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And the winner is...

The Finns Clas Nyberg and Kauko Koistinen are the winners of this year's pairs tournament.

They won yesterday's session, making 68.67%, and got to the first place in the tournament with 61.81% average. The Portuguese Juliano Barbosa and Rui Pinto were second on the last session, with 66.89%. It got them from 20th to 2nd place overall, some 3.12% behind the Finns.



The third place overall was won by the estonians Leo Luks and Lauri Naber, just 0.22% behind the Portuguese. They made 62.93% and were 4th on the last session.

The third best result on yesterday's session was achieved by the Portuguese Jorge Castanheira and Jose Dias. It got them from 57th to 12th place overall.

Today we have the first matches of the teams tournament - the real thing, some say.

Have you registered your team yet? Don't be late!

Pedro Nunes



FINALS RESULTS

Rank	Score	%	Name	Session	%	Rank	
1	4917,7	61,81	Clas Nyberg - Kauko Koistinen	1821,0	68,67	1	F
2	4669,1	58,69	Juliano Barbosa - Rui Pinto	1774,0	66,89	2	P
3	4652,0	58,47	Leo Luks - Naber	1669,0	62,93	4	T
4	4646,4	58,40	Carlos Goncalves - Nuno Paz	1440,0	54,30	31	P
5	4613,2	57,98	Obermair - Wernle	1487,2	56,08	22	U
6	4595,9	57,77	Alexandra Rosado - Paulo A Feio	1372,7	51,76	45	MP
7	4555,4	57,26	Jorge Cruzeiro - Manuel Oliveira	1623,0	61,20	5	P
8	4523,7	56,86	Brantsma - Ritmeijer	1481,0	55,84	24	H
9	4470,8	56,19	Arild Aarmot - Ronny Jorstad	1602,0	60,41	6	N
10	4463,1	56,10	Oja Olavi - Sven Sester	1573,4	59,33	9	T
11	4421,2	55,57	Elly Schippers - René Stienen	1569,0	59,16	10	MH
12	4417,4	55,52	Jorge Castanheira - Jose Dias	1772,0	66,82	3	P
13	4416,5	55,51	Madeleine Swanstrom - Tommy Gulberg	1453,0	54,79	29	WMS
14	4392,3	55,21	Hrannar Erlingsson - Svein Runar Eiriksson	1536,7	57,94	12	I
15	4386,3	55,13	Berendregt - van Zwol	1498,0	56,49	19	MH
16	4380,9	55,06	Bjorn Valen - Egil Hansen	1462,3	55,14	25	NS
17	4379,7	55,05	M Koetser - R Bouscher	1460,3	55,06	26	HS
18	4374,0	54,98	Jonsson Runolfer - Sevarsson Gunnlaugur	1420,2	53,55	35	I
19	4353,5	54,72	Gabriel Gislason - Sveinn Ragnarsson	1392,6	52,51	39	I
20	4350,9	54,69	Gisli Steingrimsson - Sveinn R P	1513,0	57,05	15	I
21	4344,0	54,60	P G Pereira - Rui S Santos	1549,0	58,41	11	P
22	4340,1	54,55	Karlis Rubins - Nataliza Veksha	1525,0	57,50	13	VM
23	4337,3	54,52	Andreas Babsch - Renate Hansen	1298,0	48,94	65	UM
24	4336,8	54,51	Lars Goldberg - Ulla Britt Goldberg	1359,3	51,26	47	MW
25	4320,6	54,31	Halldor Svanbergsson - Kristinn Kristinsson	1486,4	56,05	23	I
26	4312,8	54,21	Dieneke Balder - Hans van Ommeren	1456,3	54,91	28	HM
27	4302,5	54,08	Maris Purgailis - Vladimirs Gonca	1189,7	44,86	81	VS
28	4301,9	54,07	Bernd Saurer - Doris Fischer	1599,9	60,33	7	UM
