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Thursday, Feb. 1st.

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STANDINGS AFTER ROUND 6.

1. USA SELIGMAN	92.75	17. Poland Wisła CCSoft	54.93
2. POLAND 1	76.48	18. NL Hok	51.96
3. FRANCE VINCIGUERRA	71.55	19. Poland Andrzejki	50.77
4. SWEDEN	71.24	20. Scotland White	49.29
5. AUSTRIA	71.19	21. England Pryor	48.02
6. FRANCE BESSIS	71.06	22. The Dutch Masters	47.97
7. BELGIUM	70.65	23. Scotland Blue	46.63
8. LITHUANIA	67.33	24. Swiss Cheese	44.35
9. ROMANIA BUCHAREST	67.14	25. Poland Bocheński	39.95
10. ARGENTINA	64.11	26. Germany	35.83
11. POLAND OLIMPIA	62.59		
12. CANADA-KOKISH	61.41		
13. DENMARK	61.22		
14. USA SIMSON	59.01		
15. NL SENIORS	58.73		
16. USA REYNOLDS	55.84		

IMPORTANT NOTICE

On Thursday evening after the last round of Qualification Swiss, captains of the first 7 teams are requested to contact Chief TD on WhatsApp to make their choice of opponents. If the captain does not make the choice, his right will be moved to the next team.

DRAW FOR ROUND 7.

Thursday, Feb. 1st, 7 pm CET

USA Seligman - Poland 1

France Vinciguerra - Austria

Sweden - France Bessis

Belgium - Romania Bucharest

Lithuania - Poland Olimpia

Argentina - Denmark

Canada-Kokish - USA Simson

NL Seniors - USA Reynolds

Poland Wisła - NL Hok

Poland Andrzejki - Scotland White

England Pryor - Scotland Blue

The Dutch Masters - Swiss Cheese

Poland Bocheński - Germany

Round 8. 9.15 pm CET

(Players are asked not to log out of BBO)

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Results of Round 5.

Canada-Kokish - France Vincig.	1.71-18.29
USA Seligman - Austria	15.85-4.15
Scotland White - Sweden	5.15-14.85
Denmark - France Bessis	5.81-4.19
Poland 1 - Poland Bocheński	16.21-3.79
Lithuania - Belgium	11.58-8.42
Argentina - Poland Wisła	14.85-5.15
Scotland Blue - The Dutch M.	10.00-10.00
USA Reynolds - Swiss Cheese	10.00-10.00
NL Seniors - NL Hok	12.16-7.84
Poland Olimpia - Romania Buch.	3.79-16.21
USA Simson - Germany	16.55-3.45
Poland Andrzejki - England Pr.	2.23-17.77

Results of Round 6.

USA Seligman - France Bessis	13.23-6.77
Canada-Kokish - Austria	4.54-15.46
France Vinciguerra - Poland 1	6.04-13.96
Sweden - Lithuania	10.00-10.00
Belgium - Scotland White	18.87-1.13
USA Reynolds - Poland Olimpia	2.96-17.04
Denmark - NL Hook	15.06-4.94
USA Simson - Argentina	6.04-13.96
Poland Wisła - Dutch Masters	15.06-4.94
Romania Buch. - Poland Boch.	16.72-3.28
Scotland Blue - Poland And.	3.79-16.21
NL Seniors - Swiss Cheese	14.42-5.58
Germany - England Pryor	1.59-18.41

TOP OF THE BUTLER AFTER ROUND 8.

