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Germany blasts into the lead!



Hallén - watching a game

Reps - Pioch later on won the open tournament, 111 pairs!

Programme T	hursday	30 july
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10.00	Start of match 4	16.10	End of boards 1-12
11.40	End of boards 1-12	16.20	Start of boards 13-24
11.50	Start of boards 13-24	18.00	End of boards 13-24
13.30	End of boards 13-24		DINNER
	LUNCH	19.30	Open tournament
14.30	Start of match 5		

Bianchi - speaks Italian with NPC Brandonisio, angry for that missed slam, ohh bad breaks in the trump suit, one down when he didnt saftey play in five...







Yesterdays game:

Great Britain vs. Sweden II

Great Britain and Sweden II is the only teams in the tournament that has girls representing their country. For GB its Alex Fernhead and for SWEII, Emma Andersson.

The editor decided to cover the first half in the game. Lets take a look on the line-up, before we start the match.

The players:

Open room

North: Steve Noble
South: Keith Bennett
East: Gustaf Friberg
West: Stefan Hellström

Closed room

North: Martin Sandhén South: Daniel Gustavsson East: Alex Fernhead West: Paul Fernhead

Sandhén-Gustavsson plays somekind of a relaysystem built on highcard points and distribution. The Fernheads plays natural.

Board 1

At the first board both tables finally reached 3NT. In the closed room Paul opened with a club, North overcalled with 2 clubs showing spades and hearts or spades and diamonds. Alex bid 2 spades showing a good clubraise, when South doubled Paul bid 2 notrump. North competed with 3 spades and it went pass to Paul who had no good bid. He made the "right" decision as the defense went and bid his game in notrump.

Against best defense - he would

have found Great Britains best income in 3 spades doubled.

Board 1. North / -	♦ T9754 ♥ AK32 ♦ T42	
	♣ 9	
♦ KQ ♥ Q86 ♦ A65 ♣ KQJ53	_ N ¬ W E ∟ s	♣ J86 ♥ 54 ♦ KJ87 ♣ AT86
-	♠ A32	
	♥ JT97	
	♦ Q93	
	♣ 742	

Closed Room:				
South	West	North	East	
		Pass	Pass	
Pass	1♣	2♣ *	2 ♠*	
D	2NT	3♠	Pass	
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass	
Pass				

Open Room:				
South	West	North	East	
		Pass	Pass	
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♠	
Pass	3♣	Pass	3NT	
Pass	Pass	Pass		



Bennett - plays killing defense

At the other table I got the explanation that 2 spades was asking for the minors. When West then showed better clubs East bid the game.

The key in the defense was the lead. A spade was lead on both tables. Both won by the ace. Noble lead the ten and Sandhén the four.

When the partner lead the ten it was routine to switch to the jack of hearts. As the only chance to defeat the contract. When partner lead the four it was certainly not obvious that North didnt have the king of spades.

But if you think about it - why should declerer drop the queen from queen and a small? Because he wants you to continue the suit - therefore it cant be right to do it.

10 imps to GB when Paul Fernhead made nine tricks and the Swedes went down at the other table.

Great Britain	10
Sweden II	0

Board 2

On the second board Paul made two more tricks in 1 notrump. And again it was all about the lead and Sandhén had to lead from this cards after the bidding had went 1 multi diamond from partner showing a lot of different hands, 1 notrump from RHO. What to lead with:

T32 AJ94 T7642

Sandhén decided to lead the diamond two. Not right when the

board looked like this:

Board 2.	♠ T32	
East/NS	♥ AJ94	
	♦ T7642	
	♣ T	
♠ AK95	┌N ¬	♦ J84
♥QT5	W E	♥862
♦ AQ93	آ ۽ ا	♦ J5
♣ Q6	- 3 -	♣AJ983
	♠ Q76	
	♥ K73	
	♦ K8	
	♣K7542	

Closed	Room:
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South	West	North	East
			Pass
1 ♦ *	1NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Open Room:

South	West	North	East
			Pass
Pass	1NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Declerer played low from the dummy and South put the king on the table. With the ten of clubs falling under the queen - declerer had got four club tricks. South would have done better by playing the eight - but how should he knew that partner didnt have something like QTXXX?

Two overtricks was the result of that lead in the end. At the other table Noble lead the seven of diamonds, declerer then wrongly tryed the jack and made seven tricks when he couldent reach his clubs. He had lost the entry. 2 more imps to GB.

Great Britain	12
Sweden II	0

Board 3

Alex and Paul bids 3 notrump. The Swedes stops in 2 at the other table. When the board looked like this it meant more imps to GB.

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Standings after Round 31

	IMP	VP
1. Germany	227-112	66
2. Great Britain	185-144	51
3. Sweden	152-132	49
4. Italy	184-189	45
5. Sweden 2	153-162	44
6. Denmark	183-185	43
7. Netherlands	155-226	31
8. Belgium	158-263	26

Yesterdays matches

Round 2		IMP	VP
Sweden	- Great Britain	85-33	25-5
Netherlands	- Germany	40-98	4-25
Italy	- Denmark	78-37	23-7
Sweden 2	- Belgium	99-39	25-4
Round 3		IMP	VP
Germany	- Sweden	60-30	21-9
Great Britain	- Sweden 2	76-15	25-4
Denmark	- Netherlands	51-71	11-18
Belgium	- Italy	83-64	18-12

Todays matches

Round 4		IMP	VP
Sweden	- Denmark	-	-
Great Britain	- Germany	-	-
Netherlands	- Belgium	-	-
Sweden 2	- Italy	-	-
Round 5		IMP	VP
Round 5 Belgium	- Sweden	IMP	VP -
	- Sweden - Great Britain	IMP - -	VP - -
Belgium		IMP - - -	VP - -

Sorry; wrong names



Pioch - not Reps!



