmitri PROKHOROV	54.72	101	Craig GOWER - Henry MANSELL	52.37
35	Fried WEBER - Martin LOFGREN	54.68	102	Apolinary KOWALSKI - Piotr TUSZYNSKI	52.33
36	Yossi ROLL - Ilan BAREKET	54.65	103	Gianpaolo CENTIOLI - Angelo VIOLA	52.33
37	Stanislaw GOLEBIOWSKI - Tomasz SIELICKI	54.65	104	Rossen Geourgiev GUNEV - Julian STEFANOV	52.30
38	Adam WILDAVSKY - Doug DOUB	54.58	105	Gianni RUSPA - Luigi FERRARI	52.28
39	Olivier BESSIS - Godefroy De TESSIERES	54.54	106	Stephen BLACKSTOCK - Stephen HENRY	52.24
40	Moza PANAHPOUR - Ishmael DELMONTE	54.52	107	Guy LAFFINEUR - Jean-Christophe QUANTIN	52.18
41	Rajendra GOKHALE - Sk IYENGAR	54.49	108	Pablo LAMBARDI - Adolfo Daniel MADALA	52.16
42	Julien GAVIARD - Thomas BESSIS	54.45	109	Matilda POPLILOV - Lilo POPLILOV	52.13
43	Sven Olai HOYLAND - Sam Inge HOYLAND	54.31	110	Alain NAHMAS - Dominique BEAUMIER	52.09
44	Ismail KANDEMIR - Suleyman KOLATA	54.25	111	David BIRMAN - Alon BIRMAN	52.06
45	Dominique GERIN - Patrick DADOUN	54.24	112	Jason FELDMAN - Ari GREENBERG	52.03
46	Jacques POTIER - Richard NAIGARD	54.18	113	Rene HERMANS - Willem Van EIJK	52.02
47	Desislava Borissova POPOVA - Georgi KARAKOLEV	54.09	114	Jean Francois ALLIX - Eric MAUBERQUEZ	52.00
48	Enrico LONGINOTTI - Giampaolo FRANCO	54.05	115	Simon GILLIS - Boye BROGELAND	51.98
49	Tor BIRKELAND - Espen LINDQVIST	54.04	116	Bo NORGREN - Jan OLSEN	51.96
50	David KENDRICK - Patrick COLLINS	54.02	117	Antonio SEMENTA - Giovanni DELFINO	51.95
51	Paulo Goncalves PEREIRA - Antonio PALMA	53.82	118	Nick SANDQVIST - Artur MALINOWSKI	51.88
52	Giuseppe FABBRINI - Niccolo FOSSI	53.79	119	Ulli JAHR - Berthold ENGEL	51.83
53	Michael ROSENBERG - Ralph KATZ	53.74	120	Rui WANG - Sheng Hong CHEN	51.82
54	Michael PRESCOTT - Stephen BURGESS	53.72	121	Giordano SCULLIN - Paolo BAGHETTI	51.79
55	Alan NELSON - Kath NELSON	53.72	122	Roberto MINERO - Piercarlo MUSSO	51.77
56	Zu Qiang TIAN - Song He ZHOU	53.72	123	Connie GOLDBERG - Wafik ABDOU	51.77
57	Harriette BUCKMAN - George RETEK	53.70	124	Yu Xiong SHEN - Ya Fu LIN	51.69
58	Ahu ZOBU - Victor ARONOV	53.69	125	Kazuo FURUTA - Kyoko SHIMAMURA	51.68
59	Alex KOLESNIK - Roberto SCARAMUZZI	53.69	126	Michel BESSIS - Maurice SALAMA	51.65
60	John ARMSTRONG - John HOLLAND	53.69	127	Giorgio MENINI - Mauro SALVETTI	51.63
61	Nils Kare KVANGRAVEN - Tom HOILAND	53.68	128	Nikola BARANTIEV - Ivan IVANOV	51.41
62	Alejandro BIANCHEDI - Ernesto MUZZIO	53.68	129	Antonio LARDO - Francesco NATALE	51.40
63	Pritish KUSHARI - Sumit MUKHERJEE	53.67	130	Marcin LESNIEWSKI - Jean-Michel VOLDOIRE	51.37
64	Maxim ZHMAK - Denis DOBRIN	53.67	131	Boguslaw GIERULSKI - Jerzy SKRZYPCZAK	51.37
65	Jan JANSMA - Louk VERHEES JR	53.59	132	Heinrich BERGER - Ulrich SPAUR	51.35
66	Lia VASILEV - Ivan NANEV	53.55	133	Federico IAVICOLI - Giuseppe DELLE CAVE	51.35
67	Krzysztof MARTENS - Vytautas VAINIKONIS	53.54	134	Avi KANETKAR - Nigel ROSENDORF	51.28
			135	Valerie GARDINER - Peter GILL	51.27