2.43/28 D.Jacob	CANADA-KOKISH	0.86/28 M.Diamond	SCOTLAND BLUE
2.14/14 W.Melman	POLAND BOCH.	0.86/14 R.Cliffe	ENGLAND PRYOR
2.04/28 R.Chamberlain	ENGLAND PRYOR	0.82/56 P.Saporta	FRANCE VINCIG.
2.04/28 P.Shields	ENGLAND PRYOR	0.82/56 J.-M. Voldoire	FRANCE VINCIG.
1.74/42 A.Kaplan	BELGIUM	0.82/28 S.-A.Bjerregard	SWEDEN
1.74/42 G.Polet	BELGIUM	0.82/28 M.Nilsland	SWEDEN
1.71/14 J.Jones	USA REYNOLDS	0.82/28 B.-E. Efraimsson	SWEDEN
1.71/14 R.Roeder	USA REYNOLDS	0.82/28 A.Morath	SWEDEN
1.64/14 K.Jordan	POLAND OLIMPIA	0.82/28 J.Goliński	POLAND WISŁA
1.64/14 M.Kudła	POLAND OLIMPIA	0.79/56 R.Franzel	AUSTRIA
1.51/70 M.Seligman	USA SELIGMAN	0.79/56 S.Terraneo	AUSTRIA
1.50/14 J.Koscielny	POLAND OLIMPIA	0.79/56 W.van Eijck	NL SENIORS
1.50/14 P.Walczak	POLAND OLIMPIA	0.79/56 W.Gosschalk	NL SENIORS
1.42/84 M.Lair	USA SELIGMAN	0.79/28 L.Majdański	POLAND OLIMPIA
1.36/42 P.Klimowicz	CANADA-KOKISH	0.75/28 L.McGowan	SCOTLAND WH.
1.19/42 W.Olański	LITHUANIA	0.75/28 T.McKay	SCOTLAND WH.
1.19/42 V.Vainikonis	LITHUANIA	0.73/56 K.Wenning	GERMANY
0.93/14 H.Lall	USA SELIGMAN	0.73/56 U.Wenning	GERMANY
0.89/56 M.Kwiecień	POLAND 1	0.66/56 M.Abecassis	FRANCE VINCIG.
0.89/56 W.Starkowski	POLAND 1	0.66/56 M.Bompis	FRANCE VINCIG.
0.89/28 J.Krekorian	USA SIMSON	0.64/42 R.Ramer	NL Hok
0.89/28 P.Weichsel	USA SIMSON	0.64/42 B.de Bruijn	NL Hok
0.86/28 M.Hargreaves	CANADA-KOKISH	0.64/42 S.Zakrzewski	POLAND OLIMPIA
0.86/28 G.McOrmond	CANADA-KOKISH	0.64/14 B.Baran	CANADA-KOKISH
0.86/28 D.Diamond	SCOTLAND BLUE	0.64/14 P.Daigneault	CANADA-KOKISH

SOUTH OF THE BORDER

Mark Horton

The 2024 World Championships will be in Buenos Aires, an excellent reason to check out the form of some of their players as they met Lithuania in Round 3.

Board 1/III	♠ AK105		
North/None	♥ KJ8		
	♦ K		
	♣ A9852		
♠ J9	N	♠ 73	
♥ 109542	W	♥ AQ76	
♦ 86	E	♦ AQJ973	
♣ Q763	S	♣ K	
	♠ Q8642		
	♥ 3		
	♦ 10542		
	♣ J104		

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Lichawski	Fornasari	Witek	Palazzo
	1♣	1♦	pass
pass	db1e	2♥	2♠
4♥	4♠	pass	pass
5♥	db1e	all pass	

South led the ♣4 and having won with the ♣A North cashed the ♠K followed by the ♠A and then played the ♦K, declarer winning with the ♦A. When he continued with two rounds of hearts he was three down, -500.

If declarer had concluded that North's likely shape was 4-3-1-5 then he could have exited with the ♥Q (just in case South has a singleton jack) which would leave North endplayed, forced to give dummy an entry for a heart finesse.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Camberos	Russyan	Rueda	Gierulski
	1♣*	1♦	pass
pass	db1e	rd1e	2♠
pass	pass	3♦	pass
pass	3♠	all pass	

1♣ - 11-21, semi natural or 18-19 balanced or 22-23 balanced or 18+ any

Declarer ruffed, ran the ♣J to East's king, took the heart return with dummy's king, played a spade to the queen and ran the ♣10, claiming 10 tricks, +170 but an 8 IMP loss.

13 Pairs bid the spade game, all taking 10 tricks.

Board 4/III	♠ 983		
West/All	♥ J52		
	♦ KJ1085		
	♣ 76		
♠ Q10742	N	♠ AK5	
♥ K104	W	♥ AQ86	
♦ 62	E	♦ AQ	
♣ AK3	S	♣ J1082	
	♠ J6		
	♥ 973		
	♦ 9743		
	♣ Q954		

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Lichawski	Fornasari	Witek	Palazzo
1♠	pass	2♣*	pass
2♠	pass	2NT	pass
3NT	pass	6NT	all pass

2♣ Game forcing

South led the ♥7 for the jack and ace and when the spades behaved, declarer was assured of 12 tricks. Looking for an extra one he cashed dummy's top clubs and settled for 12, +1440.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Camberos	Russyan	Rueda	Gierulski
1♠	pass	2♣*	pass
2♠	pass	2BA	pass
3♣	pass	3♠	pass
3NT	pass	4♦*	pass
4♥*	pass	4NT*	pass
5♥*	pass	6NT	all pass

2♣ Game forcing

4♦ Cue

4♥ Cue

4NT RKCB

5♥ 2 keycards

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South led the $\diamond 7$ for the king and ace and when declarer then ran the $\clubsuit J$ he was soon able to claim all the tricks, +1470 and an IMP.