29	4285,4	53,86	Josef Simon - Robert Franzel	1351,0	50,94	49	U
30	4285,1	53,86	Maksim Karpov - Tut Laanemae	1514,7	57,11	14	T
31	4280,5	53,80	Nuno Matos - Paulo Sarmento	1392,0	52,49	40	P
32	4244,4	53,35	Aron N Portinnsson - Bjorgun Kristinsson	1241,0	46,79	74	I
33	4243,3	53,33	Aivar Tijiane - Lembit Dahlberg	1501,7	56,62	18	T
34	4238,3	53,27	Roennaug Asla - Svein Markusen	1328,0	50,08	56	NMS
35	4220,5	53,05	Gisli Porarinsson - Pordur Sigurdsson	1505,0	56,75	17	I
36	4192,0	52,69	Han Begas - Rascha Thomas	1414,0	53,32	37	MH
37	4172,7	52,45	Pierre Daigneault - Terri Verret	1370,0	51,66	46	MSN
38	4172,4	52,44	Gerrit de Bewis - Peter van Montfoort	1330,0	50,15	55	H
39	4155,9	52,24	J Meltzer - Peter A de Roos	1448,3	54,61	30	H
40	4132,0	51,94	Gardar Gardarsson - Gunnar Tondarsson	1487,4	56,08	21	SI
41	4122,7	51,82	Ine Snepvangers - Mart Mommers	1506,0	56,79	16	HM
42	4103,5	51,58	Anne Marie vd Berg - Jaap vd Berg	1320,3	49,79	58	HM
43	4098,5	51,51	Carole Coveney - Michel Coveney	1457,3	54,95	27	NM
44	4096,2	51,49	Gerard Limmen - Jan Tulp	1417,7	53,46	36	HS
45	4091,0	51,42	Oskas Sigurdsson - Sigurdur Steingrimsson	1374,3	51,82	43	I
46	4089,3	51,40	Sigfuis Arnason - ThorHalsson	1310,3	49,41	62	I
47	4050,9	50,92	Jaime Sousa - Miguel Ascencao	1286,0	48,49	68	AP
48	4040,8	50,79	A de Rouwe - G C Krigsman	1157,0	43,63	86	SHM
49	4031,3	50,67	Eduarda Reis - Joao Fanha	1350,8	50,93	50	MP
50	4004,1	50,33	Gudm Olafsson - H Rognvaldsson	1280,0	48,27	69	I
51	3988,8	50,14	Baldur Bjartmarsson - Halldor Thorvaldsson	1269,6	47,87	72	I
52	3988,5	50,13	Hans Sprenkeling - Wil Stomp	1428,3	53,86	32	HS
53	3983,7	50,07	Alfred Fleischmann - Ursula Fleischmann	1170,0	44,12	84	SUM
54	3978,1	50,00	B Abreu - M Bouscher Snapper	1128,0	42,53	89	M
55	3977,6	50,00	J G Tesselaar - Mike Beyer	1237,0	46,64	75	H
56	3976,8	49,98	Momek Wegman - Willem v d Ginden	1168,0	44,04	85	HM
57	3967,0	49,86	Bruno Neves - Luis Silva	1358,4	51,22	48	AP
58	3959,2	49,76	Hr Roseheek - Mw Bredewerk	1426,3	53,78	33	MH
59	3953,1	49,69	Hans Metselaar - Ko Heilig	1340,7	50,55	54	H
60	3919,9	49,27	Gaby Parra - Leo Zeeprat	1123,3	42,36	91	MH
61	3905,3	49,09	J Macedo - J Machado	1344,6	50,70	52	SAP
62	3892,2	48,92	Eike Metsdalv - Ines Piibeleht	1302,0	49,10	64	TL
63	3870,7	48,65	Gudlaugur Sveinsson - Isak Sigurdsson	1215,0	45,81	77	I
64	3861,9	48,54	Alda Gudnadottir - Hrafnhildur Skuladottir	1099,8	41,47	96	LI
65	3855,4	48,46	Dominique Custers - John de Freitas	1122,3	42,32	92	F
66	3844,2	48,32	Guido Kobolt - Peeter Lond	1374,0	51,81	44	TS
67	3843,6	48,31	Isabel Correia - Maria Corte Real	1345,0	50,72	51	LP
68	3842,2	48,29	Doranna Palsdottir - Hanna Fridriksdottir	1575,0	59,39	8	IL
69	3833,5	48,18	John Linse - Joost Hermeyer	1290,7	48,67	66	SH
70	3815,0	47,95	Adriano Medeiros - Horacio Franco	1422,0	53,62	34	P



