

12th International Bridge Festival

Madeira

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8th November 2009

DOUBLE LEAD

The Castelli and Van Cleef teams are both leading the Teams Tournament. They have been virtually unstoppable. They both have 172 VPs.

The Castelli team (Maria Erhart, Jovanka Smederevac, Joerg Eichholzer and Christian Federer) has won almost all of their matches. They only lost yesterday evening on Round 7. All the other matches were won by them.

The Van Cleeff team (Jan Van Cleef, Jon Sveindal, David Kendrick and Brian Senior) has a similar performance. They lost twice but their wins have been more expressive.



The Portuguese Dream Team (Carlos Luiz, Nuno Matos, Rodrigo M Soares, Miguel Teixeira, Paulo Sarmento and Nuno Paz) are third. They are 12 VPs behind Castelli and Van Cleeff. They started yesterday with a tie, lost on Rounds 5 and 6 and then started winning 25-1, 20-10 and 25-1.

This afternoon everything will be decided. Castelli and Van Cleeff will fight all the way, others will too... Read all about it in Bulletin 7.

Pedro Nunes



CLASSIFICATION AFTER 9 MATCHES

Rank	VPs	Team
1	172 12	Castelli
	172 15	Van Cleeff
3	160 21	Dream Team
4	156 5	Artur S Silva
	156 7	Lara
	156 22	Swest
7	155,5 33	Paula Lima
8	151 24	Olofsson
9	150 17	Miguel Silva
10	147 30	Veger
11	143 20	Lucia
12	141 28	Goldberg
13	140,6 27	Primavera
14	140,5 1	Norway
15	139,5 37	Erla
16	138 10	Van Helsing
17	137 26	Baleal
	137 29	Beyer
19	136 4	Overtricks
20	135 16	Vicky
21	134 14	Franzel
22	132 18	Superdog
23	128 13	Team Lizzy
24	124,9 34	De Charmante
25	122 25	B N
26	120 36	Oras
27	116 31	Druva
28	115 35	Dragoes
29	114,8 3	Buchlev
30	113 2	Praff
	113 11	Mona
32	106,9 19	Topozero
	106,9 32	Westfriezen
34	104 9	MacroB
35	103,5 8	La Banniere
36	101,3 23	Allin
37	91,1 6	Bjorn Oden

Results round 4

Table	Teams		IMPs	VPs	
1	10 Van Helsing	12 Castelli	23-26	14	16
2	21 Dream Team	17 Miguel Silva	13-14	15	15
3	31 Druva	15 Van Cleeff	7-22	10	20
4	26 Baleal	14 Franzel	3-14	12	18
5	33 Paula Lima	36 Oras	57- 2	25	0
6	24 Olofsson	1 Norway	0-25	7	23
7	28 Goldberg	25 B N	19- 4	20	10
8	5 Artur S Silva	22 Swest	19- 5	19	11
9	16 Vicky	7 Lara	6-27	8	22
10	30 Veger	4 Overtricks	7- 5	16	14
11	29 Beyer	35 Dragoes	7-19	11	19
12	8 La Banniere	18 Superdog	24-19	16	14
13	3 Buchlev	6 Bjorn Oden	25- 3	22	8
14	13 Team Lizzy	11 Mona	7-28	8	22
15	9 Macrob	2 Praff	12-30	9	21
16	19 Topozero	37 Erla	3-14	12	18
17	20 Lucia	23 Allin	28-11	20	10
18	34 De Charmante	32 Westfriezen	8-27	9	21
19	27 Primavera	-- --	Bye	15,6	

Results round 5

Table	Teams		IMPs	VPs	
1	10 Van Helsing	15 Van Cleeff	22-31	12	18
2	12 Castelli	21 Dream Team	38-12	23	7
3	33 Paula Lima	17 Miguel Silva	12-22	12	18
4	14 Franzel	1 Norway	30-32	14	16
5	28 Goldberg	26 Baleal	12-31	9	21
6	31 Druva	5 Artur S Silva	7-31	7	23
7	7 Lara	3 Buchlev	39- 0	25	3
8	35 Dragoes	24 Olofsson	3-36	5	25
9	25 B N	30 Veger	23-30	13	17
10	22 Swest	11 Mona	47- 5	25	2
11	4 Overtricks	8 La Banniere	25-20	16	14
12	16 Vicky	18 Superdog	30-23	17	13
13	36 Oras	2 Praff	26- 9	20	10
14	29 Beyer	37 Erla	16-34	9	21
15	6 Bjorn Oden	13 Team Lizzy	8-39	5	25
16	19 Topozero	9 Macrob	21-28	13	17
17	20 Lucia	34 De Charmante	29- 9	21	9
18	32 Westfriezen	27 Primavera	5-61	0	25
19	23 Allin	-- --	Bye	11,3	

