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PLAY OFF

FINAL

AUSTRIA - POLAND 1

Wednesday: Session 1 8 pm
Session 2 9.30 pm

SEMIFINALS RESULTS

AUSTRIA - BELGIUM 109.1-67 (22-16,19-19,54-19,14-13)
POLAND 1 - POLAND BOCHEŃSKI 120.1-67 (29-24,42-9,24-19,25-15)

3rd PLACE SWISS

DRAW TO THE ROUND 5

LITHUANIA - POLAND BOCHEŃSKI
GERMANY 1 - CANADA WEST+1
BELGIUM - ENGLAND PENFOLD
SWEDEN - ENGLAND PRYOR
CANADA MURRAY - POLAND 2
POLAND PKB - POLAND ANDRZEJKI
SOUTH AFRICA - NETHERLANDS
USA LUSKY - SCOTLAND BLUE
SCOTLAND WHITE - SWISS CHEESE
THE DUTCH MASTERS - LATVIA
ISRAEL - USA REYNOLDS
SLOVAKIA - HUNGARY
ROMANIA BUCHAREST - BYE

RANKING AFTER ROUND 4

1. LITHUANIA	93.34
2. GERMANY 1	90.84
3. CANADA WEST+1	90.03
4. ENGLAND PENFOLD	89.25
5. SWEDEN	87.23
6. ENGLAND PRYOR	86.60
7. CANADA MURRAY	85.69
8. POLAND 2	84.55
9. POLAND PKB	80.39
10. POLAND ANDRZEJKI	68.51
11. SOUTH AFRICA	79.19
12. NETHERLANDS	78.33
13. USA LUSKY	77.45
14. SCOTLAND BLUE	76.29
SCOTLAND WHITE	76.29
16. SWISS CHEESE	72.84
17. THE DUTCH MASTERS	72.26
18. ISRAEL	69.96
19. LATVIA	66.74
20. SLOVAKIA	66.33
21. USA REYNOLDS	62.26
22. HUNGARY	60.69
23. ROMANIA BUCHAREST	59.47

Semifinal losers start with 90.43 VP

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3rd PLACE SWISS

RESULTS OF ROUND 4

SWEDEN - LITHUANIA	5.80-14.20
ENGLAND PRYOR - CANADA WEST+1	7.70-12.30
USA LUSKY - GERMANY 1	1.99-18.01
SOUTH AFRICA - POLAND 2	7.24-12.76
ENGLAND PENF. - SWISS CHEESE	17.68-2.32
NETHERLANDS - POLAND ANDRZ.	8.41-11.59
SCOTLAND WHITE - POLAND PKB	7.93-12.07
CANADA MURRAY - SLOVAKIA	17.44-2.56
THE DUTCH MASTERS - ISRAEL	11.08-8.92
SCOTLAND BLUE - ROMANIA BUCH.	15.28-4.72
USA REYNOLDS - HUNGARY	2.10-17.90
LATVIA - BYE	

IMPORTANT LINKS

Website of the TSC:

<https://r.pzbs.pl/2023/tsc/web/>

Convention Cards:

<https://r.pzbs.pl/2023/tsc/web/coc.php>

Schedule:

<https://r.pzbs.pl/2023/tsc/web/schedule.php>

Line up:

<http://rr.pzbs.pl/event/10>

TOURNAMENT CALENDAR (all times are p.m.)

Wed. 8 Feb. 8.00 CET Final 1st half (2x10 bds.)
8.00 CET Bronze-medal Swiss #5 (20 bds.)

Thu. 9 Feb. 8.00 CET Final 2nd half (2x10 bds.)
8.00 CET Bronze-medal Swiss #6 (20 bds.)