Three pairs tried $7\spadesuit$ and found their luck was in.

Board 8/III East/None	\spadesuit AK932 \heartsuit K76 \diamond KJ72 \clubsuit 10					
\spadesuit 8 \heartsuit AJ \diamond Q8 \clubsuit AQJ75432	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 40px;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	\spadesuit J1074 \heartsuit Q105 \diamond 109643 \clubsuit 8	
N						
W E						
S						
	\spadesuit Q65 \heartsuit 98432 \diamond A5 \clubsuit K96					

Open Room

W Lichawski	N Fornasari	E Witek	S Palazzo
1 \clubsuit *	1 \spadesuit	pass	2 \spadesuit
3 \clubsuit *	3 \diamond	pass	4 \spadesuit
5 \clubsuit	dbl	all pass	

1 \clubsuit Polish Club
 3 \clubsuit 14+

North led the $\spadesuit A$ and continued with the $\spadesuit 2$ for the ten and queen, declarer ruffing and cashing the $\clubsuit A$. When the king did not oblige he was inevitably three down, -500.

With $4\spadesuit$ virtually certain to fail (no-one made it) the 11 pairs who tried $5\clubsuit$ must have been disappointed.

Closed Room

W Camberos	N Russyan	E Rueda	S Gierulski
1 \clubsuit	1 \spadesuit	pass	2 \clubsuit *
3 \clubsuit	3 \diamond	pass	3 \spadesuit
pass	4 \spadesuit	all pass	

2 \clubsuit was described as Drury although it looks more like a spade raise.

East led the $\clubsuit 8$ and West won with the $\clubsuit J$ and returned the $\clubsuit Q$, East ruffing as declarer discarded a heart from his hand. A heart to the ace was followed by the $\clubsuit A$ and declarer matched it with the $\spadesuit A$, East trump trick ensuring one down, -50 and 11 IMPs.

Board 9/III North/EW	\spadesuit 1082 \heartsuit 8632 \diamond KQJ5 \clubsuit Q3					
\spadesuit A6543 \heartsuit J1054 \diamond 96 \clubsuit 96	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 40px;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	\spadesuit J7 \heartsuit Q7 \diamond A84 \clubsuit KJ7542	
N						
W E						
S						
	\spadesuit KQ9 \heartsuit AK9 \diamond 10732 \clubsuit A108					

Open Room

W Lichawski	N Fornasari	E Witek	S Palazzo
	pass	2 \clubsuit *	2NT
pass	3 \clubsuit	pass	3 \diamond
pass	3NT	all pass	

West led the $\clubsuit 9$ and declarer won with the $\clubsuit 10$, played a diamond to the king and a spade to the king. When that held he could go back to diamonds and was assured of nine tricks thanks to the doubleton $\spadesuit J$, +400.

Had West taken the $\spadesuit A$ and played a second club it would have been a different story.

7 pairs bid 3NT and they all emerged with nine tricks.

If you assume that West would always rise with the $\diamond A$ to play a second club, then you should always continue diamonds, hoping to knock out East's potential entry.

Closed Room

W Camberos	N Russyan	E Rueda	S Gierulski
	pass	1 \clubsuit	1NT
pass	2 \clubsuit	dbl	pass
pass	2 \diamond	all pass	

2 \diamond was a comfortable spot and when East led the $\clubsuit 7$ declarer could win and play trumps, easily recording 10 tricks for +130 but losing 7 IMPs.

Two small swings took the score to 37-3 in favour of Argentina.

