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21st Madeira International Bridge Open

5th-11th November 2018

Tuesday 6th November

Bulletin 1

Reception At The Quinta Vigia



A Welcome Cocktail was held at the Quinta Vigia hosted by the President of The Regional Government, Miguel Albuquerque. An excellent array of drinks and food was offered in the splendour of the villa, beautifully restored in 1984 to become the official residence of the President. At the reception the President took the opportunity to present a *certificado de honra* to the Team from Madeira that won the Portuguese Cup in Lisbon in September. The team is pictured above with the President and Miguel Teixeira, organiser of the Madeira Bridge Open. From left to right in the photograph above is Pedro Morgado, Eduardo Fernandes, João Machado, the President Miguel Albuquerque, José Macedo and Miguel Teixeira.



Warm-Up Pairs

With the closure of the airport several participants were unable to reach the hotel in time to register for the Warm-Up Pairs so only 104 pairs contested. The winners were Mads Eyde and Dennis Bilde (pictured left) who won by over 8% with an amazing 70.88%.

Pairs Registration

You should register for the Pairs competition today between 10.30 and 16.00 at the Registration Desk in Tower 2. As well as your badge you will need the form that was in the envelope for you and your partner. These must be correctly completed, particularly if you wish to be considered for one of the special prizes.

Today's PROGRAMME 6th November 2018

Location - Congress Room + Selvagens 1-2-3

TUESDAY 6 th November	10.30	Table allocation for pairs
	16:00	Closing time for Pairs Tournament Entries
	16:30	Open Pairs Tournament (1 st Session)



Bridge At The Top

Antonio Palma

This year was the one in which I affirmed myself as a bridge professional. I had the privilege of competing with players who are among the best in the world. I got good results in some tournaments but the most important thing of all was the daily opportunities of sharing a table with the best players in the world.

I will talk about two hands which have affected me very much. On the first, my partner was Gabriel Chagas. We were defending 3NT in the knockout stage of the South American championship. My hand was ♠xxx ♥AKxx ♦Qxx ♣xxx. The auction was 1♣-Pass-1♠-Pass-1NT-3NT-All Pass. (One Club was better minor).

Gabriel led the 8 of hearts, (attitude) and the dummy put down: ♠AQJx ♥xx ♦10xx ♣AQxx. I played king of hearts, ace of hearts and a heart. Right? ...

Wrong!

From this hand I learned that there are no automatic plays. What I knew about the hand was that declarer had three hearts headed by the QJ, and was easily going to make 8 tricks in the black suits. So the solution is in the diamonds. If declarer has ♠Kx(x) ♥QJx(x) ♦Hx(x) ♣Kxxx. We have to play diamonds

Which diamond to play?

If declarer has Kx then a small diamond works because we make three diamonds and two heart tricks. In this case partner has AJxxx in diamonds. Playing teams with ♥xxxx ♦AJxxx it seems mandatory to lead a diamond, so we have to exclude this hypothesis. It remains for us to analyse what we can do when the declarer has ♦Kxx. If you play small declarer plays small and we cannot open up the diamonds. If I play the queen, declarer plays the king and the suit is protected by the 10 third in dummy. However if I have ♦QJxx then declarer wins by withholding the ♦K, as it seems more likely that I am leading the queen with QJ than without the J.

In this specific case, declarer had ♠Kxx ♥QJxx ♦Kxx ♣Kxx. A simple and very elegant position but I could not find it in time, I played on autopilot after receiving the lead that I liked the most.

The second hand I want to talk about is from the final of the winter games in Monaco.

In the team captained by Juan Carlos Ventin in which, proudly, I play. Nystrom and I played

in the open room, facing the great Meckstroth and Zia. While in the closed room my teammates Wrang and Hult faced Brogeland and Lindqvist.

Wrang's hand was: ♠1043 ♥Q9875 ♦AKJ92 ♣-.

