

20TH MADEIRA BRIDGE FESTIVAL

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Hoping For Victory (Points)



Action at the BBO Tables

After a gruelling day of six matches which finished after 12.30 in the morning, **Gladpack** took the lead with 134.74 VPs. Less than one behind them comes **Nuno Matos Team** with **Onstein** in third on a score of 130.26. Whilst Onstein are hoping to win here in Madeira, yesterday 't Onstein (the Dutch national champions) were busy winning the Champions Cup in Riga, defeating Norway's Vikersund BK 32-26 in the final

Do not forget the 'surprise' in the gardens at 20.45

If you wish to purchase a ticket for the closing dinner, you have your last chance before 3.00 p.m. at the Welcome Desk in the Congress Centre.

Bigger Prizes

With the greater than expected increase in participation this year the organisers have increased the prize pool – yes wait for it – by €5,000. The number of places paid in both the Pairs and Teams has been increased to twelve.

Important: Ensure you bring your voucher to Closing Dinner

DAILY BULLETIN

Open Teams Round 4

Ron Tacchi



As per usual the top teams appeared on BBO - this year four tables were being broadcast. In the match between Minty Zeebergs FC and Espada the names of the players in the Closed Room were not disclosed.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ J854			
♥ 986			
♦ KJ4			
♣ QJ5			
♠ Q9762	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 0 auto; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <div style="width: 100%; height: 100%; background-color: #4CAF50; color: white; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> N W S E </div> </div>	♠ A103	
♥ Q1043		♥ A752	
♦ A108		♦ 7	
♣ 8		♣ AK764	
		♠ K	
		♥ KJ	
		♦ Q96532	
		♣ 10932	

Open Room

	West	North	East	South
	<i>Louk</i>	<i>Espen</i>	<i>Ricco</i>	<i>Bodil</i>
	–	Pass	2♦*	Pass
	4♠	All Pass		
2♦	11-15, 4415 less 1 card			

Closed Room

	West	North	East	South
	<i>Guttomerse</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Chediak</i>	<i>Nab</i>
	–	Pass	1♣	1♦
	1♠	2♣	Double	3♦
	3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Open Room

	West	North	East	South
	<i>Haeusler</i>	<i>Fredin</i>	<i>Gromoeller</i>	<i>Zeeberg</i>
	–	Pass	1♣	Pass
	2♥	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Blakset</i>	<i>Goldberg</i>	<i>Farholt</i>	<i>Koistinen</i>
–	Pass	1♣	Pass
1♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

All four pairs did well to reach the spade game and trivially overcame the 4-1 trump split.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

	♠ 643	
	♥ A105	
	♦ AK53	
	♣ 1098	
♠ A107		♠ KJ95
♥ 943		♥ KQJ2
♦ 4		♦ Q9762
♣ AKJ653		♣ —
	♠ Q82	
	♥ 876	
	♦ J108	
	♣ Q742	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Louk</i>	<i>Espen</i>	<i>Ricco</i>	<i>Bodil</i>
–	–	1♦	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Guttomerse</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Chediak</i>	<i>Nab</i>
–	–	1♦	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

This was the only table where 3NT was declared from the West seat. The lead was a small diamond, a well-known English international suggests that when the opponents lead through a suit that has been rebid then they have a very strong holding. Perhaps declarer had not heard of the adage and played the six taken by South's ten. A club was returned to the ace, ten with a diamond discarded from dummy. A small heart from declarer to the dummy's king held the trick and was followed by a small spade successfully finessing against the queen. Another low heart was won in dummy and declarer's ace of spades took the next trick. Declarer now fell from grace by cashing the king of clubs setting up a further four winners for the defence. He had only to play a major

suit card from his hand to succeed. If he plays a heart North performs wins and he cannot lead a club or cash two diamonds so he exits with his last spade. Now declarer takes dummy's two major-suit winners and his last three cards are the Q97 of diamonds; he calmly plays the queen and either the third diamond is established or South has to give you the club trick.

