

WELCOME TO MADEIRA 2012

15th International Bridge Festival

Madeira

Funchal, November 5-11, 2012

Hi, everyone - Welcome!

Hope you had a nice trip coming to Madeira and we wish you have a very enjoyable week here with us.

The activities started last evening with the welcome cocktail for everybody to meet everybody... Old friends, new friends... lots of catching up...

Later in the evening the warm-up session. 77 pairs played. The Swedish pair Gary Gotlieb and Peter Fredin won the session with 69.84%. The Danish pair Flemming Danielsen and Nadja Bekkouche got 67.33% and



At the Welcome cocktail

were second. The German pair Helmut Häusler and Michael Gromoeller were third with 64.64%. The best Portuguese pair

was Joao Machado and Jose Macedo. They are from Madeira and were 9th with 59.67%.

Today at 4:30 pm we start our Pairs' Tournament. We are expecting it to be a big event. The most important thing is that you enjoy it!

Pedro Nunes

ENTRY FEE	
PAIRS	TEAMS
100 €/ Player	300 €/Team (up to 6 players)

THE ENTRY FORMS

Are you staying in the CS Madeira? If so, you have received an envelope with some forms.

Be sure to fill them in. You will have to bring them to the Welcome desk on Tuesday between 14.30 and 16.00 in order to receive all your vouchers.

The **Pair Registration vouchers** will be immediately given to you. You will also get any other vouchers you have requested for the rest of the week.

If you haven't purchased the CS Madeira Bridge Package you will get your prize giving dinner vouchers **tomorrow**. Go tomorrow, Wednesday, to the Welcome desk between 15.00 and 16.00 where you may also buy other vouchers you need, as for Wednesday typical dinner.

Another important note. This year we will be asking you to give us an estimate of your strength as a player on your entry form. This will be used to calculate the overall strength of the tournament, mainly for Portuguese ranking points distribution. So you will find a line with **V Index**, where you should fill according to the following table:

International Level - **1I**

1st Series High **1A** - about Top 5% of your NCBO but not international

1st Series High **1B** -between Top 5% and Top 15% but not international

2nd Series **2X** - between Top 15% and Top 55% - Competent players but not Top 15%

3rd Series **3X** - Lowest 55% - Mostly club players

No Classification **SC** - Not affiliated with your NCBO - Only social bridge players

Did you know that O'Briens Pub is part of the CS Madeira?

It opens at 6 pm and closes at 1 am (3 am on Friday and Saturday).

You can have a drink or a light meal there.

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

WARM-UP PAIRS

Pos	%	Pair
1	69,84	106 Gary Gottlieb - Peter Fredin
2	67,33	88 Flemming Danielsen - Nadia Bekkouche
3	64,64	10 Helmut Häusler - Michael Gromoller
4	64,54	24 Sigurdjonsson - Vilhjalmsson
5	62,63	62 Arnason - Sigurdsson
6	61,4	27 Berend van den Bos - Joris van Lankveld
7	60,47	23 Hans Metselaar - Ronald Brantsma
8	59,73	90 Joe Dinnen - Paul Wens
9	59,67	53 José Macedo - João Machado
10	59,33	41 Gabriel Gislason - Kristinn Kristinsson
11	59,3	110 Han Begas - Lucia Grosmann
12	59,12	104 Honning - Mama Kiher
13	58,77	109 Fernando Ribeiro - Robert Snapper
14	57,9	50 Diego Brenner - Nina Anidjar
15	57,17	113 Erla Sigurjonsdottir - Maria Haraldsdottir
16	56,49	3 Egil Hansen - Harald Nordby
17	56,27	65 Gunnarsson - Thordarson
18	56,08	64 Brian Sigdonnemann - Mads Eyde
19	55,56	52 Alek Tsimakhovick - Ihar Radzinkevich
20	55,16	21 Hrannar Erlingsson - Svein R Eiriksson
21	54,71	22 Annette Kosthoj - Henrik Frydenlund
22	54,54	103 Jascha Garre - Matthias Schueller
23	54,33	44 Andreas Babsch - Rike Schreckenberger
24	54,03	42 Kim Norgaard - Susan Just Olesen
25	53,27	72 Klemmensen - Lisbeth Grove
26	52,86	92 Ellen Vigmostad - Hans Robert Schwencke
27	52,65	61 Delfino Ezequiel Gonçalves - Nuno S Menezes
28	52,6	2 Aivar Tihane - Oliver Loper
29	52,31	43 Jacek Kalita - Jessica Piafsky
30	52,04	105 Eckhard Boehlke - Kathryn Herz
31	52,01	13 Christien Schlicker - Maria Schlicker
32	52,01	7 Gabriele Cappeller - Joachim Cappeller
33	51,75	4 Jens Ove Henneberg - Marlene Henneberg
34	51,71	1 Roennaug Asla - Svein Markussen
35	51,58	83 Peter Bode - Ruby Schnalke
36	50,82	102 Edu Isaksen - Marit Grunheim
37	50,75	30 Laina Soerensen - Tyge Foch
38	50,55	63 Jörg Eichholzer - Peter Steiner