136	Eli SOLHEIM - Ivar M.ANFINSEN	51.21	211	Dan MANEA - Gabriel BALITA	49.02
137	Archie SEQUERA - Ramawatar AGARWAL	51.20	212	Valerio GIUBILO - Guido BONA VOGLIA	48.97
138	Alexandru ELIAN - Dan ZARA	51.19	213	Robert STOLINSKI - Adam HINTERTAN	48.96
139	Pierre SAPORTA - Jean-Louis MARLIER	51.17	214	Mckenzie MYERS - Joel DATLOFF	48.92
140	Guillaume GRENTHE - Jerome GRENTHE	51.14	215	Fabienne PIGEAUD - Lewis KAPLAN	48.89
141	Larry MORI - Venkatrao KONERU	51.12	216	Anna MATWJOW - Bernard JADCZAK	48.85
142	Zvonko PETROVIC - Zeljko PINTARIC	51.12	217	Janet DE BOTTON - Gunnar HALLBERG	48.68
143	G_VENKATESH - Krishna Kumar KANNINGAT	51.07	218	Tadashi TERAMOTO - Shunsuke MORIMURA	48.60
144	Linda LEWIS - Paul LEWIS	51.07	219	Gene FREED - Bill WICKHAM	48.54
145	Paul D HACKETT - Tony WATERLOW	51.03	220	Serge CHEVALIER - Andre GIGNAC	48.52
146	Didier PIGNOL - Frederic LACROIX	51.03	221	Marc SMITH - Peter CZERNIEWSKI	48.50
147	Yalcin ATABEY - Salvador ASSAEL	50.92	222	Vincenzo BURGIO - Salvatore GATTO	48.49
148	Francesco FIORETTI - Luigi FRAZZETTO	50.85	223	Farid ASSEMI - Edward WOJEWODA	48.48
149	Tien-Chun YANG - Robert TODD	50.84	224	Khawar Saeed ANSARI - Saeed Hasan ANSARI	48.47
150	Michael ROCHE - John RAYNER	50.84	225	Sven SESTER - Olavi OJA	48.45
151	Arun BAPAT - Ramamurti SRIDHARAN	50.79	226	Furio MENE GHINI - Roberto SALTARELLI	48.43
152	Tadashi IMAKURA - Masayuki INO	50.79	227	Perla SLIMAK - Steve HAMA OUI	48.41
153	Erik SAELENSMINDE - Ingvar ERGA	50.77	228	Maciej DOBRZYNSKI - Wojciech ARCZEWSKI	48.40
154	Tommy GARVEY - John CARROLL	50.75	229	Christine BERNARD - Michel REBILLARD	48.40
155	Sajid ISPAHANI - David GREENWOOD	50.73	230	Henri SCHWEITZER - Dominique JOEGNE	48.37
156	Frederic VOLCKER - Quentin ROBERT	50.68	231	Jelena ALFEJEVA - Vladimir GONCA	48.36
157	Sheng Yue GUI - Xiao SHI	50.64	232	Leonardo CIMA - Cristiano MIOZZI	48.35
158	Per JANSSON - Niclas JOHANSSON	50.62	233	Marie-Claude GOUVERITH - Alain SAMY	48.35
159	Harumi SHIBANO - Yoshiyuki NAKAMURA	50.60	234	Evgueni SOLNTSEV - Pavel VOROBEL	48.29
160	Warren SPECTOR - Michael SEAMON	50.60	235	Erwin OTVOSI - Marek BOREWICZ	48.17
161	Laurent THUILLEZ - Wilfried LIBRECHT	50.60	236	Arturo SALTELLI - Clodomiro MUROLO	48.13
162	Michael CORNELL - Ashley BACH	50.56	237	Francesco NATALE - Marco VILLANI	48.12
163	Henrik-Carl NOBERIUS - Arvid WIKNER	50.56	238	Franco GUSSO - Corrado DI FABIO	48.11
164	Jacques HENRI - Jean-Pierre LAFOURCADE	50.55	239	Eric DEBUS - Piet VANDERREET	48.09
165	Alexandra NIKITINA - Sergei SYTSEVICH	50.44	240	Paolo COMUNIAN - Claudio BIANCHINI	48.07
166	Mustafa AKGUL - Toros YUKSEL	50.43	241	Fahri GUNER - Mehmet AKKASOGLU	48.05
167	Danny SPRUNG - Kitty MUNSON COOPER	50.38	242	Jun ZHANG - Jin Sheng BOAM	48.01
168	Tony FORRESTER - Mike MOSS	50.37	243	Victor GOLDBERG - Willie COYLE	47.99
169	Rashid JAFER - Nishat ABEDI	50.37	244	Bojan AMBROZ - Miro NOVAK	47.99
170	Thanos KAPAYANNIDIS - Petros TRIANTAFILLIS	50.36	245	Cian HOLLAND - Gay KEAVENEY	47.94
171	Petros AGGELOPOULOS - Sotiris NINOS	50.28	246	Giorgio ZANARDI - Giuseppe De MONTIS	47.91
172	Kit WOOLSEY - Fred STEWART	50.27	247	Reinert AMUNDSEN - Paul BANG	47.85
173	Krzysztof BURAS - Grzegorz NARKIEWICZ	50.26	248	Ange AGNETTI - Franck MATEOS-RUIZ	47.83
174	Tony WATKINS - Dave BLACKMAN	50.25	249	Antonio TOMADINI - Luciano ZANETTE	47.77
175	Marlene DUGUET - Pierre-Jean LOUCHART	50.25	250	Gerardo DE MARCO - Francesco DE GENNARO	47.71
176	Shireen MOHANDDES - Andrew BOWLES	50.24	251	Patrick ALLEGRINI - Jean Michel HUC DE BAT	47.62
177	Otto RUTHENBERG - Jerzy KOZYCZKOWSKI	50.13	252	Janice ANDERSON - Richard ANDERSON	47.60
178	Keyzad ANKLESARIA - Vinay DESAI	50.11	253	Lydie TRAJMAN - Shapour MOHTASHAMI	47.57
179	Dipak PODDAR - Anand K S SAMANT	50.10	254	Tung LI MEW - Pierre PHILOGENE	47.54
180	Justin LALL - Hemant LALL	50.09	255	Abdellah LAGHRARI - Khalil BENSOU DA	47.50
181	Xiao HU - Jun CHEN	50.08	256	Cosmin MINDRUTA - Dan VOINESCU	47.47
182	George TORNAY - Phillip ALDER	50.05	257	Irina LADYZHENSKY - Alexander LADYZHENSKY	47.41
183	Peter LAKATOS - Balazs SZEGEDI	50.02	258	Brigitte AUBONNET - Christophe CARDE	47.40
184	Michael YUEN - Michael GAMBLE	49.94	259	Zoraida DIEBOLD - Eduardo ROSEN	47.36
185	Patrick NAELS - Sabine BERG	49.86	260	Michael ELINESCU - Stefan HAAS	47.28
186	Jeff SAPIRE - Neville EBER	49.84	261	Louise MITCHELL - Diarmuid REDDAN	47.27
187	Christian ZACH - Alexander WERNLE	49.79	262	Josef OREN - Paul WEINSTOCK	47.23
188	Jan Petter SVENDSEN - Rune HAUGE	49.72	263	Fabio SAMPALIO - Albert HAHN	47.16
189	Bernard DONDE - Alon APTEKER	49.71	264	Abdelkamel RERHAYE - Said Mohamed BERRADA	47.13
190	Anil PADHYE - Rajesh DALAL	49.68	265	Pierre ADAD - Pascal RINGUET	47.06
191	Oscar NETTL - Maarten SCHOLLAARDT	49.64	266	Davor BLAZENCIC - Dean POKORNY	47.04
192	Sedat PARACIK - Ayhan COSKUNOL	49.62	267	Josef HARSANYI - Georg WEISZ	47.03
193	Vincent KROES - Jan Van CLEEFF	49.62	268	Jyotindra SHAH - Sandeep KARMARKAR	46.91
194	Pauline GUMBY - Warren LAZER	49.61	269	Hans FRERICHS - Ulrich WENNING	46.75
195	Geza HOMONNAY - Miklos DUMBOVICH	49.61	270	Alexandra BERTRAN - Paul WENS	46.67
196	Francois BOUCHER - Marc LACHAPPELLE	49.59	271	Sam KATZ - Martha KATZ-BENSON	46.64
197	Paolo PASQUINI - Jose Maria VALDES	49.59	272	Maurizio ROSCIANO - Leandro POLITANO	46.61
198	D.g. SIMEONI - Henri NICOLAI	49.57	273	Cate HUGHES - Stanislav NEDKOV	46.60
199	Vincent VIDALAT - Simon POULAT	49.48	274	Jungyoon PARK - Ilsub JUNG	46.55
200	Jan MARTEL - Sally WOOLSEY	49.37	275	Teodorescu CORNEL - Aldo Giovanni GERLI	46.51
201	Eugenio ALZATI - Domenico ZUCCO	49.34	276	Rita MUCHA - Alexandru PANA	46.43
202	Stefan CABA J - Wlodzimierz ILNICKI	49.31	277	Agnes TRIOMPHE - Isabelle MAGIS	46.34
203	Giuseppe MASSAROLI - Amilcare POZZI	49.29	278	Niso ESKINAZI - Namik KOKTEN	46.31
204	Adrien VINAY - P SEGUIN	49.28	279	Themis ROUVIS - Antonis KOMODROMOS	46.26
205	Alexander F LEWIS - Anal SHAH	49.21	280	Orlando PURGATORIO - Manlio TOMASSINI	46.22
206	Marios FERENTIU - Gabriel NEAMTU	49.10	281	Karl LICHTENEGGER - Konrad WINKLER	46.15
207	Gyorgy MARJAI - Ferenc ZOLD	49.09	282	Vanna MENDITTO - Mario CAJANO	46.08
208	Enrico GUERRA - Massimo MORITSCH	49.06	283	Philippe MARILL - Didier MASSE	46.07
209	Maria LEBEDEVA - Igor KHAZANOV	49.06	284	Marita MAI - Francesco Ariatta	46.05
210	S.K. HOODA - Rana ROY	49.05	285	Vassili LEVENKO - Prit HALLER	45.99

286	Veronique VENTOS - David FORGE	45.89	309	Andrew CRUISE - Melvin CARVALHO	43.70
287	Steve SIDELL - Dan ROMM	45.87	310	Gila EMODI - Roy RESHEF	43.64
288	Francesc MURGIA - Lelio BATTAGLIA	45.80	311	Nicky INNIS - Hugh WILLIAMS	43.51
289	Mario D'AGOSTINO - Gaetano MASSA	45.59	312	Jose L NADER - Guilherme JUNQUEIRA	43.45
290	Alessio CECCHI - Carlo DEGLI INNOCENTI	45.59	313	Marlene WATTS - Adam SARTEN	43.40
291	Tonno VAHK - Joel AASMAE	45.56	314	Barry NOBLE - George BILSKI	43.23
292	Rosetta AMMIRATA - Eduardo SCANAVINO	45.44	315	Bela BENEDEK - Peter BOZZAI	42.90
293	Gastone MOTTA - Tiziano BRIZIO	45.34	316	Lillian MORGANTI - Ugo MORGANTI	42.87
294	Shalh MOFAHKAMI - Giorgio ODELLO	45.18	317	Mine BABAC - Aydin UYSAL	42.66
295	Lutz DOHNERT - Miguel FENTE	45.17	318	Husnu UYGUN - Nail YAVUZ	42.58
296	Pierluigi IOTTI - Giancarlo GIACHETTI	45.05	319	Renate HANSEN - Fabio COLASANTE	42.33
297	Mauro MASTRETTA - Vincenz LA NOVARA	44.75	320	Nicole SCHULMANN - Jacques GONFREVILLE	42.29
298	Adolfo Andres MADALA - Shivam SHAH	44.73	321	Jp GOENKA - Alok SADHU	41.65
299	Hakan TABAK - Sevinc ATAY	44.69	322	Roberto PADOVANI - Luigi MOLINAROLLI	41.57
300	Peter FEHER - Csaba CZIMER	44.39	323	Ezio TRAGHIN - Antonio SABBATINI	41.35
301	Guido TOLETTI - Massimo FERRARI	44.32	324	Stephane SANT - Christophe MARRO	40.60
302	Giovanni Carlo PRINCIPE - Luigi MELCHIORI	44.21	325	Aldo MOSCA - Antonio PASQUARELLA	40.26
303	Alvin FITZPATRICK - Joseph HOWARD	44.11	326	Albert MUGGIA - Aldo MUGGIA	39.29
304	Catherine RITTER - Paul GOSNEY	43.98	327	Maria Rosa STERZA - Roberto TOLUZZO	39.15
305	Tore GUNDERSEN - John Arthur FROGE	43.93	328	Aldo CORRADO - Vincenzo CRISPO	38.44
306	Annamaria PIROVANO - Dino VIOTTI	43.78	329	Christiane LEBRETON - Serge HENRY	38.18
307	Jean-Marc BOLOMEY - Guillaume FREJACQUES	43.78	330	Kyounghea SUNG - lynruyng HWANG	36.61
308	Franco CIBRARIO - Franco TROMBETTA	43.72	331	Carole VAN WIECK - Francine WINHAM	36.22