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Haeusler</i>	<i>Fredin</i>	<i>Gromoeller</i>	<i>Zeeberg</i>
–	–	1♦	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Blakset</i>	<i>Goldberg</i>	<i>Farholt</i>	<i>Koistinen</i>
–	–	1♦	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	All Pass

All declarers playing 3NT from the East hand had no problems in bringing home the contract.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

	♠ 7										
	♥ AQJ										
	♦ K104										
	♣ A97543										
♠ KJ1054	<table border="1" style="display: inline-table; text-align: center; width: 40px; height: 40px; background-color: #4CAF50; color: white;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ AQ986
	N										
W		E									
	S										
♥ 10		♥ K76432									
♦ 953		♦ 2									
♣ KJ82		♣ 10									
	♠ 32										
	♥ 985										
	♦ AQJ876										
	♣ Q6										

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Louk</i>	<i>Espen</i>	<i>Ricco</i>	<i>Bodil</i>
–	–	–	3♦
Pass	5♦	Double	Pass
5♠	Double	All Pass	

The power of the pre-empt is aptly shown here. Five Diamonds is booked to fail by two tricks on best defence and Five spades suffers from a depressing lack of aces.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Guttomerse</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Chediak</i>	<i>Nab</i>
–	–	–	1NT
Pass	2♣*	Pass	2♦
Pass	2NT*	Pass	3♣*
Pass	3♠*	Double	5♦
All Pass			

South had a different weapon available to him, namely a very weak no-trump and through a series of relays they arrived in Five Diamonds. West's spade did not get the defence off to the best start – a heart lead beats the contract out of hand by two tricks. East won with his ace and returned a diamond giving declarer a chance to make his contract. He must lead a small club towards his queen – not such an unlikely manoeuvre, if clubs are 3-2 chances are excellent. Here West wins with his king and exits with a heart when declarer takes the ace, comes to hand with a trump and then finesses against West's club holding and ruffs out the clubs whilst still having a trump entry to dummy. My co-editor was wondering if declarer was caught nabbing.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

	♠ J4	
	♥ AKQ106	
	♦ K43	
	♣ AK8	
♠ A2		♠ Q953
♥ 8432		♥ J95
♦ Q1082		♦ 6
♣ Q103		♣ J6542
	♠ K10876	
	♥ 7	
	♦ AJ975	
	♣ 97	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Haeusler</i>	<i>Fredin</i>	<i>Gromoeller</i>	<i>Zeeberg</i>
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♥
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

How do you go down in 3NT? We would never fail as we can see that the jack of hearts is tripleton but world champions like better odds than that so after a club lead declarer tested the diamonds and found out the bad news and then took the percentage play in hearts by finessing against the jack – East having given him a nudge by discarding a heart on the second round of diamonds. The final ignominy was a suicide squeeze on dummy when declarer cashed his hearts. Other reports have come to my attention where play followed the same basic line - including Mr Nygren.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Blakset</i>	<i>Goldberg</i>	<i>Farholt</i>	<i>Koistinen</i>
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♥
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♦
Pass	4♥	Pass	6♦
All Pass			

With the adverse diamond break the contract had no hope and drifted two off.

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

		♠ Q6	
		♥ 1098432	
		♦ J10	
		♣ Q82	
♠ J9			♠ A5432
♥ A5			♥ KQJ6
♦ 854			♦ 7
♣ K97643			♣ A105
		♠ K1087	
		♥ 7	
		♦ AKQ9632	
		♣ J	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Louk</i>	<i>Espen</i>	<i>Ricco</i>	<i>Bodil</i>
–	–	1♠	2♦
Pass	Pass	Double	4♦
5♣	All Pass		

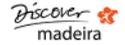
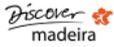
An excellent/brave view by West to reach an unbeatable minor-suit game. Declarer took a conservative line in the play to guarantee his contract.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Guttomserse</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Chediak</i>	<i>Nab</i>
–	–	1♠	2♦
Pass	Pass	Double	3♦
All Pass			

Here West was very timid and let the opposition play in diamonds, no doubt the vulnerability was a factor but 12 IMPs were lost.

