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WINNERS: LITHUANIA



VYTAUTAS
VAINIKONIS



WOJTEK
OLAŃSKI



JONAS
DROBULIS



MAREK
WITEK



APOLINARY
KOWALSKI



JACEK
ROMAŃSKI



BOGUSŁAW
GIERULSKI



JERZY
RUSSYAN



2. USA LUSKY



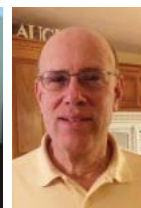
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LUSKY



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FALK



JEFF
AKER



FRANK
MERBLUM



BARRY
RIGAL



GLENN
MILGRIM



DOUG
DOUB



DREW
CASEN



JIM
KREKORIAN

(NOT PICTURED DOUG SIMSON)



3. POLAND MARKOWICZ



VICTOR
MARKOWICZ



KRZYSZTOF
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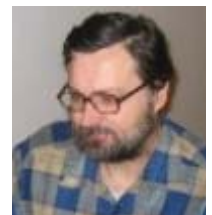
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Dear Friends

After three weeks the tournament is over. Competition had the spirit of fair play and friendly atmosphere. We congratulate the winners and thank all participants for their efforts.

We hope that you have enjoyed the tournament and in a year we will meet again in the third Transatlantic Seniors Cup for Julian Klukowski Trophy.

Organizers:
Canadian Bridge Federation
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Tournament Staff

TOP OF THE CUMULATED BUTLER

(qualification + 3rd place Swiss)

1.39/140	W.Fornasari	ARGENTINA
1.22/140	K.Feichtinger	AUSTRIA
1.22/140	F.Terraneo	AUSTRIA
1.18/140	C.Lucena	ARGENTINA
1.15/120	R.Cliffe	ENGLAND PRYOR
1.15/120	T.Ward	ENGLAND PRYOR
1.07/100	J.Romański	LITHUANIA
1.07/90	J-P.Lafourcade	BELGIUM
1.07/90	A.Moulart	BELGIUM
1.06/190	M.Kwiecień	POLAND MARKOWICZ
1.06/190	W.Starkowski	POLAND MARKOWICZ
0.90/130	K.Goulding	USA HOPKINS
0.90/130	B.Pettis	USA HOPKINS
0.90/110	J-M.Backes	BELGIUM
0.90/110	Z.Engel	BELGIUM
0.88/140	R.Franzel	AUSTRIA
0.85/140	B-E.Efraimsson	SWEDEN
0.85/130	A.Morath	SWEDEN
0.83/120	S.Terraneo	AUSTRIA

IRONMAN - PLAYERS WHO PLAYED MOST

By number of the boards played

300	S.Birins	LATVIA
300	B.Rubenis	LATVIA
292	A.Kowalski	LITHUANIA
290	M.A.Ince	TURKEY
290	N.Kokten	TURKEY
290	A.Filip	SLOVAKIA
290	K.Lohay	SLOVAKIA
290	M.Henc	SLOVAKIA
290	E.Velecky	SLOVAKIA

By percentage of the boards possible played

100	S.Birins	LATVIA
100	B.Rubenis	LATVIA
100	A.Filip	SLOVAKIA
100	K.Lohay	SLOVAKIA
100	M.Henc	SLOVAKIA
100	E.Velecky	SLOVAKIA
86	M.A.Ince	TURKEY
86	N.Kokten	TURKEY
85	A.Kowalski	LITHUANIA
85	M.Kwiecień	POLAND MARKOWICZ
85	W.Starkowski	POLAND MARKOWICZ



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A VIEW OF THE BRIDGE

Mark Horton

As I pen this lines we are coming to the end of a terrific tournament. The 36 teams have provided a wealth of entertainment and it is somehow fitting that once again the final involves the USA and Europe. Looking through the list of players I noted at least 50 that I have played against over the years and a fair number that have, on occasion, had the misfortune to sit opposite me. Although I am not directly involved in the organization of the event my long relationship with the Polish Bridge Federation tells me that everything will have proceeded smoothly and efficiently. Take my advice – if you have not already done so, make plans to attend the World Bridge Series in Wroclaw in August – you will not be disappointed.

I'll sign off with what might be termed *The Deal that Never Was*.

The Lost Chord

It is often the case that you spot a deal with some interesting possibilities that are not explored by the players. This was one such from this year's Transatlantic Seniors Cup.