## WOMEN'S PAIRS QUALIFYING

### Final Standings (After 5th Session)

Rank	Names	Total			Total
1	Yan HUANG - Yan Hong WANG	59.69	41	Daniela BALDASSIN - Beatrice MORGANTE	50.20
2	Joann GLASSON - Lisa BERKOWITZ	57.83	42	Annette HENRY - Pamela NISBET	50.05
3	Ruth ARAMI - Kohava SCHWARTZ	56.22	43	Harriet SESSELI - Susanne HOCHULI	49.77
4	Sally BROCK - Heather DHONDY	56.16	44	Rozanne POLLACK - Maggie SHENKIN	49.70
5	Debora CAMPAGNANO - Irene BARONI	55.73	45	Anna BOZZO - Livia CIGNOLINI	49.66
6	Catherine FISHPOOL - Claude BLOUQUIT	55.66	46	Loukia TRIANTAFYLLI - Despina KANELLOPOULOU	49.29
7	Luigina GENTILI - Maddalena SEVERGNINI	55.52	47	Gilda PENDER - Patricia KELLY	49.26
8	Nur CINAR - Sevil AKIN	55.11	48	Lale GUMRUKCUOGLU - Belis ATALAY	48.73
9	Katherine WEI-SENDER - Linda GREEN	53.97	49	Monica MAINOLDI - Rita GIBERTONI	48.52
10	Gemma MARIANO - Tina J. Del GALLEGRO	53.74	50	Belle AXELROD - Ursula HAMMERSCHLAG	48.41
11	Pascale THUILLIEZ - Dominique JEANIN-NALTET	53.52	51	Valerie BLOOM - Maureen HOLROYD	48.29
12	Ana Maria De ALONSO - Monica ANG. De BALDASARRE	53.49	52	Silvia BOLDT - Gloria IRIBARREN	48.29
13	Chantal HAMMERLI - Maria ERHART	53.37	53	Yvonne HULETT - Val STEPHENSON	48.16
14	Vanessa REESS - Nathalie FREY	53.09	54	Karin WENNING - Gerda HEINRICHS	48.15
15	Ruth FARKAS - Ora DAN	53.01	55	Mileva JOBIN - Ala SOBOL	48.09
16	Ora LOURIE - Sally STRUL	52.90	56	Di GMUR - Carol VAN RENSBERG	48.08
17	Pat MEEHAN - Rose O'FARRELL	52.79	57	Estera LISKER - Amanda JEGER	48.02
18	Gianna ARRIGONI - Gabriella OLIVIERI	52.64	58	Kotomi ASAKOSHI - Akiko MIWA	47.81
19	Monica BURATTI - Darinka FORTI	52.63	59	Yasuko KOSAKA - Hideko TAKEUCHI	47.79
20	Barbara NIST - Helen ABBOTT	52.61	60	Deborah FLETCHER - Lisa DE MEILLAC	47.74
21	Petra MANSELL - Merle MODLIN	52.61	61	Ena CLEARY - Jeannie FITZGERALD	47.39
22	Carla GIANARDI - Laura ROVERA	52.45	62	Diana BALKIN - Peta BANDUCCI	47.39
23	Christine BOYLSON - Michelle BRUNNER	52.32	63	Hilary DOWLING-LONG - Ann Marie HORAN	47.37
24	Emanuela CAPRIATA - Cristina GOLIN	52.24	64	Adriana ANDRETTA - Wilma SCALCO	47.28
25	Vera TAGLIAFERI - Monica AGHEMO	52.02	65	Astrid DEKKER - Rosalien BARENDREGT	47.27
26	Faith MAYER - Victoria EGAN	51.91	66	Lynn BAYMAN - Usha KOTHARI	47.27
27	Jo MORSE - Susie MILLER	51.86	67	Denise JOSA - Pat HOWARD	46.88
28	Margie GWOZDZINSKY - Cathy STRAUCH	51.79	68	Angela DE BIASIO - Donatella GIGLIOTTI	46.81
29	Gloria COLOMBO BRUGNONI - Mietta PREVE	51.67	69	Pony Beate NEHMERT - Ulrike MULLER	46.78
30	Donna COMPTON - Gigi SIMPSON	51.64	70	Meta GOODMAN - Margaret MILLAR	46.78
31	Antonella BACOCOLI - Tiziana ROSI	51.53	71	Madlene GERSTEL - Elisabeth WAELCHLI	46.24
32	Natalija VEKSA - Liga BRIKMANE	51.37	72	Stacy JACOBS - Shannon CAPPELLETTI	45.93
33	Lila PANAHPOUR - Benedicte CRONIER	51.08	73	Bodil FOSSAN - Vigdis MOEN	45.78
34	Judy BUSSELL - Stephanie KYME	51.00	74	Audrey SMITH - Lyn O'NEILL	44.86
35	Nevena SENIOR - Janine FORD	50.98	75	Fethiye TAGA - Zuhai ATALAY	44.49
36	Nadine WOOD - Linda MALONEY	50.91	76	Di ADRAIN - Margie HULETT	44.33
37	Renee LEGER - Laurence RIMBAUD	50.87	77	Nadia BERTOCCHI - Elisabetta SIZZO	41.79
38	Martine ROSSARD - Johanna RACZYNSKA	50.82	78	Gupta RAJESH - Promila SARAF	41.73
39	Nicola SMITH - Kitty TELTSCHER	50.68	79	Vicki BENN - Gabi BENN-NISSAM	39.25
40	Patrizia CECCONI - Paola RONCHI	50.44			

