## Daily Bulletin no. 9

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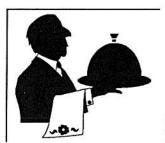
Thursday, August 12, 1993

## GERMANY LEAD; USA 1 WIN THE BRONZE

Final	C.O.	1-16	17-32	total	33-48	total	49-64	total
Germany	5.5	41	23	69.5	68	137.5	43	180.5
Norway		46	34	80	14	94	43	137

Playoff	C.O.	1-16	17-32	total	33-48	total	49-64	total
USA 1	14	53	54	121	23	144	29	173
Denmark		7	20	27	52	79	58	137

With two thirds of the way gone, Germany are leading Norway by 43.5 imps, exactly the margin they had at



### **Final**

Germany - Norway result so far: 180.5-137

**10.00** hrs: Boards 65-80 **13.30** hrs: Boards 81-96

20.30 hrs: Victory Banquet

halftime. Norway had started the day well enough, and all looked set for a close match till the end, but then suddenly the Germans struck, winning the third set 68-14. In the fourth set, Norway rallied back to make it a 33-imp deficit, but then Germany again had some good boards to tie the set after all.

In the playoff for the bronze, Denmark and the USA each won two sets, but it's the imps that matter: the first set had already virtually ended the match when the score read: USA 67, Denmark 7. At the halfway stage, the US lead had increased to 121-27. Though the match was over, Denmark regained some prestige by taking the third set 52-23 and the fourth 58-29, playing well. The final score: 173-137 to the USA.

### Welcome to André Boekhorst

The first Vice President of the European Bridge League and President of the Dutch Bridge Federation André Boekhorst arrived in Århus yesterday to attend the last stage of this Championship.

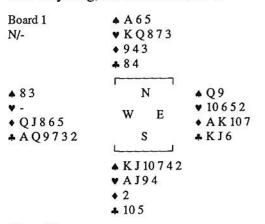
Junior Bridge owes its very existence to André Boekhorst. He started international Junior bridge activity in Europe by organizing the 1st European Junior Championship in 1968 in Prague, and then the 1st European Junior Bridge Camp in 1976 in Warmensteinach, Germany. He served as Chairman of the EBL Youth Committee until 1985. When the WBF Youth Committee was formed in the same year, he became its first Chairman and organized the 1st World Junior Championship in 1987 in Amsterdam. André retired in 1991, and was named Chairman Emeritus of the WBF Youth Committee.

We are all thankful to André Boekhorst for his enormous contribution, and we wish him a pleasant stay with us in Århus.

Panos Gerontopoulos

# THE FINAL & THE PLAYOFF (part 1)

On Wednesday morning at 10.00 a.m. they got underway. It was Germany v. Norway for the World Championship and USA 1 v. Denmark for third place. Would Norway do it again in the first quarter? How would Denmark react to their spectacular defeat last night by half an imp? On Vugraph, we did not have to wait very long, for this was board 1:



#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Hopfenheit	Molberg	Rohowsky	Kvam
	pass	1 NT	2 🛧
2 NT	3 🛦	pass	pass
4 🚓	pass	5 ♦	all pass

The par contract was reached. 11 tricks and 400 to Germany.

#### Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Aaseng	Reps	Helgemo	Joest
	pass	1 +	1 🔺
2 🚣	2 +	3 🚓	4 🔺
5 ♦	pass	pass	5 🛦
6 ♦	pass	pass	pass

We will never know who was trying to bluff whom in this auction. Maybe, Aaseng expected spade shortness with his partner. Maybe, he was hoping for a further save by NS. As the cards lay, Reps and Joest nearly did

## Victory Banquet

Team Captains are kindly requested to inform Inger Axelsen at the Hospitality Desk how many persons from their groups will participate in the Victory Banquet.

The banquet and Prizegiving Ceremony will take place in the Eurocenter on Thursday, August 12, 1993 starting at 20.30 hrs.

Inger Axelsen

the right thing by passing  $6 \spadesuit$ . When they led spades and it turned out that the  $\spadesuit$ AK were cashable, they might have thought they forgot to double. 50 to Germany on this table, and 10 imps to make it a flying start for them.

On board 3, we saw the first substantial swing in the playoff, when Denmark were the only ones to miss a not too difficult slam. That made it: USA 13, Denmark 5 in that match.

Over now to board 4, with swings in both matches:

Board 4	A A K	
W/ALL	<b>♥</b> 9872	
	♦ KQ95	
	<b>4</b> 986	
♠ Q 10 7	N	<b>4</b> 9432
♥ KJ643	W F	▼ A 10
♦ A	W E	8743
♣ A J 10 3	S	<b>♣</b> K 7 4
	L	
	<b>▲</b> J865	
	<b>♥</b> Q5	
	◆ J 10 6 2	
	+Q52	

#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Hopfenheit	Molberg	Rohowsky	Kvam
1 🗸	pass	1 +	pass
2 +	pass	2 🔻	all pass

Hopfenheit made ten tricks easily, 170 to Germany.

#### Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Aaseng	Reps	Helgemo	Joest
1 🔻	pass	1.4	pass
2 +	pass	2 ♥	pass
2 4	pass	4 ♥	all pass

This does not look the greatest of contracts on a diamond lead, but Reps led his  $\triangle AK$  first before switching to a diamond. After this double gain of tempo, Aaseng just drew trumps, let North ruff the  $\triangle Q$  with his master trump and later finessed the  $\triangle Q$  correctly through South. 620 and 10 imps to Norway.



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Mainly the same thing happened in the playoff. Here are the two auctions:

USA 1 v. Denmark

Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Wilson	Bruun	Greco	$R\phi n$
1 🔻	pass	1 🛧	pass
3 *	pass	3 ♥	pass
3 🛦	pass	4 ♥	pass

Here also, the AK were led, so declarer had no real problem.

Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Dall	Ferro	Hemberg	Holtz
1 ♥	pass	1 🔺	pass
2 🐥	pass	2 ♥	all pass

Ten tricks as well, but USA 1 had gained another 10 imp swing.

Board 5 was another slam, easily bid at all four tables. On board 7, however, we suspect that some defenders were aiming at a Vugraph Prize at the wrong moment:

Board 7	<b>▲</b> K 6	
S/ALL	▼ K Q 5 4 2	
	♦ 874	
	<b>4</b> 10 5 2	
♠ QJ1053	N	<b>▲</b> A 8 7
<b>♥</b> 9	W E	<b>♥</b> 76
♦ K 10		♦ J952
<b>98743</b>	S	♣ AQJ6
	LJ	
	♦ 942	
	▼ A J 10 8 3	
	<ul><li>◆ A Q 6 3</li></ul>	
	<b>♣</b> K	

Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Hopfenheit	Molberg	Rohowsky	Kvam
<del>),</del>			1 🔻
pass	3 ♥	pass	4 ♥
pass	pass	pass	

Declarer did well here to go down only one. You have to tackle the diamonds correctly.

Open Room:

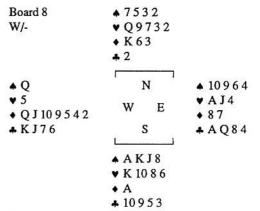
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Aaseng	Reps	Helgemo	Joest
			1 ♥
pass	2 ♥	pass	pass
2 🛦	3 🚓	pass	4 🗸
pass	pass	dbl.	all pass

The Norwegians might have sold out to 2♥ here, but understandably Aaseng balanced. With the actual layout, they can make 4♠, though they might have to drop the ♣K for that, depending on the defence (club lead by North??). After bringing the opponents from 2♥

to 4♥, you should at least double to retain your self-respect, so not 4♠, but 4♥ doubled became the final contract. After the ♠Q lead to the King and Ace, Helgemo made the clever-looking play of the ♣Q, but for once, this was not best. Joest's ♣K won a surprise trick and declarer went on to eliminate the black suit while drawing trumps. After that, he could play a diamond from dummy. Helgemo put in the ♦9, but this was not good enough. Joest ducked and Aaseng was forced to win this trick with the ♦10, so he was endplayed. Ten tricks to Germany, 790 and a 12 imp swing.

We do not know exactly what happened in the playoff match, but here as well, the American declarer got away with ten tricks in his impossible 4♥ contract. Denmark played in 3♥ at the other table, so the home team lost 10 more imps and were already trailing by over 30, excluding the carryover.

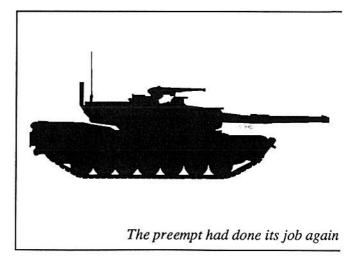
On the next board, Norway missed a chance:



#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Hopfenheit	Molberg	Rohowsky	Kvam
3 ♦	pass	pass	dbl.
pass	3 ♥	all pass	

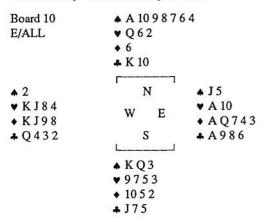
Molberg had a problem when Kvam doubled. He could not be sure that game was on, because South could hold a much weaker hand. Eleven tricks were made easily, 200 to Norway.



Open Room:				
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	
Aaseng	Reps	Helgemo	Joest	
pass	pass	1 📤	1 🔺	
2 +	3 🚓	pass	4 ♥	
5 🐥	pass	pass	dbl.	
pass	pass	pass		

Given an almost free run, the Germans reached their game easily, so Norway were right in saving. They went down two in spite of the bad break, so should have scored had their teammates bid the game. As it was, Germany picked up another 3 imps.

Two boards later, Helgemo again looked like being in search of a brilliancy prize. Had he succeeded this time, he certainly would have got one.



#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Hopfenheit	Molberg	Rohowsky	Kvam
		1 NT	pass
2 🛧	dbl.	pass	pass
3 ♥	pass	4 ♦	pass
5 ♦	pass	pass	pass

On a spade lead and continuation, declarer drew trumps and then played \*A, dropping North's 10, and \*9. According to the restricted choice principle, he played low in dummy and was rewarded when North had to win the trick with his \*K. 600 to Germany.

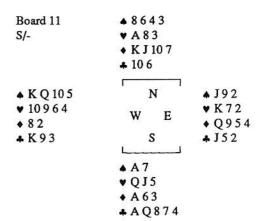
#### Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Aaseng	Reps	Helgemo	Joest
		1 NT	pass
2 🚓	pass	2 ♦	pass
3 🚣	pass	3 ♦	pass
3 ♥	pass	3 🛦	pass
5 ♦	pass	pass	pass

The same good contract was reached, and the lead also was the same. Helgemo ruffed the second spade and drew trumps. Then came the \$8 from hand, ducked to North's 10. Apparently, Geir was preparing an intrafinesse, hoping to scoop South's \$J by leading dummy's \$Qlater. He was right in spotting the location of the \$K,

but had misjudged the length of North's club suit. Down one, 100 to Germany, who had gained 12 more imps.