TOP OF THE OVERALL BUTLER CLASSIFICATION

A.AA/BB: A.AA = overall average Butler score of TSC, BB = number of boards played in 3rd Place Swiss

1.68/40 Ch.Schwerdt	GERMANY 1
1.49/40 D.Laidig	GERMANY 1
1.23/40 I.Findlay	CANADA MURRAY
1.00/20 R.Lebi	CANADA MURRAY
1.00/20 G.Mittelman	CANADA MURRAY
0.99/40 W.Olański	LITHUANIA
0.98/40 P.Klimowicz	CANADA WEST+1
0.98/40 D.Jacob	CANADA WEST+1
0.92/40 V.Vainikonis	LITHUANIA
0.83/20 B.Olofsson	SWEDEN
0.83/20 U.Finnson	SWEDEN
0.79/40 R.Chamberlain	ENGLAND PRYOR
0.79/40 P.Shields	ENGLAND PRYOR
0.74/40 A.Kowalski	LITHUANIA
0.70/40 D.Minwalla	SOUTH AFRICA
0.65/40 J.Romański	LITHUANIA
0.63/40 M.Axdorph	SWEDEN
0.63/40 B-E.Efrainsson	SWEDEN
0.61/40 B.Shenkin	SCOTLAND BLUE
0.61/40 B.Spears	SCOTLAND BLUE
0.60/20 J.Hay	SCOTLAND WH.

0.60/20 D.Peden	SCOTLAND WH.
0.59/20 S.Jakab	HUNGARY
0.56/40 C.Gower	SOUTH AFRICA
0.50/20 H.Klumpf	GERMANY 1
0.50/20 R.Marsal	GERMANY 1
0.46/40 J.Lesniczak	POLAND PKB
0.46/40 Z.Świątek	POLAND PKB
0.45/40 G.Campbell	CANADA WEST+1
0.45/40 A.Simon	CANADA WEST+1
0.45/20 PG.Eliasson	SWEDEN
0.45/20 G.Elmroth	SWEDEN
0.43/40 C.Ferguson	SCOTLAND WH.
0.43/40 B.McKinnon	SCOTLAND WH.
0.40/40 S.Janik	POLAND PKB
0.40/20 B.Pincus	ISRAEL
0.36/20 E.Orenstein	ISRAEL
0.36/20 D.Yadlin	ISRAEL
0.35/20 A.Fronczak	POLAND ANDRZ.
0.33/20 J.Latinov	SWISS CHEESE
0.32/60 P.Chindelewicz	POLAND 2
0.32/60 A.Kasprzak	POLAND 2
0.31/20 B.Baran	CANADA MURRAY
0.31/20 P.Daigneault	CANADA MURRAY

Halcyon Days

Mark Horton

I was struggling to find a title for my report on the first day of the semifinals when, while listening to the news about the dreadful earthquakes in Türkiye, the announcer used the phrase, halcyon days. As I prepared to open the BBO files I wondered if they would reveal a calm, peaceful set of deals, or something more demanding.

Austria and Poland I enjoyed the advantage of a 0.1 carryover.

Board 1	♠ A854	
North/None	♥ J103	
	♦ Q4	
	♣ AQ63	
♠ 972	W	♠ KQ1063
♥ AK9	N	♥ 765
♦ K8532	E	♦ J
♣ 42	S	♣ K875
	♠ J	
	♥ Q842	
	♦ A10976	
	♣ J109	

Austria v Belgium

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Bigdeli	Feichtinger	Coenraets	Terraneo
	1♠	pass	1NT
all pass			

North's Blue Club 1♠ picked off the opponent's fit.

West led the ♦3 and declarer put up dummy's queen, collecting a bonus with the appearance of East's jack. With open cards one can see the advantage of continuing with a low club at this point, but declarer made the natural looking play of the ♥J, West winning and returning the ♦2. That sealed the defenders fate, as declarer won with the six and ran the ♣J. East won and switched to the ♠K, but it was too late. Declarer took the third round with dummy's ace, cashed his club winners and then played on hearts for eight tricks, +120.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Franzel	Kaplan	S.Terraneo	Polet
	1♣	1♠	dbld*
2♦	pass	2♠	pass
3♠	all pass		

South led the ♣J and declarer won with the king and played the ♦J, South taking the ace and returning the ten to dummy's king, declarer pitching the ♥5 and then ducking a club. North won with the queen and switched to the ♥J, declarer taking three rounds of the suit, ruffing, a club, overruffing a diamond and playing another club. South ruffed in with the ♠J, but declarer's ♠KQ10 were good for two tricks, +140.