Reps - not Pioch!

resentation

Netherlands



From the left; Kim Osborne, Friso Zwerver, Marcel Lagas, Maarten Schollaardt, Ricco van Prooijen, Justin van der Kam.

Friso Zwerver, 24

Student; Information technology. Accompanied by his girlfriend Kim. He also likes to play golf.

Cabdriver to pay his study and beer.

Marcel Lagas, 23

Student; Accountancy. Plays tennis on a high level (if he were on a top of a mountain).

Lives extremly dull.

Maarten Schollaardt, 20

Student; Economics. Lives in Amsterdam the only inhabitant who doesnt use drugs.

When are they seeping?

Ricco van Prooijen, 24

Played four of the five University championships, his girlfriend won, that was in Århus.

Won the championship last year with Friso. Reigning Dutch champion in Mixed pairs.

Justin van der Kam, 42 and

Because he didnt finish his study, the only job he could find was at the office of the Dutch Bridge Federation.

He thinks the best preparation for the team is to let them play all kind of card games. Between the sessions and until four in the mornings.

Board 3.	▲ T63	
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South/EW	♥ KJ3	
	♦ Q 96	
	♣QT75	
♠ A2	- N -	♠ 98754
♥ A95	∟N ¬	♥ T72
♦ JT74	W E	♦ AK8
♣ AK98	_ S _	♣ J3
	♠ KQJ	
	♥ Q864	
	♦ 532	
	♣ 642	

Closed Room:

South	West	North	East
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Open Room:

South	West	North	East
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♥*
Pass	2 🖈	Pass	2NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

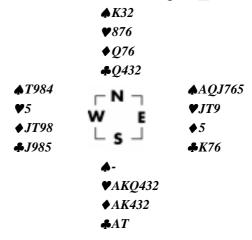
Sandhén lead the seven of clubs and when Fernhead won the trick with the jack he tryed to play on the spades to create an extra chance making his game if the diamonds wouldent give him four tricks.

The defenders then correctly made an attack on the heartsuit and Paul had to rely on his diamonds, nine tricks when the suit behaved. 10 more imps to GB when the swedes got the same number of tricks at the other table.



Sandhén - like to lead lowest from 5 small ones

Double-Dummy problem



Arne Larsson who won the European Mixed Championship earlier on this spring with Pia Andersson came to me yesterday and

presented the problem above.

How to play 6 hearts, when West leads the ten of spades.

Nice prizes - Leave your answer to the editor

Great Britain 22 Sweden II 0

Board 4

Both tables bid 4 spades, just made. No swing.

Great Britain 22 Sweden II 0

Board 5

Sandhén-Gustavsson goes two down i four hearts. Noble-Bennett pulls the break and stops in three, but goes one down. 100 to GB and 3 more imps.

Great Britain 25 Sweden II 0

Board 6

Both tables goes one down in three diamonds. NS made game in hearts but when West preempted they didnt find it.

Great Britain 25 Sweden II 0



Alex Fernhead - concentrated

Board 7

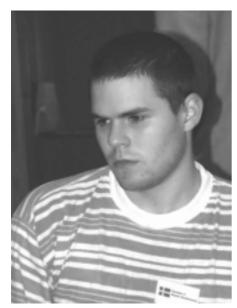
Another flat boring board. Both tables played four spades, making 5. Is Sweden II going to get any imps in this match from Great Britain?

Great Britain 25 Sweden II 0

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Board 8

Sweden got their first two imps after Gustavsson makes two more tricks in 3 notrumps. Paul Fernhead didnt find the right discards.



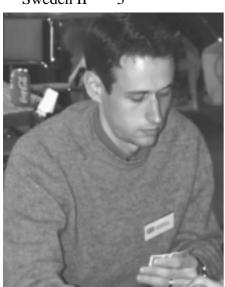
Gustavsson - Got the first imps for Sweden II

Great Britain 25 Sweden II 2

Board 9

Sweden bids three notrump with a 4-4 fit in spades. Makes five tricks while GB is playing 4 spades at the other table. One more imp for Sweden.

Great Britain 25 Sweden II 3



Paul Fernhead - likes 3NT

Board 10

Sandhén - Gustavsson manage to bid 3 times each to reach two hearts. No bids at the other table.

Sweden win four more imps.

Great Britain 25 Sweden II 7

Board 11

Both tables reach four hearts and goes one off. Nothing to do for declerer.

Great Britain 25 Sweden II 7



Noble - happy winner

Board 12

The Swedes in the closed room bids game in hearts. Noble-Bennet stops in three again.

Board 12.	♠ Q965	
West/NS	♥AK84	
	♦ A8	
	4 953	
♠ A42		♠ J87
♥ 96		♥ 752
♦ KJ97643		♦ Q 5
♣ T		♣AQJ82
	♠KT3	
	♥ QJT3	
	♦ T2	
	♣ K764	

Closed Room:

South	West	North	East
	3♦	D	Pass
4♦*	Pass	4♥	Pass
Pacc	Pacc		

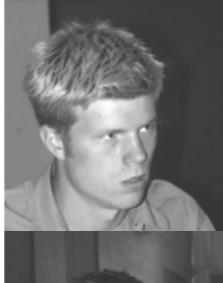
Open Room:

South	West	North	East
	3♦	D	Pass
3♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Declerer had to lose two clubs and as long as the defense followed suit and tooked their tricks in time the contract was doomed to go down. 6 more imps to GB.

Great Britain 31 Sweden II 7

In the Second half GB went away to 85-33. 25-5 to Great Britain.





Friberg above and Hellström - wonder what happend?