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71	3813,6	47,93	Gitte Hecht-Johnsen - Nevena Senior	1225,0	46,19	76	LF
72	3813,2	47,93	Agaath v Bommel - Jack Wagemakers	1343,7	50,67	53	SHM
73	3800,1	47,76	Eva-Lis Gothe - Hans Gothe	1241,6	46,82	73	WSM
74	3799,0	47,75	Gudny Gudjonsd - Halldora Magnusdottir	1325,7	49,99	57	I
75	3782,4	47,54	Inger Sallsten - Ric Sallsten	1315,0	49,59	61	MSW
76	3780,4	47,52	Miguel Teixeira - Rodrigo Soares	1386,0	52,26	42	AP
77	3776,5	47,47	Gudrun Johannesd - Soffia Danielsdottir	865,1	32,62	107	LI
78	3757,2	47,22	Linssen - Linssen	1273,3	48,01	71	MH
79	3756,1	47,21	Irene Egger - Norbert Egger	1490,7	56,21	20	MSU
80	3725,9	46,83	Jon Gudmundsson - Jon Sigvaldason	1277,0	48,15	70	IS
81	3721,0	46,77	Agusta Jonsdottir - Thordis Thormodsottir	1085,2	40,92	98	IL
82	3711,7	46,65	Antonio Valente - Bruno Bacanhim	1303,0	49,13	63	AP
83	3706,7	46,59	Frits Goetjes - Tineke Poland	1101,7	41,54	95	MSH
84	3690,5	46,39	Hulda Hjalmar - Sigridur Eyioifs	1201,4	45,30	79	ILS
85	3665,2	46,07	Ricardo Luiz - Robert Snapper	1413,0	53,28	38	AP
86	3664,3	46,06	Fernando Ribeiro - Pedro morgado	1111,0	41,89	93	AP
87	3653,2	45,92	Felix Bielars - Loekie Bielars Roermund	1175,0	44,31	83	HM
88	3624,7	45,56	Liz Blande - Mike Rafferty	1079,0	40,69	100-101	MG
89	3614,9	45,44	Brynja Dyrborgardottir - Harpa Fold Ingolfsdottir	1150,0	43,36	87	IL
90	3598,3	45,23	Erkki Juuri-Oja - Pirjo Juuri-Oja	1064,8	40,15	103	DMS
91	3588,4	45,10	Frederico Teixeira - Ricardo Fernandes	1391,0	52,45	41	AP
92	3558,0	44,72	Harjet Quys - Helmi v d Helm	1024,0	38,61	104	HL
93	3538,6	44,48	Joaquim Trindade - Pedro Nunes	1289,7	48,63	67	AP
94	3535,3	44,44	Alexandre Rodrigues - Bruno Macedo	1105,4	41,68	94	AP
95	3534,7	44,43	Aarne Rummel - Kalle Pedak	1076,7	40,60	102	T
96	3533,5	44,41	Jose A Fernandes - Virgilio Mota	1212,0	45,70	78	APS
97	3527,1	44,33	Leonardo Velloza - Silvio Costa	1147,2	43,26	88	AP
98	3519,2	44,23	Johanna Sigurjonsd - Lina Arnadottir	1188,2	44,81	82	LI
99	3504,0	44,04	Ingrid Hoes - Ria Bartelomiy	1127,6	42,52	90	LSH
100	3425,8	43,06	Eija Multimaki - Sanna Kittti	1319,7	49,76	59	LD
101	3424,0	43,04	Sigurjonsd - Thordarson	1079,0	40,69	100-101	SIM
102	3377,1	42,45	Bardi ThorkeIsson - Krisin Jonsdottir	971,0	36,61	105	IM
103	3341,1	42,00	Jose Maria Gouveia - Nuno Mata	838,0	31,60	108	AP
104	3284,2	41,28	A Muliar - P Steiner	1317,6	49,68	60	MU
105	3186,3	40,05	Alda Fernandes - Jose Fernandes	1190,0	44,87	80	APMS
106	3123,5	39,26	Luis Correia - Nuno David	1080,0	40,72	99	A
107	3072,5	38,62	Dora Solari - Montse Mestres	1085,3	40,92	97	LSE
108	2973,4	37,37	Marie Duval - Michel Hupe	892,0	33,63	106	NM

A - Madeira,, **P** - Portuguese, **L** - Ladies, **S** - Seniors, **M** - Mixed

I - Iceland, **H** - Holland, **U** - Austria, **E** - Spain, **T** - Estonia, **N** - Canada, **W** - Sweden, **V** - Latvia, **N** - Norway, **D** - Finland,
G - England, **F** - Foreign (different nationalities)




The art of being lucky

By Kauko Koistinen

We all know the secret of winning a bridge tournament. Of course you should minimize your own mistakes, but most importantly, you should simply be lucky! In the last session we made some mistakes, but they were heavily outnumbered by all the gifts we received from our generous opponents.