To defeat 3♠ the defenders need to get in two rounds of trumps which means South must either lead one on the go, or start with a heart. If declarer wins that in dummy and plays a club North withholds the ace and declarer wins and plays a diamond, but South can take the ace and switch to a spade.

You might ask why switching to a spade would not work as the play went?

The answer is that declarer will win the second spade and exit with a club. North wins to play a third spade, but declarer plays another club which South has to win. Now North gets squeezed in the four-card ending:

	♠ 8	
	♥ J10	
	♦ —	
	♣ A	
♠ —	W	♠ K6
♥ A9	N	♥ 7
♦ 85	E	♦ —
♣ —	S	♣ 8
	♠ —	
	♥ Q	
	♦ 1097	
	♣	

When declarer plays a diamond from dummy the best North can do is ruff, but declarer overruffs and plays the ♠6 pitching a diamond, which finishes North off.

Poland I v Poland Bocheński

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Miłaszewski	Starkowski	Szenberg	Kwiecień
	1♣	1♠	dbler*
2NT*	pass	3♠	all pass

2NT Invitational, fit

South led the ♣J and declarer won with the king and returned the ♣7. North won and exited with the ♠4, declarer winning with the king, ruffing a club and playing a diamond. North went up with the queen and could have ensured the demise of the contract by playing two rounds of spades. However, he exited with the ♠5 and declarer won with dummy's nine and can now get home by ruffing a diamond, crossing to dummy with a heart and playing a diamond. If North discards declarer ruffs, goes to dummy with a heart and can score the ♠K en passant.

When declarer missed this possibility, cashing dummy's top hearts before ruffing a diamond he had only eight tricks, -50.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Bizoń	Miszewska	Blat	Zawiślak
	1♣	1♠	dbler*
2♥*	pass	2♠	2NT*
pass	3♣	pass	3♦
all pass			

2♥ Good raise

2NT Lebensohl

West led the ♠7 and declarer won with dummy's ace and played the ♥J, West winning with the king and returning the ♠9. Declarer ruffed and played a heart to the ten and a third heart, West winning and exiting with the ♣2. East took the king and played the ♦J and when declarer followed with the seven West won and played a second round, ensuring two down, -100 and 4 IMPs.

Board 4 West/All	♠ J1095	
	♥ J	
	♦ 9843	
	♣ J1063	
♠ A	N W E S	♠ K83
♥ 1053		♥ A9762
♦ KQ1072		♦ AJ
♣ A854		♣ K72
		♠ Q7642
		♥ KQ84
		♦ 65
		♣ Q9

Poland I v Poland Bocheński

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Miłaszewski	Starkowski	Szenberg	Kwiecień
1♦	pass	1♥	pass
2♣	pass	2♠	pass
3♥	pass	4♥	all pass

South led the ♣Q and declarer won with the king and played the ♥2. South went up with the king, collecting partner's jack and returned the ♣9, declarer taking dummy's ace, playing a heart to the ace and a third heart. South won and switched to the ♠2 but declarer could win in dummy, come to hand with the ♦A and draw the outstanding trump for +650.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Bizoń	Miszewska	Blat	Zawiślak
1♦	pass	1♥	pass
2♦*	pass	2♠*	pass
3♣	pass	3♥	pass
3♠*	pass	4♣*	pass
4NT*	pass	5♥*	all pass

2♦ 3♥

2♠ Game forcing

3♠ Cue

4♣ Cue

4NT RKCB

5♥ 2 keycards

South found the best lead, starting with the ♠4 and having won perforce with dummy's ace declarer played a heart to the ace and a heart, South winning

as North discarded the ♠J. The spade continuation forced declarer to win with the king and play on diamonds, but South could ruff the third round for one down, -100 and 13 IMPs.

