

15th International Bridge Festival

Madeira

Funchal, November 5-11, 2012

The Final Push!

Helmut Häusler and Michael Gromöller are this year's winners of the Pairs' Tournament. This German pair won yesterday's session with an impressive 70.34%, which got them an average of 64.53%.

The Dutch pair Onno Eskes and Vincent Kroes were second on the session, with 67.83%, and kept their second place in the tournament, just 0.8% behind the Germans.



Helmut Häusler and Michael Gromöller

The Portuguese pair Antonio C Palma and Paulo G Pereira got 61.42% yesterday. It was only enough to secure them third place overall 1.3% behind the Dutch.

The Danish pair Espen Lindqvist and Olav Ellestad were third on yesterday's session.

They made 67.08% and it secured them 6th place overall.

We have 8 different nationalities among the first 8 places.

Today we start the Teams' Tournament. There will be, at least, 61 teams playing the same boards. Much to discuss later on...

Enjoy!

Pedro Nunes

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TEAMS

300 €/Team (up to 6 players)

FINAL CLASSIFICATION

Pos	Overall%		Pair	Session%	Ses.Pos
1	64,53	24	Helmut Häusler - Michael Gromöller	70,34	1
2	63,73	153	Onno Eskes - Vincent Kroes	67,83	2
3	62,70	13	António Campos Palma - Paulo G Pereira	61,42	8
4	60,71	141	Brian Skjonnemann - Mads Eyde	64,03	4
5	60,03	1	Connie Goldberg - Kauko Koistinen	58,16	15
6	59,60	174	Espen Lindqvist - Olav Ellestad	67,08	3
7	58,76	164	Ivan Nanev - Rosen Gunev	60,21	12
8	57,55	44	Jürgen Sander - Nedju Buchlev	54,94	33
9	57,52	47	Irek Kowalczyk - Tomek Wisniewski	55,24	27
10	57,52	70	Manuel Oliveira - Rui Silva Santos	55,41	25
11	57,49	28	Aivar Tihane - Oliver Loper	61,17	10
12	57,49	21	Carlos Luiz - Nuno Paz	62,20	6
13	57,47	85	Gudmundar Gunnarsson - Gunnar Thordarson	52,86	52
14	57,40	150	Christian Schliker - Claus Günther	56,99	18
15	56,46	170	Flemming Danielsen - Henrik Frydenlund	51,86	59
16	56,17	161	Diana Damianova - Viktor Azomov	53,41	45
17	55,99	147	Hrannar Erlingsson - Sveinn Rúnar Eiríkson	53,38	46
18	55,50	185	Jens Ove Henneberg - Marlene Henneberg	57,50	17
19	55,30	93	Diego Brenner - Nina Anidjar	51,48	65
20	55,13	167	Julius Sigurdjonsson - Sigurdur Vilhjalmsjon	50,86	69
21	54,98	31	A Illner - St Jerolitsch	53,97	39
22	54,96	81	Bjarke Früs - Marianne Rasmussen	51,34	67
23	54,70	32	Farholt - Klemmensen	53,88	41
24	54,62	133	Eckhard Böhcke - Kathryn Herz	54,77	35
25	54,60	127	Aleh Tsimakhovich - Ihar Radziukevich	53,89	40