In a contested auction Wrang in first position Red v Green opened One Heart and the bidding went:

-	-	1♥	1♠
2NT	4♠	5♦	Pass
6♥	All Pass		

Lindqvist led the king of clubs and dummy put down:

♠ 6		♠ 1043
♥ AK106		♥ Q9875
♦ 876		♦ AKJ92
♣ AJ542		♣ -



The contract is ambitious, but seems to depend only on the diamond finesse. However, if something good happens in clubs, we can gather more information. Therefore, Wrang began by ruffing the ♣K in his hand, and Brogeland showed an odd number of clubs. He played a spade, which Brogeland took and returned a spade. Wrang ruffed the spade, carefully with the 10 of hearts in dummy. He played a diamond, North played the queen, and Wrang took the trick with the ace. At this time, if Wrang believes North's card play, North has a 4315, so he played a heart to the ace and everyone followed. Next came the ace of clubs, pitching a diamond from hand. Then a club ruffed where Lindqvist dropped the queen of clubs. Now, he ruffed the last spade with dummy's king of hearts, pitched the nine of diamonds on the ♣J and played the six of hearts towards the seven.

The end position was:

		♠ K	
		♥ J3	
		♦ -	
		♣ 7	
♠ -			♠ -
♥ 6			♥ Q7
♦ 87			♦ KJ
♣ 5			♣ -



A hand very carefully played in which, at trick three, he had to ruff with the 10, leaving the six to get back to hand later.

I hope next year I will have more interesting hands to show you, and that my journey will be made of remarkable and didactic moments like these.



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MAIN PROGRAMME 6th – 11th NOV 2018

Location - Congress Room + Selvagens 1-2-3

TUESDAY 6 th November	10.30	Table allocation for pairs
	16:00	Closing time for Pairs Tournament Entries
	16:30	Open Pairs Tournament (1 st Session)
WEDNESDAY 7 th November	16:30	Open Pairs Tournament (2 nd Session)
THURSDAY 8 th November	16:30	Open Pairs Tournament (3 rd Session)
	20:30	Final Results
FRIDAY 9 th November	18.00	Table allocation for Teams
	20:00	Deadline for Teams Tournament Entries
	20.30	Open Teams Tournament (1 st Session)
SATURDAY 10 th November	11:30	Open Teams Tournament (2 nd Session)
	13.45	Lunch Break (light lunch included)
	15:30	Open Teams Tournament (3 rd Session)
SUNDAY 11 th November	15:00	Open Teams Tournament (4 th Session)
	19:30	Final Results

NOTE: Please arrive 30 minutes before the start to guarantee your place

Every morning from today onwards, Mark Horton will conduct his 'Mark Your Card' to discuss the previous day's hands in Selvagens 1

José Curado explains how to verify the deals using Hans Staveren's procedure.

In short, if someone wants to check that there is no hanky-panky going on with the procedure they should:

- 1 - Download the "present key" from <http://bit.ly/2018pKs> or click on link in footer menu on new website
- 2 - Check Euromillions lottery numbers (the "future key")
- 3 - Download the "past key" that will be published after the event (presumably in Bulletin 7)
- 4 - Run the program (download from <http://www.xs4all.nl/~sater/SquareDeal.zip>) using the 3-part key according to the instructions - the "present" and "past" files and insert the 5 numbers and 2 stars, as presented in the official results, comma separated, when prompted by the program.
- 5 - Compare the hands generated this way with the hands actually played.



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SOCIAL PROGRAMME

- WEDNESDAY 7th November** 21:15 - Traditional Dinner
Restaurant “O Lagar”, traditional restaurant in Estreito de Camara de Lobos, tradicional “Espetada” with folklore animation
COACH LEAVES THE HOTEL VIDAMAR, OUTSIDE THE LOBBY TOWER 2, AT 20:45 (it takes 15 minutes). Return to the hotel at 23:30
- FRIDAY 9th November** Coach leaves the Hotel for your chosen excursion option
Details of excursions choices will be published in a later bulletin.
Further information is available at the Welcome Desk.
- SUNDAY 11th November** 19:30 Collection of cash prizes from Administration Office
19.45 Cocktail
20:30 Closing Dinner and trophy presentation in the Ocean Room – Vidamar Resort Madeira, 2nd floor

***NOTE: If you have not collected your badge then please ensure you visit the Welcome Desk and pick it up. The desk will be open today from 10.30 until 13.00 and 14.00 until 16.30
Without your badge you will not be able to partake in any of the activities: bridge or social, so please ensure you avail yourself of your badge.***

Can You Help?