Playing an International team event for Seniors I pick up the following collection:

Dealer West, EW Vul.

♠ A83 ♥ A1072 ♦ A6542 ♣ 10

When West passes my partner opens 1♣ and when I respond 1♦ he rebids 1♠. Although the values required for an opening bid have been eroded I still tend to follow the philosophy that with an opening bid opposite a hand that has opened it is your responsibility to make sure that a game is reached. Not wishing to employ what someone once referred to as 'the pitiful crutch' by bidding 2♥, I bid a somewhat undisciplined 3NT, abandoning any thoughts that 4♠ might be the best spot. That leaves us with this simplistic sequence:

W	N	E	S
pass	1♣	pass	1♦
pass	1♠	pass	3NT
all pass			

West appears to be in some difficulty with his opening lead, but eventually the ♣8 appears on the screen and dummy is revealed:

♠	KJ74
♥	Q95
♦	J9
♣	AJ42
N	
W	E
S	
♠	A83
♥	A1072
♦	A6542
♣	10

Players who lead a through a bid suit usually have either a very good holding or a shortage. When I play dummy's two East wins with the queen and after some thought switches to the ♦Q. I duck that and when West contributes the ♦8 East continues with the ♦3. I could duck that as well, but if, as I suspect West is able to win with the king another club will leave me badly placed. Taking the view that the diamonds are probably 4-2 I go up with the ace and am pleased to see West follow with the seven. Assuming I am right about the diamonds, even if the spades are good for four tricks it is clear I am going to need some tricks from the heart suit, so my next move is to play the ♥2. When West follows with the six I put in dummy's nine and East wins with the jack and returns the ♥4. Checking that Garozzo is not on my left I play the seven and win with dummy's queen as West follows with the ♥2. Marking time I play a heart to the ten and then cash the ♥A, West discarding the black fives while I throw a club from dummy. These cards remain:

♠	KJ74
♥	–
♦	–
♣	AJ
N	
W	E
S	
♠	A83
♥	–
♦	654
♣	–

The only thing I know for sure is that West started



with two hearts and East four. I am inclined to place West with four diamonds and East two. If West's opening lead is from a shortage he will have the spade length, and given that I most likely need the spade finesse I play a spade to the queen, West following with the six and East the two. With three certain winners left I am up to eight tricks, but I don't think the spades are breaking, so I need to find one more. Eventually light dawns and I exit with dummy's ♣J discarding a diamond from my hand as East wins with the king. West discards the ♦10 on this trick, but when East exits with a club and I pitch another diamond West, down to ♠Q109 ♦K finds himself awkwardly placed. Like the chess player faced with unavoidable mate he presses the concede button.

This was the full deal:

West/EW		♠ KJ74 ♥ Q95 ♦ J9 ♣ AJ42									
♠ Q10965 ♥ 63 ♦ K1087 ♣ 85	<table border="1"> <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		♠ 2 ♥ KJ84 ♦ Q3 ♣ KQ9763
	N										
W		E									
	S										
		♠ A83 ♥ A1072 ♦ A6542 ♣ 10									

Post mortem

There was nothing the defence could do if declarer took the right view of how the cards were distributed. However, we did not gain on the deal. In the replay, North opened 1NT and East overcalled 2♣ promising any single-suited hand. When South doubled for take-out North decided to pass and that cost -500 and we lost 3 IMPs.

BRIDGE ON THE TROUBLED WATERS

Marek Wójcicki

Flat hands are not too interesting. It is not limited to seniors play, as it is not the question of middle age crisis. What can bridge journalist write about the hand where at both table the same contracts were played, the same lead was made and after the same trick declarer claimed... Even bridge journalists are looking for the blood...

At first board there was no blood. It was a flat one, but we can call it „grandmaster's tie”.

Let's look at the problem. Sitting South (red vs. white) you have:

♠ 9 ♥ AKQJ1074 ♦ Q94 ♣ 82

Partner opens 1♦, RHO overcalls 1♠. What is your bid?

Many years ago you wouldn't have any problem. Strong jump shift 3♥ forced to the game and promised very good suit. Eventually one round forcing 2♥ was also the alternative.

But today? Some pairs play 3♥ as invitational, some as preemptive, 2♥ (at least at Polish style bidding) is a negative free bid – weak and not forcing. You could think about direct bid of 4♥ – but that hand looks to good to bid it. Thus, the only available option is double, which shows 4 or more (you really have more) hearts and 6 or more (you also have more of them) points...