Board 8 West/None	♠ A8 ♥ KQ963 ♦ AK1064 ♣ Q										
♠ J743 ♥ J ♦ 953 ♣ KJ1032	<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		♠ K109 ♥ 754 ♦ J72 ♣ 9864
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ Q652 ♥ A1082 ♦ Q8 ♣ A75										

Austria v Belgium

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Bigdeli	Feichtinger	Coenraets	Terraneo
pass	1♣*	pass	1NT*
pass	2♥	pass	3♥*
pass	6♥	all pass	

1♣ 16+

1NT 4 controls

3♥ Better than 4♥

East led the ♥4 and declarer won in hand, drew trumps, played a diamond to the queen and a diamond to the ten, East winning a trick for the defence, +980.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Franzel	Kaplan	S.Terraneo	Polet
pass	1♥	pass	2NT*
pass	3♠*	pass	4♣*
dbld	4♦	pass	4♥
pass	4NT*	pass	5♥*
pass	6♦*	pass	7♥
all pass			

2NT Fit, 4♥ at least invitational

3♠ 18/19

4♣ Cue

4♦ Cue

4NT RKCB

5♥ 2 keycards

6♦ Grand slam try, looking for third round diamond control

With the diamonds delivering 5 tricks (a 51.67% chance) declarer was soon home, +1510 and 11 IMPs.

Poland I v Poland Bocheński

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Miłaszewski	Starkowski	Szenberg	Kwiecień
pass	1♣*	pass	1♥
pass	2♦*	pass	2NT*
pass	4♣*	pass	5♣*
pass	5♦*	pass	5♥
pass	6♥	all pass	

1♣ Polish Club

2♦ 18+, asking

2NT 11+, 4♥

4♣ Splinter, 18-19

5♣ Cue

5♦ Cue

Declarer took a second-round diamond finesse for +980.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Bizoń	Miszewska	Blat	Zawiślak
pass	1♣	pass	1♥
pass	2♦*	pass	2♥*
pass	2♠*	pass	2NT*
pass	3♥	pass	3NT*
pass	4♣*	pass	5♣*
pass	6♥	all pass	

2♦ 18+, asking

2♥ 10+

2♠ Asking

2NT 4♥

1 imaging 3♥ was asking, with 3NT denying something (maybe a shortage?).

Here West led the $\diamond 5$ so declarer soon had all the tricks and an IMP.

Board 9 North/EW	♠ J1093 ♥ 842 ♦ Q102 ♣ 743	
♠ AQ52 ♥ 1095 ♦ J87 ♣ Q62	N W E S	♠ K ♥ KQJ76 ♦ AK ♣ AJ1098
	♠ 8764 ♥ A3 ♦ 96543 ♣ K5	

Austria v Belgium

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Bigdeli	Feichtinger	Coenraets	Terraneo
	pass	1♥	pass
2♣*	pass	3♣	pass
3♥	pass	3♠*	pass
4♥	pass	4NT*	pass
5♦*	pass	6♥	all pass

2♣ Fit, 9-11 or natural, FI

3♠ Cue

4NT RKCB

5♦ I keycard

With the ♣K offside (no VAR required) declarer had to lose two tricks, -100.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Franzel	Kaplan	S.Terraneo	Polet
	pass	1♣*	pass
1♥*	pass	2♥	pass
2NT	pass	3♣	pass
3♥	pass	4♥	all pass

1♣ Strong

1♥ 7+, not 3 controls

That was +650 and 13 IMPs, Austria edging the set 22-16.