Board 13/III North/Both	♠ 52 ♥ AK872 ♦ 762 ♣ A64										
♠ AKQ1083 ♥ Q10 ♦ J83 ♣ 87	<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		♠ 76 ♥ 6 ♦ KQ1095 ♣ KQ1095
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ J94 ♥ J9543 ♦ A4 ♣ J32										

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Lichawski	Fornasari	Witek	Palazzo
	1♥	2NT*	4♥
4♠	all pass		

2NT Minors

North led the ♥K and switched to the ♦2, South winning and returning the ♦4. Declarer won with the ♦J, ruffed a heart, drew trumps and claimed 11 tricks, +650.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Camberos	Russyan	Rueda	Gierulski
	1♥	2NT*	3♥
3♠	pass	4♠	pass...

North led the ♠2 which removed the possibility of a heart ruff. Having taken South's ♠J declarer played a club to the king followed by the ♦5 for the four and eight. When declarer continued with the ♣8 North took the ace and exited with a spade (a diamond leads to two down!) declarer winning, drawing trumps and playing the ♦J. South won and switched to the ♥J competing an excellent defence for one down, -100 and 13 IMPs.

Leo Hofland and Bas van der Hoek were the only other pair to defeat 4♠ which made on 17 occasions.

Board 14/III East/None	♠ J8743 ♥ K96 ♦ 62 ♣ A75										
♠ 1096 ♥ – ♦ K10854 ♣ K9864	<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		♠ K2 ♥ Q107542 ♦ Q ♣ Q1032
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ AQ5 ♥ AJ83 ♦ AJ973 ♣ J										

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Lichawski	Fornasari	Witek	Palazzo
		2♦*	2NT
pass	3♥*	pass	3♠
pass	3NT	pass	4♠
		all pass	

2♦ Weak Multi 3♥ Transfer

West led the ♦5 for the queen and ace and declarer played a club to dummy's ace, ruffed a club and played a heart. When West discarded (missing the defensive cross ruff) declarer won with dummy's king and played the ♥9 West ruffing but switching to the ♠10. Declarer won with the queen, but then played the ♦J so West took the ♦K and played the ♣K. Declarer ruffed and ruffed a diamond, but East overruffed and played a heart, West finally getting a ruff for one down, -50.

Having taken the ♦A one way to 10 tricks is to play the ♠A followed by the ♠Q.

As the cards lie, taking the spade finesse at trick three, then cashing the ♠A and drawing trumps allows you to advance dummy's ♥9 for an overtrick. That line also works for 10 tricks if West has the ♠K.

4♠ only failed on three occasions, almost everyone else making a game (or better).

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Camberos	Russyan	Rueda	Gierulski
		2♥	2NT
pass	3NT	all pass	

West led the ♦4 for the queen and ace and declarer played the ♠A followed by the ♠Q, soon claiming 10 tricks, +430 and 10 IMPs, making the final score 37-26, 12.44-7.56.

DOUBLE DOUBLE TOIL AND TROUBLE

Mark Horton

Bridge players around the world are surely familiar with my title, which is provided by the lines from Act 4 Scene 1 of Shakespeare's Scottish Play. It is considered bad luck to say Macbeth inside a theatre when the play is not being staged and BBO is, in a way a VuGraph theatre.

In Round 4 I spotted a calamity on the opening deal and decided to look for others where the red card had a significant role to play.

Board 1/IV None/North	♠ AK2 ♥ Q107632 ♦ AKQ ♣ 2										
♠ 8 ♥ J5 ♦ J962 ♣ A108743	<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		♠ Q1097653 ♥ A4 ♦ 8 ♣ 965
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ J4 ♥ K98 ♦ 107543 ♣ KQJ										

Swiss Cheese v NL Hok Open Room

W	N	E	S
Derivaz	Ramer	Zivkovic	de Bruin
	1♥	3♠	4♥
pass	4NT*	pass	5♣*
dble	5♥	all pass	

4NT RKCB

5♣ 1 or 4 keycards

East led the ♦8 and declarer won with the ♦K and played the ♥6, East going up with the ace and switching to the ♣5. West took the ♣A and returned the ♦9 for East to ruff, -50.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Bakker	Colaros	Van de Brom	Catzeflis
	1♥	3♠	4♥
pass	4NT*	pass	5♦*
pass	7♥	pass	pass
dble	7NT	dble	all pass

4NT RKCB

5♦ 0 or 3 keycards

This type of accident has been seen before (a famous French pair of yesteryear once attempted a grand slam missing all four aces).

East cashed the ♥A and switched to the ♣6, two down, -300 and a 6 IMP swing.

As we shall see later, 'Twas but a scratch'.