## OPEN PAIRS

## Semi-Final Phase (After 1st Session)

Rank	Names	Total			
1	Ahu ZOBU - Victor ARONOV	63.12	71	Stephen BLACKSTOCK - Stephen HENRY	51.89
2	Bjarni EINARSSON - Sigurbjorn HARALDSSON	62.94	72	Steve ROBINSON - Peter BOYD	51.60
3	Joe GRUE - Curtis CHEEK	62.59	73	Tim COPE - Glen HOLMAN	51.59
4	Konrad ARASZKIEWICZ - Dariusz KOWALSKI	62.32	74	Roberto MINERO - Piercarlo MUSSO	51.53
5	Michael PRESCOTT - Stephen BURGESS	62.06	75	Boris BARAN - Mark GORDON	51.51
6	Jens AUKEN - Soren CHRISTIANSEN	61.45	76	Maija ROMANOVSKA - Karlis RUBINS	51.22
7	Jon Egil FURUNES - Per Erik AUSTBERG	60.66	77	Avi KANETKAR - Nigel ROSENDORF	51.21
8	Piero ARGANINI - Grant BAZE	60.57	78	Kazuo FURUTA - Kyoko SHIMAMURA	51.20
9	Michael ROSENBERG - Ralph KATZ	60.43	79	Antonio SEMENTA - Giovanni DELFINO	51.15
10	Andreas GLOYER - Wolfgang LAUSS	59.72	80	Herve VINCENT - Federico GODED	51.11
11	Wojciech OLANSKI - Wlodzimierz STARKOWSKI	59.57	81	Rui WANG - Sheng Hong CHEN	50.89
12	Paul CHEMLA - Philippe CRONIER	59.49	82	Tomasz GOTARD - Josef PIEKAREK	50.88
13	Sartaj HANS - Tony NUNN	59.15	83	Ismail KANDEMIR - Suleyman KOLATA	50.65
14	Waleed EI AHMADI - Tarek SADEK	58.67	84	Boguslaw GIERULSKI - Jerzy SKRZYPCZAK	50.54
15	Alex KOLESNIK - Roberto SCARAMUZZI	58.22	85	Alain DELFOUR - Francois STRETZ	50.48
16	Norberto BOCCHI - Giorgio DUBOIN	58.12	86	Philippe COENRAETS - Olivier NEVE	50.45
17	N. K. GUPTA - Sandeep THAKRAL	58.10	87	Lucian TACIUC - Mihai STAVRACHE	50.32
18	Giordano SCULLIN - Paolo BAGHETTI	57.85	88	Paolo CLAIR - Carlo TOTARO	50.31
19	Bang Xiang ZHANG - Jia Xiang SHEN	57.82	89	Ton BAKKEREN - Huub BERTENS	50.28
20	Julien GAVIARD - Thomas BESSIS	57.76	90	Jacek PSZCZOLA - Cezary BALICKI	50.26
21	Michel BESSIS - Maurice SALAMA	57.60	91	Raju TOLANI - Ajay KHARE	50.22
22	Jose Carlos HENRIQUES - Juliano BARBOSA	57.36	92	Vadim KHOLOMEEV - Jouri KHILOUPPENEN	50.15
23	Bengt-Erik EFRAMSSON - Anders MORATH	57.07	93	Jean-Jacques PALAU - Jean-Jacques PALAU	50.13
24	Tom TOWNSEND - David GOLD	57.04	94	Nils Kare KVANGRAVEN - Tom HOILAND	49.99
25	Giulio BONGIOVANNI - Jacek ROMANSKI	56.69	95	Patrick GRENTHE - Michel DUGUET	49.95
26	Moza PANAHPOUR - Ishmael DELMONTE	56.67	96	John KRANYAK - Ron SMITH	49.76
27	Win ALLEGAERT - Jaggy SHIVDASANI	56.62	97	Aymeric LEBATTEUX - Nicolas LHUISSIER	49.63
28	Paulo Goncalves PEREIRA - Antonio PALMA	56.43	98	Giuseppe FABBRINI - Niccolo FOSSI	49.61
29	Michael BAREL - Yaniv ZACK	55.90	99	Arnaud ANCESSY - Frederic BRUNET	49.57
30	Thibault MALARME - Romain TEMBOURET	55.74	100	Fried WEBER - Martin LOFGREN	49.52
31	Archie SEQUERA - Ramawatar AGARWAL	55.72	101	Adam WILDAVSKY - Doug DOUB	49.43
32	Fred GITELMAN - Brad MOSS	55.50	102	Howard WEINSTEIN - Steve GARNER	49.41
33	Marian RADULESCU - Marina STEGAROIU	55.20	103	Pablo LAMBARDI - Adolfo Daniel MADALA	49.26
34	Jean-Paul BALIAN - Philippe TOFFIER	55.20	104	Franck MULTON - Pierre ZIMMERMANN	49.22
35	Jan JANSMA - Louk VERHEES JR	55.17	105	Jaanus MARIPUU - Tanel KOIVUPUU	49.19
36	Jerome ROMBAUT - Lionel SEBBANE	54.99	106	Bryan MAKSYMETZ - Lars ANDERSSON	49.12
37	Vasil BATOV - Ilko BONEV	54.89	107	Geoff HAMPSON - Eric GRECO	49.11
38	Luca DARBI - Claudio BRUNELLI	54.85	108	Pritish KUSHARI - Sumit MUKHERJEE	48.93
39	Jason HACKETT - Justin HACKETT	54.65	109	Tor BIRKELAND - Espen LINDQVIST	48.86
40	Hans Christian NIELSEN - Lars BLAKSET	54.55	110	Arno LINDERMANN - Martin SCHIFKO	48.57
41	David KENDRICK - Patrick COLLINS	54.52	111	Apolinary KOWALSKI - Piotr TUSZYNSKI	48.53
42	Enrico LONGINOTTI - Giampaolo FRANCO	54.51	112	Richard SCHWARTZ - Chris WILLENKEN	48.51
43	Sjoert BRINK - Bas DRIJVER	54.45	113	Yu Xiong SHEN - Ya Fu LIN	48.48
44	Jacek CIECHOMSKI - Piotr JUREK	54.39	114	Keiran DYKE - David WILTSHIRE	48.42
45	Jacek KALITA - Krzysztof KOTOROWICZ	54.34	115	Kiran NADAR - Bachiraju SATYANARAYANA	48.33
46	Matthias THORVALDSSON - Magnus MAGNUSSON	54.29	116	Desislava Borissova POPOVA - Georgi KARAKOLEV	48.26
47	Rossen Georgiev GUNEV - Julian STEFANOV	54.16	117	Rajesh TIWARI - Bo PRABHAKAR	48.25
48	Jason FELDMAN - Ari GREENBERG	54.08	118	Stephen LANDEN - Pratap RAJADHYAKSHA	48.20
49	Larissa PANINA - Michael ROSENBLUM	53.87	119	Ro VENKATRAMAN - Sunit CHOKSHI	48.15
50	Gordon CAMPBELL - Piotr KLIMOWICZ	53.80	120	Rene STIENEN - Ernst WARENDORF	47.93
51	Kamal Kumar ROY - Debashish ROY	53.55	121	Guy LAFFINEUR - Jean-Christophe QUANTIN	47.81
52	Jacques POTIER - Richard NAIGARD	53.54	122	Stefano CATA - Giancarlo MARINI	47.76
53	Alejandro BIANCHEDI - Ernesto MUZZIO	53.48	123	Maria Joao LARA - Manuel d' OREY CAPUCHO	47.74
54	Rafal JAGNIEWSKI - Boguslaw PAZUR	53.44	124	Dominique PILON - Gerard IZISEL	47.43
55	Marc BOMPIS - Thierry De SAINTE MARIE	53.42	125	Craig GOWER - Henry MANSSELL	47.35
56	Guido FERRARO - Agustin MADALA	53.19	126	Badal Chandra DAS - Sibnath Dey SARKAR	47.28
57	Assaf LENGY - Gadi LBOVITS	53.18	127	Gilles-Rene QUERAN - Jean-Gilles HERVE	47.23
58	Vincent RAMONDT - Berry WESTRA	52.94	128	Giorgio MENINI - Mauro SALVETTI	47.15
59	Maris MATISONS - Andris SMILGAJS	52.86	129	John DAVIDSON - Michael WHIBLEY	47.07
60	Stanislaw GOLEBIEWSKI - Tomasz SIELICKI	52.82	130	Tezcan SEN - Okay GUR	47.00
61	Gabriel CHAGAS - Miguel VILLAS-BOAS	52.74	131	David BIRMAN - Alon BIRMAN	46.90
62	Krzysztof MARTENS - Vytautas VAINIKONIS	52.53	132	Olivier BESSIS - Godefroy De TESSIERES	46.61
63	Andrei GROMOV - Alexander DUBININ	52.30	133	Rajendra GOKHALE - Sk IYENGAR	46.34
64	Mario D'AVOSSA - Stelio DI BELLO	52.23	134	Yossi ROLL - Ilan BAREKET	46.21
65	Alain LEVY - Herve MOUIEL	52.19	135	Judith GARTAGANIS - Nicholas GARTAGANIS	45.80
66	Matilda POPLILOV - Lilo POPLILOV	52.08	136	Nick SANDQVIST - Artur MALINOWSKI	45.79
67	Fulvio FANTONI - Claudio NUNES	52.05	137	Calin STIRBU - Gheorghe SERPOI	45.79
68	Ilan HERBST - Ofir HERBST	52.01	138	Marcelo BRANCO - Diego BRENNER	45.61
69	Pierre SAPORTA - Jean-Louis MARLIER	51.93	139	Andrew ROBSON - Zia MAHMOOD	45.55
70	Valerie GARDINER - Peter GILL	51.91	140	Bart BRAMLEY - Chris COMPTON	45.50
			141	George JACOBS - Alfredo VERSACE	45.31
			142	Larry N. COHEN - David BERKOWITZ	45.20

143	Jean Francois ALLIX - Eric MAUBERQUEZ	45.13	163	Aubrey STRUL - Bobby JONES	42.33
144	Gitte HECHT-JOHANSEN - Valentin Dgiassim AL-SHATI	45.10	164	Llia VASILEV - Ivan NANEV	42.29
145	Gianpaolo CENTIOLI - Angelo VIOLA	45.01	165	John ARMSTRONG - John HOLLAND	42.15
146	Andrzej JASZCZAK - Piotr WALCZAK	44.97	166	Wei Dong LIU - Hong Lu ZHONG	41.88
147	Maxim ZHMAK - Denis DOBRIN	44.90	167	Bobby RICHMAN - Zoltan NAGY	41.67
148	Igor CURLIN - Dmitri PROKHOROV	44.60	168	Nikola BARANTIEV - Ivan IVANOV	41.66
149	Marcin LESNIEWSKI - Jean-Michel VOLDOIRE	44.53	169	Simon GILLIS - Boye BROGELAND	41.61
150	Robert LEBI - Nader HANNA	44.45	170	Martin REINERTSEN - Erik RYNNING	41.11
151	Alain NAHMIA - Dominique BEAUMIER	44.28	171	Ashok Kumar GOEL - Kamal MUKHERJEE	40.61
152	Ulli JAHR - Berthold ENGEL	44.16	172	Marlene KIRSTAN - Niels KROEJGAARD	40.24
153	Sven Olai HOYLAND - Sam Inge HOYLAND	43.92	173	Piotr BIZON - Michal KWIECIEN	39.91
154	Connie GOLDBERG - Wafik ABDU	43.81	174	Eli SOLHEIM - Ivar M.ANFINSEN	39.67
155	Tobias TORNQVIST - Johan UPMARK	43.75	175	Carel BERENDREGT - Bert PAPIING	39.67
156	Hans-Herman GWINNER - Andreas PAWLIK	43.48	176	Alan NELSON - Kath NELSON	39.19
157	Jorgen MOLBERG - Terje AA	43.38	177	Giovanni ALBAMONTE - Riccardo INTONTI	39.08
158	Peter HECHT-JOHANSEN - Knut BLAKSET	43.30	178	Roman GRZELAK - Tadeusz RALKO	38.93
159	Antonio LARDO - Francesco NATALE	42.70	179	Federico IAVICOLI - Giuseppe DELLE CAVE	38.25
160	John DUQUETTE - Dave COLBERT	42.67	180	Dominique GERIN - Patrick DADOUN	37.40
161	Alexandru ELIAN - Dan ZARA	42.60	181	David BAKHSHI - Andrew MCINTOSH	33.86
162	Rene HERMANS - Willem Van EIJCK	42.58	182	Bo NORGREN - Jan OLSEN	31.29