Results round 6

Table	Teams		IMPs	VPs	
1	12 Castelli	15 Van Cleeff	26-22	16	14
2	17 Miguel Silva	10 Van Helsing	22-13	18	12
3	7 Lara	26 Baleal	29- 3	23	7
4	1 Norway	5 Artur S Silva	10-21	12	18
5	33 Paula Lima	14 Franzel	2- 1	15	15
6	21 Dream Team	28 Goldberg	6-37	5	25
7	24 Olofsson	22 Swest	14-28	11	19
8	31 Druva	30 Veger	7-34	6	24
9	37 Erla	36 Oras	23-15	17	13
10	25 B N	4 Overtricks	20-19	15	15
11	16 Vicky	8 La Banniere	53- 0	25	0
12	13 Team Lizzy	18 Superdog	11-22	12	18
13	20 Lucia	35 Dragoes	23-15	17	13
14	3 Buchlev	2 Praff	1-40	3	25
15	29 Beyer	9 Macrob	26-12	19	11
16	11 Mona	27 Primavera	7-24	10	20
17	19 Topozero	32 Westfriezen	9-13	14	16
18	34 De Charmante	23 Allin	34- 5	24	6
19	6 Bjorn Oden	-- --	Bye	10,1	

Results round 7

Table	Teams		IMPs	VPs	
1	12 Castelli	17 Miguel Silva	24-26	14	16
2	7 Lara	15 Van Cleeff	6-22	10	20
3	5 Artur S Silva	33 Paula Lima	11- 2	18	12
4	28 Goldberg	10 Van Helsing	17- 0	20	10
5	14 Franzel	22 Swest	10- 8	16	14
6	1 Norway	30 Veger	19-27	13	17
7	26 Baleal	16 Vicky	1-16	10	20
8	24 Olofsson	37 Erla	56- 2	25	0
9	21 Dream Team	2 Praff	49- 1	25	1
10	25 B N	36 Oras	10-13	14	16
11	4 Overtricks	18 Superdog	26-12	19	11
12	20 Lucia	31 Druva	26-14	19	11
13	13 Team Lizzy	29 Beyer	5-30	7	23
14	27 Primavera	35 Dragoes	26-11	20	10
15	9 Macrob	8 La Banniere	31-13	21	9
16	19 Topozero	34 De Charmante	5-24	9	21
17	11 Mona	6 Bjorn Oden	40-17	22	8
18	32 Westfriezen	23 Allin	24-18	17	13
19	3 Buchlev	-- --	Bye	12,8	

Results round 8

Table	Teams		IMPs	VPs	
1	12 Castelli	28 Goldberg	33- 0	25	5
2	7 Lara	17 Miguel Silva	25- 5	21	9
3	15 Van Cleeff	5 Artur S Silva	28- 0	24	6
4	24 Olofsson	14 Franzel	11- 6	16	14
5	30 Veger	33 Paula Lima	6-22	10	20
6	16 Vicky	22 Swest	26-29	14	16
7	21 Dream Team	1 Norway	32-16	20	10
8	10 Van Helsing	26 Baleal	11- 2	18	12
9	4 Overtricks	36 Oras	34-24	18	12
10	29 Beyer	20 Lucia	27-27	15	15
11	27 Primavera	25 B N	45- 3	25	2
12	18 Superdog	31 Druva	34- 5	24	6
13	34 De Charmante	9 Macrob	19- 3	20	10
14	11 Mona	37 Erla	14-40	7	23
15	2 Praff	35 Dragoes	10-25	10	20
16	13 Team Lizzy	19 Topozero	22-22	15	15
17	3 Buchlev	32 Westfriezen	17-17	15	15
18	6 Bjorn Oden	23 Allin	8-38	5	25
19	8 La Banniere	-- --	Bye	11,5	

Results round 9

Table	Teams		IMPs	VPs	
1	12 Castelli	24 Olofsson	36-34	16	14
2	15 Van Cleeff	17 Miguel Silva	18-11	17	13
3	7 Lara	33 Paula Lima	9-21	11	19
4	21 Dream Team	14 Franzel	56-10	25	1
5	10 Van Helsing	22 Swest	9-36	6	24
6	5 Artur S Silva	16 Vicky	40- 8	25	5
7	28 Goldberg	30 Veger	20-36	10	20
8	27 Primavera	1 Norway	23-27	14	16
9	4 Overtricks	26 Baleal	19-28	12	18
10	18 Superdog	29 Beyer	14-24	12	18
11	20 Lucia	36 Oras	36- 3	25	5
12	37 Erla	35 Dragoes	45-18	24	6
13	34 De Charmante	25 B N	18-29	12	18
14	13 Team Lizzy	9 Macrob	46- 2	25	2
15	31 Druva	2 Praff	20-17	16	14
16	11 Mona	32 Westfriezen	22-22	15	15
17	23 Allin	3 Buchlev	14-29	10	20
18	8 La Banniere	6 Bjorn Oden	31-39	13	17
19	19 Topozero	-- --	Bye	11,9	