After double LHO bids 3♠ (weak), partner follows with 4♣, RHO pass, and it is your turn again...

Is 4♥ enough? Partner's 4♣ does not promise much extras, only shapely hand. At the table South bid 4♥ and it was over:

W	N	E	S
	1♦	1♠	dbl.
3♠	4♣	pass	4♥
all pass			

This was full deal:

Final, 5/1 North/NS		♠ A107 ♥ 8 ♦ AKJ107 ♣ A763									
♠ Q652 ♥ 95 ♦ 865 ♣ QJ95	<table border="1"> <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		♠ KJ843 ♥ 632 ♦ 32 ♣ K104
	N										
W		E									
	S										
		♠ 9 ♥ AKQJ1074 ♦ Q94 ♣ 82									

Could North make one more move after 4♥?

Maybe, but South could easily have something like:

♠ x ♥ KQ10xxxx ♦ Qx ♣ KQx...

Could South bid 5♥ instead of 4♥? May be, but North could easily have something like

♠ Kx ♥ x ♦ KJ10xx ♣ KQJxx and so on...

If after 1♠ South could bid old fashioned strong jump shift of 3♥, and after 4♣ bids 4♥, then North surely should bid higher, probably directly through 4NT key cards ask.

As someone said, *bridge is the game of „ifs”*. If I bid this way... If partner has... Etc.

At the other table North - South had undisturbed run.

W	N	E	S
	1♦	pass	1♥
pass	2♣	pass	2♠*
pass	2NT	pass	3♥*
pass	3NT	pass	4♥
all pass			

2♠ – fourth suit forcing;

3♥ – forcing.

Here also strong jump shift 2♥ by South at first round of bidding, followed with 4♥ after 2NT or 3♣ rebid by opener would solve all problems (it would be clear that South has solid suit and not much more, so it could be enough, may be even a road to grand slam would be found), but today in most „natural” systems 2♥ would be a *Reverse Flannery* (4+♥-5♠, less than invitation).

Where was an error here?

In my opinion South showed something more interest in bidding than only a game with long hearts... He could bid the game directly after 2NT, but he preferred a slow way – it suggests some interest. As North promised nothing in hearts, with so many controls and diamonds as the potential source of tricks, he could make a move. I think the simplest way is 4NT. It cannot be natural, negative as it would be after 4 in a minor, when South promised solid hearts, so it should be RKCB. When the response is 5♠ – 2 key cards with the trump queen, no side kings, North should bid 5NT – „anything more?” Then South can show his queen by 6♦ bid and there is a chance, if North will trust in partner solid heart suit, to land in 7NT, at worst at 7♦.

Some grand slams were of course bid in the tournament.

QF, board 16/II West/EW	♠ AK5	N W S E	♠ Q763
	♥ KQ7		♥ 108
	♦ 9		♦ QJ53
	♣ J98742		♣ 1053
♠ J982		♠ 104	
♥ J543		♥ A962	
♦ K1062		♦ A874	
♣ 6		♣ AKQ	

It is the board from the POLAND MARKOWICZ - GERMANY 2 match.

German pair with North/South hands stopped at 6♣. At replay Michał Kwiecień and Włodek Starkowski got a reward for long hours spent at BBO Bidding Rooms:

W	N Kwieceń	E	S Starkowski
pass	2♣*	pass	2♦*
pass	2NT*	pass	3♦*
pass	3♥*	pass	3♠*
pass	4♥*	pass	4NT
pass	5♣*	pass	5♥*
pass	6NT*	pass	7♣
all pass			

2♣ – Precision, 11-15 HCP, 5+♣, if only 5 than obligatory 4 cards in major suit;

2♦ – relay;

2NT – no majors, 6+♣, maximum;

3♦ – relay;

3♥ – shortness in diamonds or no shortness;

3♠ – fixes clubs as the trumps and shows slam interest;

4♥ – singleton diamond (3NT would show no shortness), cue bid; denies good clubs (in that case 4♣) and diamond void (4♦);

4NT – RKCB;

5♣ – 1 or 4;

5♥ – asks for kings (5♦ would ask for ♣Q);

6NT – This bid was out of system – they use „colourful kings” convention – 5♠ would show no kings,

5NT – ♦K or both ♥♠, 6♣ – ♥K or both ♦♠, 6♦ – ♠K or both ♦♥. What higher bids are showing?