Board 2/IV NS/East	♠ J8762 ♥ A9 ♦ J92 ♣ AJ7										
♠ Q3 ♥ KJ8652 ♦ 5 ♣ KQ104	<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		♠ A10 ♥ Q1043 ♦ A7 ♣ 98632
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ K954 ♥ 7 ♦ KQ108643 ♣ 5										

The red card was out in force on this deal, the final contract being doubled on 12 occasions.

England Pryor v USA Simpson

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Sowter	Simson	Robinson	Rodwell
		pass	3♦
3♥	4♦	4♥	4♠
pass	pass	5♦	pass
5♥	dble	all pass	

North led the ♠2 for the ten and king and when South returned the ♣5 North took declarer's king with the ace and played the ♦2. He subsequently took a heart and a club for two down, -300.

As an aside, how would you play a bid of 3♠ by North over West's 3♥?

The three pairs who were doubled in 5♦ all recorded +750.

Closed Room

W Weichsel	N Scerri	E Krekorian	S Pryor
		pass	pass
1♥	1♠	2NT*	dbld
4♥	pass	pass	4♠
pass	pass	dbld	all pass

2NT 4♥, limit raise

South's decision not to preempt with a four card major on the side proved to be a winner.

East led the ♥4 and declarer won and played a spade, East taking the ace and switching to the ♣9. That meant declarer had an overtrick, +990 and 12 IMPs.

That result was duplicated by Lebioda and Wala in the match between Poland Wisla and Romania Bucharest. Two pairs were in 5♠ doubled – they both made it.

One pair were in 4♠ doubled by South, and West led his diamond and ruffed the return. When declarer subsequently played a spade from dummy and ducked East's ♠10 he was one down.

Board 3/IV EW/South	♠ A984 ♥ AKJ8 ♦ J105 ♣ J8										
♠ QJ2 ♥ 96542 ♦ 972 ♣ 64	<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		♠ 1075 ♥ 107 ♦ AK84 ♣ AK72
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ K63 ♥ Q3 ♦ Q63 ♣ Q10953										

France Vinciguerra v Belgium

Open Room

W Backes	N Bompis	E Engel	S Abecassis
			pass
pass	1♦	1NT	dbld
2♦*	pass	2♠	pass
pass	dbld	all pass	

West's 2♦ was annotated 'tft' – was it intended as

a transfer to hearts?

South led the ♠3 for the two, eight and ten and declarer played three rounds of clubs, ruffing only to see North overruff and return the ♠4 to South's ♠K. South cashed the ♣Q and had he then played a spade four down would have been a possibility. However, he continued with the ♣10 and declarer could ruff and cash a diamond giving him five tricks, -800.

Closed Room

W Soulet	N Stas	E Vinciguerra	S Johnson
			pass
pass	1NT*	all pass	

1NT 12-14

East started with three rounds of diamonds and declarer won in dummy and played on clubs for eight tricks, +120 and 12 IMPs.

Board 13/IV All/North	♠ J10942 ♥ J96 ♦ K72 ♣ Q10										
♠ A ♥ 1087 ♦ 94 ♣ AKJ9752	<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		♠ 865 ♥ AKQ432 ♦ 63 ♣ 63
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ KQ73 ♥ 5 ♦ AQJ1085 ♣ 84										

Kanada-Kokish v USA Seligman

Open Room

W Goodman	N Silver	E Passell	S Mittelman
			dbld
4♥	4♠	pass	pass
5♣	dbld	5♥	pass
pass	dbld	all pass	

South led the ♠K and declarer won with dummy's ace, cashed two top trumps, played a club to the ace, cashed the ♣K and continued with the ♣J. North ruffed but declarer overruffed and claimed the rest, +1250.

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Lebi	Lair	Carruthers	Seligman
	pass	3♥	dbler
rdbler	3♠	pass	pass
4♥	4♠	pass	pass
5♣	pass	5♥	pass
pass	dbler	all pass	

South led the ♠K and having won in dummy declarer came to hand with the ♥Q, ruffed a spade, cashed the ♣A, drew trumps and played a club to the jack. That meant he was two down, -500 and 18 IMPs changed hands.

Poland Bocheński v Poland Olimpia

Open Room

W	N	E	S
Zakrzewski	Cichocki	Majdański	Bocheński
	pass	2♦*	3♦
pass	3NT	pass	pass
dbler	all pass		

2♦ Multi

In The Mysterious Multi Jan van Cleeff and I describe 3♦ as 'a good hand with six or seven card suit'. It might be a little stronger than the hand South held here, but it's not so wide of the mark. The ♦K was a great card, but the rest of North's hand is nothing special. I think I would be inclined to try 3♠ and see what happens.

