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SCHEDULE TODAY

OCBL OPEN LEAGUE

ROUND 5. 21.30 CEST / 3.30 EDT

Alexander	VS	Robinson	
Anatolia	VS	Donner	
Compton	VS	Ireland	
Ventin	VS	Goded	
De Michelis	VS	Black	VUGRAPH
Moss	VS	Denmark	
De Botton	VS	Skalman	
Apex Predators	VS	Austromany	
Salvo	VS	Scorway	
The Expats	VS	Slovakia	
Leslie	VS	Amateurs	
Bourricot	VS	Cannon Fodder	
Skeidar	VS	DenMix	
MikaRippey	VS	Turkish Delight	
Swedese	VS	Swedish Fish	
Harris	VS	German Strain	
Baltic Express	VS	Amalgamated	

OCBL APRIL CUP

ROUND 1. 16.30 CEST / 10.30 a.m. EDT

GROUP A	Gupta	VS	Leslie	
	BBC-PERRON	VS	Orca	
	Skeidar	VS	Hotspurs	
	Gillis	VS	Harris	
GROUP B	Apres-Br. Ch.	VS	Baltic Express	
	Hill	VS	BBC	
	Wilson	VS	Art	
	Netbridge	VS	Rippey	
GROUP C	Black	VS	Scorway	
	Hansa	VS	Fredin	
	Amateurs	VS	Apex Predators	
	Buqqy	VS	Hungary	
GROUP D	De Botton	VS	Follow Suit	VUGRAPH
	Sugi	VS	Ferguson	
	Apple	VS	Clash	
	ECF HOLDING	VS	Phoenix	

ROUND 2. 19.00 CEST / 1.00 p.m. EDT

GROUP A	Gupta	VS	Hotspurs	
	Gillis	VS	BBC-PERRON	
	Orca	VS	Harris	
	Leslie	VS	Skeidar	
GROUP B	Apres-Br. Ch.	VS	Art	
	Netbridge	VS	Hill	
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THE OCBL APRIL CUP IS STARTING TODAY

32 teams have registered to the OCBL April Cup!

The event is starting today.

The qualification stage will be divided into two parts.

The 32 teams have been divided into 4 groups (A, B, C, D).

In each group, they will play a complete round robin. Then, the teams will be divided into 2 groups: Swiss A and Swiss B. They will play 2 more rounds before establishing the qualifiers for the knockouts.

See details on pages 4 - 6.

OCBL OPEN LEAGUE: THE QUALIFICATION STAGE IS GOING ON...

The fifth round of the OCBL Open League qualification stage will be played today. After four rounds, the Swedish team Alexander is still leading the ranking:

OCBL OPEN LEAGUE - RESULTS AFTER ROUND 4

1	Alexander	59.85	18	Scorway	39.38
2	Robinson	57.94	19	The Expats	38.4
3	Anatolia	56.6	20	Slovakia	38.05
4	Donner	53.65	21	Leslie	36.95
5	Compton	52.32	22	Amateurs	36.47
6	Ireland	51.42	23	Bourricot	35.48
7	Ventin	49.95	24	Cannon Fodder	34.9
8	Goded	47.35	25	Skeidar	33.09
9	De Michelis	46.85	26	DenMix	31.79
10	Black	46.14	27	MikaRippey	31.61
11	Moss	45.04	28	Turkish Delight	31.39
12	Denmark	44.27	29	Swedese	30.82
13	De Botton	43.8	30	Swedish Fish	28.06
14	Skalman	43.38	31	Harris	25.33
15	Apex Predators	42.26	32	Baltic Express	24.08
16	Austromany	40.75	33	Amalgamated	21.68
17	Salvo	40.27	34	German Strain	20.68

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OCBL UPCOMING EVENTS

OPEN LEAGUE

10 May - 6 June, 2021

Play every Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Sunday at 21.30 CEST - 15.30 EDT

MAY CUP

17 - 21 May, 2021

		CEST	EDT
Qualification:	Monday 17 May	16.30 - 19.00	10.30 - 13.00
	Tuesday 18 May	16.30 - 19.00 - 21.30	10.30 - 13.00 - 15.30
	Wednesday 19 May	16.30 - 19.00	10.30 - 13.00
	Thursday 20 May	16.30 - 19.00	10.30 - 13.00
KO:	Friday 21 May	16.30 - 19.00 - 21.30	10.30 - 13.00 - 15.30

JUNE CUP

31 May - 4 June, 2021

		CEST	EDT
Qualification:	Monday 31 May	16.30 - 19.00	10.30 - 13.00
	Tuesday 1 June	16.30 - 19.00 - 21.30	10.30 - 13.00 - 15.30
	Wednesday 2 June	16.30 - 19.00	10.30 - 13.00
	Thursday 3 June	16.30 - 19.00	10.30 - 13.00
KO:	Friday 4 June	16.30 - 19.00 - 21.30	10.30 - 13.00 - 15.30

SUPER CUP

28 June - 3 July, 2021

		CEST	EDT
Qualification:	Monday 28 June	16.30 - 19.00 - 21.30	10.30 - 13.00 - 15.30
	Tuesday 29 June	16.30 - 19.00 - 21.30	10.30 - 13.00 - 15.30
	Wednesday 30 June	16.30 - 19.00 - 21.30	10.30 - 13.00 - 15.30
	Thursday 1 July	16.30 - 19.00 - 21.30	10.30 - 13.00 - 15.30
KO:	Friday 2 July	16.30 - 19.00 - 21.30	10.30 - 13.00 - 15.30
	Saturday 3 July	16.30 - 19.00 - 21.30	10.30 - 13.00 - 15.30

JULY CUP

12 - 16 July, 2021

		CEST	EDT
Qualification:	Monday 12 July	16.30 - 19.00	10.30 - 13.00
	Tuesday 13 July	16.30 - 19.00 - 21.30	10.30 - 13.00 - 15.30
	Wednesday 14 July	16.30 - 19.00	10.30 - 13.00
	Thursday 15 July	16.30 - 19.00	10.30 - 13.00
KO:	Friday 16 July	16.30 - 19.00 - 21.30	10.30 - 13.00 - 15.30

Easter Rising

by Martin Cantor

Watching the first few boards of the top of the table clash between Alexander and Ireland, I began to think that the OCBL dealing machine, like my wife and I, had opted for a quiet Easter Sunday. But after a little while it came back alive and there was no shortage of action.