The archive of the Madeira Bridge Association was destroyed in 2007 in a fire at the historic Club Sports da Madeira. As a result, we no longer have results and bulletins from the Madeira International from 1998 to 2004 (and access to the 2005 bulletins only courtesy of bridgedailybulletins.nl). If any collector happens to have any of this material, and is willing either to copy it or to lend it to us, we should be eternally grateful. Or if anyone has saved .pdf versions on a computer, please email them to us at open@bridge-madeira.com.



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DESK OPENING HOURS

Subject	English		Portuguese	
IDENTITY BADGES CREDENCIAIS	IDENTITY BADGES		CREDENCIAIS	
	Your identity badge is personal to you and not transferrable. It must be presented at all sessions.		As credenciais são pessoais e intransmissíveis. Devem ser apresentadas em todos os eventos.	
WELCOME DESK BALCÃO de BOAS-VINDAS	Opening times		Hórorio de funcionamento	
	Tuesday 6th	10.30 – 13.00	Terça-feira 6°	10.30 – 13.00
		14.00 – 16.30		14.00 – 16.30
	Wednesday 7th	15.00 – 16.30	Quarta-feira 7°	15.00 – 16.30
	Thursday 8th	15.00 – 16.30	Quinta-feira 8°	15.00 – 16.30
	Friday 9th	18.00 – 21.00	Sexta-feira 9°	18.00 – 21.00
	Saturday 10th	10.30 – 11.30	Sábado 10°	10.30 – 11.30
		14.00 – 15.00		14.00 – 15.00
Sunday 11th	14.00 – 16.00	Domingo 11°	14.00 – 16.00	
REGISTRATION & TABLE ALLOCATIONS INSCRIÇÕES & DISTRIBUIÇÃO	Pairs:		Pares:	
	Tuesday 6th	10.30 – 16.00	Terça-feira 6°	10.30 – 16.00
	Teams:		Equipas:	
	Friday 9th	18.00 – 20.00	Sexta-feira 9°	18.00 – 20.00
TOURNAMENT OFFICE Selvagens V, Tower 2) SECRETARIADO DO EVENTO (Sala Selvagens V, Torre 2)	Friday 9th	18.00 – 20.00	Sexta-feira 9°	18.00 – 20.00
	Saturday 10th	10.00 – 11.30	Sábado 10°	10.00 – 11.30
		13.30 – 15.30		13.30 – 15.30
	Sunday 11th	19.30 – 20.30	Domingo 11°	19.30 – 20.30
	Cash prizes may be collected between these times. Please bring a form of identification.		Os prémios em dinheiro podem ser recolhidos entre esses horários. Devem apresentar uma forma de identificação.	
INTERTOURS DESK BALCÃO INTERTOURS	Monday 5th	14.00 – 17.00	Segunda-feira 5°	14.00 – 17.00
	Tuesday 6th	10.30 – 13.00	Terça-feira 6°	10.30 – 13.00

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please bring your identity badge to all events

ENTRY FEES

Pairs	€ 140.00
Teams	€ 155.00
Pairs + Teams	€ 260.00
Pairs + Teams + Typical Dinner.....	€ 275.00
Pairs + Teams + Closing Dinner.....	€ 285.00
Pairs + Teams + Typical Dinner + Closing Dinner.	€ 295.00
Typical Dinner	€ 25.00
Friday Tour (half-day tour / Catamaran / Jeep)...	€ 25.00
Closing Dinner	€ 40.00



CONFESSIONS OF AN EX-PAT

(Continuing my occasional series of frivolous observations, familiar to veterans of European Championships)

Laura Woodruff

In January 1993 I walked into a travel agent's – a curiously old-fashioned idea a quarter of a century later – to try to find a cheap holiday in the sun. Rather to my surprise the cheapest on offer was Madeira. By a happy accident our hotel was a short stagger uphill from the Estádio dos Barreiros, so we went to the match and I began my career as a Marítimo fan (second string to Leicester City, of course).