Poland I v Poland Bocheński

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Miłaszewski	Starkowski	Szenberg	Kwiecień
	pass	2♣*	pass
2♦*	pass	2♥	pass
3♥	pass	3♠	pass
4♠	pass	4NT*	pass
5♦*	pass	6♥	all pass

2♣ Game forcing

2♦ Denies 3 controls

4NT RKCB

5♦ I keycard

South cashed the ♥A and waited for the ♣K to score the setting trick, -100.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Bizoń	Miszewska	Blat	Zawiślak
	pass	1♣*	pass
1♠	pass	2♥	pass
4♥	all pass		

1♣ Polish Club

That meant a swing of 13 IMPs, enough to give Poland I the set, 29-24.

Board 4 West/All	♠ AQJ10532 ♥ Q8 ♦ 83 ♣ 94	
♠ 87 ♥ A5 ♦ AJ92 ♣ AQ1085	N W E S	♠ 9 ♥ 10973 ♦ KQ65 ♣ K632
	♠ K64 ♥ KJ642 ♦ 1074 ♣ J7	

Austria v Belgium

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Bigdeli	Feichtinger	Coenraets	Terraneo
1NT	2♦*	dble*	4♥*
pass	4♠	pass	pass
dble	all pass		

2♦ One major

Dble Stayman

4♥ Pass or correct

Declarer had five top losers and the defenders had no trouble collecting them, two down, -500.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Franzel	Kaplan	S.Terraneo	Polet
1♦*	3♠	dble	pass
4♣	all pass		

1♦ 11-16, 2+♦

When East was unwilling to raise it meant the loss of 8 IMPs.

Poland I v Poland Bocheński

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Pikus	Bizoń	Cichocki	Blat
1NT	2♦*	dble	2♥*
pass	2♠	pass	pass
3♣	all pass		

2♦ 6♥/♠

2♥ Pass or correct

Do you think East should raise to 4♣ (or try 3♠)? It was a rapid +150.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Markowicz	Bocheński	Moszczyński	Kozyczkowski
1♣*	3♠	all pass	

1♣ Polish Club

East led the ♥9 and West took dummy's king with the ace and returned the ♦2, East winning with the queen and playing a second heart. Declarer would win, draw trumps, cash the ♥J for one discard and establish a heart for another, +170 and 8 IMPs.

Board 6	♠ 72	
East/EW	♥ J86	
	♦ QJ4	
	♣ J9762	
♠ J1096		♠ AK853
♥ KQ72		♥ A109
♦ AK		♦ 53
♣ K43		♣ Q85
	♠ Q4	
	♥ 543	
	♦ 1098762	
	♣ A10	

Austria v Belgium

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Bigdeli	Feichtinger	Coenraets	Terraneo
		1♠	pass
2NT*	pass	3♦*	pass
3♥*	pass	3NT*	pass
4♠	all pass		

2NT Fit, invitational+

3♦ Relay

3♥ Relay

3NT 13-15 balanced

With both major suits behaving there were 12 tricks, South's lead of the ♣A speeding up the play, +680.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Franzel	Kaplan	S.Terraneo	Polet
		1♠*	pass
2NT*	pass	3♠*	pass
4♣*	pass	4♥*	pass
4NT*	pass	5♣*	pass
5♦*	pass	6♠	all pass

1♠ 4+♠, 11-16, may be canapé

2NT 4+♠, 11+

3♠ 5♠

4♣ Cue

4♥ Cue

4NT RKCB

5♣ 3 of 5 keycards

5♦ Asks ♠Q

South led the ♦10 and having won in dummy declarer cashed the top spades and then played three rounds of hearts, +1430 and 13 IMPs.

