

13th International Bridge Festival

Madeira

Funchal, November 1-7, 2010

3rd November 2010

99!

That's the number of pairs in our tournament this year: 99. If you had brought your friend that didn't have a partner, we could have arranged something and we would have reached one hundred.

This year we have players from Iceland, Holland, Great Britain, Belgium, Norway, Uruguay, Chile, Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Spain, Latvia, Austria and from Portugal - local, from the Azores and from the mainland.



The Icelandic pair Julius Sigurjonsson and Trostur Ingmarsson won yesterday's session. They got 63.4%.

The Austrians Doris Fischer and Bernd Saurer were second, with 62.2%.

The local pair Jaime Sousa and Ricardo Fernandes made 61.9%. They were the best Portuguese pair and were third overall.

One top can make a big difference, so, the first places are at the reach of many. Will you get there?

Pedro Nunes

Session 1

Rank	Names	Total %
1	Julius Sigurjonsen - Trostur Ingmarsson	63,4
2	Fischer - Saurer	62,2
3	Jaime Sousa - Ricardo Fernandes	61,9
4	Sallsten - Sallsten	61,5
5	Pedro Pratas - Antonio Palma	61,4
6	Nuno Paz - Carlos Luis	58,3
7	Grosman - Begas	57,5
8	Jan Tesselaar - Jan de Winter	57,5
9	Virginia Chediak - Gustavo Chediak	57,4
10	Beatrix Kuzselka - Michael Pauly	57,1
11	Asla Rennaug - Svein Markussen	57
12	Miguel Ascencao - Joao Fanha	56,8
13	Pel - de Reciter	56,8
14	Artur Santos Silva - Antonio Bernardo Ferreira	56,8
15	Hans Metselaar - Hoenstok	56,8
16	Pedro Morbey - Jose Moraes	56,6
17	Cees - Dominique	56,4
18	Luis Correia - Pedro Nunes	56,2
19	Erla Sigurjonsd. - Maria Haraldsd.	55,7
20	Fleischmann - Fleischmann	55,1
21	Carlos Pimenta - Jorge Cruzeiro	55,1
22	Boek - Verbeek	55
23	Balder - Van Ommeren	54,6
24	Bartley - Alberti	54,6
25	Fernando Ribeiro - Pedro Morgado	54,6
26	Andrea Muliar - Peter Steiner	54,5
27	Gitte Hecht-Johanson - Thomas Magnusson	54,5
28	Lindermann - Puerstl	54,2
29	Ellen Vigmostad - Harald Nordby	54,1
30	Sveindal - Hantvelt	54
31	Pooland - Goetjes	53,5
32	Magnus Hammar - Mona Bergstrom	53,3
33	Sveinn Runnar Eiriksson - Omar Olgeirsson	53
34	Schutte - Oskam	52,8
35	Berghe - Block	52,7
36	Mads Eyde - Henning Ostergaard	52,3
37	Max Odlund - Bim Odlund	52,2
38	Kai Jorstad Og - Ronny Jorstad	51,8
39	Gromoeller - Silva	51,7
40	Rui Pinto - Juliano Barbosa	51,7
41	Van Hoof - Van Ipenburg	51,4
42	Nevena Senior - L Panahpour	51,4
43	Eichholzer - Smederevac	51,3
44	Gisli Steingrimsson - Sigurdur Steingrimsson	50,9
45	Joaquim Trindade - John Freitas	50,9
46	Xana Rosado - Acacio Figueiredo	50,7
47	V Simon - I Artmer	50,6
48	Magnusdottir - Gudjonsdottir	50,6
49	Ana Cunha - Candido Reis	50,2
50	Adriano Medeiros - Horacio Franco	50,2
51	Maria Ana Jordao - Maria Irene Almeida	50,1
52	Yasmin Basgomez - Lisbeth Grove	50
53	Rasmussen - Fris	49,8