## WOMEN'S PAIRS

### Semi-Final Phase (After 1st Session)

Rank	Names	Total			Total
1	Ewa HARASIMOWICZ - Malgorzata PASTERNAK	66.85	27	Pat MEEHAN - Rose O'FARRELL	49.55
2	Gloria COLOMBO BRUGNONI - Mietta PREVE	62.14	28	Ewa SOBOLEWSKA - Anna SZCZEPANSKA	49.28
3	Sylvie DUMON - Muriel CLEMENT	61.59	29	Maria Grazia BETTINI - Morella PACHECO	48.64
4	Yan HUANG - Yan Hong WANG	60.14	30	Debora CAMPAGNANO - Irene BARONI	48.46
5	Sally BROCK - Heather DHONDY	59.24	31	Nur CINAR - Sevil AKIN	48.28
6	Carla ARNOLDS - Bep VRIEND	58.61	32	Shawn QUINN - Mildred BREED	47.83
7	Joann GLASSON - Lisa BERKOWITZ	58.15	33	Janine Elise PECCOUD - Renata SAPORTA	47.55
8	Ruth FARKAS - Ora DAN	57.88	34	Antonella BACOCOLI - Tiziana ROSI	47.01
9	Gemma MARIANO - Tina J. Del GALLEGRO	56.52	35	Lila PANAHPOUR - Benedicte CRONIER	46.83
10	Vanessa REESS - Nathalie FREY	56.43	36	Vera TAGLIAFERI - Monica AGHEMO	46.56
11	Nikica SVER - Marina PILIPOVIC	55.89	37	Faith MAYER - Victoria EGAN	46.29
12	Pamela GRANOVETTER - Migry ZUR-CAMPANILE	55.80	38	Pascale THUILLEZ - Dominique JEANIN-NALTET	46.20
13	Petra MANSELL - Merle MODLIN	54.89	39	Judy BUSSELL - Stephanie KYME	45.38
14	Renee LEGER - Laurence RIMBAUD	54.71	40	Monica BURATTI - Darinka FORTI	44.93
15	Anne-Frederique LEVY - Blandine De HEREDIA	53.80	41	Margie GWOZDZINSKY - Cathy STRAUCH	44.84
16	Emanuela CAPRIATA - Cristina GOLIN	53.71	42	Jo MORSE - Susie MILLER	44.66
17	Veronique BESSIS - Sylvie WILLARD	53.26	43	Ana Maria De ALONSO - Monica ANG. De BALDASARRE	44.57
18	Marion MICHELSEN - Meike WORTEL	52.45	44	Lynn DEAS - Beth PALMER	44.47
19	Nevena SENIOR - Janine FORD	51.72	44	Nadine WOOD - Linda MALONEY	44.47
20	Gianna ARRIGONI - Gabriella OLIVIERI	51.27	46	Ora LOURIE - Sally STRUL	44.20
21	Luigina GENTILI - Maddalena SEVERGNINI	51.18	47	Jet PASMANN - Anneke SIMONS	43.84
22	Grazyna BREWIAK - Anna SARNIAK	50.91	48	Minnie TANANBAUM - Elisabeth HUGON	42.39
23	Natalija VEKSA - Liga BRIKMANE	50.45	48	Katherine WEI-SENDER - Linda GREEN	42.39
24	Barbara NIST - Helen ABBOTT	50.36	50	Christine BOYLSON - Michelle BRUNNER	42.12
25	Catherine FISHPOOL - Claude BLOUQUIT	49.82	51	Elke WEBER - Ingrid GROMANN	41.94
26	Carla GIANARDI - Laura ROVERA	49.64	52	Donna COMPTON - Gigi SIMPSON	40.22
			53	Sylvia MOSS - Judi RADIN	39.86
			53	Lynn BAKER - Karen MCCALLUM	39.86

### Open and Women's Pairs Semi-Finals

There are 182 pairs playing in the Open, of which approximately 58 will qualify for the final. In the Women's, 54 pairs are playing the semi-finals, of which approximately 27 will qualify for the final.

There will be approximately 14 pairs in the Open and nine pairs in the Women's coming from the knockout teams, for a total of 72 pairs in the Open and 36 in the Women's.

The Open final will be played over five sessions, finishing Saturday. The women play four sessions, finishing Friday. Both will be played in barometer style.

### Senior Pairs

The Senior Pairs will be played over four days – two days of qualifying and two days of a Final A and a Final B. The Final A will be played as a barometer. The number of qualifying pairs is to be decided.

### IMP Pairs

The IMP Pairs will be played in four qualifying sessions today and tomorrow. Thereafter, we will play a final over three days in a Final A and two days in a Final B. The format for the final is to be decided.

The event will be played in the middle room (sections A to J). Players will get their starting positions in the playing room.

# COSE DI CASA NOSTRA

Nel quinto turno del seniores la formazione di Ezio Fornaciari (Arturo Franco/Paolo Farina in aperta, Franco Baroni/Marco Ricciarelli in chiusa ed il capitano in panchina con Carlo Mariani) ha incontrato la squadra indiana del Dr. Wadia, vincendo per 20 a 10.

## Nel silenzio avversario

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Franco	Dr. Wadia	Farina	Kalianiwala
		1♠	Passo
ISA	Contro	2♣	Fine

La risposta di ISA di Ovest, sull'apertura di 1♠ del compagno, e' forzante. Nord ha deciso di annunciare il suo punteggio



Arturo Franco, Italy

con il contro e quest'azione, in seguito, ha condizionato il gioco. Kalianiwala, in Sud, ha attaccato piccola cuori, per l'Asso del compagno che e' tornato nel colore. In presa col Re di cuori Sud ha virato a quadri, di Fante, che ha percorso indisturbato il tavolo fino al Re di Est. Paolo Farina ha rigiocato quadri lasciando in presa il 10 di Sud. Tagliato il terzo giro nel colore, Farina si e' trasferito al morto a cuori (se ci fosse stato in giro il taglio a cuori, gli avversari l'avrebbero gia' trovato. In piu' non mancherebbe certo l'occasione per farlo anche in seguito) e da li' ha giocato picche per il Re. L'Asso di picche e' fortemente sospetto in Nord. 2♠ mi. Stesso contratto nell'altra sala, ma Ricciarelli, con le carte di Nord, ha detto sempre passo in licita e, al momento del dunque, il dichiarante ha giocato picche per il Fante andando down (3 picche, 1 quadri e 2 cuori incassate in verticale).

## Impasse a carte viste

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Franco	Dr. Wadia	Farina	Kalianiwala
			ISA
Passo	2♠	Passo	2SA
Passo	4SA	Passo	5♦
Passo	6SA	Fine	

Il 2♠ del Dr. Wadia chiede se l'apertura di ISA (11/14) e' minima o massima. 2SA, chiaramente, mostra il minimo (11/12). A questo punto Nord ha preso la via breve per lo slam, anche se, in assenza di indagini un po' piu' sofisticate, potrebbero mancare Asso e Re di quadri. Arturo Franco ha attaccato 8 di picche, per un pezzo del morto. La continuazione Fante di quadri e' stata catturata dall'Asso di Farina che e' tornato nel colore d'attacco. Dama di picche, Asso di cuori, quadri a superare la carta di Est e Fante di cuori a girare. 12 prese. Nell'altra sala la coppia Baroni/Ricciarelli ha raggiunto lo stesso contratto, anche se con licita piu' approfondita. Marco Ricciarelli, alla manovra in Nord, prima di affidarsi all'impasse a cuori, ha contato la mano muovendo gli altri colori in modo di piazzare con certezza il singolo di cuori in Est. Il gancio, percio', e' stato fatto a carte viste.