In the following board we didn't receive any help from our opponents, but the lie of cards was most favourable for us.

Board 13. Dealer N. All Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
	P	1♦ (1)	P
1♠ (2)	P	2♠	P
2NT	P	3♠	P
4♣ (3)	P	4♦ (3)	P
4NT(4)	P	5♥ (5)	P
5♦ (6)	P	6♠ (7)	P
7NT	P	pass	P

- (1) 17+ any distribution.
- (2) 8+ no 5-card majors or 6-cards minors.
- (3) Control.
- (4) RKCB.
- (5) 0 or 3 keycards.
- (6) Trump queen inquiry.
- (7) Trump queen without any unshown kings.



After six spades I could count to twelve fast tricks, so the jack of diamonds, the queen of clubs or seventh spade might give me the missing thirteenth trick. North started with the jack of spades, Clas tabled a hand without any extras so my task was far from laydown. On the actual layout, declarer can't go wrong, thanks to the lucky lie in both minor suits. I took the first five tricks with dummy's spades, cashed my club honours and returned back to dummy with the ace of hearts reaching following end position:


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

When dummy's last spade was played, South discarded correctly a diamond (after a heart discard North would be in a genuine squeeze if he had 9xxx in diamonds) and I let my queen of hearts to go. North discarded a diamond and I took the last four tricks with diamonds. For a moment I thought that the defence slipped in the end position, but luckily my diamond suit was just strong enough to produce four tricks without any squeeze. That was 99% of the matchpoints for us, but if my diamonds were AQ86 and North keeps his nine fourth, we would have scored next to nothing from the board.

We met Carlos Gonçalves and Nuno Paz on the seventh round of the final session. They were lying second and we fifth before the last 26 boards, so it was certainly a very decisive meeting.



Board 1. Dealer N. None Vul.

♠ K 10 8 4 ♥ A K 5 ♦ A 7 6 5 ♣ A 7	♠ A 9 3 2 ♥ 3 ♦ K 10 9 8 ♣ Q 10 9 6	<div style="text-align: center;">  </div>	♠ Q 6 5 ♥ 10 7 6 4 2 ♦ Q J ♣ K 4 3
♠ J 7 ♥ Q J 9 8 ♦ 4 3 2 ♣ J 8 5 2			

West	North	East	South
	P	P	P
1♦ (1)	P	1♠ (2)	P
1NT(3)	P	2♦ (4)	P
2♠	P	2NT	P
3NT	P	P	P

- (1) 17+ any distribution.
 (2) 8+ no 5-card majors or 6-card minors.
 (3) Relay.
 (4) Balanced.

Nuno Paz started with a diamond and dummy's jack held the first trick. Ace-king of hearts brought some bad news North discarding a club. Spade to the queen was followed by a spade to the jack, king and the ace. North won the next trick with the king of diamonds and Clas took the diamond continuation with the ace. West cashed the ace of clubs and threw North in with a diamond, but Nuno Paz exited correctly with the queen of clubs. As his last hope Clas tried back a club, which would have worked if North held QJxx in the suit. No luck this time, however, Carlos could claim the remaining tricks for two down and a 99% score.

After the board Clas told me he could have made the board. Seeing all the four hands, do you find out the way to nine tricks? Instead of throwing North in with the diamond, West should play a heart. North is forced to discard one more club and South wins the trick. South can't cash the second heart but must play back a club. Now it's time to eliminate the club suit and throw North in with diamond. Spade 10-8 will make the two last tricks, the contract just making.



Board 22 was a wild one.

Board 22. Dealer E. E/W Vul.