At the end of the matches To Tette had won by 24-22 against Onstein whilst Minty Zeebergs FC had beaten Espada 14-2.



PROGRAM FOR TODAY - Sunday 12th NOV 2017

SUNDAY 12 th November	10.30	‘Mark Your Card’ with Mark Horton
	15:00	Open Teams Tournament (4 th Session)
	19:30	Final Results
	19:45	Prize Giving Ceremony
	20:45	Surprise Event – Hotel Gardens
	21:00	Closing Dinner
		Ocean Room – Vidamar Resort Madeira, 2 nd floor

PROGRAM FOR TOMORROW - Monday 13th NOV 2017

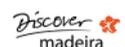
MONDAY 12 th November	21.00	Cool Down Pairs
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NOTE: Please arrive 30 minutes before the start to guarantee your place

Every morning Mark Horton will conduct his ‘Mark Your Card’ to discuss the previous day’s hands in Selvagens 1

Important Note: Please bring your Vouchers to all events

Included in your vouchers is one from the Vidamar Hotel giving you a 20% discount on restaurant prices



The Fairly Odd Cricket Club

Mark Horton reports on Round 6 of the Teams Championships



“An assortment of semi-geriatric gentlemen,” is how co-founder of the Netherlands-based Fellowship of Fairly Odd Places CC, Lt-col (retired) Erik Bouwmeester G.G. R.N.L.A, describes his side. Middle-aged men playing cricket together? So far, so unremarkable. But middle-aged men who play cricket against Andorra, who play cricket on a pitch that straddles two countries and who play cricket on uninhabited islands? Now, that’s fairly odd.

With the help of Major RE (res) Dr Michael Bakker, Bouwmeester re-formed the side in 2005, which originally played together as youngsters over 30 years ago. “You know how it is, boys get involved with girls, they start families and they stop playing cricket,” outlines Bouwmeester. “In 2005, I got fed up so I came up with a cunning plan: let’s start again but let’s do something out of the ordinary. Why not try to beat a national side?”

So started a mission which has now seen FFOP CC play eight matches in eight unique venues across the world.

The first fixture against a national side was The Vatican. Emails were exchanged and black smoke was released before eventually the match was arranged. Bouwmeester and co were expecting a team of similarly aged priests, they were surprised to see 11 young student priests. “They were all clad in sky blue and all in their early twenties. The outcome was inevitable. Their second international match, against Iceland at the most northerly ground in the world, was also lost.

So, two attempts at an international victory had led to two defeats – Andorra was next on the list. And this time, success. Not only was it the FFOP’s first victory, it also began a chain of events that means Andorra are still playing cricket today.

Victory over Andorra was followed by victory on the island of Madeira in 2013 in a match between the teams of Fairly Odd Places Cricket Club Madeira XI and the Duke of Clarence’s XI.

Bridge teams only have to field four players, but there can be no doubt that the Madeira Festival is now firmly established as one of the best in the world.

Round 6 of the team championship featured some challenging deals:

Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ A ♥ J10754 ♦ AKJ4 ♣ A86	♠ K8543 ♥ 963 ♦ 652 ♣ J5	<div style="border: 2px solid green; padding: 5px; width: 60px; margin: 0 auto;"> N W E S </div>	♠ QJ102 ♥ 8 ♦ 1098 ♣ KQ1092
♠ 976 ♥ AKQ2 ♦ Q73 ♣ 743			

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Verhees</i>	<i>Karl</i>	<i>van Prooijen</i>	<i>Aevarsson</i>
–	1♥	Pass	1NT
Pass	3♦	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

	♠ A	
	♥ J10754	
	♦ AKJ4	
	♣ A86	
♠ K8543		♠ QJ102
♥ 963		♥ 8
♦ 652		♦ 1098
♣ J5		♣ KQ1092
	♠ 976	
	♥ AKQ2	
	♦ Q73	
	♣ 743	

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Palsdottir</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Jorgensen</i>	<i>Nab</i>
–	1♥	Pass	2NT*
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♦	Pass	4NT*
Pass	5♦*	Pass	5NT*
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

A deserved swing to Onstein.

