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Germany blasts into the lead!



Hallén - watching a game

Reps - Pioch beating Hallberg-Albertsson and Sweden with 21-9. 46 VP to Germany in yesterdays two matches.

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



Programme Thursday 30 July

10.00 Start of match 4
11.40 End of boards 1-12
11.50 Start of boards 13-24
13.30 End of boards 13-24
LUNCH
14.30 Start of match 5

16.10 End of boards 1-12
16.20 Start of boards 13-24
18.00 End of boards 13-24
DINNER
19.30 Open tournament

Bianchi - speaks Italian with NPC Brandonisio, angry for that missed slam, ohh bad breaks in the trump suit, one down when he didnt saffey 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 some-kind 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.	♠T9754		
North / -	♥AK32		
	♦T42		
	♣9		
	♠KQ		♠J86
	♥Q86		♥54
	♦A65		♦KJ87
	♣KQJ53		♣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 declarer 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
 T

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

board looked like this:

Board 2.	♠ T32		
East/NS	♥ AJ94		
	♦ T7642		
	♣ T		
♠ AK95		♠ J84	
♥ QT5		♥ 862	
♦ AQ93		♦ J5	
♣ Q6		♣ AJ983	
	♠ Q76		
	♥ K73		
	♦ K8		
	♣ K7542		

Closed Room:

South	West	North	East
			Pass
1♦*	1NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Open Room:

South	West	North	East
			Pass
Pass	1NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Declarer played low from the dummy and South put the king on the table. With the ten of clubs falling under the queen - declarer had got four club tricks. South would have done better by playing the eight - but how should he know that partner didn't 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, declarer then wrongly tried the jack and made seven tricks when he couldn't 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 3

	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
Belgium	- Sweden	-	-
Denmark	- Great Britain	-	-
Germany	- Sweden 2	-	-
Italy	- Netherlands	-	-

Sorry; wrong names



Pioch - not Repls!



Repls - not Pioch!

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 extremely dull.

Maarten Schollaardt, 20

Student; Economics. Lives in Amsterdam the only inhabitant who doesn't use drugs.

When are they sleeping?

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 NPC

Because he didn't 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.
South/EW

♠A2		♠98754
♥A95		♥T72
♦JT74		♦AK8
♣AK98		♣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 tried to play on the spades to create an extra chance making his game if the diamonds wouldnt 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

♠K32		♠AQJ765
♥876		♥JT9
♦Q76		♦5
♣Q432		♣K76
	♠T984	
	♥5	
	♦JT98	
	♣J985	
	♠-	
	♥AKQ432	
	♦AK432	
	♣AT	

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
♣ 953

♠ A42
♥ 96
♦ KJ97643
♣ T

♠ J87
♥ 752
♦ Q5
♣ AQJ82

♠ KT3
♥ QJT3
♦ T2
♣ K764

Closed Room:

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

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 took 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?