Team Roster

1	Norway	Egil Hansen, Harald Nordby, Arild Aarmot, Bjorn S Valen
2	Praff	Pedro Morgado, Jose Macedo, Alexandre Rodrigues, Fernando Ribeiro, Filipe Goncalves
3	Buchlev	Artmer, Simon, Buchlev, Duhrig
4	Overtrick	Eduarda Reis, Carlos Cabrinha, Luis Rodrigues, Joao Fanha
5	Artur S Silva	Artur S Silva, Bernardo Ferreira, Rui Pinto, Juliano Barbosa
6	Bjorn Oden	Bodil Haugerud, Harald B Haugerud, Adriano Medeiros, Pedro Gil, Bjorn Oden, Pedro Nunes
7	Lara	Lara, Capucho, Teixeira, Debonnaire
8	La Banniere	Rein Smit, Ria Bartelomey, Will Schilder, Minouche Abee
9	Macrob	Joao Machado Oliveira, Robert Jack Snapper, Bruno Macedo, Pedro Macedo
10	Van Helsing	Renate Hansen, Andreas Babsch, Sascha Wernle, Martin Schifko
11	Mona	Mona Bergstrom, Magnus Hammar, Agneta Berglund, Martin Arle
12	Castelli	Maria Ehrart, Jovanka Smederevac, Joerg Eichholzer, Christian Federer
13	Team Lizzy	Mads Eyde, Lisbeth Grove, Vladimirs Gonca, Maris Purgailis
14	Franzel	Roberto Franzel, Georg Kriftner, Arno Lindermann, Christoph Puerstl
15	Van Cleeff	Jan Van Cleeff, Jon Sveindal, David Kendrick, Brian Senior
16	Vicky	Kai Jorstad, Ronny Jorstad, Gustavo Chediak, Virginia Chediak, Emilia Nunez
17	Miguel Silva	Miguel Silva, Pedro Pratas, Ricardo Fernandes, Miguel Ascencao
18	Superdog	Alfred Fleischmann, Ursula Fleischmann, Andrea Mular, Peter Steiner
19	Topozero	Nuno Penier, Luis Sampaio, Antonio Valente, Bruno Abreu, Nuno Davide, Luis Miguel
20	Lucia	Lucia Grosman, Har Begas, Gerard Limmen, Jack Wagemakers
21	Dream Team	Carlos Luiz, Nuno Matos, Rodrigo M Soares, Miguel Teixeira, Paulo Sarmento, Nuno Paz
22	Swest	Inger Sallsten, Ric Sallsten, Erkki Valmra, Sulev Ulp
23	Stol	Remco Stol, Wim Stol, Susan Just Olesen, Gitte Hecht Johansen
24	Olofsson	BG Olofsson, Ted Olofs, Peter Both, Steven de Donder
25	B N	Cees Nobel, Ploni Nobel, Jaap van den berg, Anne Marie van den Berg
26	Baleal	Rui Silva Santos, Jorge Cruzeiro, Antonio Palma, Manuel Oliveira
27	Primavera	Hans Metselaar, Allie Hoenstok, Jan Tesselaar, Jan de Winter
28	Goldberg	Connie Goldberg, Tor Helness, Sveinn Runnar Eiriksson, Julius Sigurjonsson
29	Beyer	A. Oskam, Ch Schutte, Mike Beyer, H. Beyer
30	Veger	Frann Veger, Wartema, Beatrix Kuszelka, Gareth Bartley
31	Druva	Leo Luks, Lauri Naber, Olavi Oja, Sven Sester, Lembit Dalberg
32	Westfriezen	Tineke Poland, Dieneke Balder, Hans Sprekeling, Frits Gootjes
33	Paula Lima	Paula Lima, Joao Paulo R Pinto, Jose P Sousa, Jose A Sousa
34	De Charmante	Elisabeth Solum, Per Tjelmeland, Anne Marie Gisnas, Geir Gisnas
35	Dragoes	Carlos Goncalves, Eduardo Pinto, Paulo Pessanha, Paulo Pinto
36	Oras	Maarja Oras, Andres Kuusk, Henrique Ribeiro, Jose A Fernandes
37	Erla	Erla Sigurjonsdottir, Gudlaugur Bessason, Gudlaugur Sveinsson, Erlendur-Jonsson


The Grand

by Jan van Cleeff

Open Teams, Session 3

Board 4

Vul. All
Dealer W

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

Seven spades is cold - the play is a piece of cake. The problem however is how to bid the grand. In fact only very few pairs succeeded doing so, the Bulletin editors - Pedro Nunes (playing with Bjorn Oden) and Rodrigo Martins Soares (playing with Miguel Teixeira) being two of them, as Minouche Abee and Will Schilder, two lovely ladies from the Netherlands. I come back to that later.