This is matter of partnership trust... Surely must be 2 kings, and something extra, but what? Is it simply



the queen? 6♠ should show ♠Q, so with heart king there is some space – 6♥ would show more in hearts – ♥KQJ and 6NT only the queen.

With those pieces of information, 7♣ was the obvious decision.

Even at championship level sometimes you have the problem of „he played that way because he knows that I know, etc.” How deeply should it be analyzed? Or should you always treat the opponent quite seriously?

After the bidding (love all):

W	N	E	S
3♠	pass	1♣*	3♣
4♦	pass	4♣	pass
	pass	6♠	all pass

North leads ♣5:

♠ QJ843	<table border="1"> <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		♠ A10965
		N									
W			E								
		S									
♥ 10632	♥ AK										
♦ KQ10	♦ J5										
♣ J		♣ AQ43									

You win with the ace (South plays ♣2). At trick 2 you play a diamond. Low from South, king from hand wins the trick. How will you continue?

South has the diamond ace. But your crucial problem is the trump king. With ten cards in combined hands, odds favor finesse, but the king is bare quite often.

Is this only the matter of the odds? Can simple logic help you?

♣5 was the singleton – it is obvious for each person at the table. If North has the spade king, South should win the diamond ace immediately and play a club, giving partner possibility to overruff.

Therefore, you should assume that South has the spade king and play the spades from the top.

This was the full deal:

Board 1 North/None	♠ K72 ♥ J975 ♦ 98632 ♣ 5										
♠ QJ843 ♥ 10632 ♦ KQ10 ♣ J	<table border="1"> <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		♠ A10965 ♥ AK ♦ J5 ♣ AQ43
		N									
W		E									
	S										
	♠ – ♥ Q84 ♦ A74 ♣ K1098762										

Anyway, declarer successfully finessed the trump king. As you could see, sometimes it is better to remember, that to err is human and even great champions make mistakes from time to time.

Piotr Bizoń of POLAND MARKOWICZ showed excellent defensive skills in a prestigious match against another Polish team. He was sitting West with:

♠ AQ6 ♥ QJ42 ♦ Q642 ♣ 93

and the bidding was:

W	N	E	S
	pass	pass	1♦*
pass	1♥	2♣	pass
pass	2♥	pass	3NT
all pass			

1♦ – usually 5+♦.

Piotr led ♣9:

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		N									
W		E									
	S										
♠ AQ6 ♥ QJ42 ♦ Q642 ♣ 93											

East won the jack with the ace and returned ♠7. Nine from hand, queen, five. Ace of spades – eight, three, jack from hand. Third spade – 10 of dummy wins (two, four).

Now declarer played a diamond – five, jack...

Bizoń won with the queen and returned a diamond. Declarer was locked in the hand and had to lose setting trick to East's ♣10, as the whole deal was:

Board 5 North/NS	♠ 1085 ♥ A109653 ♦ 873 ♣ J										
♠ AQ6 ♥ QJ42 ♦ Q642 ♣ 93	<table border="1"> <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		♠ 732 ♥ K87 ♦ 5 ♣ A107542
		N									
W		E									
	S										
	♠ KJ94 ♥ – ♦ AKJ109 ♣ KQ86										

As you could see at those examples, not all the hands of TSC were easy and pleasant, sometimes it was necessary to do some work...

THE LAST CASTLE

Mark Horton

After three weeks of play it had boiled down to this; 24 deals in which the protagonists had the opportunity to win the last battle and become champions. Whose castle would be reduced to rubble?

Board 1	♠ 63	
North/None	♥ K103	
	♦ AJ875	
	♣ AQ2	
♠ K9872	N	♠ AJ10
♥ 92	W	♥ AJ8764
♦ 964	E	♦ Q32
♣ K65	S	♣ 10
	♠ Q54	
	♥ Q5	
	♦ K10	
	♣ J98743	

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Casen	Russyan	Krekorian	Gierulski
	1♦	1♥	2♣*
dbl.*	rdbl.	2♥	3♣
pass	pass	dbl.	all pass

2♣ - 'not forcing'
dbl. - 'usually 2♥ + 5♠'

West led the ♥9 and East took the ace and now does best to switch to spades - three rounds of the suit securing a trick for West's ♣K and limiting the damage. Naturally East tried to beat the contract and returned the ♥J. Declarer won with the queen and ran the ♣J, pinning East's ten. Declarer drew trumps via the marked finesse, pitched a spade on the ♥K and took his top tricks, +570.