Rank	Names	Total %
54	Paula Spil - Arno Weber	49,7
55	Peter Linssen - Marga Linssen	49,7
56	Lena Espirito Santo - Maria Corte-Real	49,5
57	Constance Goldberg - Joao Faria	49,3
58	Beyer - Hoogland	49,1
59	Manola Garcia Nimo - Paz Tapias	48,6
60	Bjorn Valen - Egil Hansen	48,3
61	Alexandre Rodrigues - Antonio Valente	48,1
62	Eduardo Fernandes - Jose M Freitas	48,1
63	Paulo Pessanha - Carlos Goncalves	47,8
64	Richard Frun - Elke Duhrig	47,7
65	Gerard Limmen - Jan Tulp	47,7
66	Maria Erhardt - Martin Schifko	47,7
67	Elly Ducheyne - Reini Ducheyne	47,6
68	Buchlev - Reim	47,5
69	Agatha Pidal - Joao Passarinho	47,5
70	Franzel - Poort	47,4
71	Frank Solheim - Helge Larsen	47
72	Uldis Bethers - Juris Balasons	46,6
73	Skuladottir - Fridriksdottir	46,4
74	Frank Burghout - Mary Gordon Smith	46,1
75	Miguel Teixeira - Rodrigo Soares	46,1
76	Rui S Santos - Manuel Oliveira	45,7
77	Virgilio Mota - J A Fernandes	44,8
78	Carlos Jesus - Nuno Martins	44,2
79	Andre Geboers - Hans Sprengeling	44,2
80	Jose A Pereira - Fabio Fernandes	44
81	Bruno Macedo - Jose Maria Gouveia	43,7
82	Paula Lima - Joao Paulo Rocha Pinto	43,5
83	Bethers - Brikmane	43
84	Koning - Jansen	42,6
85	Arild Arnot - Sjur Ajer	42,5
86	Sjoerd Wartena - Nuno Matos	42,4
87	Mangset - Rydning	42,2
88	Hansen - Babsch	42
89	Editha Roeckl - Robert Roeckl	42
90	Luis Silva - Bruno Neves	41,7
91	Spoenhoven - Mets	41,5
92	Sandra Batista - Jutta Palesch	41,3
93	Trudie Dekkers - Mieke Poort	40,7
94	Joao Machado - Jose Macedo	40,3
95	Anidjar - Brenner	40,2
96	Abee - Bartelomiy	40,2
97	Jenny Harjet - Reggie Schouten	40,1
98	Helder Fernandes - Manuel Arruda	38,4
99	Jose Saphores - Luz Angelica Martinez	35,6

Your Vouchers are like money - Don't lose them!

O Lagar

Tonight's dinner is at "O Lagar".

For those of you who weren't here in 2003 this is one of the most famous "espetada" restaurants in Madeira.

If you like meat on a stick cooked the traditional Madeira way, you will like this meal.

If you got the CS Madeira Bridge Package you should already have the voucher for tonight's dinner but if not you are still in time to buy one at the Welcome Desk. It's only € 20,00 and includes both the dinner drinks and transport to and from the restaurant. We really got a great deal this year!

Don't be late. You should be at the Hotel front door at 8.30 pm. Buses will leave at 8.45 pm.



Warning!

If you haven't picked up your vouchers for the prize giving dinner today is the last day! You must go to the Welcome Desk between 15.00 and 16.00!

You may also buy there vouchers for tonight's dinner or extra voucher's for Sunday if you didn't buy the CS Madeira bridge package.

A good, a bad and an ugly break

By Toine van Hoof

As a declarer you normally hope for finesses to work and trump suits to break. In a pairs' tournament, however, sometimes you simply don't want that to happen.

Board 29

All Vul.
Dealer N

♠ A 9 3
♥ K Q J 10 2
♦ 10 4
♣ A J 10

♠ K J 10 2
♥ 3
♦ J 8 7 6
♣ K 8 6 4



♠ Q 8 7
♥ 9 4
♦ A Q 5 3 2
♣ 9 5 3

♠ 6 5 4
♥ A 8 7 6 5
♦ K 9
♣ Q 7 2

After an extremely conservative bidding sequence (1♥-2♥-pass) North became declarer in 2♥, realising that probably all other pairs would end up in game. Due to the complete duplication of the hands, 4♥ has only a 25% chance to succeed. However, with both ♣K and ♦A well placed, ten tricks were not to be denied. Plus 170 only yielded a 4% score.

NS Vul.
Dealer S

♠ K 10
♥ A J 10
♦ A Q 10 5
♣ A Q 5 2

♠ A 8 6 5 4
♥ Q 7 4
♦ 4
♣ K 9 8 4



♠ Q J 3
♥ 9 8 3
♦ K J 2
♣ 10 7 6 3

♠ 9 7 2
♥ K 6 5 2
♦ 9 8 7 6 3
♣ J

NS ended up in 3NT. East found the excellent lead of ♠Q. Now declarer must hope to bring in the diamond suit without any losers or the spades to break four-four. Alas. With ♦KJx with East and a five card spades with West, the contract swiftly went two off.

Board 9.

EW Vul.
Dealer N

♠ A K 10 6
♥ A K
♦ 6
♣ A J 9 8 5 3

♠ 8
♥ 7 5 4
♦ A Q J 9 4 2
♣ 10 7 2



♠ J 7 5 3 2
♥ Q 3 2
♦ K 10
♣ Q 6 4

♠ Q 9 4
♥ J 10 9 8 6
♦ 8 7 5 3
♣ K

North ended up in 4♠, a pretty good contract in the four-three fit. East led a small heart to the ace. Declarer played a club to the king, came back to hand with ♥K, cashed ♣A and ruffed a club with ♠4. Greedily he continued with ♠Q and a spade. If the spades are three-three, or the jack drops in the second round, twelve tricks are readily available. The ugly break in the trump suit meant one off.

Though in a pairs tournament every trick counts, declarer should have taken the safe route to ten tricks: ruff the third heart in hand with ♠6, ruff a club with ♠Q, ruff a heart with ♠K and ruff another club with ♠9. Even with a good break in the spade suit, plus 620 would have been an excellent score.