**Nel buio**

Board 9. Dich. Nord. E/O in zona

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

♠ A Q 9 8 7 2  
♥ Q J 9 8 7  
♦ 2  
♣ 4



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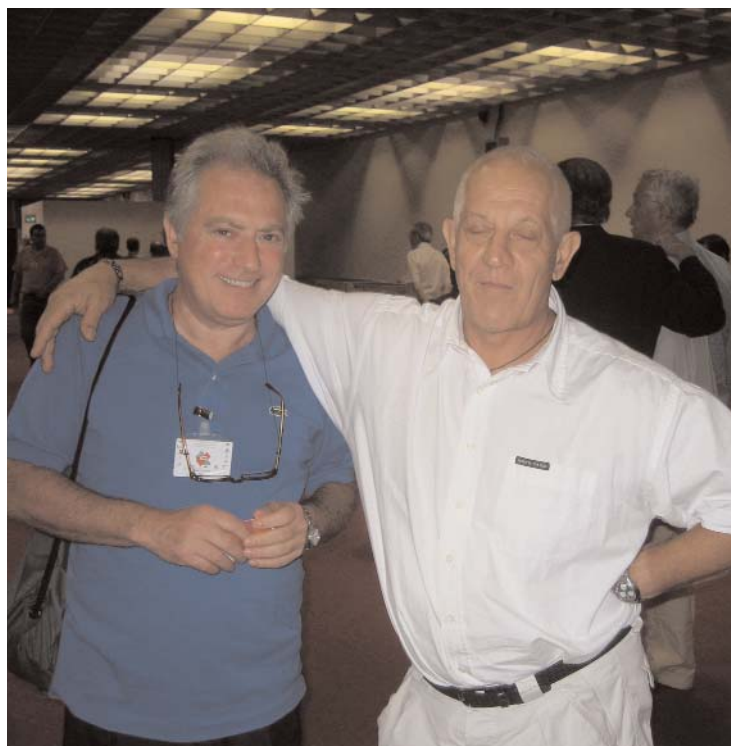
♠ 5 3  
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♦ J 10 8 3  
♣ A 10 9 8 3 2

<b>Ovest</b> <i>Franco</i>	<b>Nord</b> <i>Dr. Wadia</i>	<b>Est</b> <i>Farina</i>	<b>Sud</b> <i>Kalianiwala</i>
4♠	1♣ Fine	Passo	4♣

Posto alle strette, Arturo Franco non si e' certamente ritirato, dichiarando a livello il suo nobile piu' lungo. Nord, con il poker di Re rinforzato da un Asso, ha ritenuto di contrare.

<b>Ovest</b>	<b>Nord</b> <i>Ricciarelli</i>	<b>Est</b>	<b>Sud</b> <i>Baroni</i>
Contro 4♥	1SA 2SA Passo Passo Contro	Passo Passo 5♥ Fine	2♠ 3SA 5♣ Passo

Il 2♠ trasferisce, il contro mostra, il 2SA gradisce, il 3SA conclude, il 4♥ completa, il 5♣ non permette, il 5♥ prova, il contro dissente, concludendo. Un down.



Paolo Farina e Franco Baroni, Italy

**Heart Attack**

by Mark Horton



This deal from the third session of the Rosenblum and McConnell produced all sorts of drama, but also offered an opportunity for a classic piece of defensive play.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ K J 10 4 3  
♥ 8 5  
♦ K 5  
♣ J 8 4 3

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



♠ A 9 7 6 5  
♥ A K Q 6 3 2  
♦ -  
♣ 7 2

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

<b>West</b> <i>Steiner</i>	<b>North</b> <i>Daryanani</i>	<b>East</b> <i>Letizia</i>	<b>South</b> <i>Tagliavia</i>
INT	Pass	5♦	5♥
All Pass			

After West's mini no trump and East's jump to game South, with the best hand at the table must have been delighted to have to see the auction had already escalated to the five level by the time the bidding tray got back to her side of the screen.

Resisting temptation to do anything speculative she close proceedings with her bid of Five Hearts.

West, Carlin Steiner, cashed the ace and king of clubs and continued with the five of clubs. East, Marinesa Letizia, made no mistake, ruffing with the seven of hearts, thereby promoting a trump trick for her partner.

**Thanks**

The Canadian Bridge Federation wishes to thank the Paul Desmarais family of Montreal for their kind consideration in supporting the Canadian University Team.

# Knockout Punch

by Brent Manley

Entering the third quarter against the favored Nick Nickell team, the Gartaganis squad from Canada was down only 5 IMPs. A good third quarter would put them in position for an upset win and put them in the quarter-final round.

Unfortunately for the Canadians, the Nickell team was also aware of the possibilities for an upset, and they brought their A game to the match, taking the set 49-11 and ending with a comfortable win.

Both teams missed an opportunity on the second deal of the set.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
Rodwell	Nick G.	Meckstroth	Judith G.
1♥	Dble	Pass	Pass
Pass	4♣	2♦ (i)	3♠
Dble (ii)	6♣	Pass	4♥
		All Pass	

(i) Heart raise.

(ii) Not interested in a heart lead.

Rodwell's psychic opening in third seat seemed to have done the trick, keeping Nick and Judith Gartaganis from the cold grand slam. On the other hand, Paul Soloway and Bob Hamman did not appear to come close to the grand despite the fact that Hamman opened the South hand.

West	North	East	South
Balcombe	Soloway	Colbert	Hamman
Pass	2♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	4♦	Pass	3♣
Pass	5♦	Pass	5♣
All Pass		Pass	6♣

The result was plus 1390 – no swing.

There was a swing on the next deal, however.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ K ♥ A K Q J 9 8 7 4 ♦ A 9 2 ♣ 2	<table style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ Q 8 5 ♥ 6 ♦ J 10 7 6 3 ♣ A K Q J	♠ 10 7 6 4 2 ♥ 10 ♦ Q 4 ♣ 10 9 8 5 4
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West	North	East	South
Rodwell	Nick G.	Meckstroth	Judith G.
1♣	1♦	Pass	Pass
4♥	All Pass		1♠

Eric Rodwell's 1♣ was strong and artificial. With nine tricks in hand, took a shot at the vulnerable heart game. Nick Gartaganis started with the ♣K and continued with the ♣A. Rodwell ruffed and played a diamond from hand to dummy's queen and Judith Gartaganis' king. She correctly switched to a trump, which Rodwell took in dummy. His only chance was to sneak a spade past the ace, should South hold it. Indeed, Judith did hold the ace, and when Rodwell tried a low spade, Judith did play low. Oops! Rodwell claimed at that point for plus 620.

West	North	East	South
Balcombe	Soloway	Colbert	Hamman
1♣	1♦	Pass	2♦
4♥	All Pass		



Jeff Meckstroth, USA

The defense went the same way up to the point where Keith Balcombe led a low spade from dummy. Soloway shot up with the ace, and that was one down and 12 IMPs to Nickell.

Gartaganis gained an overtrick IMP on the next deal and added 6 more IMPs in an unusual way on the deal after that.

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ 8 ♥ K Q 9 6 5 3 ♦ A K 6 4 3 ♣ 5	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ K 7 2 ♥ 2 ♦ 10 9 8 ♣ K Q 10 9 8 3
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West	North	East	South
Rodwell	Nick G.	Meckstroth	Judith G.
	1♥	3♣	4♣
Pass	4NT	Pass	6♦
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

The board was played 16 times, all but one in 6♥ by North (you will see the exception below), and no one found the lead that would trouble declarer the most – a trump. Who would think of a trump holding a club suit such as East's? Even on a trump lead and continuation, however, North can always take 12 tricks in hearts via a double squeeze. After a trump to the ace and a trump return, declarer wins in dummy, cashes the ♣A and ruffs a club, then cashes his high diamonds and ruffs a diamond, followed by a club ruff, diamond ruff and another club ruff. This is the ending:



Paul Soloway, USA

♠ Q 10 ♥ – ♦ Q ♣ –	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 8 ♥ K ♦ 6 ♣ –
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		♠ K 7 ♥ – ♦ – ♣ K									
		♠ A J ♥ – ♦ – ♣ 7									

North plays the ♥K, and East must discard a spade to keep dummy's ♣7 from becoming a winner. Declarer then discards the club from dummy and West is done. If he discards his last diamond, declarer's 6 is good, so West also parts with a spade. Declarer then leads a spade to dummy's ace, felling the king and queen and taking trick 12 with the ♠J.

At the other table, the auction did not develop as one might expect.

West	North	East	South
Balcombe	Soloway	Colbert	Hamman
	1♥	2♣	4♥
Dble	All Pass		

It isn't known whether Hamman or Soloway considered redoubling (that would have been plus 1880 if they sat for it, a 10-IMP gain for Nickell), but perhaps Soloway was too happy to be doubled with such a good hand. At any rate, 12 tricks were made for plus 1190 and a strange 6-IMP gain for Gartaganis.