No doubt you can see how declarer might have scored a couple of extra overtricks once East had returned a heart.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Olański	Simson	Vainikonis	Aker
	1NT*	2♦*	2NT*
pass	3♣	3♥	all pass

1NT - 14-16

2♦ - One major

2NT - Puppet to 3♣, usually weak or strong ♣

South led the ♦K and continued with the ten, North taking the ace and returning the seven. South ruffed and switched to the ♣J. It was not easy for North to find the strongest defence of overtaking with the queen and playing a fourth diamond and when the jack held South switched to the ♠5. Declarer won with the jack, cashed the ♥A, crossed to dummy with the ♠K and played a heart for one down, -50 but an 11 IMP gain, wiping out Lithuania's deficit and handing them a 2 IMP lead.

On Board 5 EW held

♠ AJ104 ♥ 4 ♦ K85 ♣ K10754 facing

♠ K8632 ♥ 632 ♦ AQ97 ♣ 8

and on the layout could easily make 4♠.

However, South opened 1♦ at one table and 2♣ at the other (on ♠ 7 ♥ AK98 ♦ 1062 ♣ AQJ93) and EW could not find a way into the auction, NS playing in 4♥ at both tables. A couple of extra undertricks gave Lithuania 5 IMPs.

Board 6	♠ 10	
East/EW	♥ AKQ642	
	♦ Q	
	♣ KQ1082	
♠ 843	N	♠ Q652
♥ J9753	W	♥ 10
♦ A76	E	♦ K98532
♣ 64	S	♣ 73
	♠ AKJ97	
	♥ 8	
	♦ J104	
	♣ AJ95	

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Casen	Russyan	Krekorian	Gierulski
		2♦*	2♠
3♦	4♥	all pass	

2♦ - weak two

East led the ♦8 and West won and returned the seven, declarer ruffing and cashing the ♥AK. When East discarded declarer took the ♥Q and



then played on clubs. West could only score two heart tricks, +420.

Suppose North bids only 3♥? Would you as South then bid 4♣? On the other hand if North doubles 3♦ then South will surely bid 4♣ and now a slam can be envisaged.

Closed Room

W Olański	N Simson	E Vainikonis	S Aker
		pass	1♠
pass	2♥	pass	2NT*
pass	3♣	pass	4♣
pass	4♦*	pass	4NT*
pass	6♣	all pass	

2NT - 'Could be off-shape'

4♦ - RKCB

4NT - 2 key cards, no ♣Q

There was nothing to the play, declarer ruffing a couple of hearts for +920 and 11 IMPs.

Board 10 East/All	♠ 854 ♥ K8 ♦ KQ432 ♣ K106										
♠ A107 ♥ AJ9 ♦ A985 ♣ J72	<table border="1"> <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		♠ QJ ♥ Q65432 ♦ 106 ♣ A84
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ K9632 ♥ 107 ♦ J7 ♣ Q953										

Open Room

W Casen	N Russyan	E Krekorian	S Gierulski
		pas	pas
1♦	pass	1♥	pass
1NT	pass	2♥	all pass

South led the ♦J and declarer took dummy's ace and played two rounds of hearts, North winning, cashing the ♦Q and switching to the ♣6. Declarer ducked, won the next club with the ace and took the spade finesse, +170.

Closed Room

W Olański	N Simson	E Vainikonis	S Aker
		pas	pas
1♣*	1♦*	dbl.	pass
1♥	pass	4♥	all pass

1♣ - 2+♣

Dble - Hearts

1♥ - 3♥

Once West freely supported hearts East applied Meckstroth's Law and jumped to game. North led the ♦Q and when declarer ducked he switched to the spade eight for the jack, king and ace. Declarer unblocked dummy's ♠Q, came to hand with the ♥A and played the ♥9. North won and played a diamond, but declarer won with the ace, pitched a club on the ♠10 and then took the ruffing finesse in diamonds for +650 and 10 IMPs.