Board 7 South/All	♠ KJ82 ♥ 9854 ♦ 7 ♣ Q1082										
♠ AQ1073 ♥ K72 ♦ A109 ♣ AK	<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		♠ 954 ♥ A10 ♦ K43 ♣ J7543
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ 6 ♥ QJ63 ♦ QJ8652 ♣ 96										

Poland I v Poland Bocheński

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Pikus	Bizoń	Cichocki	Blat
			pass
1♣*	pass	1NT	pass
2♠	pass	3♠	pass
4♠	all pass		

1♣ Polish Club

1NT 7-10

2♠ 5+♠, game forcing

North led the ♣10 and declarer won with the ace, played a heart to dummy's ace and a spade to the ten, North winning with the jack and exiting with the ♦7 for the jack and ace. Declarer cashed the ♠A and when South discarded declarer played another spade. North took the king and returned the ♣2 and declarer could muster only nine tricks, -100.

Having discovered the bad trump break declarer should cash the ♣K and ♥K, ruff a heart, ruff a club and play a diamond, leaving North with no effective reply.

Closed Room

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

1♣ Polish Club

4♣ Cue

4♦ Cue

4♥ Cue

North led the ♦7 for the jack and ace and declarer went to dummy with the ♥A and played a spade to the queen, North winning and exiting with the ♥5 for the ten, jack and king. Declarer ruffed a heart and played the ♠9, running it when South pitched the ♣6. North won and returned the ♥9, declarer ruffing, drawing trumps and cashing his minor suit winners for +620 and 12 IMPs.

Board 8 West/None	♠ 432 ♥ K1064 ♦ J92 ♣ A73										
♠ KQJ7 ♥ Q932 ♦ 654 ♣ KQ	<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		♠ A10986 ♥ A87 ♦ AQ8 ♣ 86
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ 5 ♥ J5 ♦ K1073 ♣ J109542										

Austria v Belgium

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Bigdeli	Feichtinger	Coenraets	Terraneo
			pass
1♣*	pass	1♠	pass
2♠	pass	4♠	all pass

1♣ 2+♣

South led the ♥J for the queen, king and ace and declarer drew trumps and played the ♥7 for an easy 10 tricks, +420.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Franzel	Kaplan	S.Terraneo	Polet
			pass
1♥*	pass	1♠	pass
2♠	pass	4♠	all pass

1♥ 11-16, 4+♥

Here South led the ♣J and North won and rejected the obvious switch to a diamond in favour of the ♠2. Declarer won with dummy's seven, cashed the black kings and played a spade to the ace followed by two rounds of hearts. North took dummy's queen and switched to the ♦2 and when the queen lost to the king the contract was two down, -100 and an 11 IMP loss, both teams collecting 19 IMPs to leave Austria ahead by 6.1 IMPs going into the second half.

Board 9 North/EW	♠ A87642	N W E S	♠ –
	♥ 92		♥ AJ653
	♦ 8		♦ Q10542
	♣ 10975		♣ Q32
♠ KJ103	♠ Q95		
♥ K1084	♥ Q7		
♦ K97	♦ AJ63		
♣ 64	♣ AKJ8		

Poland I v Poland Bocheński

Open Room

W Pikus	N Bizoń	E Cichocki	S Blat
	3♠	dbler	pass
3NT	pass	pass	dbler
pass	pass	4♦	dbler
all pass			

With an eye to the vulnerability West went for the game bonus.

South led the ♠Q covered all round and ruffed by declarer who played a diamond to dummy's nine and cashed the ♠J10 pitching clubs before playing a heart to the ace and a diamond. South took the ace and played two rounds of clubs, forcing declarer to ruff. When a heart collected the queen declarer could play a heart allowing South to ruff. He ruffed the club return and played a heart and overruffing South's ♦J, North's ♠8 taking the setting trick, -200.

Closed Room

W Markowicz	N Bocheński	E Moszczyński	S Kozyczkowski
	2♦*	pass	4♣*
pass	4♥*	pass	4♠
all pass			

2♦ Mini multi

4♣ Which suit?

4♥ Spades

West led the ♥4 and East won and switched to the ♦4, declarer taking the ace and playing the ♠Q for the king and ace, East parting with the ♥5. A spade to the nine saw West win with the ten, cash the ♥K and continue with the ♥10. Declarer ruffed in hand, cashed a

club, ruffed a diamond and played a spade, West winning and exiting with the ♥8. Declarer ruffed in dummy discarding the ♣J, drew the outstanding trump and ran the ♣9 for one down, -50 and 6 IMP loss.