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

	♠ K42	
	♥ 7	
	♦ Q10843	
	♣ A432	
♠ AQ10		♠ J65
♥ Q9842		♥ J10653
♦ 2		♦ AK976
♣ 10876		♣ —
	♠ 9873	
	♥ AK	
	♦ J5	
	♣ KQJ95	

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Terraneo</i>	<i>Fredin</i>	<i>Terraneo</i>	<i>Zeeberg</i>
–	–	Pass	1♣
Pass	1♠	2♠*	3♠
4♥	4♠	Pass	Pass
5♥	Double	All Pass	

North's initial response reminds me of a system that is popular in Poland - MAFIA - which stands for 'majors always first in answering'. However, leading the two of spades against 5♥ doubled was not a triumph and when the contract in the other room was 5♣ down two it cost 10 IMPs.

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ 9853	♠ K 106	♠ AQJ4									
♥ K10752	♥ AJ84	♥ 9									
♦ 8	♦ 1052	♦ KJ76									
♣ KQ2	♣ J107	♣ A653									
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	N										
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	S										
	♠ 72										
	♥ Q63										
	♦ AQ943										
	♣ 984										

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Farmolt</i>	<i>Simon</i>	<i>Blanset</i>	<i>Artmer</i>
–	–	–	Pass
Pass	Pass	1♣	1♦
Double*	Pass	2♠	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

South led the ♥3 and North won with the jack and switched to the six of spades. When the queen held declarer played a club to the king and ran the eight of diamonds. South won and played a second spade and declarer won with the jack, played the king of diamonds, ruffing when South followed with the three, played two rounds of clubs ending in hand, ruffed a diamond, ruffed a heart and claimed ten tricks, +620.

After North’s spade switch there is a line for 11 tricks which involves using dummy’s entries to establish the hearts, the losing diamond eventually going on the fourth round of clubs.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Terraneo</i>	<i>Fredin</i>	<i>Terraneo</i>	<i>Zeeberg</i>
–	–	–	Pass
Pass	Pass	1♠	Pass
2NT*	Pass	3♣	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

South led the four of clubs and declarer won with dummy’s king and played a diamond for the jack and queen. Back came a heart and North won with the jack and returned a club to dummy’s queen. Declarer played a third club to the ace, ruffed a diamond, ruffed a heart, ruffed a diamond and ruffed a heart. When she next ruffed a diamond North overruffed and played the ace of hearts, ensuring one down, -100 and a loss of 12 IMPs.

Board 21. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ J ♥ AK54 ♦ KQJ64 ♣ 974		♠ K86 ♥ 1092 ♦ A32 ♣ QJ103	♠ A109754 ♥ J763 ♦ 10 ♣ K6
♠ Q32 ♥ Q8 ♦ 9875 ♣ A852			

Open Room

	West	North	East	South
	<i>Farmolt</i>	<i>Simon</i>	<i>Blanset</i>	<i>Artmer</i>
	–	Pass	Pass	Pass
	1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
	1NT	Pass	2♣*	Pass
	2♦*	Pass	2♥	Pass
	4♥	All Pass		
2♣	Checkback			
2♦	No spade support			

Closed Room

	West	North	East	South
	<i>Terraneo</i>	<i>Fredin</i>	<i>Terraneo</i>	<i>Zeeberg</i>
	–	Pass	Pass	Pass
	1♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

I think you could call that an honourable push.

Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ AK98654 ♥ 62 ♦ K3 ♣ 109		♠ Q732 ♥ K54 ♦ A964 ♣ Q6	♠ J ♥ Q973 ♦ 872 ♣ K5432
♠ 10 ♥ AJ108 ♦ QJ105 ♣ AJ87			

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Farmolt</i>	<i>Simon</i>	<i>Blanset</i>	<i>Artmer</i>
1♠	Pass	1NT	Double
2♠	3♦	Pass	Pass
3♠	All Pass		

	♠ Q732	
	♥ K54	
	♦ A964	
	♣ Q6	
♠ AK98654		♠ J
♥ 62		♥ Q973
♦ K3		♦ 872
♣ 109		♣ K5432
	♠ 10	
	♥ AJ108	
	♦ QJ105	
	♣ AJ87	

	N	
W	S	E

Opposite a partner who had doubled 1NT for takeout of spades North should have done something over 3♠ - put me down for a double. The contract finished three down, -150.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Terraneo</i>	<i>Fredin</i>	<i>Terraneo</i>	<i>Zeeberg</i>
4♠	Pass	Pass	Double

North led the ♥4 and South won with the ace and switched to the ♦Q for the king and ace. The defenders continued with two more rounds of diamonds and declarer ruffed and played a heart, North going up with the king and switching to the queen of clubs. Declarer ducked in dummy and South won the next club and played a third round of the suit. When declarer made the mistake of ruffing with the ♠5 North could overruff and still had another spade to come for -1100.

To 'escape' for -800, declarer must ruff with the nine of spades. When North discards declarer must play a low spade towards the jack.

The upshot was that EW lost 14 IMPs and Minty Zeebergs FC had won 31-15.

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The Vidamar Hotel has joined us in our anniversary celebrations by giving every player a discount card to be used in the Hotel restaurants

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Standings after Three Sessions

Pos.	VPS	Team	Pos.	VPS	Team
1	134.74	Gladpack	46	90.33	Portugal 33
2	133.88	Nuno Matos Team	47	90.24	Philip
3	130.26	Onstein	48	89.51	Wrang
4	127.66	Espada	49	88.95	Uski
5	119.59	Fryske Hynder	50	87.48	Logothetis
6	118.65	To Tette og en Bade.	51	87.47	Queen of Hearts
7	116.76	Impas	52	87.13	Winter is Coming
8	116.26	Babsch	53	86.59	Tenn
9	115.53	Beppo	54	86.24	Bridge Muppets
10	112.58	Pingo	55	85.13	Just 4 Fun
11	111.29	Monaco	56	84.71	BDSR
12	109.41	Sopa	57	84	L3H
13	108.39	Blanca	58	83.31	Unnar
14	108.17	2 MARK	59	83.07	Robertson
15	108.02	Edberg	60	82.91	Anna
16	107.57	Charlies Angels	61	82.84	Seahorse
17	106.21	Icecool	62	82.42	Hemm
18	105.65	Breln	63	81.42	Very Mixed
19	105.42	BridgeBertheau	64	80.7	Cidade Invicta
20	104.02	Astro As	65	80.68	ABHN
21	102.94	Norway Open	66	80.08	Laura
22	102.89	Kendrick	67	78.06	Bjarnason Sigurdsson
23	102.71	Repeat Bet	68	77.56	Madde
24	102.51	Baleal	69	77.07	Blood Sweat & Beers
25	102.21	Eide	70	77.07	4 Ladies
26	101.1	Armodt	71	77.03	Pimco
27	100.68	Asla	72	72.33	Erla
28	98.76	Johns	73	70.52	Maria
29	98.63	Gerber	74	69.79	5 Club Partyband
30	98.43	Bricas 1	75	69.22	Pereira de Sousa
31	97.42	Greven	76	68.02	Bricas 4
32	97.35	Minty Zeebergs FC	77	67.75	Morken
33	97.2	Portugal Open	78	66.16	Hekta
34	96.78	Doca Bridge	79	65.39	Hendrix
35	96.13	Titiana Husslage	80	65.25	Jensen
36	95.85	Holiday	81	62.1	Teixeira
37	95.77	Don Bernardo	82	61.25	3xBlond
38	95.45	Star NL	83	60.73	Slemma
39	94.46	Coral	84	59.89	Toyota
40	94.17	Bierchen	85	58.87	Team Six
41	93.77	White Walkers	86	55.2	Chamine
42	92.95	CSVicente2	87	52.13	CNSaoVicente
43	92.92	Rui Pinto	88	51.47	Stressless
44	92.63	Hansen	89	44.8	Menezes
45	91.36	Gladiatoren			

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