	♠ 7 4 3		
	♥ K J 10		
	♦ K 9 7 5 4 2		
	♣ 7		
♠ K 2	<div style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> N W E S </div>	♠ A Q J 10 5	
♥ 2		♥ 3	
♦ J 8 3		♦ A 6	
♣ K Q 9 6 5 4 3		♣ A J 10 8 2	
	♠ 9 8 6		
	♥ A Q 9 8 7 6 5 4		
	♦ Q 10		
	♣ J -		

We were lucky enough to buy the contract with six clubs and when South failed to lead a heart, that meant 1390 and 95% score for our side. According to the minimax the par contract in the board is six hearts doubled for three down and EW +500. At twenty tables this excellent sacrifice was reached, giving NS almost 70% of the matchpoints. Three times E-W had bid and made an adventurous contract of six spades. I was reported that one South found the courageous lead of the four of hearts North unexpectedly winning the trick with the king. South's brave efforts were not rewarded, however, when North returned back a diamond, declarer claiming the rest. From a quick point of view it is much more probable that South would ruff a diamond return and not a club, North holding anyway six diamonds and a just singleton club. North had a blind spot, anyway, with a diamond void South would lead a higher heart of course.

Our last board was interesting. Take it first as a single dummy problem.



Board 26. Dealer E. All Vul.

♠ K 10 7 2
 ♥ A K 9 7 2
 ♦ J
 ♣ A 4 3



♠ Q 5
 ♥ Q 5 4 3
 ♦ K 7 6 4
 ♣ 10 7 5

West	North	East	South
		P	P
1♣	1♥	P	2♥
P	2♠	3♦	4♥
P	P	P	

West's opening bid showed a 12-14 balanced hand. East leads the two of clubs (10-12) which declarer wins with the ace. North tries the diamond jack, but East rises with the ace and defence continues with two rounds of clubs, East having originally Q62. West cashes the ace of spades before exiting with the thirteenth club. Declarer tries the seven of hearts but East contributes the eight and dummy must overruff with the queen. When the three of is played from dummy, West plays the six. What now? The contract is already one down and you are not getting a good score from this one, but two down would surely mean something like zero. Jorge Cruzeiro didn't err but finessed with the seven escaping for only one down. East's diamond bid at three level must certainly promise six cards leaving West a doubleton in that suit. Therefore West can't have two cards in hearts as well and the finesse is indicated. West's hand was: AJ83 J106 Q5 KJ98. Thanks to my partner's good lead, anyway, we scored a comfortable 85% from the last board.



Trusting Partner

By Rodrigo Martins Soares

Carel Berendregt and Wiestke van Zwol form a fixed partnership. They also play bridge with each other occasionally. They are doing so in this tournament. I started the last session of the pairs event against them. They immediately stroke me as a nice couple. A couple of minutes later, and after confirming -1100 they didn't seem so nice any more. In fact I am quite sure that they arranged everything with my partner just to annoy me- not that I'm paranoid, but people do that a lot!

Anyway, nearing the end of the session Carel held:

♠ 7 4 3
♥ K J 10
♦ K 9 7 5 4 2
♣ 7

And the auction went:

E	S	W	N
1♠	4♥	4♠	5♥
5♠	P	P	P

His partner led the ♥4 and dummy went down with:


♠ K 2
♥ 2
♦ J 8 3
♣ K Q 9 6 5 4 3

When declarer followed with the ♥3 Carel stopped for a minute. Wiestke had underled her Ace. Surely she is asking to ruff something. A diamond seems to be obvious then. But she did lead her lowest heart, the 4! Surely she is asking for a club return! Even holding a singleton club he decided that he had to trust his partner and duly returned his club that was in fact ruffed.

Well done! A nice lead and a real show of trust. Unfortunately not many matchpoints were won, since the difference between -680 and -650 is just 3 matchpoints on board 22. Still it's a very nice defence and it deserved more.



Board 22. Dealer E. E/W Vul.

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

I wonder if I would have returned a club in the same situation with my regular partner... Well, if I played with my wife (a mistake I don't do anymore these days) I'm quite sure I would. Not that I would expect her to ruff, but I would be thinking: "I might get a bottom on this board but I will be nagging her for weeks with this. Yes... I must think of intelligent ways to slip '*So you wanted a diamond return and led your lowest heart*' into conversations".



Program 2007

Friday (09/11/2007)	09.30	Half-day Tour(*)
	20.45	Closing time for Teams Tournament Entries
	21.00	Open Teams Tournament - 1 st Session
Saturday (10/11/2007)	09.00	Free morning
	15.30	Open Teams Tournament - 2 nd Session
	21.30	Open Teams Tournament - 3 rd Session
Sunday (11/11/2007)	15.00	Open Teams Tournament - 4 th Session
	20.00	Final Results
	21.00	Closing Dinner and Prize Giving

(*) Tour included in the Hotel package