Board 11 South/None	♠ 108 ♥ 872 ♦ AK4 ♣ AQ1098										
♠ KJ96 ♥ K965 ♦ 82 ♣ KJ4	<table border="1"> <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		♠ Q75432 ♥ J3 ♦ Q76 ♣ 32
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ A ♥ AQ104 ♦ J10953 ♣ 765										

Open Room

W Casen	N Russyan	E Krekorian	S Gierulski
			1♦
dbl.	rdbl.	3♠	pass
pass	dbl.	pass	4♥
all pass			

West led the ♠K and declarer won, played the ♦J to dummy's ace and a heart to the ten. When that held he played a club to the nine and a second heart, taking East's jack with the ace and playing a club for the king and ace. He continued playing clubs and the defenders could only score two hearts and a diamond at the end for +420.

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Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Olański	Simson	Vainikonis	Aker
			1♦*
pass	2♣*	pass	3♣*
pass	3♦*	pass	3♥*
pass	4♣	pass	4♥*
pass	4♠*	pass	5♦*
pass	6♣	all pass	

1♦ - 2+♦

2♣ - Forcing for one round

3♣ - 4/1 majors either way, 5♦, 3♣

3♦ - Ask

3♥ - 1435

4♥ - Control

4♠ - RKCB

5♦ - 2 key cards, no Q

Played by South, 6♣ can be made, but with North as declarer was dealt a mortal blow when East found his Achilles heel and led the ♥3. The queen lost to the king and in the fulness of time the last trick was taken by West's ♥9, -50 and another 10 IMP swing.

Board 12	♠ AQ5										
West/NS	♥ KJ982										
	♦ K6										
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♥ A4	♥ Q										
♦ J109	♦ 872										
♣ Q1065	♣ AK9842										
	♠ 743										
	♥ 107653										
	♦ AQ543										
	♣ -										

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Casen	Russyan	Krekorian	Gierulski
pass	1♥	2♣	4♣*
5♣	pass	pass	5♥
all pass			

4♣ - Splinter

East led the ♣K and declarer ruffed in dummy and played a heart, West taking the ace and switching to the ♠J. Declarer took the ace, cashed the ♥K and then played diamonds, +680.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Olański	Simson	Vainikonis	Aker
	1NT	3♣	all pass

Obviously South would be stretching by doubling opposite a 14-16 INT but the shape is good. 3♣ was unbeatable, +110 and 13 IMPs.

Lithuania had amassed 38 IMPs over the last five deals of the set to win it 61-12 and move ahead by 40 IMPs, 110-70.

Board 2	♠ J987										
East/NS	♥ A743										
	♦ 95										
	♣ Q75										
♠ K2	<table border="1"> <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		♠ A63
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W			E								
		S									
♥ 652	♥ KJ8										
♦ KQJ	♦ A8742										
♣ K10842	♣ 96										
	♠ Q1054										
	♥ Q109										
	♦ 1063										
	♣ AJ3										

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Doub	Russyan	Merblum	Gierulski
		1NT*	pass
3NT	all pass		

1NT - 12-14

South led the ♠4 and declarer won with dummy's king and played a heart to the jack, South winning with the queen and returning the ♠10. Declarer took North's jack and cashed five diamonds, but South took the next trick with the ♣A and the defenders cashed two spades and a heart for -50.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Kowalski	Casen	Romański	Krekorian
		1♦	pass
2♣	pass	2♦	pass
2♠	pass	3NT	all pass

2♠ - 'Values'

When South led the ♥10 North took the ace and returned the three, South taking declarer's jack with the queen and exiting with the nine. Declarer won, played



a club to the king and shortly afterwards claimed his contract, +400 and 10 IMPs.

Board 3	♠ 6	
South/EW	♥ K854	
	♦ AK1043	
	♣ KQ9	
♠ K9873		♠ AQ54
♥ Q632		♥ -
♦ 752		♦ QJ98
♣ A		♣ J10742
	♠ J102	
	♥ AJ1097	
	♦ 6	
	♣ 8653	

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Doub	Russyan	Merblum	Gierulski
			pass
pass	1♦	pass	1♥
pass	3♥	pass	4♥
all pass			

West led the ♠3 and East won with the ace and switched to the ♦Q, declarer winning with the king, playing a heart to the ace followed by a club when East pitched the ♣2. West won and exited with a diamond and declarer ruffed and played a club. West ruffed and exited with the ♠K but declarer ruffed in dummy, ruffed a diamond with the ♥J and ran the ♥10. He could draw the outstanding trump and claim, +420.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Kowalski	Casen	Romański	Krekorian
			2♥
pass	4♥	dbl.	pass
4♠	5♥	pass	pass
dbl.	all pass		

East's perfect shape double struck gold, as 4♠ would not have been defeated.