The next big swing for Nickell (it could have been a small one) occurred on the following deal.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ Q 8 ♥ J 10 9 ♦ 10 4 2 ♣ A K Q 10 5	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ K J 10 4 3 ♥ 8 5 ♦ K 5 ♣ J 8 4 3
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West	North	East	South
Rodwell	Nick G.	Meckstroth	Judith G.
1♦	1♠	2♦	3♦
Pass	3♠	4♦	6♠
Dble	All Pass		

The Rodwell-Meckstroth system requires a 1♦ opener with the West hand – 1♣ is strong and artificial and a natural, limited 2♣ opener requires a minimum of six clubs. Meckstroth's

2♦ was natural but non-forcing. Judith had a massive hand after her partner's 1♠ overcall, so at her second turn she simply shot out the slam. Rodwell doubled for a non-diamond lead, and the club lead by Meckstroth was normal considering that their 1♦ openers often contain strong clubs. The contract was quickly one down for plus 100 to Nickell. At the other table:

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Balcombe	Soloway	Colbert	Hamman
INT	Pass	5♦	5♥
All Pass			

Balcombe led two high clubs and could have scuttled the contract by continuing the suit – East can uppercut with the ♥7, promoting a trump trick in the West hand. After long thought, however, Balcombe played the ♦10 at trick three and Hamman was soon claiming plus 450 for an 11-IMP gain. Had Balcombe made the club play, the swing would have been only 2 IMPs.

The following board turned out badly for Gartaganis.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Rodwell	Nick G.	Meckstroth	Judith G.
			INT
Dble	2♦	3♣	All Pass

Over Judith's weak INT, the double showed values, so Meckstroth was happy to try a contract in his seven-card suit. He lost one spade, one heart and one club for plus 130. The bidding didn't go so well at the other table.

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Balcombe	Soloway	Colbert	Hamman
			1♠
2♦	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♠	Dble	3NT	All Pass

Hamman started with a low spade to the queen and king. David Colbert could see that it would take a miracle and an unlikely series of defensive errors for him to even come close to nine tricks with the East/West cards, but he soldiered on with an unsuccessful diamond finesse. The final result in this ugly contract was three down, and the Canadians could be thankful they weren't doubled.

The final swing of the set occurred on the last deal.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Rodwell	Nick G.	Meckstroth	Judith G.
		1♣	Dble
1♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	5♣	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♠	All Pass

Over the strong 1♣, Judith's double apparently showed two suits of the same color. Nick could deduce from the auction and his hand that it was the red suits, so he went quietly despite his eight-card suit.

Meckstroth's 4♣ showed club shortness, and Rodwell cooperated with a diamond cuebid, enough to convince Meckstroth to employ exclusion Key Card Blackwood, and the good slam was reached. Nick led the ♥10, which went to the king and ace. On the return of a low heart, Rodwell ruffed with the ♠J as North followed. Rodwell led a spade to the ace and claimed when both opponents followed – plus 980.

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
Balcombe	Soloway	Colbert	Hamman
		1♣(i)	Pass
1♦	4♣	Dble	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	5♣
Dble	All Pass		

(i) Strong, artificial.

Hamman's 5♣ cost his team 1 IMP and might have cost the entire swing had the Canadians pushed on to their slam, but he bid on anyway. Soloway always had eight tricks and he finished three down for minus 500.

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### 100% Solution

Mark Horton

In a large pairs field it is very difficult to achieve an outright top, particularly when you are opposed by one of the world's greatest players.

Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ A K 10 8 ♥ A 9 4 ♦ 8 7 3 2 ♣ 8 4	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 7 ♥ Q J 10 8 3 ♦ Q 10 9 ♣ K 9 6 2	♠ J 6 5 4 ♥ 7 ♦ A K J 5 4 ♣ A Q 10
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West	North	East	South
Versace	Kovachev	Jacobs	Hecht-Johansen
1♦	Pass	1♥	Dble
Redble*	1♠	2♥	Pass
Pass	Dble	3♥	3♠
Dble	All Pass		

After a typical matchpoint auction West must have thought he was on to a good thing when he got to double Three Spades.

East led the seven of spades and West decided to play the eight. Declarer won with the nine of spades and played a club to the queen. When that held he played dummy's heart and put up the king when West ducked. Now he ruffed a heart, cashed the ace of diamonds and ruffed a diamond. A heart ruff was followed by the king of diamonds, declarer discarding a club and when East delivered the queen, another diamond winner, discarding a second club. When declarer played dummy's last diamond West discarded a club, but so did declarer, and now the ace of clubs ensured a trick for the queen of spades. Two overtricks and +730 – a complete top for North/South.

George Jacobs parting shot to the large crowd of kibitzers was 'A typical Italian double.'

### Surrounded

Maureen Hiron

This was a textbook defence, from round 8 of the Senior Teams.

Board 20. Dealer West. Game all.

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

North, Irving Gordon, aka Haggis, led a fourth highest spade, to the 2, 8 and ace. Declarer set about clubs, the ace fetching the nine from North, and the diamond eight to the ace for a finesse of the club jack brought good news and bad news. On lead with the fourth round of clubs, Ian Panto learnedly returned the jack of hearts – the surrounding play – to the queen and king, and the heart return from Haggis, through dummy's ten, gave the defenders the four heart tricks that set the contract.

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**Closed Room**

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Kalish</i>	<i>Ming Dai</i>	<i>Podgur</i>	<i>Yang</i>
	1♦	1♠	Dble
2NT*	3♥	3♣	All Pass

South led a spade and declarer won in hand and played a diamond. South took the trick with the nine and played a second trump. Declarer won in dummy, unblocked the ace of hearts, ruffed a diamond, cashed the king of hearts and ruffed a heart. He came back to hand with a diamond ruff and drew the outstanding trump, +140, but a loss of 12 IMPs.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

**Open Room**

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Shi</i>	<i>Ginossar</i>	<i>Zhang</i>	<i>Ozdil</i>
	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♠	All Pass	

West's opening salvo was the five of hearts, which ran to declarer's king. He knocked out the ace of clubs and the defenders cashed two heart tricks. The 2-2 spade break meant declarer had the rest, +170.

**Closed Room**

<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Kalish</i>	<i>Ming Dai</i>	<i>Podgur</i>	<i>Yang</i>
	INT	All Pass	

Two strange decisions combined to deliver a poor result. East led the two of diamonds and declarer won and tried to sneak a club past the ace. Unluckily it was in the West hand and the defenders were not slow to cash their diamond tricks and then switch to the queen of hearts, one down, -100 and a useful 7 IMP pickup at the end of the set.



**Championship Diary**



When Mrs.T spotted this bidding sequence she remarked, 'Isn't that a bit amateurish to use so many bids to get to Seven Hearts?'

When Sabine Auken paid one of her infrequent visits to the Daily Bulletin a passing acquaintance asked her why she wasn't playing in the Pairs.

'Well, we are still in the McConnell.'  
A short while later her inquisitor returned with another question.

'So why aren't you playing now?'  
'We are a team of six.'

'Make sure that the Americans don't take the trophy home this time.'  
(Commiserations to her teammates, Lynn Baker, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer & Kerri Sanborn - all representing the USA!)

We were amused (it doesn't take much) to note that one of the VuGraph commentators on Bridgebase described himself as world-class. Certainly when he is commentating he can clear the theatre in 30 seconds!

Patsy Mehan dropped by to ask if we wanted a story about the best bid she had ever made. 'When were you at Sotheby's?' was our tactless reply.

Some of the players are known to be a little volatile from time to time. One of the best of them once told off a waiter for passing.

There is no truth in the rumour that news of the non-arrival of one of the VuGraph commentators has been greeted with dismay by members of the Insomniacs Society.

When I mentioned that one of my ex-wives was present at the tournament Tacchi interjected 'Well, that doesn't narrow it down much.'



# Countermeasures

by Ron Klinger

Test your defence on this deal:

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

South opens a strong club and ends in 6♦. You lead the ♠3, king, ace, ruffed. Declarer crosses to the ♦K and returns the ♦6 to the jack. Then comes the ♦A, dropping East's ♦Q. Declarer continues with the ♥A, ♥K, ♥Q, East playing the ♥6, ♥4, ♥10 (reverse count) and you discard a club.

South now plays the ♣2. How would you defend?

The complete deal, reported previously in Daily Bulletin #8, looked like this (hands rotated for convenience):

Round 11: Board 4 Dealer South. Both Vul.

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

Via a sequence that need not be preserved for posterity, Bob Hamman had opened a strong club as South and finished in 6♦. West started with the ♠3 and Bob played dummy's king. He ruffed East's ace, drew trumps thanks to the favourable layout and cashed the hearts. This was the position:

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

Bob exited with the ♣2. Had West been a good counter, he would have known that declarer had started with no spades, four hearts and five diamonds. Therefore South had to have four clubs and hence East had a singleton. It was therefore vital to rise with the ♣K (a 'crocodile') and return the ♣10, leaving South with another club loser.