26	54,60	33	Gabriele Cappeller - Joachim Cappeller	51,49	63
27	54,52	114	Anna Malinowski - Jon Sveindal	51,42	66
28	54,24	121	Agnes Snellers - Wubbo de Boer	54,51	36
29	53,95	84	Inger Sällsten - Ric Sällsten	55,51	24
30	53,94	105	Knut Kiste - Tomas Ruth	53,42	44
31	53,91	50	Gary Gottlieb - Peter Fredin	52,80	54
32	53,72	107	Georg Kriftner - Hubert Obermair	44,02	115
33	53,59	54	Alexander Wodniansky - Beatrix Kuzselka	54,46	37
34	53,56	49	Lembit Dalberg - Olavi Oja	52,09	58
35	53,53	173	Henrik Iversen - Nadia Bekkouche	52,17	57
36	53,44	67	Jascha Garre - Matthias Schüller	62,69	5
37	53,24	181	Fred Wrobel - Michael Pauly	56,43	19
38	53,18	189	Asle Lütken - Hege Falster	48,16	80
39	53,17	101	Maria João Lara - Manuel Capucho	47,33	93
40	53,14	165	Edeltravol Gregoritsch - Johann Zeugner	43,56	121
41	52,97	55	Hari Buys - António O Valente	54,97	32
42	52,84	94	Peter Bertheau - Sabina Freat	50,14	74
43	52,78	103	Robert Franzel - Susanne Molnar	56,18	21
44	52,56	166	Jörg Eicholzer - Peter Steiner	53,19	47
45	52,56	4	Kai Jorstad - Ronny Jorstad	49,92	75
46	52,53	131	Honning Oestergaard - Mama Kiaer	52,84	53
47	52,51	35	Pedro Madeira - Rui Pinto	55,20	28
48	52,50	90	Berend van den Bos - Joris van Lankveld	53,10	48
49	52,44	65	Oleg Gradovski - Sergei Romanovitch	51,02	68
50	52,43	73	Jorge Cruzeiro - Paulo Courteilles Sarmento	52,29	56
51	52,19	123	Eduarda Reis - João Fanha	48,09	82
52	52,09	64	Alexander Wernle - Martin Schifko	61,55	7
53	52,07	41	Han Begas - Lucia Grosman	45,12	108
54	51,64	193	Arild Aarmot - Bjorn S Valen	51,51	62
55	51,61	87	Hans Metselaar - Ronald Brantsma	50,80	70
56	51,46	108	Gerwin Middelkoop - Pim Vermeulen	53,75	42
57	51,42	52	Frank Paaskesen - Kate Reiter	48,54	78
58	51,25	88	Ludger Silva - Ulrike Schmidt	58,21	14
59	51,20	61	Rodrigo Martins Soares - Miguel Teixeira	55,89	23
60	51,14	22	Fernando Ribeiro - Robert Snapper	47,73	85
61	51,11	126	Betty Speelman - Elly Maaswinkel	56,29	20
62	51,10	143	Gisli Steingrímsson - Runolfur Jónsson	57,74	16
63	51,08	9	Frits Gootjes - Tineke Poland	53,07	49
64	51,06	187	Asgeir Asbjornsson - Döfn Gudmundsdóttir	55,17	29
65	51,01	186	Egil Hansen - Harald Nordby	58,36	13
66	50,91	190	Igor Godun - Ilya Feranchuck	45,25	105
67	50,82	92	Gabriel Gislason - Kristinn Kristinnsson	43,74	119
68	50,75	53	Olli Puurtinen - Pasi Kuokkanen	56,17	22
69	50,57	109	Alfried Bocker - Gabi Schneider	50,49	71
70	50,46	83	Anne-Lill Hellemann - Rolf Tolle	53,01	50