15th International Bridge Festival MADEIRA

39	50,35	6	Conny Rissler - Gabriela Fuchs
40	50,11	49	Iryna Azarava - Viktor Lipnitsky
41	49,89	68	David Ludviksson - Emma Axelsdottir
42	49,57	5	Igor Godun - Ilya Feranchuck
43	49,2	66	Kristin - Palmi
44	49,05	51	Anne-Lill Hellemann - Roy Tolle
45	49,01	107	Peter Bertheau - Sabrina Frean
46	48,39	9	José A Fernandes - Sebastião Gonçalves
47	48,21	46	Claus Günther - Sibylle Schultebrandes
48	47,62	73	Lembit Dalberg - Olavi Oja
49	47,6	47	Fredrik Magendans - Sjoerd Zandvoort
50	46,42	108	Harpa Fold - Helge Bergmann
51	46,22	28	Gradovski - Romanovich
52	45,08	82	Eduardo Fernandes - Rui Moniz
53	44,97	12	Larysa Kuzniatsova - Valentina Sidortsava
54	44,96	86	Asle Lütken - Hege Falstev
55	44,84	48	Anita Kastelein - Wil Sanders
56	44,69	29	Gisladottir - Hjartalson
57	44,66	89	Hulda Hjalmarsdottir - Unnaratli Gudmundsdottir
58	44,34	33	Pedro Morgado - Henrique Ribeiro
59	43,92	112	Maria Tulonen - Toivo Tikkanen
60	43,71	32	Annikki Schoolmann - Uwe Schoolmann
61	43,56	81	Silvio Costa - José A Pereira
62	43,07	111	Jorunn Kristinsdottir - Sigrun Andrews
63	42,7	8	Gisli Steingrimsson - Runolf Jonsson
64	42,57	71	Carla Sidney-Woollett - Gitte Hecht-Johansen
65	41,6	11	Jaap vd Berg - Jack Wagenmakers
66	40,79	91	Gudny Gudjonsdottir - Hanna Fridriksdottir
67	40,1	67	Knut Kiste - Tomas Ruth
68	39,85	25	Jos Winkelman - Wiveca Jongeneel
69	39,75	84	Elke Dührig - Richard Früh
70	39,71	45	Alexis Logoothetis - Daniele Simon
71	39,64	87	Frank Solheim - Helge Larsen
72	38,66	93	Dominique Custers - José M Freitas
73	38,46	101	Ilevsky - Stilowsky
74	38,31	26	Ken Mellem - Yngve Lamo
75	37,46	70	Ingers Sofie Jahr - Jorunn Feness
76	37,08	31	Sarah Hollington - Shahina Mckelvie
77	29,07	69	Margarita Nikitenko - Tatiana Ankudinova

Quickly up to speed.

By Rodrigo Martins Soares


As usual the warm-up session is a good place to practice your high level bidding. Slams could be bid and made on at least 6 boards.

Board 4 is interesting. Of the 4 pairs that bid 6♣ only one, Diego Brenner/Nina Anidjar, made it.

Board 4

Dealer W

All vul.

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


At first sight, the contract seems to hinge on the heart finesse, and so one down looks normal. However, if you escape a heart lead (or play by North as 3 out of 4 declarers managed!) there's a small extra chance - you may be able to set up 3 diamond discards). As the cards lye, you have to play a diamond to the 10! If West splits his honors you're home when the ♦9 falls - South's diamonds are all good and you use North's last trump to ruff a heart. If, however, west plays low you still have some work to do. You ruff South's diamonds small (luckily enough East has no higher trump) and end up just giving a heart away.

Boards 7, 13, 19 and 26 have all more or less biddable slams. But let's look at board 10, where in spite of no one making a slam, there were lots of fireworks.

Board 10

Dealer E

All vul.