To rise with the ♣K was safe whether East had the ♣J or ♣Q. South would not have started with the ♣A-Q-J-x, as he would have discarded the low club on the ♠Q when in dummy with the ♦K. In practice West played an automatic second-hand-low on the ♣2, East won but had only spades left and away went South's two club losers.

"It is very close whether to play the ♠9 at trick one," said Bob later, "but I was concerned that East might have the ♠A and the ♠J. It was lucky that I did not play a low spade. If I had, I would ruff East's ace, play ♦A, diamond to the king and discard two clubs on the ♠K, ♠Q. That would rely on the club finesse and diamonds behaving, but then the slam would have been one down."

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The official book of these championships in Verona will be available before the end of the year at a price of US\$34. However, for those present in Verona, the book can be pre-ordered at the very special reduced price of US\$25 or 20 Euros, including surface mail to anywhere in the world (Airmail is extra).

To order and pay for your copy, please see Jan Swaan in the Press Room – go through the door marked Staff and Guests only, one floor down from the main playing area, and the Press Room is through the Bulletin Room. Please, when you fill in the form, write your name and address very clearly in capital letters, as every year I have to guess at several addresses.

The book will be 336 large pages, its usual size, and will include a full results listing and many photographs. There will be coverage of every championship, with the principal analysts being Eric Kokish and Brian Senior. Barry Rigal is taking a year off, but there will be one or two special guest contributors to look forward to.

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In the Meltzer-Nickell match, Meltzer trailed by 10 IMPs going into the final quarter, took the lead but then fell behind again late only to rally with 23 IMPs to 2 for Nickell over the final four boards.

The McConnell final today will be an all-American affair as teams captained by Hansa Narasimhan and Carlyn Steiner play 60 boards for the championship.

# The Rosenblum Cup Bracket

Round of 64	Round of 32	Round of 16	Quarter Final	Semi Final	Final / Play off
Nickell Texans	Nickell 115/88	Nickell 164/80	Nickell 148/99	Meltzer 109/86	
Jokish Romania					
Russia Robinson	Russia 160/83	Gartaganis 126/111	Meltzer 143/123		
Bessis Gartaganis	Gartaganis 118/100				
Meltzer Altshuler	Meltzer 138/64	Meltzer 110/94	Meltzer 143/123		
Cornell Izisel	Izisel 127/67				
Ekeblad Borekovic	Ekeblad 161/102	Ekeblad 128/120	Welland 144/118		
Gwinner Nadar	Nadar 112/72				
Welland Strul	Welland 132/91.5	Welland 142/104	Welland 144/118		
Herbst Canada	Herbst 141/94				
Zimmerman Morath	Morath 81/59	Allfrey 172/89	Welland 144/118		
Allfrey Szilagy	Allfrey 100/70				
Gillis Gordon	Gordon 123/122	Soulet 126/115	Soulet 123/54		
Soulet de Botton	Soulet 138/116				
Jacobs Bridge +	Bridge+ 122/113	Belgium 1 122/74	Yadlin 120/112		
Assemi Belgium 1	Belgium 1 146/80				
Lavazza Pont	Lavazza 120/42	Hecht Johansen 146/31	Yadlin 120/112		
Hecht-Johansen Grenthe	Hecht Johansen 125/122				
Lynch Agener	Lynch 143/57	Yadlin 122/112	Yadlin 148/131		
Yadlin Allana	Yadlin 102/78.5				
China Teltscher	China 126/107	China 137/75	China 183/127		
Akgul Clair	Clair 116/88				
Milner Tananbaum	Milner 128/115	Milner 133/97	Henner 124/114.5		
Chang Berg	Berg 137/125				
Chagas 11 diamond	Chagas 173/110	Chagas 133/120	Henner 146/101		
Iceland Vasilev	Iceland 187/60				
Henner Bareket	Henner 130/100	Henner 123/87	Mahaffey 111/103		
Tornay Villa Fabrice	Villa Fabrice 101/81				
Orange Cope	Orange 128/77	Mahaffey 115/113	Mahaffey 111/103		
Mullanphy Mahaffey	Mahaffey 103/87				
Pharmacy Service Popova	T Pharm.Serv.139/120	Schwartz 162/91	Schwartz 124/92		
Parioli	Schwartz 124/92				

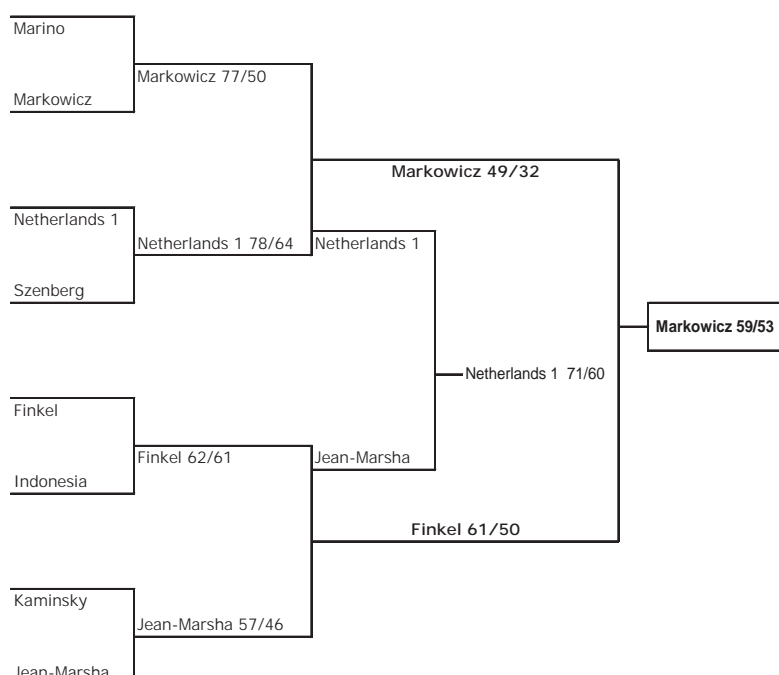
# The McConnell Cup Bracket

Round of 16	Quarter Final	Semi Final	Final / Play off
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## The Senior Teams Bracket

Quarter Final	Semi Final	Final / Play off
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# THE PLAYING WORLD REPRESENTED BY PRECIOUS CARTIER JEWELS

The "game and luck" exhibition is successfully continuing in the Cartier Boutique in Via Mazzini 37. Jewellery, items and exceptional creations: large and small treasures coming from all over the world, belonging to the historic *Collection Cartier*.



An event within the event prepared for the World Bridge championship, which has been attended by the President of the World Bridge Federation, Josè Damiani and the President of the European Bridge League & Federazione Italiana Gioco Bridge, Gianarrigo Rona. Watches, necklaces, precious jewels that evoke the world of game and luck, like the platinum ladybirds, diamonds, coral brooches and exclusive art items. The exhibition has met with great interest and is open every day until 24<sup>th</sup> June.

## IL MONDO DEL GIOCO RAPPRESENTATO DA PREZIOSI GIOIELLI CARTIER

Continua con successo la mostra "il gioco e la fortuna" presso la Boutique Cartier di Via Mazzini 37. Gioielli, oggetti e creazioni d'eccezione: piccoli e grandi tesori, provenienti da tutto il mondo, appartenenti alla storica *Collection Cartier*.

Un evento nell'evento allestito in occasione dei Mondiali di Bridge, al quale non è potuto mancare il Presidente della World Bridge Federation, Josè Damiani e il Presidente della European Bridge League & Federazione Italiana Gioco Bridge, Gianarrigo Rona. Orologi, collier, gioielli preziosi che richiamano il mondo del gioco e della fortuna, come le coccinelle di platino, diamanti, corallo da usare come spille ed esclusivi oggetti d'arte. Accolta con grande interesse, la mostra è aperta tutti i giorni e proseguirà sino al 24 giugno.



## 3<sup>RD</sup> EUROPEAN OPEN BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS



**Antalya - Turkey**  
World of Wonders Resort  
15<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> June 2007



The Queensland Bridge Association  
in conjunction with the  
**Australian Bridge Federation**  
invite you to enjoy a leisurely week of Sun, Sea, Sand & Surf whilst competing in one of the world's most prestigious bridge events.

## 2007 GOLD COAST CONGRESS

[Gold Point and Australian Team Selection Point Event]

February 17th - 24th 2007

The Gold Coast Convention Centre . Gold Coast Highway . Broadbeach

- Sunday 18 to Tuesday 20: Pairs Championship [Open . Restricted . Seniors]
- Tuesday 20 to Thursday 22: Teams Championship [Open . Restricted . Seniors]
- Friday 23 to Saturday 24: Swiss Pairs [New Event]
- Saturday 17: Welcome Walk-In Pairs & Youth Pairs
- Tuesday 20: Team Warm up Walk-In Pairs
- Wednesday 21: Walk-In Pairs
- Saturday 24: Dinner Dance / Prize Giving



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