By a less happy accident I'd picked the coldest week in Madeira for 42 years. This time I was not surprised: it was in keeping with my usual ill fortune in these matters (the only time I've been to Venice it was the coldest week in 30 years). The weather was still warm enough for shorts and a cardigan, though, and provided me with an aperçu into the wonder that is Madeira's climate. The bananas were ripening on the coast, yet 6 miles¹ away as the crow flies there was 6 foot² of snow on Pico do Arieiro. I fell in love.

(When I eventually bought a flat here, my geoclimatic jinx was true to form: the day before I was due to complete the purchase, I arrived at Gatwick to find utter pandemonium, no information, and no flights. It was the day of the Icelandic volcano – cheers, Sveinni.)

Anyway, here I am, happily retired, sitting on my balcony in the sun watching the cruise ships sail in and out of the port of Funchal. The winters have got longer and longer every year, as the thought of leaving this island idyll for Blighty³ grows increasingly unappealing. For the first few years I barely spoke to a Portuguese person, nor to any other person either, apart from people in shops and a couple I met at the football. It was just me and the cat and a lot of books. It was bliss. Then I ran into Miguel Teixeira at an EBL Seminar in Rome, he told José Júlio Curado about me, and I began a second Madeiran career as a bridge-player.

1 9.65 km

2 1.83 m

3 First World War slang for Britain

It's been a bit of a culture shock. Every time I play I remind myself that I need to buy ear-plugs. No one seems to know what the Stop card is for. I still don't understand 3rd & 5th leads, and Odds & Evens discards seem to me the worst method ever invented. But the players of the Madeira Bridge Association have been wonderful. Their kindness, and their tolerance of my appalling Portuguese (and inability to understand their Portuguese – or Madeirense, as some would insist) suggests a patience at odds with their impatience with their partners. I confess that from time to time I think fondly of the relative calm of a Wednesday night in Bridgend; but on the whole I'm grateful for being chivvied to join.

Less salutary has been the effect on my drinking habits. My friends in Britain know me as a non-drinker, but that's a thing of the past. No one has actually forced me to quaff glass after glass of delicious vinho tinto, nor to order an amêndoa amarga after dinner, nor to drink one too many margaritas (never again); but somehow the habit has crept up on me. I have also enjoyed not feeling like a pariah, since almost everyone here seemed to smoke; I returned from my summer in Britain to find that everyone has taken up vaping instead. O tempora, O mores.

For some reason, until last year my only previous visit to the Madeira International had been in 2006. My friend Gilly and I stayed in the very same hotel, a short stagger above the stadium and a rather long stagger uphill from the Vidamar, and teamed up with two Latvians, one of them very nice. We enjoyed a brief moment in the lead when we won all three matches in a session, but it didn't last. Looking back over the bulletins, I note that we beat the team of Lara, Capucho, Pereira and Palma – the winners of the tournament - 30-16, which must rank as one of the more glorious moments of my bridge career. Other notable scalps included the Van Helsing German-Austrian team, from whom we took 31



IMPs in two boards, and some Portuguese players whose company I've been lucky enough to enjoy in recent times, such as Jorge Cruzeiro and Ricardo Fernandes. I seem to have avoided most of my Madeiran friends, who were playing under such cryptic team names as Topozero, Snapper (not so cryptic), The International Set, Remontada and La Stefan (I'm sure there must be an explanation).

From now on I mean to play in every Madeira International until I can no longer hold a hand

or see the cards. I can walk (downhill) to the venue from my flat and catch a bus (uphill) back, so I've no excuse. It appears that Portugal is not going to chuck me out despite the strange decision of my native land to cut itself off from the rest of Europe. And I am not an ex-pat, I'm an immigrant, just as the other 48,999 British people living in Portugal are immigrants, not to mention the 310,000 in Spain. I want to learn the language and to live as the Madeirans live. But I can't give up the Marmite.