West led the ♣A and switched to the ♠3, East winning with the ace and returning the ♣2 for a rapid one down, -100 and another 11 IMPs, stretching the lead to 61 IMPs.

Board 4	♠ 103	
West/All	♥ J7	
	♦ K105432	
	♣ Q72	
♠ 92		♠ AKQ76
♥ 1062		♥ K985
♦ AJ8		♦ 96
♣ AKJ53		♣ 84
	♠ J854	
	♥ AQ43	
	♦ Q7	
	♣ 1096	

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Doub	Russyan	Merblum	Gierulski
1NT*	pass	2♣	pass
2♦	pass	3♠*	pass
3NT	all pass		

1NT - 12-14

3♠ - 5♠, 4♥

North led the ♥J and the trick was completed by the king, ace and two. It was virtually impossible for South to find the only winning move at this point, which is to switch to the ♦Q and he returned the ♥3. Declarer won with the ten and played a back a heart, South taking the queen and switching to the ♦Q. It was a case of 'too late the hero' as declarer could win with the ace, cross to dummy with a spade and play a club to the jack. When North won and returned the ♣7 declarer emerged with an overtrick, +630.

My au pair suggested that North should have doubled 2♦ - 'it would have reminded him to lead one'.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Kowalski	Casen	Romański	Krekorian
1♣*	pass	1♠	pass
1NT	pass	2♦*	pass
2NT	pass	3NT	all pass

1♣ - Polish

1NT - 12-14, balanced

2♦ - Game forcing, artificial

North led the ♦4 and declarer took South's queen with the ace, went to dummy with a spade and played a club for the six, jack and queen. The ♥J was covered by the king an ace and when South



produced a second diamond the contract was four down, -400 and 14 IMPs were recovered.

Board 6 East/EW	♠ AQ865	N W E S	♠ KJ9
	♥ 86		♥ AQ7
	♦ 5		♦ Q962
	♣ KJ983		♣ Q74
♠ 102		♠ 743	
♥ KJ109542		♥ 3	
♦ AKJ8		♦ 10743	
♣ -		♣ A10652	

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Doub	Russyan	Merblum	Gierulski
		1NT*	pass
4♦*	pass	4♥	pass
pass	4♠	dbl.	all pass

1NT - 12-14

4♦ - hearts

Don't you just love North's 4♠. Although it gave EW a chance to find the laydown slam it was one they were never going to take. East led the ♥A and when West followed with the two it would not have been ridiculous to switch to a club. However, East went with the ♦2 and West took the king and continued with the ace. Declarer ruffed and played the ♠6. East with the nine and played a third diamond, declarer ruffing and no doubt fearing the trumps might be 4-1, played the ♣K, West finally securing at least one club ruff for -300.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Kowalski	Casen	Romański	Krekorian
		1♣*	pass
1♥	1♠	dbl.*	2♠
4♣*	pass	5♣	pass
5♥	all pass		

1♣ - Polish

dbl. - 3♥

4♣ - Short

5♣ was not alerted. Had West bid 5♦ over it would East have regarded his ♠K and excellent trumps enough to bid a slam?

North led the ♠A and declarer claimed, +680 and 9 IMPs.

Board 6 East/EW	♠ AK8653	N W E S	♠ 74
	♥ 7		♥ KJ653
	♦ 5		♦ 8763
	♣ KQ1062		♣ 87
♠ Q92		♠ J10	
♥ A94		♥ Q1082	
♦ Q942		♦ AKJ10	
♣ 953		♣ AJ4	

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Doub	Russyan	Merblum	Gierulski
	1♠	pass	2♣*
pass	4♦*	pass	4♠
all pass			

2♣ - game forcing, natural ora balanced hand

4♦ - Splinter

East led the ♥3 and West took the ace and continued with the four, declarer ruffing, crossing to dummy with the ♦A and running the ♠10. He claimed 12 tricks after a second round of spades, +480.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Kowalski	Casen	Romański	Krekorian
	1♠	pass	2♦
pass	3♣	pass	3NT
pass	4♠	pass	5NT
pass	6♣	all pass	

5NT - Pick a slam

East led the ♥5 and West won and returned the nine, declarer ruffing, cashing the ♠A, crossing to dummy with the ♣A and advancing the ♠J. When West followed with the nine declarer took the king, and played a spade, claiming when East ruffed in with the ♣8.