Board 10 East/All	♠ K2	N W E S	♠ Q54
	♥ 109853		♥ 7
	♦ KQ3		♦ A109842
	♣ KJ4		♣ Q93
♠ A9873	♠ J106		
♥ Q64	♥ AKJ2		
♦ 7	♦ J65		
♣ 8652	♣ A107		

Poland I v Poland Bocheński

Open Room

W Pikus	N Bizoń	E Cichocki	S Blat
		pass	1♣
pass	1♥	2♦	2♥
pass	4♥	all pass	

East led the ♠5 and West took the ace and switched to the ♦7 for the queen and ace, East returning the ten for West to ruff. Declarer won the spade switch, cashed dummy's top trumps and then cashed two more trumps and the ♦K, West discarding two spades and the ♣2. When declarer continued with a club to the ten, he was home, +620.

Closed Room

W Markowicz	N Bocheński	E Moszczyński	S Kozyczkowski
		pass	1NT
pass	2♦*	dbler	pass
pass	3NT	pass	4♥
all pass			

A diamond to the queen and ace saw East return the nine, West ruffing and playing the ♠7. When declarer played low from dummy East put in the queen and could give his partner another ruff. That was two down when West cashed the ♠A, -200 and 13 IMPs. It had been a terrific set for Poland I. By winning it 42-9 they had established a 38.1 IMP lead.

Battle for Bronze

Artur Wasiak

Most of our spectators seem to be concentrated on the play-off matches. Let me remind you that the teams that have been eliminated from the fight for win in our event still have a chance for the 3rd place. I'll show you a few boards from the Swiss tournament for the teams that didn't qualify for the play-offs or did qualify but lost their matches later. We will start with Round 2 played on Thursday.

Board 2	♠ AK1087	
East/NS	♥ 54	
	♦ AQ2	
	♣ 985	
♠ 652		♠ 94
♥ A96		♥ KJ73
♦ 984		♦ KJ76
♣ K432		♣ QJ7
	♠ QJ3	
	♥ Q1082	
	♦ 1053	
	♣ A106	

Germany I v Lithuania

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Gierulski	Schwerdt	Russyan	Laidig
		pass	pass
pass	1♠	db1e	2♠
all pass			

Some players opened the bidding with the East hand but most passed, as both players in this match did. Jerzy Russyan showed his hand later with the takeout double over 1♠ and had no reason to bid again.

After ♣Q lead and club continuation declarer won the second club with dummy's ace, entered his hand with a spade and played a heart. To set the contract, East had to follow with a low heart, then West would take this trick with ♥A, attack the diamonds and repeat the diamond lead later, after taking the ♣K.

Russyan took the first heart with his king and it was too late to establish 2 diamond tricks before the opponent could dispose one of his diamonds on the ♥Q. 2♠ made.

I suppose there was some problem with suit pre-

ference signals. Bogusław Gierulski played ♣4 (not ♣3) to the second trick, probably trying to show something in hearts, but in the next trick he followed with ♠2, not ♠6, so Russyan didn't know who had the ♥A.

However, this board was not a bad one for Lithuania team.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Wenning	Romański	Frerichs	Kowalski
		pass	pass
pass	1♠	pass	2♠
pass	pass	db1e	rdble
3♣	db1e	all pass	

Here East decided not to bid after 1♠, so he may feel he has to do something over 2♠. It was not the only table where the bidding started this way but only Apolinary Kowalski and Jacek Romański took advantage of this opportunity.

3♣ has to go at least two down. After heart lead declarer needs to establish diamonds and draw trumps. When he didn't play a club in trick three – after ♥4 to ♥10 and ♥A and diamond to ♦J – the defenders had to take one more trick. Down three and 9imps to Lithuania.