Options for Friday Excursions

Option A East of Madeira

Coach leaves Vidamar 9.45. Lunch included

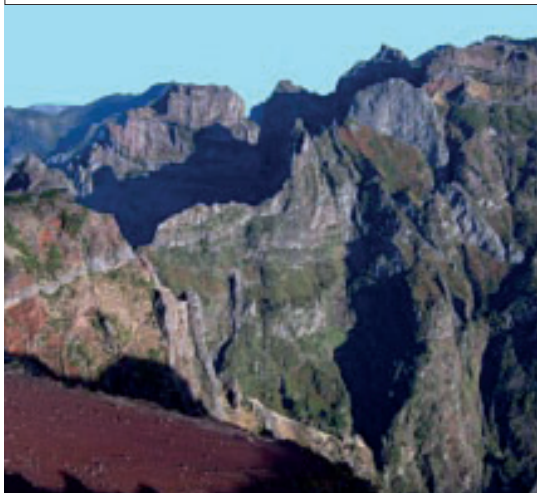
Explore the eastern side of the island, with its breath-taking views, enchanting laurisilva (laurel forest) and traditional villages. A stop at the Ponta do Garajau viewpoint (statue of Christ the King, magnificent view over the Atlantic) is followed by a scenic drive through the laurisilva to Poiso and Pico do Areeiro, the third-highest peak in Madeira, 1818 m above sea-level. There are spectacular views from the road up to the mountain; in good weather you can see cotton-wool clouds hanging in the valleys below. The tour continues through the forest to Ribeiro Frio, a nature park with trout hatchery. On the way to Santana you will be able to admire the rich green of the terraced fields. Lunch in Santana, a beautiful village on the north coast, with its famous triangular thatched houses. The route back to the hotel passes through Machico, the first landfall of Zarco and Tristão Vaz Teixeira when Madeira was discovered in 1419. Time of return to hotel to be confirmed.



Option B Catamaran Trip (3 Hours)

Coach leaves Vidamar 9.30

A relaxing trip along the south coast of Madeira, with a good chance of spotting whales and dolphins in all their magnificence and in their natural habitat.



Option C Jeep Trip (4 Hours, Min 8 persons)

Coach leaves Vidamar 10.00

The tour stops first at the Miranda viewpoint, with superb views over the Bay of Funchal, and continues to Vale do Paraíso (Paradise Valley), with optional 20-minute break. The route then climbs to Pico do Arieiro (1818m), the third-highest peak on the island and the most visited. The next stop is Santo da Serra, followed by Portela, where from the viewpoint Porto da Cruz and Faial can be seen. The excursion ends with visits to Fonduras and then Machico. Drop-off at your hotel.



Sun Sea and Slams

Mark Horton

What to write about the Warm Up Pairs?

The brilliant English journalist David Bird is renowned for his dislike of low level contracts, especially 1NT. Whilst these can be very important in a Pairs event they are not the type of deals that are designed to entertain the reader.

So, I make no apologies for selecting deals where more than seven tricks were required.

This was our last deal of the event and I survived the dreadful decision to open 1♠. The key bid was Ron Tacchi's decision to go past 5♥. He reasoned that missing the ♠K and those important trumps that East would not have bid 5♣ without a diamond control.

There was nothing to the play, and +1430 was worth 91.8/10.2

Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

♠ Q1083		♠ AJ942									
♥ 97		♥ KQ10863									
♦ A72		♦ K9									
♣ Q1053		♣ —									
♠ K7		♠ —									
♥ AJ8		♥ AJ54									
♦ Q84		♦ A7543									
♣ K9762		♣ KJ107									
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♠ 65		♠ AQ97									
♥ 42		♥ Q82									
♦ J10653		♦ —									
♣ AJ84		♣ A96543									

Board 15. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

♠ J10843		♠ K652									
♥ K963		♥ 107									
♦ 10		♦ KQJ9862									
♣ Q82		♣ —									
♠ —		♠ —									
♥ AJ54		♥ —									
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♠ AQ97		♠ —									
♥ Q82		♥ —									
♦ —		♦ —									
♣ A96543		♣ —									

West	North	East	South
Tacchi	Seculer	Horton	Seculer
—	—	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♦*	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	5♣*	Pass
5♠*	Pass	6♥	All Pass

West	North	East	South
Olafsson	Tacchi	Siglryysson	Horton
—	—	—	1♣
1♦	Pass	3♦	Double
Pass	3♠	4♦	Pass
5♦	All Pass		

Only eleven pairs reached 6♦ and -420 was worth 78-24.

Practice your leads

By Toine van Hoof

Two lead problems from the practice match between The Netherlands and Sweden.

1. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

♠ A82		Pass	1♥
♥ 96		Pass	2♣*
♦ A862		Pass	2♥*
♣ Q962		All Pass	
—	1♦*		
Pass	1NT		
Pass	2♦		
Pass	4♥		
1♦	11-15, 2+		
2♣	Puppet		
2♥	5+, invitational		

What is your lead?

2. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ AJ965			
♥ A 2			
♦ 92			
♣ J75			
You	North	East	South
—	—	—	1♣*
1♠	Pass*	2♠	Double
Pass	3♣	Pass	5♣
All Pass			
1♣	15+		
Pass	6-8		

What is your lead?

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Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ KJ1054		♠ Q9876
♥ Q1083		♥ J765
♦ A76		♦ 843
♣ 6		♣ 2
♠ —	N	♠ Q9876
♥ K92	W	♥ J765
♦ KJ92	E	♦ 843
♣ A108743	S	♣ 2
		♠ A32
		♥ A4
		♦ Q105
		♣ KQJ95

West	North	East	South
<i>Axelsdottir</i>	<i>Tacchi</i>	<i>Ludviksson</i>	<i>Horton</i>
—	—	Pass	1NT
2♣*	Double*	2♦	Double
Pass	3♥*	Pass	3NT
All Pass			
2♣	Clubs and a another suit		

North's double of 2♣ was intended as Stayman and the jump to 3♥ showed five spades and four hearts. West led the ♣8 and declarer won with the nine and played a spade. When West discarded a club declarer went up with dummy's king and played the ♠J, covered by the queen and ace as West pitched the ♦2. Declarer continued with the ♣J and West won and tried a diamond. Declarer won with the ten and played the ♥4, putting up dummy's queen when West followed with the nine. Declarer cashed the ♠10 and when West parted with a club declarer came to hand with a heart and cashed three club tricks. On the last of these West pitched a diamond, so declarer also took the last two tricks for twelve in all and 92-10; +660 would have produced exactly the same score.

Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ J2		♠ AQ5
♥ K43		♥ 9875
♦ 1074		♦ 83
♣ KJ1052		♣ A843
♠ 1098643	N	♠ AQ5
♥ A	W	♥ 9875
♦ AKJ52	E	♦ 83
♣ 7	S	♣ A843
		♠ K7
		♥ QJ1062
		♦ Q96
		♣ Q96

West	North	East	South
<i>Van Gool</i>	<i>Tacchi</i>	<i>Hoebe</i>	<i>Horton</i>
1♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♦	Pass	4♠	Pass
4NT*	Pass	5♠*	Pass
6♠	All Pass		

North led a spade and declarer went up with dummy's ace and played three rounds of diamonds, ruffing in dummy, followed by the ♠Q. They were the only pair to bid 6♠ so their reward was 0-102 (or should that be our reward?).

Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ 875		♠ K92
♥ A75		♥ 843
♦ Q10643		♦ 98
♣ 74		♣ J10862
♠ —	N	♠ K92
♥ KQJ9	W	♥ 843
♦ AKJ72	E	♦ 98
♣ AKQ5	S	♣ J10862
		♠ AQJ10643
		♥ 1062
		♦ 5
		♣ 93

West	North	East	South
<i>Kravchenko</i>	<i>Tacchi</i>	<i>Nekhoroshev</i>	<i>Horton</i>
1♦	Pass	Pass	1♠
2♥	2♠	Pass	Pass
Double	Pass	3♣	3♠
4♠*	Pass	5♣	All Pass

I confess it did not occur to me to pass West's 1♦ - it happened once where Halldór Thorvaldsson & Hulda Hjalmarsdóttir were N/S and it gave them 60-42. I did consider bidding 3♠, but I doubt it would have prevented E/W reaching game. I am willing to confess that if I had held West's cards I would not have been able to resist bidding 6♣ which would have been worth 96 match-points. The more modest 5♣+1 still collected 76.



Practice your leads

By Toine van Hoof

The Solutions

1. Peter Fredin led the 2 of spades and must have been worried when he saw dummy:

Dealer North. E/W Vul.