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71	50,37	145	Jos Winkelman - Wiveca Jongeneel	61,05	11
72	50,31	12	Hulda Hjalmarsdóttir - Unnar Atli Gudnauðsson	44,98	111
73	50,30	63	Peter Bode - Ruby Schnalke	51,48	64
74	50,05	74	Magnus Hammar - Mona Bergsröm	49,36	76
75	49,96	42	Jerzy Pietrusz - Monika Sautaux	48,76	77
76	49,90	144	K Brouwer - R Brüggemann	51,78	60
77	49,76	128	Thordur Sigurdsson - Throstur Arnason	42,82	123
78	49,71	8	Fredrik Magendans - Sjoerd Zandvoort	43,90	116
79	49,65	130	Jacek Kalita - Jessica Piatsky	41,02	132
80	49,55	27	Paulo Pessanha - Paulo Pinto	54,23	38
81	49,47	10	Carlos Gonçalves - José Pereira Sousa	48,23	79
82	49,38	69	Annikki Schoolmann - Uwe Schoolmann	47,38	92
83	49,36	86	Dominique Custers - José M Freitas	55,05	31
84	49,31	89	Iryna Azarava - Viktor Lipnitski	47,15	96
85	48,97	194	Joe Dinnen - Paul Wens	46,35	100
86	48,93	168	Kristin E Thorarinsdóttir - Palmi Steinthorsson	47,71	87
87	48,62	11	Andreas Babsch - Renate Hansen	54,82	34
88	48,49	26	Harpa Fold Ingulfsdóttir - Helga Bergmann	45,68	103
89	48,35	124	Kaj Sundsten - Seppo Laine	61,37	9
90	48,26	192	Laina Soerenen - Tige Fogh	46,83	97
91	48,24	2	Ricardo Fernandes - Jaime Sousa	55,35	26
92	48,18	5	Isabel Manso - José Lima	51,76	61
93	48,16	113	Roennaug Asla - Svein Markussen	46,21	101
94	47,81	6	George Schipper - Hans Sprenkelling	47,50	89
95	47,54	112	Odd A Mollersen - Paal Haugseth	43,78	117
96	47,52	82	Silvio Costa - José A Pereira	46,57	98
97	47,41	129	John Helge Herland - Krisztina Ormay	47,42	91
98	47,34	7	Erla Sigurdjónsdóttir - Maria Haraldsdóttir	52,59	55
99	47,32	51	Anita Kastelein - Wil Sanders	45,17	107
100	47,32	71	Manuela Araújo - Inocêncio Araújo	52,88	51
101	47,31	149	Edel Isaksen - Marit Granheim	48,13	81
102	47,07	104	Anna Makarewicz - Woyciech Makarewicz	47,72	86
103	47,00	148	Carla Sydney-Woollet - Gitte Hecht-Johansen	40,56	133
104	46,89	68	Anne-Marie vd Berg - Jaap vd Berg	40,08	135
105	46,89	29	Kim Norgaard - Susan Just Olesen	47,49	90
106	46,86	72	Conny Rissler - Gabriele Fuchs	45,53	104
107	46,81	132	Ellen Vigmostad - Hans Schwencke	45,05	110
108	46,78	46	Editha Röckl - Robert Röckl	44,54	113
109	46,66	188	David Ludvíksson - Emma Axelsdóttir	41,94	127
110	46,59	111	Annette Rosthoj - Lisbeth Grove	46,48	99
111	46,53	162	José Macedo - João Machado	43,46	122
112	46,30	125	Inger Sofie Jahr - Jorunn Feness	47,54	88
113	46,19	191	J A W v Diepen - M A Beemster	45,11	109
114	46,16	146	Gareth Bartley - Jutta Bartley	41,04	131
115	45,79	152	Maria Tulonen - Toivo Tikkanen	48,00	84
116	45,55	66	Alexis Logothetis - Daniele Simon	50,21	73
117	45,15	91	Geke Grobben - Marklies Wentholt	34,73	139
118	44,85	171	Maria Schliker - Sybille Schultebranks	50,36	72
119	44,83	151	Larysa Kuzniatsova - Valentina Sidortsava	41,38	130
120	44,47	110	Meltzer - Verhagen	55,06	30
121	44,37	25	Dienecke Balder - Hans van Ommeren	44,25	114
122	44,34	184	Gerard Limmen - Kees van Vliet	42,07	126
123	44,02	102	José A Fernandes - Virgilio Mota	48,04	83
124	43,46	14	Sarah Holington - Shahina Mckelvie	47,23	95
125	43,22	30	Ralf Speckmann - Yasmin Basegmez	47,30	94
126	43,15	154	Filipe Gonçalves - Bruno Macedo	42,75	124
127	43,10	169	Gudny Gudjónsdóttir - Hanna Fridriksdóttir	41,90	128
128	42,59	134	Luís A Correia - Pedro Nunes	39,81	136
129	42,54	43	Ken Mellem - Yngve Lamo	53,46	43
130	42,25	3	Maria Clotilde Corte-Real - Lena Espirito-Santo	40,49	134
131	41,60	45	Elke Dührig - Richard Früh	43,57	120
132	41,52	142	Rui Moniz - Marco S Teixeira	42,07	125
133	41,35	183	H Quijs - R A Schouten	44,92	112
134	41,24	34	Jórunn Kristinsdóttir - Sigrún Andrewsóttir	34,00	140
135	40,99	172	Ludmila Nestsiazonak - Natalia Lipai	35,65	138
136	40,46	122	Eduardo Fernandes - Fábio Fernandes	45,17	106
137	40,43	106	Pia Cremer - Ria Bartelomij	43,77	118
138	40,37	182	Delfino Ezequiel Gonçalves - Nuno S Menezes	45,75	102
139	40,27	163	Manuel Arruda - Hélder Fernandes	31,86	141
140	38,29	62	Pedro Morgado - Henrique Ribeiro	37,41	137
141	37,94	48	Margarita Nikitenko - Tatiana Ankudinova	41,45	129
142	37,61	23	Helge Larsen - Laila Larsen	30,79	142

West	North	East	South
	1♥	pass	1♠*
2♠	pass	pass	3♥
all pass			

South's 1♠ showed a balanced hand (it might include four spades) and was part of their mechanism for describing 3-card heart raises. When West intervened with 2♠, this removed South's options and North could not then be sure exactly how strong South was.

The main interest was in the play. East led the ♠4. Pereira won with the ace and took the natural play in trumps, crossing to the king and finessing the jack to East's queen. After ruffing the spade return and drawing the last trump, he had to tackle the diamonds. How would you have played the suit?

If anyone was short in diamonds, it would be West (who held the longer spades). Pereira played the ace of diamonds and unblocked dummy's ♦10. When the ♦Q fell from West, he followed the Principle of Restricted Choice, finessing dummy's ♦9. This play wins against single queen or single jack with West. It loses only to QJ doubleton and therefore gives you odds of nearly 2/1 in your favour.

When the diamond finesse won, declarer was able to play the ♦K, dropping East's ♦J, and return to his hand by leading the ♦5 to his ♦7. Neat! +170 was worth only 42% because some pairs bid and made game.

'The unblock was unnecessary,' you may be thinking. 'Declarer still had one trump left and could have ruffed a spade to his hand if the diamonds were blocked.'

This is true, provided the second-round diamond finesse wins. Suppose it had lost to an original ♦QJ with West, though. West could then play another spade, forcing declarer's last trump while the diamond suit was blocked. That would then have been one down in 3♥ instead of making the contract. Good players think of these things and Pereira's attention to detail in the diamond suit certainly impressed me.



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The black widow


by João Fanha

On the second session, hand 15, declarer on the East seat played 4♥ after a 1NT intervention from South showing spades and diamonds.

Board 15 (second session)

Dealer S

NS vul.

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

The lead was the ♦10 and declarer's ace made the first trick. Next he played a heart from hand and South took his ace to play the club Queen. North played the ace and followed with a small club. Declarer had the right view and played small from his hand and South ruffed. Now, South had to play a spade (best defence). Declarer played the ace from dummy and cashed two more rounds of trumps, ruffed a club in dummy and a diamond on his hand, finally he presented his last club squeezing South in spades and diamonds. South discarded a spade to guard his diamond King, and declarer led a spade to dummy's King and collected the lonely spade Queen from North, the spade jack made the 10th trick. A show-up squeeze. It's interesting to note that North could have beaten the contract if he didn't have the cursed black Queen by simply playing a small club at the fourth trick, keeping the defenders' communications to play diamonds twice from the North's side, later...

No trump still scoring well


By Jon Sveindal

I am not used to playing a direct 2 NT as natural when the opponents interfere over 1 NT. But Anna Malinowski talked me into it for the tournaments here on Madeira. It came in handy in the 3rd session of the pairs.

Board 21 - Session 3

Dealer N

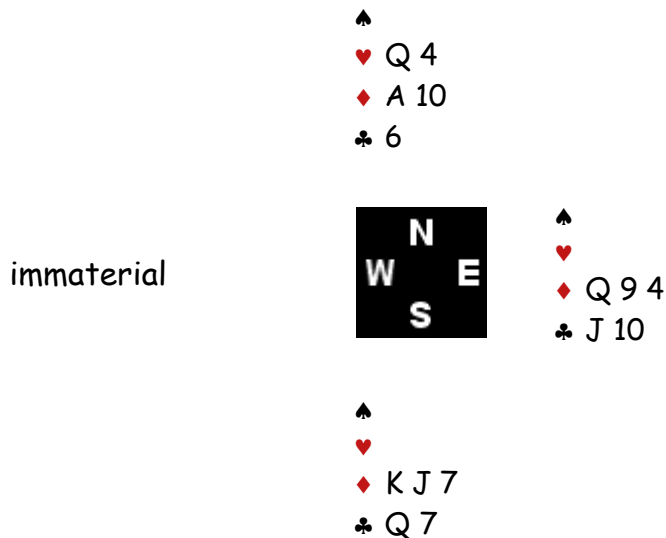
NS vul.

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

	West	North	East	South
		1NT	pass	pass
	2♣(1)	pass	2♠	2NT
	all pass			
(1)	both majors			

Lead: ♠8

The queen won the first trick, and East continued with the king. Anna won and beheaded the club king with her other black ace. Then she ducked a club to East. The contract is always making now if you just give away another club trick: 2 spades, 3 clubs and a finesse for 3 diamond tricks will yield 120 and around 70 % for NS. But East had other ideas. He cashed the heart king, and played a heart to west's ace. But then it was all over. This was the 5 card ending:



The heart queen was more than East could cope with. To get it over with quickly, he discarded a club, and, two diamonds and two clubs later, 150 was entered. That was good for an 80 % score. Two pairs shared the top by getting 670 for 3 clubs doubled and made. Seven pairs got some 60 % for 110, whereas 3 players went down in 3 clubs. The top EW went to the pair who got 800 in 4 clubs doubled.

Prize Giving Dinner - Last Chance!!!

There are still some people that have told us they would come to the prize giving dinner, but have not collected their vouchers from the Welcome Desk. We are giving you a last chance to do that tonight. Go to the Welcome Desk and get them now! If you don't we won't be able to help you later!

If you have in the meantime decided no to go, but have told us previously you would, please take a minute to go to the Welcome Desk and tell them.



Program 2012

Friday (09/11/2012)	09.30	Half-day Tour(*)
	20.45	Closing time for Teams Tournament Entries
	21.00	Open Teams Tournament – 1st Session
Saturday (10/11/2012)	09.00	Free morning
	15.00	Open Teams Tournament – 2nd Session
	21.00	Open Teams Tournament – 3rd Session
Sunday (11/11/2012)	15.00	Open Teams Tournament – 4th Session
	19.45	Final Results
	20.15	Closing Dinner and Prize Giving

(*) Dinner and Tour included in the Hotel package

The tournament director will give you an envelope with your starting position. Put your name on the envelope and then open it. Your whole team should sit down at the same table.

Inside you will find a blue entry form that you should fill in carefully. Make sure we can read your name correctly (make sure to use capitals so that you don't get upset later...) and also tell us if you have played the pairs Tournament or not.