I wonder also if East would bid here if North passes his partner's 3♦ to him.

East led the ♥A and when West followed with the ♥10 he switched to the ♠6, which on another day might have been unfortunate. Not this time! West won, cashed the ♣AK and the defenders soon had all the tricks in front of them, a cool -2600.

(It would befitting to end this article here with another Shakespearean quote 'The rest is silence' but I must complete the report.)

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
Miłaszewski	Szukała	Szenberg	Weymann
	pass	2♦*	3♦
4♣	pass	4♦*	pass
5♣	all pass		

2♦ Multi

4♦ Hearts

North led the ♦K and South overtook it, cashed the ♦Q and continued with the ♦J. When declarer ruffed with the ♣J North's ♦2 must have been a surprise. When declarer cashed the ♣A North followed with the ♣Q and declarer went to dummy with a heart and played a club to the nine, North's ♣10 completing a terrific defence for one down, -100 and the small matter of 21 IMPs.

BE CAREFUL WHEN CLAIMING

BBO gives players a special way of treating contested claims. If the claim is denied the play continues. I will treat such decision accordingly to the Law 68D2b - and "the score subsequently obtained will stand".

Alternatively players can call the director who will start a procedure you know very well from "live" matches.

CHIEF TD Tomasz Radko

TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

QUALIFICATION (all times are p.m.)

Mon. 29 Jan,	7.00 CET Qual. Swiss Rd. #1 (14 bds.) 9.00 CET Qual. Swiss Rd. #2 (14 bds.)
Tue. 30 Jan.	7.00 CET Qual. Swiss Rd. #3 (14 bds.) 9.00 CET Qual. Swiss Rd. #4 (14 bds.)
Wed, 31 Jan.	7.00 CET Qual. Swiss Rd. #5 (14 bds.) 9.00 CET Qual. Swiss Rd. #6 (14 bds.)
Thu. 1 Feb.	7.00 CET Qual. Swiss Rd. #7 (14 bds.) 9.00 CET Qual. Swiss Rd. #8 (14 bds.)

PLAY OFF AND 3RD PLACE SWISS

(all times are p.m.)

Mon. 5 Feb.	Round of 16 - 2 segments (14 bds each) 7.00 CET, 9.00 CET
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PLAY OFF AND 3RD PLACE SWISS

Mon. 5 Feb.	7.00 CET 3rd Place Swiss Rd. #1 (14 bds.) 9.00 CET 3rd Place Swiss Rd. #1 (14 bds.)
Tue. 6 Feb,	Quarterfinals - 2 segments (14 bds each) 7.00 CET, 9.00 CET 7.00 CET 3rd Place Swiss Rd. #3 (14 bds.) 9.00 CET 3rd Place Swiss Rd. #4 (14 bds.)
Wed. 7 Feb,	Semifinals- 2 segments (14 bds each) 7.00 CET, 9.00 CET 7.00 CET 3rd Place Swiss Rd. #5 (14 bds.) 9.00 CET 3rd Place Swiss Rd. #6 (14 bds.)
Thu. 8 Feb,	Final - 2 segments (14 bds each) 7.00 CET, 9.00 CET 7.00 CET 3rd Place Swiss Rd. #7 (14 bds.) 9.00 CET 3rd Place Swiss Rd. #8 (14 bds.)

RANKING OF THE TEAMS

ACCORDING TO THE AVERAGE OF THE WBF SENIOR CLASSIFICATION POINTS

Denmark	868,5	France Bessis	80,0
USA Seligman	807,4	USA Reynolds	46,4
Poland 1	802,8	Germany	36,8
NL Seniors	431,0	NL HOK	19,7
USA Simson	284,5	Scotland Blue	18,6
Lithuania	283,6	Poland Olimpia	13
Sweden	217,7	Poland Wisła	9
France Vinciguerra	214,9	Poland Andrzejki	8,8
Canada Kokish	190,4	Austria	3,0
England Pryor	166,4	Poland Bochenski	1,5
Argentina	137	Swiss Cheese	0,0
Belgium	110,7	Romania	0,0
Dutch Masters	88,5	Scotland White	0,0

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