		♠ J95									
		♥ Q105									
		♦ QJ10									
		♣ AK105									
♠ A82	<table border="1" style="text-align: center; width: 40px; height: 40px;"> <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		♠ K763
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		S									
♥ 96	♥ J3										
♦ A862	♦ K943										
♣ Q962	♣ 874										
		♠ Q104									
		♥ AK8742									
		♦ 75									
		♣ J3									

However, Johan Sylvan produced the king of spades and returned a spade to the ace. Fredin cashed the ace of diamonds and a played another diamond for a quick down one.

After a similar bidding sequence Ola Rimstedt led a trump. Declarer, Bart Nab, won in hand and advanced the jack of clubs, covered by the queen: 420.

At the third table four hearts was played by North. Joris van Lankveld led a diamond to the ace. Berend van den Bos returned a club and declarer, Frederic Wrang, let it ride to the jack. After that he claimed ten tricks.

2. One again the lead of a small spade would have been successful:

Dealer South. E/W Vul.

		♠ Q73									
		♥ 1085									
		♦ Q5									
		♣ Q8642									
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Fredin led the seven of clubs and declarer, Simon de Wijs, had eleven tricks: minus 400.

At the other two tables the contract was four clubs, declared by North. Joris van Lankveld led a small spade: minus 150. Mikael Rimstedt found the lead of the king of spades and the heart switch: minus 130.



Warm-Up Pairs Results

	%	Names
1	70.88	Mads Eyde – Dennis Bilde
2	62.45	Ralf Schlotmann – Claus Daehr
3	62.17	Janis Romanovskis – Maris Purgailis
4	61.47	Michael Gromoeller – Anne Gladiator
5	60.4	Sigurdur Olafsson – Jon Siglrysson
6	59.96	Marco Ter Laare – Linda Molle
7	59.67	Gudlaugur Sveinsson – Erlendur Jonsson
8	59.47	Anne-Lill Hellemann – Rolf Tolle
9	59.12	Toranna Palsdottir – Ragna Briem
10	58.89	Douglas Rotchell – Dave Blackman
11	58.68	Hans Arne Forseth – Haldis Guttormsen
12	58.31	Ludger Silva – Sabine Würdermann
13	57.45	Henning Ostergaard – Ria Bartolomij
14	56.88	Willem Flisijn – Harry Burmania
15	56.83	Gabriel Gislason – Gisli Steingrímsson
16	56.74	Tommy Bergdahl – Peter Görnandt
17	56.51	Peder Skaj – Peter Bertheau
18	56.38	Hans Kreuning – Willem Schneider
19	56.1	Aleksandra Mierzwa – Patrick Bocken
20	56.03	Per-Inge Helmertz – Daniel Gustafsson
21	56.02	Timothy Leslie – Mike Bell
22	55.99	Stefan Gardarsson – Gunnar Thordarson
23	55.9	Gudny Gudjonsdottir – Jon Hjaltason
24	55.8	Magnus Asgrimsson – Thorsteinn Bergsson
25	55.51	Hans van der Heijde – John Linse
26	55.38	Rob van den Bergh – Ricardo Westerbeek
27	54.95	Ron Tacchi – Mark Horton
28	54.58	Hrafnildur Skuladottir – Gudmundur Johannsson
29	54.56	Halldór Thorvaldsson – Hulda Hjalmarsdóttir
30	54.46	Wiveca Jongeneel – Jos Winkelman
31	54.41	Bjorn Wenneberg – Henrik Wegnelius
32	54.32	Harpa Fold Ingolfsdottir – Sigthrudur Blondal
33	54.11	Mara Vogt – Sabine Neitzel
34	53.63	Valur Sigurdsson – Halldor Svanbergsson
35	53.21	John Herland – John Vaage
36	53.07	Sigurjóna Björgvinsdóttir – Gunnar Guðmundsson
37	53.06	Gerbrand Hop – Anne Schoonen
38	53.06	Svein Erik Dahl – Alan Scott
39	52.9	Vetle Skori – Vegard Gjelstad
40	52.83	Igor Kravchenko – Alexander Nekhoroshev
41	52.63	Robert Snapper – Bruno Bacanhim
42	52.33	José Macedo – João Machado
43	52.26	Jacek Pszczola – May Sakr
44	51.65	Vigfus Vigfusson – Johanna Gísladóttir
45	51.64	Sigurdur Ingvarsson – Bjarni Gudmundsson
46	51.16	Gisli Thorarinsson – Thordur Sigurdsson
47	50.64	Mike Reuser – Edie van Os
48	50.62	Solveig Bystrom – Nils Andersson
49	50.59	Ingeborg Slikker – Sharon Bong
50	50.55	Robert van den Bichelaer – Trudy van den Bichelaer
51	50.51	Szczepan Smoczynski – Lone Kiaer
52	50.3	Knut Kiste – Tomas Ruth

53	50.3	Karl Gretar Karlsson – Reynir Karlsson
54	49.95	Hege Marie Salseng – Frederic Wilt
55	49.88	Mark Thiele – Renee Verdegaal
56	49.88	Pedro Macedo – Bruno Macedo
57	49.78	Ibrahim Al-Qattan – Nabil Al-Hussini
58	49.18	Sigridur Fridriksdottir – Hanna S Fridriksdottir
59	49.15	Gummi Sigursteinsson – Jorunn Ingimundardottir
60	49.02	Rosemarie Roderburg – Sybil Müller-Maubach
61	48.92	René Stienen – Elly Schippers
62	48.63	Svein Markussen – Roenaug Asla
63	48.63	Johann Stefansson – Thorvaldur Palmason
64	48.57	Michael Pauly – Mirjam Abraham
65	48.05	Stefania Sigurbjörndottir – Maria Bender
66	48.05	Gitte Hecht-Johansen – Jeppe Juhl
67	47.99	Frank van Gool – Thijs Hoebe
68	47.68	Marianne Sery – Jürgen Rinderspacher
69	47.63	Isabel Sarmiento – Miguel Sarmiento
70	47.54	Luis M Jardim – Sebastião Gonçalves
71	47.46	Unnar Gudmundsson – Kristín Óskarsdóttir
72	47.12	Saud Altatan – Bader Alrefae
73	46.93	Pedro Morgado – Luís M Silva
74	46.93	Donna Wood – Angelika Darwazeh-Ruehl
75	46.88	Gareth Bartley – Jutta Bartley
76	46.8	Pieter van Engen – Virginie van Engen
77	46.78	Kristján Thorvaldsson – Árni Kristjánsson
78	46.69	Adalsteinn Jörgensen – Svala K Palsdottir
79	46.5	Roglyn Hinds – Yvonne Seale
80	46.31	Frederic Boldt – Berthold Engel
81	46.05	David Ludviksson – Emma Axelsdottir
82	45.96	Gunnlaugur Saevarsson – Valgard Blondal
83	44.44	Laura Woodruff – Shelley Shieff
84	44.43	Han Bégas – Lucia Grosmann
85	43.87	Alfried Bocker – Gabi Schneider
86	43.21	Camilla Flensted-Jensen – Knud Flensted-Jensen
87	43.06	Alexis Logothetis – Daniele Logothetis-Simon
88	42.51	Loes Janssen – Ronald Halkes
89	42.22	Abdulaziz Aldashti – Khalid Alobaidi
90	42.12	Floris Vlaanderen – Joana Gonçalves Bettencourt Ribeiro
91	41.78	Françoise Ingelbert – Michel Ingelbert
92	41.76	Dennis Stuurman – Joost Snoeck
93	41.66	Sveinn Símonarson – Ágústa Jónsdóttir
94	40.21	António Peixoto – Margarida Machado
95	40.09	Eduardo Fernandes – Frederico Teixeira
96	40.01	Magnus Olafsson – Reynir Vikar
97	39.93	Sunjita Doshi – Nita Wheeler
98	39.6	José A Fernandes – Norberto Fernandes
99	37.45	Ingibjorg Gudmundsdottir – Kristin Andrewsottir
100	37.02	Joy Seculer – Tony Seculer
101	36.74	Espen Haugstad – Hilde Vollan
102	35.15	Jade Barrett – Sam Mahmud
103	29.39	Vigdís Sigurjonsdottir – Elisabet Steinarsdottir
104	27.12	Lorette Scheiner – Paul Damon



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