The Grand

By Rodrigo Martins Soares

One of the most exciting boards yesterday was board 8. If you were sitting EW you might have bid to the best contract of 7♦. If you didn't I'm sure you are still trying to show your partner how badly he has bid. Partners tend not only to play very badly when they sit opposite you (strangely not when playing against you) but also tend to be stubborn about their obvious mistakes.

14 pairs managed to get there but no pair ended up in 7NT. As Toine van Hoof pointed out to me, if you avoid a club lead you can make 7NT on a double squeeze.

In most tables South got his spades in so a spade lead from North is normal.

Let's look at the whole hand:

Board 8

None Vul.
Dealer W

♠ 6 3
♥ J 9 7 5 3
♦ Q 2
♣ Q 5 4 3

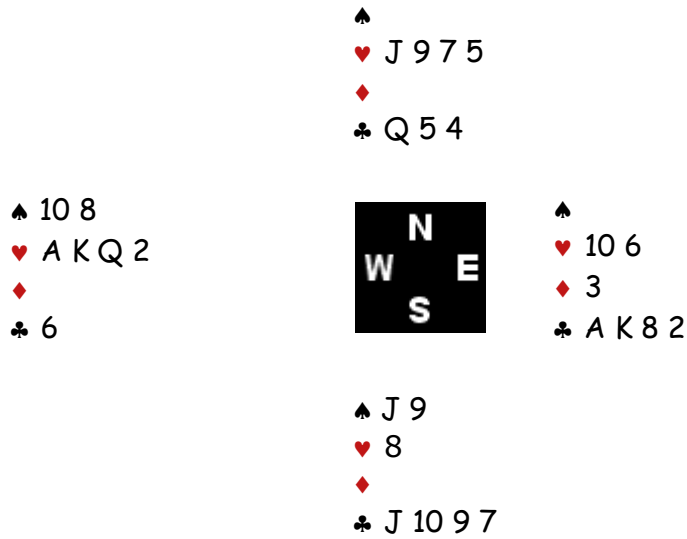
♠ A 10 8
♥ A K Q 2
♦ K J 7 6 5
♣ 6



♠ Q
♥ 10 6
♦ A 10 9 8 4 3
♣ A K 8 2

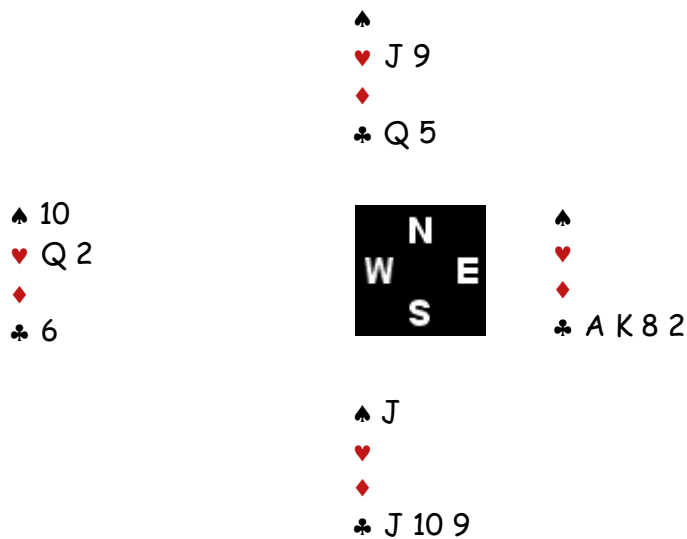
♠ K J 9 7 5 4 2
♥ 8 4
♦
♣ J 10 9 7

You win the spade lead and cash the diamonds reaching this position:



When you play dummy's last diamond South lets go a spade (or a heart), West ditches a spade and North has to let go another club to hold on to the Hearts.

Now you cash the hearts, reaching:



On the ♥Q it's South's time to feel the pinch and you make your thirteenth trick either with dummy's third club or the ♠10.

Program 2010

Wednesday (03/11/2010)	09.00	Free morning(*)
	16.30	Open Pairs Tournament - 2nd Session
	21.00	Dinner (**) - Bus leaves at 20.45
Thursday (04/11/2010)	09.00	Free morning(*)
	16.30	Open Pairs Tournament - 3rd Session
	20.30	Final Results
Friday (05/11/2010)	09.30	Half-day Tour(**)
	21.15	Closing time for Teams Tournament Entries
	21.00	Open Teams Tournament - 1st Session
Saturday (06/11/2010)	09.00	Free morning
	15.30	Open Teams Tournament - 2nd Session
	21.30	Open Teams Tournament - 3rd Session
Sunday (07/11/2010)	15.30	Open Teams Tournament - 4th Session
	20.00	Final Results
	21.00	Closing Dinner and Prize Giving

(*) Contact Top Atlântico for more tours

(**) Dinner and Tour included in the Hotel package



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this tournament