

## 12<sup>th</sup> International Bridge Festival Madeira Funchal, November 2-8, 2009

7<sup>th</sup> November 2009

### AND THEY KEEP ON!

The Austrian team Van Helsing (Renate Hansen, Andreas Babsch, Martin Schifko and Sascha Wernle) leads the Teams Tournament.

They won the first two matches by 25-3 and got 15-15 against the Portuguese Dream Team (Nuno Paz, Carlos Luiz, Nuno Matos, Paulo Sarmento, Miguel Teixeira and Rodrigo Martins Soares) who is just 1 VP behind the Austrians. They had won the first two matches by 25-5 and 24-6.

The Castelli tem (Maria Erhart, Jovanka Smederevac, Jorg Eichholzer and Christian Felderer) won all of last night's matches (20-10, 23-7 and 19-11). It got them 3<sup>rd</sup> place, 2 VPs behind the Portuguese.

And that was session 1.

Funny... Do I miss the TD shouting "Results Please!"?... Definitely not!

Today is a full bridge day. 3 matches in the afternoon and another 3 matches in the evening.



Pedro Nunes

## CLASSIFICATION AFTER 3 MATCHES

Rank	VPs	Team
1	65,0	10 Van Helsing
2	64,0	21 Dream Team
3	62,0	12 Castelli
4	61,0	17 Miguel Silva
5	60,0	31 Druva
6	59,0	15 Van Cleeff
7	57,0	26 Baleal
8	56,0	14 Franzel
9	54,0	36 Oras
10	53,0	24 Olofsson
11	52,5	33 Paula Lima
12	52,0	28 Goldberg
13	50,5	1 Norway
14	50,0	25 B M
15	47,0	5 Artur S Silva
	47,0	22 Swest
17	46,0	16 Vicky
18	44,0	7 Lara
19	43,0	30 Veger
20	42,0	4 Overtricks
	42,0	29 Beyer
	42,0	35 Dragoes
23	40,0	8 La Bahmiera
	40,0	18 Superdog
25	39,0	3 Buchlev
26	38,0	6 Bjorn Oden
27	36,0	13 Team Lizzy
28	35,0	11 Mona
29	34,0	9 Macrob
30	32,0	2 Praff
	32,0	19 Topozero
32	31,5	37 Erla
33	26,0	20 Lucia
	26,0	23 Allin
35	24,0	34 De Charmante
36	21,0	27 Primavera
37	16,5	32 Westfriezen

## Results round 1

Table	Teams		IMPs	VPs	
1	1 Norway	2 Praff	22- 4	21	9
2	3 Buchlev	4 Overtricks	9-15	13	17
3	5 Artur S Silva	6 Bjorn Oden	10- 8	16	14
4	7 Lara	8 La Bahmiera	24- 9	20	10
5	9 Macrob	10 Van Helsing	0-38	3	25
6	11 Mona	12 Castelli	7-22	10	20
7	13 Team Lizzy	14 Franzel	6-21	10	20
8	15 Van Cleeff	16 Vicky	23- 4	21	9
9	17 Miguel Silva	18 Superdog	13- 5	17	13
10	19 Topozero	20 Lucia	41- 0	25	3
11	21 Dream Team	22 Swest	31- 1	25	5
12	23 Allin	24 Olofsson	20-50	5	25
13	25 B M	26 Baleal	33- 8	23	7
14	27 Primavera	28 Goldberg	5-25	9	21
15	29 Beyer	30 Veger	14- 8	17	13
16	31 Druva	32 Westfriezen	25- 7	21	9
17	33 Paula Lima	34 De Charmante	45- 6	25	3
18	35 Dragoes	36 Oras	14-22	13	17
19	37 Erla	-- --	Bye	10,5	

## Results round 2

Table	Teams		IMPs	VPs	
1	10 Van Helsing	19 Topozero	45- 5	25	3
2	21 Dream Team	24 Olofsson	39-11	24	6
3	33 Paula Lima	25 B M	16-23	13	17
4	1 Norway	15 Van Cleeff	27-21	17	13
5	28 Goldberg	31 Druva	1- 6	14	16
6	7 Lara	12 Castelli	5-31	7	23
7	14 Franzel	37 Erla	42- 5	25	4
8	4 Overtricks	17 Miguel Silva	11-38	6	24
9	29 Beyer	36 Oras	22-13	18	12
10	5 Artur S Silva	3 Buchlev	10- 0	18	12
11	6 Bjorn Oden	18 Superdog	16-11	16	14
12	30 Veger	35 Dragoes	19-24	14	16
13	8 La Bahmiera	11 Mona	2-25	8	22
14	13 Team Lizzy	2 Praff	46-17	24	6
15	16 Vicky	27 Primavera	25- 8	20	10
16	32 Westfriezen	26 Baleal	0-43	2	25
17	22 Swest	23 Allin	19-12	17	13
18	9 Macrob	20 Lucia	21- 6	20	10
19	34 De Charmante	-- --	Bye	8	