Norway got these points back on the next board when the German defence erred:

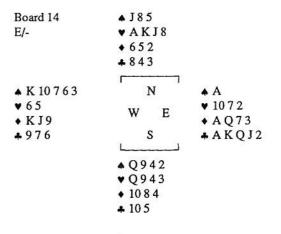


In both roo	ms, the bidd	ing was easy:	
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Hopfenheit	Molberg	Rohowsky	Kvam
Aaseng	Reps	Helgemo	Joest
			1 *
pass	1 🔺	pass	2 NT
pass	3 NT	all pass	

In the Closed Room, Hopfenheit led the ♥4. Declarer played low from dummy, so Rohowsky won his King and continued the suit. The continuation of the play was not recorded, but Kvam emerged with nine tricks, 400 to Norway.

In the Open Room, Lasse Aaseng made the much more aggressive lead of the ♠K. South ducked, and a low spade went to the Jack and declarer's Ace. When declarer next played a diamond to dummy's Jack and Helgemo's Queen, the spades could be cashed by the defence and a heart was returned. The ♥K was the first undertrick and the ♣K later became the second. 100 more to Norway, 11 imps back.

On board 14, there was another minor game swing for Norway when Germany missed a game:



Closed Ro	om:		
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Hopfenheit	Molberg	Rohowsky	Kvam
		1 *	pass
1 🛧	pass	2 •	pass
2 ♥	pass	3 🚓	all pass

Doesn't this look like a forcing sequence?

#### Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Aaseng	Reps	Helgemo	Joest
,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		1 4	pass
1 🔺	pass	2 •	pass
2 🛦	pass	3 ♥	pass
4 🚣	pass	4 ♦	pass
4 🔺	pass	5 🚓	all pass

Here, East introduced the fourth suit himself, so West could not pass. Both declarers picked up their eleven tricks, but 6 imps went to Norway.

Then, to end the report on the first quarter:

Board 15	<b>▲</b> A 7 6		
S/NS	<b>▼</b> A 9 7 6		
	♦ J62		
	♣ A 10 3		
<b>♦</b> 94	N	♠ QJ832	
<b>▼</b> 5	14		
	W E	♥ Q J 3	
<ul><li>◆ A 9 7 5 4</li></ul>		<b>♦ 83</b>	
♣J9874	S	♣ K Q 6	
	♠ K 10 5		
	▼ K 10 8 4 2		
	♦ K Q 10		
	<b>4</b> 5 2		

In both the final and the playoff, 4♥ was played at all tables. At one table in the playoff, the lead was ♠ A and a diamond. Then, the Danish declarer tackled trumps immediately, fearing a diamond ruff, and could no longer make the contract. He lost a trick in each suit. In the Vugraph Closed Room, the Norwegian declarer got a club lead, but failed to make his contract. At the other tables, Jeff Ferro as North and Marcus Joest as South showed the way. Ferro, however, was helped by a spade overcall from East and Joest made a slight mistake in the play, which did not cost anything after all.

Against Joest, a club was led by West and against Ferro, East led the \*K. How should you play? It looks logical to concede a club trick, ruff a club and attack the diamonds. Against Ferro, West won the \*A and switched to the \*9, which ran to the Jack and dummy's King. Now it was easy. Two rounds of trumps, two more diamonds and the last trump. East had only spades left and had to lead away from his marked \*Q. Well played and 620 to the USA, another 12 imp swing.

Joest had a more difficult task, as he did not have any

overcall information. So he slightly erred by putting up the A immediately and play back a club. It did not cost, because East had failed to unblock and thus had to win the trick. If West can attack spades twice, declarer will have to go down, but East continued another club, ruffed in hand by declarer. Next, diamonds were attacked, West taking his Ace immediately. This is not best, but if West ducks, you simply draw two rounds of trumps and continue diamonds. When West returned a diamond, the hand was over. Two rounds of trumps were followed by the last diamond, East electing to ruff this. Having only spades left, he selected the \$2 as his return. Joest now took his only chance and put up his ▲ 10. When this held the trick, he was home. Maybe, he remembered a hand from this year's CAP GEMINI Invitational Tournament in The Hague, where Andy Robson was the only one to create an endplay like this AND put up the 10 to make 6NT against any defence. Very well played, but on the wrong day of the tournament, because the Vugraph Prize for the day would turn out to go to Norway after all.

After 16 boards, the scores stood at:
Germany 46,5 Norway 46
USA 1 67 Denmark 7

Would this half imp do it again?

### DO NOT SEND TO ASK FOR WHOM THE BELL TOLLS. IT TOLLS FOR THEE.

by Arild Torp (slightly frustrated bridge-journalist)

As a Norwegian I have a very special relationship to Denmark. In 1946, being a thin and hungry boy, I was sent to Denmark to be fed. For three weeks I stayed at a small town not far from here, and I ate and ate. The result? Go to the entrance of the Press Room and look. You will see a grossly overfed Norwegian journalist with a much too high blood-pressure and with difficulties in breathing in a staircase with more than three steps. Should I sue the Danish government? They of course meant well, but did they consider the consequences carefully?

Det er deiligt å våre Norsk i Danmark. (It is nice to be a Norwegian in Denmark). This slogan is repeated on Norwegian TV almost every day. The commercial is made and paid by the Danish Tourist Board, and mostly it is nice to be here as a Norwegian, especially when we play against the Americans.

But there are a few catches! Here I must refer to an

earlier article (Dangerous Paths) and in addition:

This morning, I was deep in my frustrated dreams when I clearly heard church-bells. I decided to wake

up, and still there were church-bells. Next time I ask Mr Lundby to put me in a hotel I must make it a condition not to be placed close to churches tolling their bells at 7 o'clock in the morning on weekdays. I thank you in advance, Ib!

## GEIR HELGEMO WINS 8TH VUGRAPH PRIZE AT THIRD ATTEMPT

Near the end of the second quarter of yesterday's final and playoff, the following board came up:

Board 28 ♠QJ2 W/NS ♥ J 10 5 ♦ AQ9763 ♠ K 10 7 6 4 N ▼ K Q 8 3 E ◆ J82 S **♣** K943 + J765 ▲ A 3 ¥ A 64 • K 10 5 4 + AQ108

In the Closed Room, Norway had bid and made the normal 3NT as follows:

#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
HopfenheitKarlberg		Rohowsky	Thomassen
1 🛦	pass	pass	dbl.
pass	3 ♦	pass	3 NT
pass	pass	pass	

With West on lead, the contract could not be in danger. 660 to Norway.

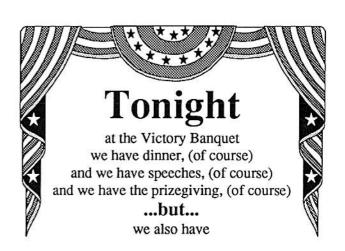
In the Closed Room, Geir Helgemo found the right moment to insert a devastating psyche:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Aaseng	Reps	Helgemo	Joest
1 🛦	pass	2 ♥ (!!)	pass
4 ♦	pass	4 ♥ (!)	pass
pass	pass		

With his worthless hand, Helgemo could always revert to spades if necessary, but only in case of emergency. As it happened, Aaseng showed his diamond splinter, after which Helgemo quietly signed off in  $4 \, \checkmark$ . He was afraid of giving the show away after all by going to  $4 \, \spadesuit$  now. After  $4 \, \checkmark$ , neither opponent could reasonably be sure that something fishy was going on, so Helgemo could go down as many tricks as he liked, undoubled.

With less than perfect defence, he managed to get seven tricks. Losing only 150 meant that Norway had scored 11 imps.

So far in this Championship, we have not had any reports about psychics as successful and well-timed as this one. What is more, the bidding situation is such that an opponent will not be very alert on the possibility of a psychic. Therefore, this winning action by Geir Helgemo stands out to win the *VUGRAPH PRIZE* for today. As you will have seen from the report on the first quarter of the final, Geir tried in vain to win the prize with his defence and declarer play yesterday, but this successful effort in bidding was the outstanding candidate for the prize after all. Congratulations.



## PROFESSIONAL ENTERTAINMENT!

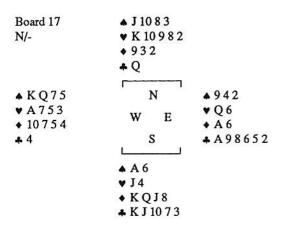
Watch out for the world famous choir

## Angel Boys

Conductor: Paty Jimmino Soloist: Wonder Roberstein

## THE FINAL & THE PLAYOFF (Part 2)

In the second set, action started right on the first board when a German very weak NT opening was caught by the Norwegians:



#### Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Aaseng	Reps	Helgemo	Joest
	pass	pass	1 🚓
dbl.	1 ♥	1 NT	2 🚓
pass	pass	pass	

When this contract went down three tricks, undoubled, Germany had lost 150. They would not have been very much better off in any other denomination except notrumps. As East was the first to arrive there, NS did not really have a chance.

It was to be seen how the Norwegians in the Closed Room would solve the problems on this hand:

#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Hopfenheit	Karlberg	Rohowsky	Thomassen
	pass	1 NT	pass
2 *	pass	2 •	pass
pass	dbl.	all pass	

When the pass of the Stayman response came round to Karlberg, he quite rightly got suspicious about it. When he doubled, Thomassen was only too



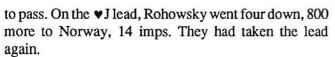




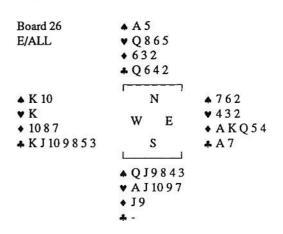








After a long succession of quiet boards, the match finally came to life again on board 26:



#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Hopfenheit	Karlberg	Rohowsky	Thomassen
		1 NT	2 🛧
2 NT	pass	3 ♦	3 ♥
3 NT	4 🔻	pass	pass
4 NT	pass	pass	pass

From time to time, the stiff  $\forall K$  is a stopper in the suit. South could not possibly see, when North did not double, that he should have led either the  $\forall A$  or, more normally, the  $\triangle Q$ . When the  $\forall J$  came out, declarer had eight tricks and was down only two instead of eight. Norway +200 instead of +800.

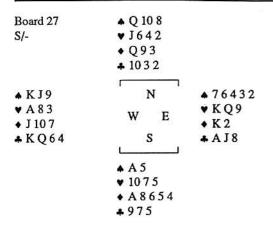
#### Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Aaseng Reps	Helgemo	Joest	
Participation in the Control of the	711.11150-71	1 +	1 🛧
2 +	pass	2 •	3 ♥
4 🚣	4 ♥	5 🚣	pass
pass	dbl.	all pass	

The outcome of the board was in Reps' hand: a spade lead would tie the board, a heart lead would gain 7 imps. When a heart appeared on the screen, the Germans could score 500 and their 7 imps.

On board 28, Geir Helgemo made the psychic of the Championships. He gained 11 imps for his country and the day's *VUGRAPH PRIZE* for himself. We report about that on the previous page of this Bulletin.

In the meantime, USA 1 had been piling up the imps against Denmark. They had scored 23 more without reply, be it in small swings only when this board came up:



USA 1 v. Denmark

#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pavlicek	Røjel	Zuckerberg	Munksgård
			pass
1 *	pass	1 🛦	pass
1 NT	pass	3 NT	all pass

Jakob Røjel made the fine lead of the ♦9. Thus, the diamonds got established at once. Declarer's only chance now was to lead a spade from dummy and put up the King. When he failed to do so, he had to go down one. 50 to Denmark.

Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Dall	Ferro	Hemberg	Holtz
			pass
1 NT	pass	3 NT	all pass

When Jeff Ferro made the less inspired lead of the ♥2, Jesper Dall had no problems getting nine tricks, to finally halt the rout of his team and score 10 imps.

Denmark handed back these imps with interest a few boards later:

Board 29	<b>4</b> 10	
N/ALL	<b>▼</b> J73	
	◆ Q98732	
	<b>♣</b> J72	
	[	
♠ KJ65	N	<b>♦</b> 9742
♥ 852	W E	♥AKQ6
♦ AKJ	W E	<b>•</b> -
<b>4</b> 963	S	♣ AKQ54
	<u> </u>	
	<b>▲</b> A Q 8 3	
	<b>▼</b> 1094	
	• 10654	
	<b>4</b> 10 8	

USA 1 v. Denmark

#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pavlicek	Røjel	EAST <u>Zuckerberg</u> 1 *  3 *  4 *	Munksgård
	pass	1 *	pass
1 🛧	pass	3 ♦	pass
3 NT	pass	4 ♦	pass
4 🛕	pass	pass	pass

Sensible bidding.  $3 \spadesuit$  was a splinter, so 3NT was a good description of the West hand. When the void was confirmed with  $4 \spadesuit$ , West had every reason to sign-off. Well done. The contract was made with an overtrick, in spite of the bad trump break.

Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Dall	Ferro	Hemberg	Holtz
	pass	1 🛧	pass
1 🛦	pass	3 🚓	pass
3 ♦	pass	4 ♦	pass
4 🛦	pass	5 🛦	pass
6 🛦	pass	pass	pass

When Hemberg rose to  $5 \spadesuit$ , the duplication in diamonds could not yet be quite clear to him. Jesper Dall certainly should have passed  $5 \spadesuit$ , as this probably shows four small or something. What else can partner have to justify his bidding? But youthful optimism prevailed, the contract duly went one off, and the USA had gained another 13 imps.

Back now to the final, where we saw one more major swing to Germany on board 31:

Board 31	♠ Q93		
S/NS	<b>▼</b> 109862		
	• AK6		
	<b>♣</b> Q 5		
12:00EC0		10 EUROPE	
<b>▲</b> 864	N	♠ AKJ5	
♥ Q	W E	♥AJ4	
♦ Q873	W E	♦ 9 4 2	
+ AK1032	S	♣ J86	
	<b>▲</b> 1072		
	▼ K 7 5 3		
	♦ J 10 5		
	<b>4</b> 974		

#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Hopfenheit	Karlberg	Rohowsky	Thomassen
			pass
pass	pass	1 +	pass
2 •	pass	2 ♥	pass
3 ♣	pass	3 NT	all pass

On the lead of the  $\checkmark$ 5, this fairly normal contract presented no problems and declarer made an overtrick.

Open Room:

Openito	OIII.		
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Aaseng	Reps	Helgemo	Joest
			pass
1 *	pass	1 🔺	pass
2 🛦	pass	4 🏚	all pass

After Aaseng's shaky, but reasonable raise in spades, Helgemo had to play a difficult contract, when Joest led the  $\blacklozenge$ J. This held the trick, and South shifted to a trump. Trumps broke 3-3 nicely enough, so the success of the

contract now depended on locating the doubleton \*Q offside. When Helgemo failed to do so, his team had lost 11 imps when he was down two in the end.

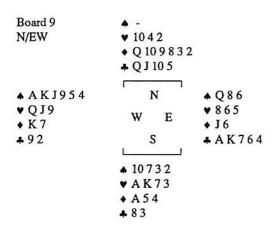
After two sets, the scores stood at:

Germany 69.5 Norway 80 USA 1 121 Denmark 27

## UNDERSTANDING THE RULES OF THE GAME

by Bobby Wolff

An interesting case appeared in the Swiss Pairs:

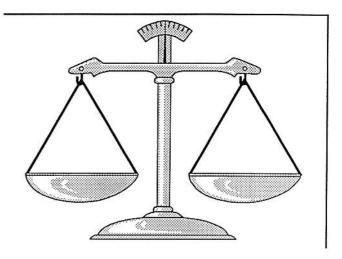


WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	pass	pass	1 ♦
2 💠	4 ♦	4 🛦	pass
pass	5 ♦	dbl.	all pass

There was an agreed hesitation before South's pass after East's 4. The Tournament Director was called who cancelled North's 5. call. Since pass was a logical alternative for North, this player should not have continued after his partner's hesitation.



The score was adjusted to 4 \( \phi \) just making for a score of -620. E/W appealed.



#### Since

- EW being able to make 620 is random (the configuration of cards is such that with other N/S distributions they can easily come to four defensive tricks).
- (2) EW would not have protested had 4♠ been set accepting their 300 rather than -100 (rulings should never affect normal playing luck),
- (3) North could have bid 5 ♦ immediately, and
- (4) actually North completely misread his partner's hesitation (he did exactly the opposite partner wanted him to do) when he bid 5 ◆ - for these reasons EW were not entitled to more than 300 points.

The object of the appeal process is not to reward non-offenders; it is to restore equity and to penalize offenders. North didn't do anything terrible by bidding at favourable vulnerability  $5 \spadesuit$ . After all, partner didn't double - so, how can we defeat the vulnerable  $4 \spadesuit$ ?

Score stands but NS are penalized 1 procedural IMP for bidding after partner's hesitation. After a player hesitates, that player should usually prefer bidding and if he doesn't and chooses to pass he must realize that his partner is under a severe ethical responsibility not to be advantaged by the hesitation.

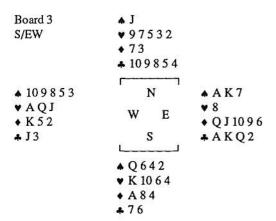


Morally, a player should feel a procedural penalty more than a score adjustment.

# THE FINAL & THE PLAYOFF (Part 3)

In the third quarter of today's play, there was rather much one-way traffic. In the final, Germany scored 68-14 over the segment, and in the playoff, the Danes finished the set 52-23. So in this part of the report, we will have many swings to Germany and Denmark, just one little one to Norway (as there was no major swing to them) and just one to the USA, which should, however, have been a major swing to Denmark as well. Off we go.

On board 3, we saw a very fine performance by Røjel and Munksgård. They were the only pair out of four to get to slam at all, and it even was the correct one:



#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Munksgård	Greco	Røjel	Wilson
			pass
pass	pass	1 •	pass
1 🛧	pass	3 🚓	pass
3 ♥	pass	3 🛦	pass
4 NT	pass	6 🛦	pass
6 NT	pass	pass	pass

This really is the only makeable slam. In  $6 \spadesuit$ , you lose a trump trick and an Ace and  $6 \spadesuit$  is defeated on a spade ruff. In the right denomination, there were 12 tricks with the aid of the heart finesse.

The Americans could not quite cope with a Danish baby psyche at the other table:

#### Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pavlicek	Bruun	Zuckerberg	Røn
			pass
pass	1 🛦	dbl.	2 NT
dbl.	pass	3 ♦	pass
3 NT	pass	pass	pass

Three overtricks, 690 to USA 1, but 12 imps to Denmark.

The next board was the first of the many swings to Germany in this set:

Board 4	<b>↑</b> 7652	
W/ALL	<b>y</b> -	
3000 S 400 C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C	◆ A 8 7 4	
	♣ A K 10 7 6	
♠ KQJ10	N	♠ 984
▼ K 9 6 3 2	W E	♥ Q 10 8 5 4
• 10932	W E	♦ J6
<b>4</b> -	S	♣J83
	L	
	<b>▲</b> A 3	
	<b>▼</b> A J 7	
	♦ K Q 5	
	<b>♣</b> 09542	

#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Thomassen	Rohowsky	Karlberg	Hopfenheit
pass	1 🛧	pass	2 •
pass	2 ♥	pass	2 NT
pass	4 ♥	pass	4 NT
pass	5 ♦	pass	5 🛦
pass	6 🚣	all pass	

Conventional and effective.

#### Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Joest	Helgemo	Reps	Aaseng
1 🗸	dbl.	1 🛧	3 NT

It's not the HCP only which count. 11 tricks, but 12 imps to Germany.

On the next board, in both matches chances were missed:

Board 5	<b>♦</b> 84	
N/NS	▼ K 8 6 4	
	♦ K 10 5	
	<b>4</b> 9864	
*****		
▲ J 10 9 3 2	N	♠ K 7 6 5
<b>▼</b> 73	W E	<b>♥92</b>
◆ Q 6 4 3 2	W E	<ul><li>◆ A J 9 8</li></ul>
<b>♣</b> A	S	♣ K 10 2
	AAQ	
	▼ A Q J 10 5	
	<b>♦</b> 7	
	♣QJ753	
THE SECTION SECTION		

#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Thomassen	Rohowsky	Karlberg	Hopfenheit
	pass	1 •	2 NT
3 ♥	4 ♥	pass	pass
5 ♦	pass	pass	5 ♥
pass	pass	dbl.	all pass

This time, the Germans competed once too often. 5♥ lost the obvious three tricks, 200 to Norway.

Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Joest	Helgemo	Reps	Aaseng
	pass	1 NT	dbl.
2 4	dbl.	pass	4 ♥
4 🛦	dbl.	all pass	

One down as well, 100 more to Norway who gained 7 imps on the deal.

#### Denmark v. USA 1 Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Munksgård	Greco	Røjel	Wilson
	pass	1 NT	2 ♥
2 🛧	3 ♥	3 🔺	4 ♥
4 🛧	pass	pass	5 ♥
dbl.	pass	pass	pass

When the defence found the club ruff, it was down two and 500 to Denmark. The Americans had to pay a big penalty for too much competition.

Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pavlicek	Bruun	Zuckerberg	$R\phi n$
	pass	pass	1 🔻
2 ♥	pass	3 ♥	pass
3 ♠	pass	pass	pass

When Pavlicek went one down in 34, Denmark scored another 50 to gain 11 imps.

A few boards later, we had another Norwegian disaster:

Board 9 N/EW	<b>A</b> Q32 ▼ A Q7	
	◆ A Q J 9 5 3 ♣ 5	
<b>A</b> K 10 7 5 <b>∀</b> 9 8	N W E	<b>♠</b> J <b>♥</b> K 10 5 3 2
◆ 6 ♣ K 10 9 7 4 2	s	◆ 1087 <b>♣</b> Q863
	A A 9 8 6 4 ♥ J 6 4 ◆ K 4 2 A A J	

#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Thomassen	Rohowsky	Karlberg	Hopfenheit
3 11930	1 ♦	pass	1 🔺
pass	3 ♦	pass	4 ♦
pass	4 ♥	pass	4 NT
pass	5 ♦	pass	6 ♦
pass	pass	pass	

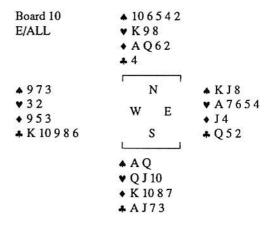
Karlberg made the unlucky lead of the ♥2, so dummy's Jack made the first trick. When the defence failed to attack dummy's side entry after winning their spade trick, the heart loser could be disposed of. 1370 to Germany and a possible swing.

Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Joest	Helgemo	Reps	Aaseng
)	1 ♦	pass	1 🔺
pass	3 ♦	pass	4 ♦
pass	4 ♥	pass	4 🔺
pass	5 <b>4</b>	pass	6 ♦
pass	pass	pass	

Much hinged on Reps' lead. When he decided to lead a trump, declarer did not have much chance. He won the trump lead in hand, crossed to the ◆K and led the ♠8. Joest ducked this, so Helgemo scored his Queen, Reps contributing the Jack. The defenders had missed their first chance to defeat the contract (♠K and a spade ruff), but it did no harm. With the spades 4-1, there simply was no way for declarer to avoid having to take the heart finesse anyway. So one off Helgemo went, and Germany had picked up another 16 imps.

On the next board, it was disaster again for Norway when Lasse Aaseng elected to take a half-Chinese finesse in diamonds:



On a club lead, the German declarer (Hopfenheit) ducked this twice. After that, he had no trouble in making his nine tricks and score 600 for Germany.

In the Open Room, Marcus Joest led the ♥3. Aaseng called for the King from dummy, ducked by Reps. Then came a successful spade finesse and the ♠A. This hurdle being taken, Aaseng returned his attention to hearts. When Reps won the ♥Q with the Ace and returned the suit, Aaseng could see that Joest had led a doubleton. His conclusion must have been, that West did not want to lead from either of his (likely) two bad fourcards minor. So he played ♠K, ♠10 letting it run - ♠ J953 in West can be successfully finessed anyway. As you can see, a surprised Reps took his ♠J (perforce) and had two

more hearts to cash. Down one, 100 to Germany



and another 12 imps to their score.

On we move now to board 13. The ominous number struck again: game swings in both matches.

Board 13	♠ Q72	
N/ALL	♥ Q743	
	♦ A 8 6	
	♣ A Q 10	
	L	N 0 45 40 A
♠ KJ94	N	<b>▲</b> A 8 6 5
♥ K J	W E	¥ A 652
<ul><li>◆ KQJ753</li></ul>	W E	<b>♦</b> 9
<b>.</b> 8	S	*J975
	L	
	<b>▲</b> 103	
	<b>♥</b> 1098	
	1042	
	★ K 6 4 3 2	

#### Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Thomassen	Rohowsky	Karlberg	Hopfenheit
	1 NT	pass	pass
2 •	pass	2 NT	pass
3 ♦	pass	3 🛦	pass
4 ♦	pass	pass	pass

Ten tricks, 130 to Norway. The weak NT was successful again, when EW were not on the same wavelength about the meaning of the delayed spade bid.

#### Open Room:

WEST	NORTH `	EAST	SOUTH
Joest	Helgemo	Reps	Aaseng
	1 ♥	pass	pass
dbl.	pass	1 🛧	pass
2 🛦	pass	4 🛧	all pass

After the suit opening, it was much easier for West to show the nature of his hand. For Reps, 1 \( \text{\text{\text{\text{\text{e}}}} \) was obvious, as were the two raises of that suit. There was nothing special to the play; ten tricks and 620 to Germany, again 10 imps.

Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Munksgård	Greco	$R\phi jel$	Wilson
	1 +	pass	3 🚣
3 ♦	pass	3 NT	all pass

Danish aggression again paid off after Wilson's preemptive raise. Just made.

Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pavlicek	Bruun	Zuckerberg	$R\phi n$
	1 NT	pass	pass
2 •	pass	pass	pass

With all those KJ combinations, a double does not stand out. Why should we blame East for passing 2 ♦ with just a singleton, in spite of his two Aces? Is there any sensible better action? Eleven tricks were scored and Denmark had struck again, 10 more imps.

And there was more in store for them:

Board 14	♠ Q 10 7 5	
E/-	♥9432	
	<b>♦</b> J6	
	<b>4</b> 10 8 2	
	Γ	
<b>▲</b> A 8 6 3	N	<b>4</b> 9
▼ A 10 5	W E	▼ K J 7
♦ 8 4	W E	♦ A 9 7 5 2
<b>♣</b> J964	S	<b>♣</b> A K 7 3
	L	
	♠ KJ42	
	♥ Q86	
	◆ K Q 10 3	
	<b>.</b> 0.5	

#### Denmark v. USA 1

Closed Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Munksgård	Greco	Røjel	Wilson
		1 +	1 NT
dbl.	pass	pass	pass

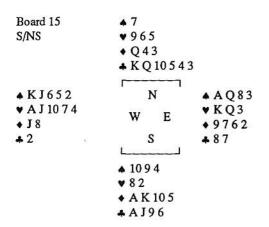
Overaggression by South this time, duly punished by the Danes. Though 2 \( \bar{\pi} \) might have been better, North stood his ground. The contract went down three on a club lead, 500 to Denmark with no game on.

#### Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pavlicek	Bruun	Zuckerberg	Røn
		1 ♦	pass
1 🛧	pass	2 🛧	pass
3 *	pass	3 NT	all pass

Even the favourable club break was not enough for declarer after a spade lead, when he misguessed the hearts. Down two, 100 more for Denmark, another 12 imps.

And finally, the hand which should have been the apotheosis of a glorious session for Denmark:



#### Denmark v. USA 1 Closed Room:

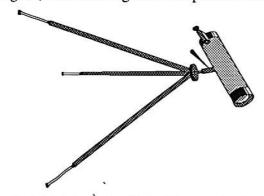
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Munksgård	Greco	Røjel	Wilson
A			1 ♦
2 •	pass	2 NT	pass
3 NT	4 🚓	4 🌲	all pass

Just made on the lead of the ♦A. Declarer could never lose more than three tricks. But:

#### Open Room:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pavlicek	Bruun	Zuckerberg	$R\phi n$
			1 +
2 *	5 🚓	5 <b>A</b>	dbl.
pass	pass	pass	

Though Røn was looking at three top tricks and led



the •A alright, in spite of what he saw in dummy he went for more. As a result, the contract was made for 650 to USA, 6 imps to them. Had the contract gone down, Denmark would have gained yet another 11, so in all they lost 17 imps on this deal.

After 48 boards, the scores stood:

Germany	137,5	Norway	94
Denmark	79	USA	144

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## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE SWISS PAIRS

by Torben Johansen

In Round 10, Davidescu-Valero were NS against Hnátová-Pirek (Czech Republic). After two or three boards, I was called to the table by NS. Strange things had happened on board 12.

Board 12	♠ K Q	
W/NS	<b>▼</b> J 10 2	
	◆ A Q 10 9	
	* A K 9 6	
	Γ	
<b>♦</b> 7	N	♠ A 10 9 6 2
♥ Q 8 4	W E	▼ A K 7 5 3
◆ J 8 2	W E	<b>♦</b> 6
♣ Q 10 7 5 4 2	S	♣ J8
. 187		
	▲ J8543	
	<b>♥</b> 96	
	<ul><li>★ K 7 5 4 3</li></ul>	
	<b>4</b> 3	

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
pass	1 4	2 *1	pass
pass	dbl.	3 + <sup>2</sup>	pass (?)
pass	dbl.	3 <b>♥</b> ³	pass
pass	dbl.	pass	3 (?)
pass	3 NT	dbl.⁴	4 🛧 (-)
pass	pass	dbl.	all pass

<sup>1</sup> alerted and explained as an unspecified twosuiter

Seven tricks were made, 800 to EW.

NS asked me: "What happened?"

I said: "Thank you, I will consider the situation and come back to you."

I talked a little with my fellow director Jens Brix and we agreed that the score should stand. EW were not at fault and besides, NS had several chances to cope with the situation. You agree?

I went back to the table and waited for the players to finish play of the hand they were playing. Suddenly, in the middle of the play, East asked: "No more spades?"

#### Director!

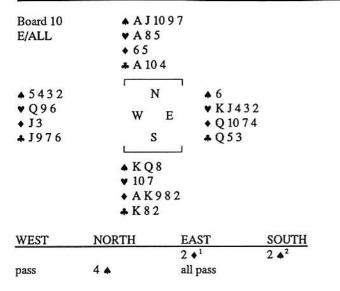
"I am here, just play on and we will discuss afterwards."

This was the board they were playing:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> let's see what this can produce

<sup>3</sup> Not an "unlucky expert's" double

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> I will handle the little red cards from now on



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> alerted and explained as 5-5 in the majors or five hearts and four of a minor

Eleven tricks, 650 to NS. I told East that nothing had happened; it's a free country (almost) and you can bid and play as you like (almost).

And back to board 12: "It is a free country....."

The four players were a little red in the face just after the round, but I am sure they quickly went "back to normal" that is enjoying the tournament just as much as all the other participants.

## THE FINAL & THE PLAYOFF (Part 4)

Our readers may expect a report on the fourth set of boards in yesterday's matches. Yes, we will meet with this wish, but we have decided to let you wait till tomorrow evening's final Bulletin. We can inform you, however, that we deliberately withheld most of this report, which we wrote last night. Tomorrow will be, we hope, another interesting half day's play with a climax like we had at the end of the semifinals. Though Germany are well-placed, it is not yet over!

## Final results of the Swiss Pairs

1	Secan-Fout	USA	129
2	Hsieh-Tom	USA	107
3	Brogeland-Kristiansen	Norway	103
4	Puczyński-Puczyński	Poland	98
5	Green-Appleton	Australia	91
6	Ker-Ker	New Zealand	81
7	Gamrath-Røn	Denmark	57
8	Rizzo-Pejacsevich	Argentina	50
9	L'Ecuyer-Roberts	Canada	40
10	Versace-Nunes	Italy	39
11	Dumenil-Rombaut	France	39
12	Jagniewski-Pazur	Poland	38
13	Ye Hunag-Ze Jun Zhuang	China	31
14	Mirasola-Schrøder	Denmark	24
15	Lund Madsen-Lund Madsen	Denmark	22
16	Zheng Jun Shi-Miao Shi	China	17
17	Pejacsevich-Previde	Argentina	13
18	Bianchedi-Weisinger	Venezuela	12
19	Borchmann-Kampmann	Denmark	11
20	Olewicz-Miechowicz	Poland	10
21	Konov-Reim	D'mark/G'ma	my8
22	Chmurski-Wyszyński	Poland	6
23	Shuster-Delmonte	N Zealand/US	A 6
24	Oursel-Mauberquez	France	6
25	Pantusa-Sementa	Italy	4
26	Albamonte-Primavera	Italy	1
27	Thomsen-Krogh Madsen	Denmark	1
28	Rong J Chen-Chang D Wu	Ch. Taipei	-3
29	Sutherland-Blond	Canada	-10
30	Pade-Bouscarel	Denmark/Fran	
31	Gheewala-Mohiuddin	Pakistan	-19
32	Hnátová-Pirek	Czechia	-29
33	de Tessières-de Tessières	Martinique	-34
34	Zhong Fu-Wei Min Wang	China	-35
35	I H Ou-Cheng Jui Hunag	Ch. Taipei	-39
36	Petersen-Stawowy	D'mark/G'ma	
37	Ware-Prescott	New Zealand	
38	Barrera-Quintero	Colombia	-59
39	Tzung F Guo-Yi Nan Wan	Ch. Taipei	-65
40	Kühn-Pioch	Germany	-68
41	Söderström-Sandqvist	Sweden	-82
42	Sarten-Hutchinson	Australia	-83
43	Hakim-Mohiuddin	Pakistan	-86
44	Bernal-Cuervo	Colombia	-87
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