Board 19	♠ 1075	
South/WE	♥ J107642	
	♦ Q5	
	♣ 107	
♠ Q9		♠ AK864
♥ –		♥ A
♦ AK87643		♦ J2
♣ QJ94		♣ K8632
	♠ J32	
	♥ KQ9853	
	♦ 109	
	♣ A5	

You might wonder if it's better to declare with diamonds or clubs as a trump suit. On the 6 level you would probably vote for clubs but for sure diamonds are better when you play a grand slam. Both teams from Scotland had much luck here, in their matches against Poland 2 and USA Reynolds.

Poland 2 v Scotland White

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Hay	Chindelewicz	Peden	Kasprzak
			2♦*
3♦	3♠*	dble	4♥
5♦	6♥	7♦	dble
all pass			

2♦ multi,

3♠ pass or correct.

Scotland Blue v USA Reynolds

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
B.Shenkin	Hall	Spears	Viola
			2♥
3♦	4♥	5NT*	pass
7♦	all pass		

5NT pick a slam.

Both North players decided to lead their agreed suit – ♥J. With diamonds 2-2 and spades 3-3 it was over, declarer discarded all the clubs on ♥A and on the spades.

Round 3 of the Swiss, played on Monday, finished with:

Board 20 West/Both	♠ K10652 ♥ 9 ♦ A10764 ♣ 52										
♠ AQ73 ♥ 10 ♦ K985 ♣ K984	<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		♠ J84 ♥ K764 ♦ – ♣ AQJ1073
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ 9 ♥ AQJ8532 ♦ QJ32 ♣ 6										

Scotland White v Sweden

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Elmroth	D.Shenkin	Eliasson	McLatchie
1♦*	1♠	2♣	pass
2NT	pass	3NT	all pass

1♦ artificial, promises 4-card major.

After small diamond lead declarer took ♦K, all the clubs and ♠A – one down.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Ferguson	Olofsson	McKinnon	Finsson
1♦	pass	1♥	pass
1NT	pass	3NT	4♥
dble	all pass		

In theory, South could take only 8 tricks, but it was hard to find the diamond ruffs. Cathy Ferguson started with ♥10. Urban Finsson took this trick and played two more trumps. How could East alert his partner that he has diamond void and needs to take a ruff to beat the contract?

I don't see the solution and neither did the Scottish pair. When Bob McKinnon played ♣A and ♣Q, declarer ruffed, drew the last trump and took the diamond finesse. The defenders had only ♠A to take, so 4hearts doubled was made for 790 and 12 imps.

That match was the real battle, with 145 imps (89-56 for Sweden) exchanged in 20 boards, probably tournament record?



TEAMS RANKING

	TEAM	Avg. Pts
1	POLAND 1	709,7
2	LITHUANIA	531,3
3	ENGLAND PENFOLD	213,1
4	NETHERLANDS	155,6
5	SWEDEN	118,1
6	ENGLAND PRYOR	109,8
7	THE DUTCH MASTERS	90,8
8	BELGIUM	68,0
9	ARGENTINA	67,9
10	GERMANY 1	60,3
11	CANADA MURRAY	46,3
12	USA LUSKY	46,3
13	POLAND 2	34,0
14	ISRAEL	29,7
15	POLAND PKB	25,2
16	SCOTLAND BLUE	24,3
17	CANADA WEST + 1	24,0
18	POLAND ANDRZEJKI	10,4
19	USA REYNOLDS	7,0
20	AUSTRIA	4,1
21	POLAND BOCHENSKI	1,3
22	SWISS CHEESE	0,0
23	SLOVAKIA	0,0
24	ROMANIA BUCHAREST	0,0
25	SOUTH AFRICA	0,0
26	SCOTLAND WHITE	0,0
27	LATVIA	0,0
28	HUNGARY	0,0

Team POLAND PKB was allowed to register as there were 27 teams registered at the entries deadline.

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