## Results round 3

Table	Teams		IMPs	VPs	
1	10 Van Helsing	21 Dream Team	25-26	15	15
2	14 Franzel	12 Castelli	5-19	11	19
3	17 Miguel Silva	25 B M	35-19	20	10
4	1 Norway	33 Paula Lima	12-17	12,5	14,5
5	31 Druva	29 Beyer	33- 9	23	7
6	28 Goldberg	5 Artur S Silva	8- 0	17	13
7	13 Team Lizzy	15 Van Cleeff	0-42	2	25
8	11 Mona	26 Baleal	0-38	3	25
9	24 Olofsson	6 Bjorn Oden	50-28	22	8
10	16 Vicky	35 Dragoes	25-19	17	13
11	36 Oras	19 Topozero	47-12	25	4
12	7 Lara	18 Superdog	34-27	17	13
13	30 Veger	3 Buchlev	24-21	16	14
14	4 Overtricks	9 Macrob	34-22	19	11
15	22 Swest	27 Primavera	43- 0	25	2
16	8 La Bahmiera	23 Allin	25- 2	22	8
17	2 Praff	20 Lucia	20-14	17	13
18	37 Erla	34 De Charmante	15- 7	17	13
19	32 Westfriezen	-- --	Bye	5,5	

# Hurting partner

By Rodrigo Martins Soares

You may have noticed some commotion in the middle of the room during the last round yesterday. Don't worry... No one got hurt. Let me tell you what happened...

A famous local pair was playing with the EW cards when board 24 came up.

Nil Vul.  
Dealer W

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

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



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

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

Still considering the last hand West opened the bidding with 1♦. No, they are not playing an artificial system, he had simply not noticed he had the fifth spade. The auction proceeded pass by N and 1♠ by East. By now West had realized the blunder, but now, after the 1♠ bid he felt he was too strong to just raise to 4♠. When S passed he went into a huddle. He finally decided to try and find something more about the hand, and since a suit change would be forcing he opted by starting with 2♣. Unfortunately East's position was that a lower rank suit change is not forcing, so he promptly passed - 2♣ ending up to be the final contract.

So far, so good. North led his singleton spade and declarer won with Ace. He now played a trump to dummy, won by South's ten who decided to cash his Ace. It was when declarer pitched a diamond that East fell off his chair... literally! But don't worry, other than the damaged done to Bridge, no one got hurt and even the chair survived the experience. In fact their team ended up winning 4 imps on the board! 2♣ were made and 90 added to 50 on the closed room when the opponents bid to 6♠ and went down one.

Have you got your voucher for the prize giving dinner?  
If not contact the Welcome desk immediately!

## The slim extra chance

By Rodrigo Martins Soares

On yesterday's last round, some optimistical bidding led my partner to a less than average slam.

Board 21

NS Vul.  
Dealer N

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

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



♠ J 9 7 5  
♥ 7 6 5 4 3  
♦ 8 5 4  
♣ 6

♠ Q 10 6  
♥ Q J 9  
♦ A K J 9  
♣ Q 7 3

Contract: 6♣ by N

Lead: ♥4

West played Ace and another heart, declarer pitching a spade. The ♣Q was successfully ran and another club went to the J. When East discarded Miguel had to go to dummy with the ♦A to repeat the club finesse. But before cashing the ♣A, he stopped and considered the whole hand for a minute. The only chance to make it now seemed to be for East to hold the ♦Q at most tripleton. But there was a slim extra chance - that West held the singleton ♠K. But since dummy had to make a discard on the fourth club you need to take that extra chance before it. So Miguel first took the ♠A, and when West played the King he was able to discard a diamond on the ♣A and play a spade to the ten, not needing the diamond finesse to make this lucky contract.

Nicely timed. Better yet would have been to cash the ♠A before playing a diamond to dummy to repeat the trump finesse. That way, had the spades not delivered, he could have played the ♦10 to the Jack and wouldn't need later for the ♦Q to fall third.

What if West had held KJ of spades and four small diamonds and played the King under the Ace? In that case he should have just complimented his opponent on a great defense.

## Program 2009

**Saturday**  
(07/11/2009)

09.00 Free morning

15.30 **Open Teams Tournament - 2nd Session**

21.30 **Open Teams Tournament - 3rd Session**

**Sunday**  
(08/11/2009)

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

20.00 Final Results

21.00 **Closing Dinner and Prize Giving**