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

After two passes by East and South, I expect most people on the West seat to act. If their system included weak spades and a minor opening bids they had no problem. But if it didn't, I'm sure most bid something anyway. That could range from a really under strength 1♠ opening bid up to a wacky 4♠. The problem with opening 1♠ is what you do when partner expectedly doubles 4♥. If you sit for it you could end up with either 0 out of 70mp when opponents make an overtrick (one did), 10,3 mp when they just make it (one did) or 55,6 mp when they go one down (one did). If you take it out to 4♠ you may end up doubled and go for -800 for 7,2 mp (2), -1100 for 2,1 mp (1), -500 for 34 mp (2). If NS bid on, most will go down in 5 or 6 hearts, most of the time doubled. Only five pairs managed to get to the best fit for NS - diamonds. They ended up with 40 or more mps by playing 5♦, and at least 57,5 when doubled. Neither of them got to the optimum 7♦! You have first to play it by South, so you don't get a heart ruff on the lead. Then, after winning the lead and taking trumps in two rounds, you have to cash the ♥A and use KJ8 as entries to South to ruff out the ♣A. 13 easy tricks!

As I was finishing this article the Rabi walked behind me and said -"What do you mean 6 slams - there were 7!"

"Seven?" I said.

"Sure, 6NT is cold for NS on board 16."

"Wait a minute. Every declarer that played 3NT on NS went down on a club lead..."

"Preposterous!" he exclaimed, "You simply win the club lead, play a spade to the ace and a heart to the 10, driving out the ♥A while you still have a club stopper."

This was the full deal:

Board 16

Dealer E

All vul.

♠ J 10 7 3
♥ K Q 10 8 4
♦ 5 4
♣ A K

♠ K
♥ A J 6
♦ Q 10 9 8 7 6
♣ 9 8 5



♠ 9 4 2
♥ 9 7 3
♦ J
♣ Q 10 7 6 4 2

♠ A Q 8 6 5
♥ 5 2
♦ A K 3 2
♣ J 3



www.theoldblanywinelodge.com

Have you ever heard "Been there, done that, got the t-shirt"?
This year we have official Madeira International Bridge Open t-shirts.

You may also be able to say it!

We also have polo sweatshirts.

Get a special deal by buying more than one!

The prices are: €10.00 per T-shirt / €20.00 per Polo

1 Polo shirt + 1 T-shirt = €25.00

2 Polo shirts for €40.00 = 1 free t-shirt

The € 18.000 prize money is divided as following:

Open Pairs	
1st	2.100,00 €
2nd	1.500,00 €
3rd	1.000,00 €
4th	800,00 €
5th	700,00 €
6th	600,00 €
7th	500,00 €
8th	400,00 €

Open Teams	
1st	2.100,00 €
2nd	1.500,00 €
3rd	1.000,00 €
4th	800,00 €
5th	600,00 €

Special prizes Pairs	
1st Ladies	225 €
1st Mixed	225 €
1st Senior	225 €
1st Portugal	225 €
1st Foreign *	225 €
1st Junior	225 €

Special prizes Teams	
1st Foreign	450,00 €
2nd Foreign	300,00 €
1st Portuguese	450,00 €
2nd Portuguese	300,00 €

*Special Prizes require a minimum of 8 pairs per category

The Top Atlântico Desk will be at the Hotel lobby.
 It will be open Tuesday and Wednesday from 3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.
 If you have booked through this agency you should do your payments there.

Program 2012

Tuesday (06/11/2012)	09.00	Free morning(*)
	15.00	Welcome Desk Opens
	15.30	Pairs Tournament Entries - Confirmations
	16.15	Closing time for Pairs Tournament Entries
	16.30	Open Pairs Tournament - 1st Session
Wednesday (07/11/2012)	09.00	Free morning(*)
	16.30	Open Pairs Tournament - 2nd Session
	21.00	Dinner (**) - Bus leaves at 20.30
Thursday (08/11/2012)	09.00	Free morning(*)
	16.30	Open Pairs Tournament - 3rd Session
	20.30	Final Results
Friday (09/11/2012)	09.30	Half-day Tour(**)
	21.15	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
	20.00	Final Results
	20.30	Closing Dinner and Prize Giving

(*) Contact Top Atlântico for more tours

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

The Half-day Tour can be one of the following:

- a) Boat Trip along the West coast of Madeira (limited places)
- b) Tour to the North of Madeira, including lunch and a tour of S. Vicente's Caves (taking about 5 hours). (Weather permitting)



Don't forget to visit our site at www.bridge-madeira.com, where you may find all the information you need, including the Daily Bulletins. On the left QR code to access the main page. On the right QR code to access directly this bulletin.