+920 was worth 10 IMPs, but Lithuania took the session 38-29 and the match 148-99. They were the new holders of the Julian Klukowski Memorial Trophy!



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HOW TO OPEN OR DOWNLOAD BBO FILE OF THE MATCH

In 2021 BBO files of the matches were easily accessible directly from the website of the tournament. Now BBO works only through browsers, not in the client/server mode and it is slightly more difficult.

We received some questions from tournament participants how they could find BBO files (*.lin) of the matches. It is possible, I dare say even quite simple. Here is step by step instruction:

1. Website of the tournament
<https://r.pzbs.pl/2022/tsc/web/> should be entered.
2. „RESULTS” tab should be clicked
<https://r.pzbs.pl/2022/tsc/0/>
3. „ROUNDS RESULTS” should be chosen:
<https://r.pzbs.pl/2022/tsc/0/#0000000001001002000000000>
4. Round number should be clicked.
5. Appropriate match should be chosen and scores of the second part should be clicked:

7. Then you will be able to see match scorecard with link to each board at each table

#	Our table	Score (MPs)	Their table		
	sterraneo doron W N E ymintz S dr_crazy	Wyciek Download Boards	NG77 wuzis W N E hrgruomm S kalish		
1	6SE-1	50	11	4SE-1	-450
2	3NE-1	50	—	3NW-1	50
3	3NN+3	490	1	3NN+2	460
4	2SE+2	-170	—	2SE+2	-170
5	4DN=	130	—	5DN=	600
6	6HN=	980	—	6NS=	990
7	2SW+1	-140	10	3NW=	-600
8	2SS+1	140	7	1NW+2	-150
9	3HN+1	170	—	4HN=	420
10	6GE+1	-1390	—	6GE=	-1370
11	4SN-1	-50	—	4SN-1	-50
12	2SS-1	-100	—	2SN=	110
13	2HN-1	-100	—	2HN-1	-100
14	4SN+1	450	1	4SN=	420
15	3NW+2	-460	—	3NW=	-400
16	3DE=	-110	1	3DE+1	-350
17	4SS+2	480	2	3NN=	400
18	4HN+2	680	—	4HN+2	680
19	4HN-1	-50	—	1NN+2	150
20	PASS	0	—	PASS	0
Total		33	29		

8. You can download the lin file by clicking on the download link, open on your computer with BBO Viewer NetBridgeVue or Bridge Composer:

Table	seg. 1	seg. 2	Sum	Result	I	Place
1	AUSTRIA (28)	29	12	33	11.08	31.08
2	ISRAEL (24)	17	12	29	8.82	28.49
3	LITHUANIA (22)	12	0	12	10	29.33
4	LATVIA (26)	3	9	12	10	29.25
5	SCOTLAND WHITE (12)	12	2	14	3.2	22.02
6	POLAND AMBER BALTIC (16)	27	21	48	16.8	35.43

6. Link below scoresheet should be clicked:

Con	Dec	Tricks	Score		Board	C
			NS	EW		
4♣	N	-1		50	11	4
2♣	S	-1		100	12	2
2♥	N	-1		100	13	2
4♣	N	+1	450		14	4
3NT	W	+2		460	15	3
3♦	E	=		110	16	3
4♣	S	-2	480		17	3
4♥	N	+2	680		18	4
4♥	N	-1		50	19	1
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Segment results imported from: <https://webutil.bridgebase.com/v2/tview.php?t=10640-1643137298&u=sterraneo>

10640-1643137298 - Team Match

Team1 42				Team2 20			
Open room		Closed room		N: NG77		S: kalish	
N: sterraneo	E: ymintz	W: doron	E: hrgruomm	N: wuzis	S: kalish		
1	50	6A-1	4A+1	450		11	
2	50	3NT-1	3NT-1		50	1	--
3	490				460	1	--
4	2A+2	170	2A+2	170	5	600	--
5	130				990	10	--
6	980					7	--
7	2A+1	140	3NT=	600		7	--
8	2A+1	140	1NT+2	150		7	--
9	3V+1	170			4	420	6
10	5A=	1370	6A+1	1390		1	--
11	4A-1	50	4A-1	50		4A-1	--
12	2A=	110	100	2A-1		5	--
13	2V-1	100	100	2V-1		2V-1	--
14	4A=	420	4A+1	450		4	--

and replay each hand bid by bid, trick by trick:

