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## **Canada, Britain share lead Indonesia scores first victory !**

Canada had another great day yesterday, scoring 47 of a possible Victory Points and moving into a first-place tie with Great Britain. Canada had to face tough New Zealand in the morning, but they were equal to the task, 22-8. Then they blitzed Japan in the second match.

Great Britain suffered their first loss -- a tight 16-14 affair against Japan. But they came back strong against New Zealand, 23-7, to retain a share of first place. The Kiwis meanwhile fell from second place into a tie for fourth with Denmark. Italy moved up one place from fourth to third.

The Canadians and the Brits now are more than a full match ahead of fourth place, a strong position with only five round-robin matches to go. The top four in the round-

robin will go on to play knockout matches Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

It was a great day for Indonesia. After picking up only 8 Victory Points in their first four matches, they scored 13 as they came within 15 points of defeating Argentina. Then they took on China, fresh from a shutout blitz against US I. But that didn't faze the Indonesians -- they played steady and strong to record their first victory of the tournament,

17-13. That's right -- Indonesia piled up 30 Victory Points yesterday.

What is wrong with the American teams? In yesterday's first match, USA I failed to score even a single Victory Point while being blitzed by China, 162-52. USA II did little better, suffering a 25-1 blitz against Italy. USA II did better at night, losing to Argentina, 16-14. But USA I suffered again, this time on the short end of a 22-8 count against Australia.

**TODAY ON  
VUGRAPH**

*Because of today's outing for the players -- make sure you're in the lobby by 9:30 a.m. -- there will be only one set of matches.*

**ALL MATCHES START AT 6 P.M.**

*Featured on vugraph will be **Australia vs. Japan.***

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## ***ROUND MEMO !***

### **Round 7**

**Wednesday, July 12**    **18.00 - 20.20**  
**21.30 - 23.50**

Indonesia	-	Great Britain
Italy	-	China
Australia	-	Japan
USA 1	-	Canada
Argentina	-	Denmark
New Zealand	-	USA 2

### **Round 8**

**Thursday, July 13**    **10.30 - 12.50**  
**14.10 - 16.30**

Japan	-	Indonesia
China	-	USA 2
Denmark	-	USA 1
New Zealand	-	Australia
Great Britain	-	Italy
Canada	-	Argentina

### **Round 9**

**Thursday, July 13**    **17.00 - 19.20**  
**21.30 - 23.50**

USA 2	-	Indonesia
Great Britain	-	Canada
Argentina	-	Italy
Denmark	-	Japan
Australia	-	China
USA 1	-	New Zealand

# APPEALS

Any appeal must be accompanied by a deposit of \$50 American. If the Appeals Committee deems the appeal frivolous, they have the right to not return the money -- otherwise the money will be refunded. Appeals must be lodged with the tournament director within 30 minutes of the posting of an official score for the session in which the ruling was made. All appeals must be made in writing on an Appeal Form. All appeals must be lodged by the team's captain or his designee.

**Jaime Ortiz-Patiño** and **José Damiani** are co-chairmen of the Appeals Committee. Other members are John Wignall, Panos Gerontopoulos, Mazhar Jafri, Patrick Choy and Ron Andersen. More will be added if needed.



One of the players made a good suggestion yesterday - let's forget all about over-detailed convention cards and supplementary sheets and use the book signs instead!

Speaking about book signs -- until now this one has been one of my favourite quotes:

***Coming together is a beginning.  
Keeping together is progress.  
Working together is success.***

It reminds me of this hand from the match between China and Denmark.

Board 17; Love: All; Dealer: North.

	♠ A K 6 3 2		
	♥ Q		
	♦ 8 7 5 3		
	♣ J 6 5		
♠ 10 9 7 5 4	[ N ]	♠ Q J 8	
♥ 5 4 3	W                  E	♥ 7 6 2	
♦ J 2		♦ K 10 4	
♣ A 10 7	[ S ]	♣ 9 8 4 2	
	♠ -		
	♥ A K J 10 9 8		
	♦ A Q 9 6		
	♣ K Q 3		

In the Open Room the result was 5♦ with 12 tricks. Now to the Chinese bidding:

West	North	East	South
	Pass	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♥
Pass	3NT	Pass	4♦
Pass	5♦	Pass	5♥
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

Working together is success. A nice sequence to a good slam.

"Who was declarer and who was dummy?" you may ask.

Xie was declarer and You was dummy.

"Who, me?"

No, You!

West, Danish Jacob Røn, led the ♣A. Xie unblocked the queen and ruffed the spade shift. He played a heart to dummy and ruffed a second spade. Now he cashed all his trumps and the ♣K. Then he played a club to dummy's jack. After ♠A and ♠K everyone had only two cards left:

	♠ 6
	♦ 8
♠ 10	
♦ J	♦ K 10
	♦ A Q

Probably because of West's lead of the ♣A Xie guessed that West had been squeezed already. Xie went up and the slam went down. Well played - one off - bad luck. Now, the rumour says, the Chinese captain is considering starting lessons in Chinese finesses!

### Farewell from Jimmy

Being in Bali for the Fifth World Junior Bridge Team Championships was a most enjoyable experience for me. I was treated well, and I was pleased with the way that the Championships were being run.

Congratulations to the Indonesian tournament organizers, to the WBF staff, and especially to the players for making the Championships such a great success. I am certain Junior Bridge will continue to more and more successful.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you next month in Ghent, Belgium, at the First World Junior Pairs and the first World Bridge Camp -- two wonderful additions to the WBF Junior program.

# A match of might-have-beens

*by Barry Rigal*

Indonesia were 45 IMPs down at the half in their vugraph match against USA I, but on a good day it could have been very different.

*Board 1. Love all. Dealer North.*

	♠ K 6 4					
	♥ Q 10 3					
	♦ A J 5 3					
	♣ 10 7 5					
♠ 9 7 ♥ 4 2 ♦ K Q 10 7 6 2 ♣ A 8 6	<table style="margin: auto; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td style="border-top: 1px solid black; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="border-right: 1px solid black; border-left: 1px solid black;">W</td></tr> <tr><td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; border-top: 1px solid black;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W	S	♠ A 8 3 ♥ A 5 ♦ 9 8 4 ♣ K Q J 4 3	
N						
W						
S						
	♠ Q J 10 5 2					
	♥ K J 9 8 7 6					
	♦ --					
	♣ 9 2					

West	North	East	South
<i>Greco</i>	<i>Tumewu</i>	<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Dapu</i>
	Pass	1NT	2♣
2NT (1)	Dbl	Pass	3♥
3NT	4♥	Dbl	All Pass

(1) Lebensohl.

4♥ by North is easy to defeat (the defense can even manage a ruff for two down), but naturally enough on the ♦K lead it was plus 590 for USA I. This was a gain of 11 IMPs because 3NT was down one at the other table -- plus 11 IMPs instead of minus 8.

Patrick Jourdain already has discussed Board 4 elsewhere -- another 26-IMP turnover. Board 13 was another big swing hand.

*Board 13. Game All. Dealer North.*

	♠ A 9 5 4 2					
	♥ Q J 3					
	♦ A 7 6 2					
	♣ 9					
♠ 8 6 3 ♥ 10 9 8 5 2 ♦ 10 4 ♣ 10 6 2	<table style="margin: auto; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td style="border-top: 1px solid black; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="border-right: 1px solid black; border-left: 1px solid black;">W</td></tr> <tr><td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; border-top: 1px solid black;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W	S	♠ K ♥ A 7 4 ♦ K 9 5 3 ♣ A K 7 5 3	
N						
W						
S						
	♠ Q J 10 7					
	♥ K 6					
	♦ Q J 8					
	♣ Q J 8 4					

Indonesia played 4♠ on a club lead and heart switch, and declarer finessed in spades, naturally enough, for one down.

The Americans played 3NT doubled on a low club lead. Now perhaps with the double there is more justification for dropping the ♠K. But declarer finessed for down one and a 3-IMP loss.

The last big swing of the half came on Board 15.

*Board 15. Game N-S. Dealer South.*

	♠ 9 7 5					
	♥ J 9 6 3					
	♦ 7 4					
	♣ K J 10 3					
♠ A Q 10 6 2 ♥ A Q 8 4 ♦ 8 ♣ 9 7 5	<table style="margin: auto; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td style="border-top: 1px solid black; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="border-right: 1px solid black; border-left: 1px solid black;">W</td></tr> <tr><td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; border-top: 1px solid black;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W	S	♠ K J 4 ♥ 7 5 ♦ Q J 5 2 ♣ 8 6 4 2	
N						
W						
S						
	♠ 8 3					
	♥ K 10 2					
	♦ A K 10 9 6 3					
	♣ A Q					

West	North	East	South
<i>Altus</i>	<i>Moss</i>	<i>Moss</i>	<i>Moss</i>
	Pass	2♠	1NT
2♣ (1)	All Pass		3♦
Dbl (2)			

(1) Asking for a major.

(2) Takeout.

The Americans had recorded 110 in the Open Room by making 2♠, but Indonesia had 500 available from 3♦ doubled.

Alas for the home nation, on a club lead Moss could win the ace, cash the ♦A and ♦K and lead clubs to pitch his spades and record plus 670 for a 13-IMP gain instead of an 8-IMP loss.

Board 18 had a nice technical point in defense.

Board 18. Game N-S. Dealer East.

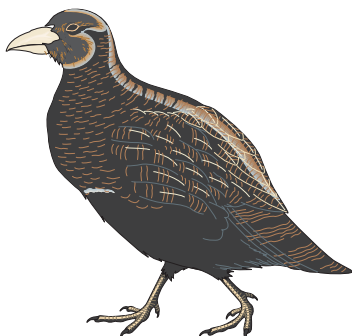
♠ A J 10 3 2 ♥ -- ♦ J 10 5 2 ♣ K 9 8 7	N W            E S	♠ 8 5 ♥ K 10 9 3 ♦ K 7 3 ♣ A J 10 3	
♠ 9 7 6 4 ♥ A Q 6 5 4 ♦ A 8 ♣ 6 5		♠ K Q ♥ J 8 7 2 ♦ Q 9 6 4 ♣ Q 4 2	

West <i>Dapu</i>	North <i>Altus</i>	East <i>Tumewu</i>	South <i>Moss</i>
1♥	1♠	Pass	Pass
3♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
		4♥	All Pass

East may have done a lot in the auction, but the final contract is very reasonable. On a club lead to the 10 and queen, Moss carefully played the ♠Q and then the ♠K, praying that his partner could work out to overtake to play a third spade to promote his trump. **Note** -- if the defense fails to do this and fail to play a second club, declarer may get home with a black suit squeeze on North.

Board 22. E-W Game. Dealer East.

♠ Q J 6 2 ♥ Q J 10 8 6 ♦ 8 7 4 3 ♣ --	N W            E S	♠ K 5 ♥ A 9 5 3 ♦ K 10 5 ♣ 10 9 6 2	
♠ 9 8 ♥ K 2 ♦ J 2 ♣ A K Q J 8 5 3		♠ A 10 7 4 3 ♥ 7 4 ♦ A Q 9 6 ♣ 7 4	



## Great kidders, these Kiwis

Mike Roberts of Canada felt he had his New Zealand opponent endplayed and he claimed. But the Kiwi produced an escape card, and Roberts agreed that he was down one. He couldn't quite understand why the other three players at the table seemed to be chuckling.

Eight hands later he noticed that the others had the contract making. "I went down one," he said. "Why do you have the contract making?"

It turned out that the New Zealand defender had fished a card out of his trick file. Now everyone laughed boisterously -- including Mike.

I thought the Indonesians Closed Room did well to flatten plus 630 after

West <i>Dapu</i>	North <i>Altus</i>	East <i>Turmewu</i>	South <i>Moss</i>
3♠	4♠	4NT	1♠ All Pass

In the Open Room Greco opened 3NT in third seat and not surprisingly North led the ♥Q, not the ♠Q. Unlucky!

Tumewu also did excellently to push Board 27.

Board 27. Love All. Dealer South.

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

West <i>Dapu</i>	North <i>Altus</i>	East <i>Tumawu</i>	South <i>Moss</i>
Pass	1♠	2♥	1♦ Dbl
3♥	Pass	Pass	3♠
Pass	Pass	4♥	All Pass

On the lead of the ♠K North encouraged, and the defense played three rounds of spades. Declarer drew trumps and played the ♦10 to the ace. Now Altus found the club shift, giving declarer the chance for a 75% (failing) line in that suit. But, fearing the Greek gift, Tunawu rose with the ace and ran his trumps, coming to 10 tricks simply. In the other room, Polii switched to the ♣Q at trick 2 -- the jack might have worked better!



# Slamming & Jamming!

by Barry Rigal



New Zealand and Argentina turned over more than 100 IMPs in the first half of their match on vugraph, partly because of some fairly random slam bidding by both sides. There were four "slam zone" hands, and there were some fairly contrasting ways to handle the problems.

Board 6. Game E-W. Dealer East.

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

North	South	North	South
<i>Kearney</i>	<i>Ker</i>	<i>Herrera</i>	<i>Alegre</i>
	1♠		1♠
4♦ (1)	4NT	2♥	2♠
5♥	6♠	4♦ (2)	4♠
Pass		Pass	

- (1) Game plus values, shortage in diamonds.
- (2) Splinter.

Personally I like the New Zealand South's use of Blackwood. The signoff by the Argentinian South seems a bit wet, despite the bad trumps, given the excellent outside controls.

Board 7. Game All. Dealer South.

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

West	East	West	East
<i>Bach</i>	<i>Delmonte</i>	<i>Ravenna</i>	<i>Pejacsevich</i>
1♣	1♦	Pass	1♦
1♥	1♠	2♣ (1)	3♥
1NT	4♣	5♣	Pass
4♥	4NT		
Pass			

(1) Takeout double.

Delmonte's 4♣ was designed to show real clubs, but Bach interpreted it as Gerber and the 4NT bid as a signoff, not Blackwood.

Meanwhile for Argentina Pejacsevich assumed, logically enough, that there were two aces missing. Ravenna's 5♣ bid certainly did not sound as if it showed a spade control.

Then it was a non-problem for Blackwood . . .

Board 12. Game N-S. Dealer West.

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

West	East	West	East
<i>Bach</i>	<i>Delmonte</i>	<i>Ravenna</i>	<i>Pejacsevich</i>
1♥	2♣	1♥	2♣
2NT	4NT	2NT	3NT
5♥	6NT	Pass	
Pass			

Bach had shown 15+ first by the 2NT bid; he read 4NT as ace-asking, not quantitative. Down two. No such problem in the other room where Ravenna's 2NT rebid showed 12-14.

And finally in the first half . . .

Board 15. Game N-S. Dealer South.

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

Board 17. Love All. Dealer North

♠ A K 6 3 2  
 ♥ Q  
 ♦ 8 7 5 3  
 ♣ J 6 5  
 ♠ 10 9 7 5 4  
 ♥ 5 4 3  
 ♦ J 2  
 ♣ A 10 7  
 N  
 W E  
 S  
 ♠ Q J 8  
 ♥ 7 6 2  
 ♦ K 10 4  
 ♣ 9 8 4 2  
 ♠ --  
 ♥ A K J 10 9 8  
 ♦ A Q 9 6  
 ♣ K Q 3

North	South	North	South
<i>Kearney</i>	<i>Ker</i>	<i>Herera</i>	<i>Alegre</i>
2♣	3♦	2NT (1)	3♣
3♥	4♣	3♥	3NT
4♦	4♥	Pass	
4♠	5♣		
5♦	5♥		
6♦	Pass		

North	South	North	South
Pass	1♥	2♠ (1)	2NT (2)
1♠	3♦	3♠ (3)	6♦
4♦	4♥	Pass	
4♠	5♣		
5♦	Pass		

(1) 21-22

- (1) spades and a minor
- (2) relay
- (3) maximum - spades + diamonds

Personally, on the New Zealand auction, I would have raised diamonds at once, then perhaps, drive the North hand to a Grand Slam, hoping for a sixth diamond or something else good. But the New Zealand waffly auction meant no one really knew what were trumps. The best reason for not bidding a 60% Grand Slam came when the small slam was missed in the other room. Perhaps Herrera might have upgraded her hand to a 2♣ opening, but it is hard to complain too much. The 12 IMPs gained by NZ saw them lead by 20 IMPs at the half. In the second half, the only slam disaster was another Bach-Delmonte effort. This was the Argentina pick-up.

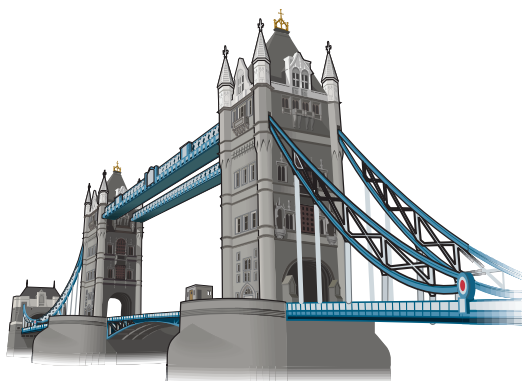
It is hardly a triumph to bid to 5♦ on the N/S cards, with 4♥ and 3NT laydown. (6♥ is cold on the lie of the cards, if you must bid a slam), but at least 5♦ makes. Against 6♦ if the defence fails to cash the ♣A, declarer can throw three of dummy's clubs on the hearts. But Pejacsewich put his finger on the ♣A -- that was one down. (Canada was allowed to make the slam against Indonesia.)

That was the bad news for NZ; the good news was that they picked up on most of the rest of the set and won 25-5 in the end.

## Coming to London ?

**David Muller**, Youth Bridge Officer for London, is here watching these championships. With the World Youth Camp and World Pairs just next door in Belgium, it is just possible that some of you will be stopping off in London on your way to the Championships.

Any time you are in London and you want to play bridge rather than sightsee, do give him a call. He will



tell you the best places to play and find you suitable partners if needed. His numbers in London are 0181-952 2936 (home/answerphone/fax) or 0956 903907 (mobile). The country code for Great Britain is 44. Alternatively chat to him before the end of these Championships. He can usually be located in the vugraph theater or the press room.

# No Second Chance !

by Patrick Jourdain

In the Round 4 match between Australia and Great Britain, Jason Pitt of Australia found the best switch at trick two to give Justin Hackett a problem:

Board 24. Love All. Dealer West.

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

There was only one bid at each table. Ben Hutchinson, West for Australia, opened 5♦. Tom Townsend, North, cashed the ♥A, led a club to his partner's ace, and Allerton returned a spade to give the defense the first three tricks. One down.

Justin opened the ACOL Gambling 3NT and Jason Pitt followed textbook advice when he led an ace . . . the ♠A.

If North switches to a low heart or club, declarer may misguess, but he has another chance later. Pitt found a more effective stroke when he switched to a diamond, forcing declarer to play off seven rounds of the suit. This was the ending with one diamond still uncashed:

	♠ J				
	♥ A 5				
	♦ -				
	♣ Q 8				
♠ -	N	♠ K			
♥ J 6	W	♥ K 10	E		
♦ 4		♦ -			
♣ 10 4	S	♣ K J			
		♠ -			
		♥ Q 9 7			
		♦ -			
		♣ A 7			

The diamond run had put all three other players under pressure. In the ending shown Hackett cashed the last diamond and Pitt threw his spade.

As this was the defense's last spade Hackett ditched the ♠K from dummy, and South threw a heart.

Hackett then led a heart and misguessed, putting in the 10. South won, put North in with a second heart, and now a low club put declarer to a second guess. There was an element of restricted choice: if North had held three aces, he might have led any of the three . . . so the odds favor him NOT having the third ace. Justin duly put in the JACK of clubs, and came to his ninth trick right at the end.

This is a confusing ending. Could the defense do better?

For example, if South keeps spades, declarer cannot afford to play off the eighth diamond -- dummy would get squeezed. Declarer will have to lead a club or heart first, hoping to get one side trick and the ♠K.

If declarer gets his first guess right he must succeed. The defense must therefore arrange their cards so that one wrong guess is fatal. Look at this ending where declarer has the same five cards as before, but the defense have kept different cards:

		♠ --			
		♥ A 5			
		♦ -			
		♣ Q 8 3			
♠ -	N	♠ K			
♥ J 6	W	♥ K 10	E		
♦ 4		♦ -			
♣ 10 4	S	♣ K J			
		♠ Q 10			
		♥ Q 9			
		♦ -			
		♣ A			

Declarer dare not play off the last diamond. If he leads a heart or club and guesses right, he succeeds.

But suppose he guesses wrong -- then he has no second chance. Either South wins the ♥Q and clears the spades, or South beats ♣K with the ace and North's clubs are good.



# Recovery Play !

by David Muller

Joel Wooldridge of USA II found a nice recovery play on this deal in the match against Japan.

Board 7. Game All. Dealer South

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Wooldridge</i>		<i>Carmichael</i>	
Pass	1♦	Pass	Pass
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♣
Pass	3NT	All Pass	3♦

**Carmichael** led the ♥6, 4th best, which ran round to the 4, jack and queen. When declarer cashed the ♣K, **Carmichael** followed with the 2, which in their methods is suit preference for diamonds.

Declarer next led the ♦Q, which **Wooldridge** won with the king. **Wooldridge** played back a heart. **Carmichael**, thinking his partner only had two, won the ace and returned the 3, clearing the suit and again signaling diamond suit preference.

Declarer, thinking the ♦A must be with East, went for the genuine chance of the clubs breaking 3-3. He cashed dummy's ace and queen, but on the queen **Wooldridge** was able to make the recovery play of discarding the ♦A, creating an entry to **Carmichael's** suit via the ♦J.

Declarer switched in vain back to diamonds but all was now hopeless for him. He ended up two down. At the other table declarer was one down on the more routine defence of ducking the second round of hearts. The net result was 3 IMPs to USA II.

## RULING BY TOURNAMENT APPEALS COMMITTEE

The second meeting of the Appeals Committee considered the following case:

### New Zealand vs. Argentina

Board 22. Game E-W. Dealer East.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Pejacsevich</i>	<i>Delmonte</i>	<i>Alegre</i>	<i>Bach</i>
Pass	1NT	Pass	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♣ (1)	Pass
Pass	Dbl	2♥	Pass
		All Pass	

(1) Hearts and another.

**Result: New Zealand +500.**

North's 1NT was 12-14, and East's 2♣ was Aspro -- hearts and another suit (5-4 or 4-5). North's double was for takeout and his system notes described the doubling style as "aggressive."

The evidence was that after both the 2♣ bid and the 2♥ bid there were breaks in tempo on the South-West side of the screen as South attempted to establish the meaning and significance of East's bids. After the double East called the Director to the table, and the auction and play continued. East made six tricks, conceding 500. The Director then adjusted the score to 200 for North-South. North-South then appealed.

The committee decided there were significant breaks in tempo. In view of this, before reversing the director's ruling the committee would need to be convinced that North's double was virtually obligatory. Since the committee could not go so far, the Director's ruling was upheld. The deposit was returned.

## How's this for Positive Ethics?

With about seven tricks to go, Michael Shuster of USA II claimed his 4♠ doubled contract for +790 on Board 15, and his Italian opponents agreed. Since Italy also made 4♠ doubled, Canada earned a push on the board.

At the conclusion of the first half, the American team went to lunch and of course talked over the boards as they ate. Suddenly Shuster sat up straight in his chair. "We didn't make 4♠ on Board 15 -- we went down one." The team went over the play very carefully and finally were convinced that Shuster was right -- it was a bad claim.

Shuster immediately sought out Bob Rosen, his team captain, and explained what had happened. Every member of the team wanted the score to be fixed. Rosen found Chief Tournament Director Richard Grenside and gave him all the details. Grenside checked his watch and realized the appeal was being made within the time limit -- although by less than a minute.

Benito Garozzo, coach of the Italian team, was present, and he was most surprised that the Americans wanted the score changed from +790 to minus 200. "You're giving us 15 IMPs," he said. But Rosen and his team didn't see it this way. As far as they were concerned, they had always lost the 15 IMPs -- only a scoring mistake had prevented it from already being in the records. Grenside duly made the change in the official records.

Italy ran roughshod over the Americans in the second half, winning 25-1. However, they gained nothing from the score change, since without it they would have won 25-3. That does nothing to change the fine action on the part of the Americans -- they didn't know they were going to be blitzed when they corrected the scoring mistake.

But there's more!

The match finished late, and originally each team was going to be

assessed half a Victory Point for slow play. But the Italians insisted that the fault was entirely theirs, and they insisted that the full penalty be assessed against them. This decision was accepted, and Italy was declared the winner by a score of 24-1.

Something very similar happened in a college playoff in Canada. Here is a letter written to Henry Francis, editor of the American Contract Bridge League Bulletin, by John Carruthers, who is here as captain of Canada's team:

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### Déjà vu

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To the Editor:

*Many of you are familiar with the Canadian team's unfortunate plight in Geneva in the 1990 Rosenblum Cup semifinals. The Canadians went to bed bitterly disappointed after their narrow loss to Germany. Arno Hobart awoke with a start at 4:30 the following morning, his heart pounding --- Arno had dreamed that he and his partner, Marty Kirr, had misscored one of the boards! The board had been scored as plus 1100, but in his subconscious, Arno had realized that the board should have been scored as plus 1400.*

*The IMP scale confirmed his worst fear --- Canada would have beaten Germany by 4 IMPs instead of losing by 3. Rohowsky had played in 5\**C*\* doubled and had taken only five tricks, but the official score said he'd taken six. Hobart, Kirr and npc Mark Stein rushed to the playing site. Within half an hour every bridge player in Geneva had heard the story and had an opinion. A committee, hastily convened, ruled that the original score should stand. If the Canadian team thought that the previous night's disappointment was the worst they'd ever experienced, it was nothing compared to their feelings when the committee ruling became known.*

*They were devastated.*

*Fast forward to Toronto on April 1, 1995. The universities of Toronto, York and Waterloo were locked in a tight struggle to decide the winner of the Ontario University Bridge Championship. The winner would go to Memphis to play in the North American Intercollegiate Championship. Waterloo narrowly beat York for the championship, a not unexpected result.*

*The next morning, Eric Sutherland awakened to realize, much as Hobart had done five years earlier, that a board had been miscored. Sutherland realized that York would have won had the board been scored correctly. There was one crucial difference between Eric's and Arno's situation, however. **Eric was on the winning University of Waterloo team!***

*Sutherland called his partner Jared Riley and teammates Ben Zeidenberg and Craig Barkhouse. Eric informed them that he was going to call Michael Nadler, the York University team captain, and tell him that Mike's team had won, not Eric's. Eric's partner and teammates were unanimous in their support of his decision.*

*York University was declared the winner. No directors, no committees, no officials. Just four young men doing what they felt was the right thing.*

*This was Active Ethics and sportsmanship of the highest order. All Canadian bridge players can be very proud of these young men.*

JOHN CARRUTHERS  
Toronto ON

What a wonderful feeling all this leaves! What a great future for bridge when we have young players like these. USA II gives back 15 IMPs, Italy takes responsibility for slow play, and Waterloo loses their chance at the North American college championship.

## Congratulatory message to Indonesia

*Today marks the start of an invitational teams tournament with strong participation from abroad to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Indonesian independence. Four teams from Indonesia will play with eight other teams in a round-robin with a knockout semifinal and final.*

*The Netherlands was invited to send a team, and the special relationship between the two countries made the NBB (Dutch Bridge Federation) write the following message in the daily bulletin of the tournament, which we would like to publish as well.*

### SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS

It is a great honor for the Netherlands to be invited to participate in this bridge event organized on the occasion of 50 years' independence for the state of Indonesia this year. It is a great honor because the Netherlands played a hostile role in Indonesia's process of acquiring independence.

At present, the relationship between GABSI, the Indonesian Bridge Association, and the Dutch Bridge Federation is a very tight one. There are many visits back and forth by both nations, and they play friendly and competitive matches. There also is excellent cooperation at the executive and administrative level.

Ten years ago, I visited Indonesia for the first time and I have to admit that I fell in love with the country immediately, especially its ravishing countryside. I am sure that many Dutchmen who entered Indonesia during more than three centuries of Dutch rule had the same experience. Maybe this explains why they were so reluctant to give up your beautiful country: how can anyone ask another to let alone what you have fallen in love with?

I found that the feelings here for the Netherlands are very cordial -- many friends liked to speak Dutch and all Indonesians were outspokenly friendly. I never met with any hard feelings and I really do admire the Indonesian generosity with respect to these difficult years in their peoples' history.

In this very year, most of Europe is commemorating the freedom it regained 50 years ago, which makes it even easier for us to share the feelings in Indonesia celebrating its hard-fought independence.

It is with deeply felt and sincere respect that the Nederlandse Bridge Bond congratulates Indonesia and GABSI on their proud celebration, in 1995, of the country's independence.

**Ton Kooijman**  
NBB Executive Member

## Colombia, Venezuela qualify for Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup

Colombia and Venezuela finished one-two in the 14-nation Central American-Caribbean Open Team Championships in Kingston, Jamaica. Both countries thereby earned qualification for the Bermuda Bowl in Beijing, China, in October. Barbados was third, followed by Panama.

In the Women's Championship, the winning order was reversed, with Venezuela winning the title and Colombia second. Both teams qualified to play in the Venice Cup in Beijing. Jamaica was third and Guadeloupe fourth.

# MEET THE TEAMS

# CHINA

**WENFEI WANG**....born June 30, 1970, a Cancer; the only female of the Chinese Junior team, she represented China in the Venice Cup in 1993. Her interest is making friendships with boys, particularly with handsome boys.

**JIEN CHEN**....born Nov. 14, 1973; the team's youngest player. His constellation is Scorpio. He represented China to win the Far East Junior Bridge Team Championship in 1994 and 1995. He likes girls very much. His greatest wish is to marry the most beautiful girl in the world.

**YONGCHUAN LI**.... Jien's partner, was born Oct. 10, 1972, Libra Constellation. He also won the Far East Junior Bridge Team Championship twice. He likes swimming, but the important thing he is interested in is diving. At the end of the day he loves brandy and whiskey.

**ZIQI XIE**.... 25 years old won the Far East Junior Bridge Championship in Australia. He likes swimming very much. HE IS LIKE A FISH WHEN HE IS IN THE WATER. He is a master of Chinese chess.

**JIANYONG YOU**....24 years old, Pisces constellation. Surprisingly, his hobby is fishing -- probably because he has not lived on land very much. He also likes singing and talking with pretty girls.

**YE HUANG**... born March 5 1972, Pisces. Two years ago he was a member of the Chinese Junior team and took 6th place in Arhuus, Denmark. He likes drinking beer, and sometimes he reads novels all day long.

**STEVE ALTUS**....A doctoral student in aeronautics at Stanford University, the school team that recently won the 1995 National College Team Championship. He is competing in his first Junior Team Championship although he narrowly missed making the team in 1991. He traveled to Bali with his wife, TC, who partnered him in winning the Red Ribbon Pairs (a nationally rated event) in 1994. Steve likes cooking, traveling and playing soccer. After graduating from college, he hopes to move to New Mexico.

**VARIS CAREY**....24 years old -- is working towards a PhD in math at the University of Texas in Austin TX. After graduating, he plans to teach math at the university level. He likes to play other card games and basketball. Varis played his first duplicate game when he was 15. His father took him to the local novice game "kicking and screaming!" But from then on he was hooked.

**ERIC GRECO**....19 years old, is a finance student at the University of Virginia. Eric was a member of the US team which placed third in Denmark. He started playing bridge when he was five years old and won a national championship with his father a few years ago. He is planning to play in the World Junior Pairs in Belgium next month.

**ANDREW MOSS**....22 years old, is a philosophy student at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. His home is New York City. He is a member of a well-known family of bridge players who taught him to play bridge when he was 8 years old. Andrew also enjoys playing basketball.

**KEVIN WILSON**....is from Knoxville TN and owns his own business. Kevin was a member of the 1993 US team which finished third in Denmark. He recently bought an older 5-bedroom home to remodel in his spare time. He is planning to work at the Junior Bridge Camp in Ghent Belgium in August.

**NPC STEVE ROBINSON**....Has won two world championships -- the 1986 Rosenblum Teams and the 1974 Mixed Teams. He is a frequent winner in major North American championships.

# USA

## “SLAMbitious”

by Maureen Dennison

It was always going to be something of a needle match between the two American teams and when they met in Round 4 it was USA II who came out winners. However, USA I had a well-earned swing on board 17, one of the few pairs to bid slam.

Board 17. Love All. Dealer North.

	♠ A K 6 3 2		
	♥ Q		
	♦ 8 7 5 3		
	♣ J 6 5		
♠ 10 9 7 5 4	N	♠ Q J 8	
♥ 5 4 3	W	♥ 7 6 2	E
♦ J 2		♦ K 10 4	
♣ A 10 7	S	♣ 9 8 4 2	
	♠ -		
	♥ A K J 10 9 8		
	♦ A Q 9 6		
	♣ K Q 3		

With opponents Blair Seidler, West, and Richard Pavlicek, East, silent throughout, this was the bidding:

North	South
<i>Eric Greco</i>	<i>Kevin Wilson</i>
1♠	2♥
2NT (1)	3♦ (2)
3NT (3)	4♣ (4)
4NT (5)	6♥ (6)
Pass	

- (1) Minimum opening.
- (2) "I hear you."
- (3) "Please leave me alone."
- (4) "Tell me more."
- (5) "Go away! Drop dead! Pass!"
- (6) "No, I won't."

Blair tempted Kevin into a misplay. He led the ♣A which allowed declarer to jettison the king for an entry to dummy, vital in the end game. Next West switched to the ♠10. Wilson ruffed this in hand, played a heart to the queen and trumped another spade. Next he ran his hearts, played the ♣Q and ♣J and tried spades -- ace and king, discarding diamonds, showed that West started with five.

It was all on the diamond. He led toward his hand and thought long and hard whether West had been squeezed down to the bare ♦K. However, he concluded that as defense is the best part of Blair's game, he would not have squeezed himself, giving the extra entry to table. Wilson took the finesse! In the replay, USA II found the slam, too -- but in 6♦ -- absolutely no play.

## Wake-up Call

by Patrick Jourdain

"I'll bid 'em, you play them," one of my former partners used to say, and that could be Albamonte of Italy talking to Versace, his partner.

The Round 5 vugraph match between USA II and Italy started at 10.30 a.m. with Board 15, so this was the layout faced by the players at a time when most Juniors would expect to be still asleep:

Board 15. Game N-S. Dealer South.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Wooldridge</i>	<i>Albamonte</i>	<i>Carmichael</i>	<i>Versace</i>
			Pass
1♥	2♣	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
Dbl	All pass		

Most Souths would open 1♠, so when Versace passed there was speculation that they would not reach game. However, Albamonte was there with a vulnerable 2♣ bid, his wake-up call. When Versace showed spades, I am sure North's consideration was only whether to raise to three or four. The contract was by no means cold, for Wooldridge made a sound start to the defense by cashing ♥KQ, ♦A, and then following with a low heart. Versace duly ruffed high and East threw a diamond. The only danger to declarer is the 10 of trumps, and Versace showed good technique in avoiding any guess. At trick five he played the ♣A and ruffed a club. Then came the ♦Q which West covered, ruffed in dummy. On the next club East threw a diamond, so Versace had a safe route to success.

From the Commentary Table Garozzo suggested that he ruff the winning diamond low, ruff another club with the ♠9 and then crossruff high. Versace found a different, but equally effective line. He let the ♦J win, cashed one high trump from hand, ruffed a heart with dummy's big trump and then led a club. As West was known to be following suit no one could deny him the ♠K9.

# Patiño's Bermuda Bowl Proposal

## *Defenders would always qualify*

Over the years the setup of the Bermuda Bowl has changed many times. Back in the Fifties only four or five teams competed, and now the number is up to 16. The teams are selected as the result of Zonal allocation -- Zone 1 gets four teams, Zone 2 gets three, etc.

Jaime Ortiz-Patiño, President Emeritus of the World Bridge Federation, feels it may be time for another change of format. We found his ideas most thought-provoking. Here's how it would work.

1. The Bermuda Bowl defending champion would be an automatic qualifier. This was the case for many years but was changed when the present format was put into effect. Nevertheless, it makes sense that a team that wins a major championship should have the opportunity to defend that title.

2. The silver medalist from the previous Bermuda Bowl would be an automatic qualifier. It is tough to get all the way to the final and

then lose out in the battle for a world championship. This would give the runner-up a second chance to win the gold.

3. The bronze medalist from the previous Bermuda Bowl would be an automatic qualifier. This is perhaps the most interesting part of the proposal. At present there is a playoff for third place between the losers of the semifinal. For the most part this playoff is somewhat of a joke -- no one takes it very seriously. But this proposal would make the third-place playoff a major event -- the prize would be an automatic berth in the next Bermuda Bowl.

4. The host country also will be an automatic choice.

5. The number of teams to fill the field would depend on the size recommended for the event. Patiño's suggestion is that the Bermuda Bowl be expanded to 20 teams from the present 16. The remaining 16 teams would come from a series of playoffs that would take place all over the world.

The teams eligible for the playoffs would be those that finished in the top two-thirds of the previous World Team Olympiad. Usually this would be about 40 to 50 teams. The top 16 teams, excluding the four already selected, would be seeded, one to each playoff. Then other teams would be assigned to the various contests based primarily on geography. Every effort would be made to make it as easy as possible for the teams to get to a playoff site.

Patiño points out that 20 is not an inviolable number -- the number of qualifying teams just as well be 16, just as it is at present. The decision of would be made by the WBF Executive Council. He thinks the playoff method is best for determining the teams beyond the first four, but he agrees that it is possible to set up some system of Zonal qualification. He prefers the playoff system because it will virtually guarantee a field of 20 -- or 16 -- strong teams.

## Why don't you?

*by Tony Gordon*

*(Reprinted from the European Championship Daily Bulletin)*

In the Open Room of the Austria vs. Great Britain women's match, Smith-Davies opposed Erhart-Lindinger. On one hand, Maria Erhart was in 5C doubled and had already lost 3 tricks. Nicola Smith was on lead and still had the DA to cash.

As Nicola considered what other tricks might be available to the defense, Erhart leaned over the screen and told her that the best defense was to cash the DA and then play a heart, but the defense could make only one more trick. "OK," said Nicola, "but if you are wrong you will be hearing from my solicitor."

When Nicola cashed the DA and exited with a heart, Erhart duly claimed. She then turned to her partner and said, "Nicola does what I tell her. Why don't you?"

## MORE PROBLEMS

*Two years ago during the WBF Juniors Teams in Denmark, I provided two problems for the outing day, one of which came from P.O. Sundelin. It looks a good idea to offer you some more, but contrary to two years ago, the solutions will be published too, in tomorrow's bulletin.*

*The problems this time are less difficult.*

*The first one I got from **Jean Besse** in Menton '93 (European teams).*

- 1) A young couple go on a picnic in a rowboat. They row upstream with a nice bottle of white wine tied to a rope floating in the cold river water behind the boat. When passing a bridge the bottle hits a piling and gets lost, but the couple do not notice this until half an hour later. They decide to row back and, using the same force, they are lucky to catch the unbroken bottle just at the spot from which they started their trip, which is 2 kilometers from the bridge. How fast is the river streaming?

*The second problem was published in an article about probability in a Dutch paper some weeks ago. The solution given caused a lot of reactions from highly qualified people who would not accept it.*


- 2) In a TV show the winning candidate gets his choice of three closed boxes with one containing a large prize. After having chosen, the box still being closed, the quizmaster opens one of the other boxes, not surprisingly an empty one. Now he offers the candidate the chance to change his mind and to take the third box. Should the candidate change and why (not)?

*The third one I heard of in Portugal two weeks ago, again during the European Teams. You are asked to find the next row of digits.*

- 3)
- |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 1 | 1 |   |   |   |   |
| 2 | 1 |   |   |   |   |
| 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |   |   |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 |   |   |
| 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 |

*The fourth one is a Greek one. They told me the number one year ago, so if I remember well and they didn't find a better solution, we have an answer tomorrow.*

- 4) Construct a deal in which declarer plays 3NT with the least possible number of high card points. There are two restrictions: declarer's longest suits are at most five cards, and the defenders, once given the terrible holdings they have, are allowed to find the best defense.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	FINES	TOTAL	RANK
	♠	♥	♦	♣	♠	♥	♦	♣	♠	♥	♦	♣			
1. CANADA	♠	25		24	19		13		25		22			128	1/2
2. JAPAN	3	♥		9	8		8	25		16				69	10
3. DENMARK			♦		22	22	15		25	10	8			102	4/5
4. USA 2	6	21		♣			1	23		6		14		71	9
5. CHINA	11	22	8		♠			25	13		14			93	6
6. AUSTRALIA			8			♥	3	22	25	2		15		75	8
7. ITALY	17	22	15			25	♦	25			5			108	3
8. USA 1		4		7	0	8		♣	25			15		59	11
9. INDONESIA	2		1		17	0		5	♠			13		38	12
10. GT. BRITAIN		14	20	24		25				♥	23	22		128	1/2
11. N. ZEALAND	8		22		16		25			7	♦	24		102	4/5
12. ARGENTINA				16		15		15	17	8	6	♣		77	7

**RESULTS  
ROUND 5**

Argentina	17	(77)	Indonesia	13	(63)
Denmark	22	(101)	Australia	8	(57)
Canada	22	(87)	New Zealand	8	(43)
China	25	(162)	USA I	0	(52)
Japan	16	(105)	Great Britain	14	(96)
Italy	25	(128)	USA II	1	(36)

**STANDINGS**

1	<b>Great Britain</b>	<b>105</b>
2	<b>Canada</b>	<b>103</b>
3	<b>New Zealand</b>	<b>95</b>
4	<b>Italy</b>	<b>94</b>
5	Denmark	87
6	China	80
7	Japan	66
8	Argentina	61
9	USA II	57
10	Australia	53
11	USA I	51
12	Indonesia	21

**RESULTS  
ROUND 6**

Indonesia	17	(71)	China	13	(57)
Denmark	15	(69)	Italy	15	(67)
Great Britain	23	(109)	New Zealand	7	(61)
Argentina	16	(96)	USA II	14	(91)
Australia	22	(100)	USA I	8	(56)
Canada	25	(127)	Japan	3	(52)

**STANDINGS**

1/2	<b>Canada</b>	<b>128</b>
1/2	<b>Great Britain</b>	<b>128</b>
3	<b>Italy</b>	<b>108</b>
4/5	<b>Denmark</b>	<b>102</b>
4/5	<b>New Zealand</b>	<b>102</b>
6	China	93
7	Argentina	77
8	Australia	75
9	USA II	71
10	Japan	69
11	USA I	59
12	Indonesia	38