Though several roads lead to Rome, most pairs had to take the same huddle somewhere in the process. Suppose the bidding develops like this:

North	South
1 ♠	2 ♥ (2/1 game forcing)
2 ♠	4 ♣ (shortness, agreeing spades)
4 NT (RKCB)	?

At this point South has to elect between two reasonable bids:

1. 5 ♠, showing 2 key cards and the trump queen. Nice, but North still does not know if an ace is lacking in seven spades or not.

2. 5 NT, showing 2 key cards and a void in clubs. Very nice, as North knows that in view of his six bagger the queen of trumps is likely not to be an issue anymore and therefore confidently can bid the grand (like Rodrigo).

However South can't be sure that North is in the position to judge that the trump queen is not so relevant. To solve this dilemma my partner (Jon Sveindal from Norway) suggests that after showing a void, North's next cheapest bid asks for trump queen if necessary. So after a 5 NT response 6 ♣ will do the job (with the obvious answers of 6 or 7 ♠) and 6 ♦ after a 6 ♣ response (1 key card with a void).

Coming back to Minouche and Will. Their methods proved to be highly effective:

North	South
1 ♠	4 ♠ (slammish)
4 NT	5 ♣ (3 aces, void counts as an ace!)
7 ♠	curtains

Quick surrender

By Rodrigo Martins Soares

Last night's session had some interesting boards. On one of them I was lucky that my opponents were tired enough to go down without putting too much of a fight.

Board 5

NS Vul.
Dealer N

♠ 9 6 3
♥ K 7 5 4 3 2
♦ 10 4
♣ J 2

♠ A K 8 7 2
♥ J
♦ Q
♣ K Q 8 7 6 3



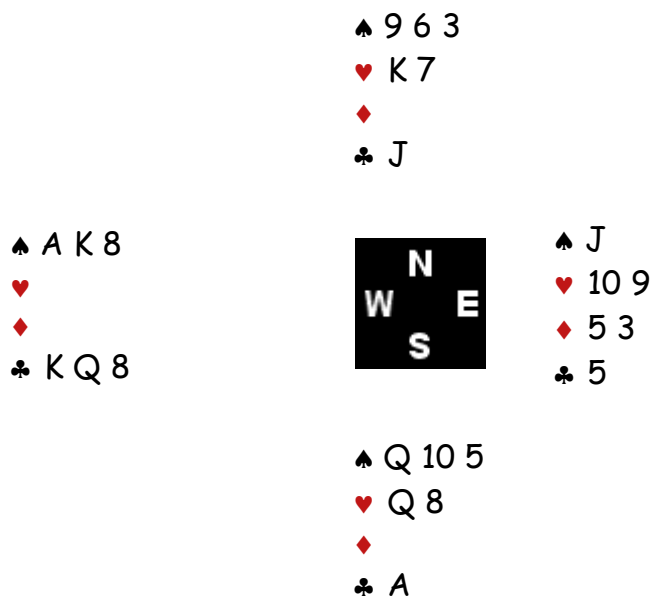
♠ J
♥ 10 9 6
♦ A K J 9 8 7 5 3
♣ 5

♠ Q 10 5 4
♥ A Q 8
♦ 6 2
♣ A 10 9 4

West	North	East	South
-	2 ♥	5 ♦	all pass

After partners nice (?) Vul vs. Not lead directing opening bid, I duly led the ♥A. Looking at dummy I showed my alertness by switching to a trump. Now declarer just went through the motions before settling for 1 down.

But look at what happens if East cashes all his diamonds before giving in - this is the position:



Notice that North held on correctly to his three spades. Had he not, South would have been squeezed of his last heart on the last diamond and declarer could have simply played a club. But on the next diamond South will most probably discard a heart and now North has to be careful and discard his last Club, even knowing that South holds the Ace (or East would already have 11 tricks). If not declarer's 11th trick will be a Heart.

South could discard his spades earlier, but, with North being unable to give count directly in spades, it would be a big risk to let them go, as East may have held 2 spades. In that case the contract couldn't be beaten... but declarer might not know that and misguess the end position.

Would both me and my partner had been able to discard correctly?

Let's just say I'm glad we weren't put to the test.

1 4 that was

Program 2009

Sunday
(08/11/2009)

15.30 **Open Teams Tournament - 4th Session**

20.00 Final Results

21.00 **Closing Dinner and Prize Giving**