Board 55. Dealer S. All Vul.

	♠ K Q J 5 4 3 ♡ 10 5 2 ♢ 10 7 5 ♣ 10	
♠ 10 9 ♡ J 7 3 ♢ K Q 6 4 3 ♣ Q 6 3		♠ 7 ♡ A 8 4 ♢ A J 8 2 ♣ A K 7 5 2
	♠ A 8 6 2 ♡ K Q 9 6 ♢ 9 ♣ J 9 8 4	

Each side can make game here, NS in spades, EW in diamonds (but not in clubs). The play is straightforward in any sensible strain, so it's in the bidding, as so often these days, that you can win IMPs. At most tables South and West passed for North to open 2♠ (or a multi 2♢). Most Easts doubled this and Souths raised to the 3 or 4 level. However, with a weak two facing a passed hand against them a small minority of EW pairs decided the hand was theirs and got involved again by a variety of means. There were variations from the norm though. At a couple of tables, including the one I was watching, McGann could open 2♢ to show (ostensibly) 11-16 with three suits and short diamonds, after which Hanlon jumped to 4♠. At my table Molberg quite reasonably doubled and Larsson equally reasonably passed. Felmy in South opened 1♣; let's just say he didn't have a lot to spare, but when his partner Smirnov responded a weak 2♠ he could jump to 4♠ over East's double and play there. The most successful pair were Byrne-Dyke who got themselves doubled in 5♢. The most successful teams were the two who actually scored double game swings, Moss and Black, with 16 IMPs for 4♠X + 5♢.

Straight onto the next board and another possible double game swing.

Board 56. Dealer West. None Vul.

	♠ 10 8 7 5 ♡ A 6 3 ♢ Q J 10 2 ♣ 5 2	
♠ K ♡ K 8 ♢ A 9 6 4 3 ♣ A K Q 10 7		♠ 2 ♡ Q J 10 9 5 4 2 ♢ K 8 5 ♣ 9 4
	♠ A Q J 9 6 4 3 ♡ 7 ♢ 7 ♣ J 8 6 3	

5♡ is easy for EW, but in 4♠ NS have to get the trumps right to make. This time only one team scored the double game swing, MikaRippey, because most EW pairs bid to the five level, and so did many NS, which pushed six EW to the six level. Even if EW didn't bid to 5♠, they sometimes took away enough space to leave West guessing over partner's 5♡, as in this auction from the other table in my match:

West	North	East	Sout
Fitzgibbon	*Ovelius*	*Mesbur*	*Bergdahl*
1♣*	Pass	1♡	3♠
Pass	4♠	5♡	Pass
5NT*	Pass	6♡	All Pass

1♣ Precision
5NT keycard

The par on this deal is 5♠X, which twelve NS played, an impressively high percentage for a very tough high level competitive decision.

My favourite board of the day was this one, with interest in the bidding, the play and, in one case, the post-mortem.

Board 60. Dealer West. NS Vul.

	♠ Q 7 ♡ Q 7 6 ♢ Q 5 3 2 ♣ Q 10 5 2	
♠ K 4 3 ♡ A J 3 2 ♢ K 6 4 ♣ A 9 6		♠ A J 10 9 5 2 ♡ K 10 5 ♢ A 7 ♣ 8 4
	♠ 8 6 ♡ 9 8 4 ♢ J 10 9 8 ♣ K J 7 3	

Let's look at the bidding first. West will mostly open a 15-17 notrump, and East will transfer, then force to game showing six spades and perhaps a mild slam try. The mild slam try puts West to the test. It is a minimum, with 3433 shape, and no intermediates, all of which would lead me to sign off in game, despite a control in every suit and AAKK making it a good minimum.

OK, your natural optimism has got the better of you and you are one of four Wests in the small slam. what are your chances? On a non-club lead, pretty good; you can play spades, and if you find the queen you are home, playing hearts to ensure a discard for your little club. If you don't find the ♠Q you have to find the ♡Q and have them break either 3-3 or Qx for your discard. On a club lead you have to find both queens. A club lead is certainly not automatic, although it was found at three of the four tables. Note, by the way, that if you find both queens you make all thirteen tricks. So what happened at the four tables? Johansen of Skeidar was favoured with a diamond lead, cashed the top spades dropping the queen, then played ♡K, losing heart finesse, and claim. Rippey got a club lead, cashed the top spades, played three more rounds of spades, South discarding a heart along the way, so he got that suit right and claimed 13. Larsson took the club lead, drew trumps, and in an attempt to gather as much information as possible eliminated diamonds then conceded a club, before running all her spades. She ended with everyone having three hearts, and she got it right to make. At the final table Jepsen of Denmark followed essentially the same line as Larsson to come to the same end position. He got the hearts wrong, to go one down.

And the post mortem? Well Jepsen's partner was Morten Bilde. And Jepsen's RHO was Morten's son, Dennis Bilde, which saw this exchange of pleasantries:

ballebo (Morten): Dennis won't have all the ladies
ballebo-jr (Dennis): I'm glad you already said I was a good son... 😊
septiembre (LHO Madala): hahahah
ballebo-jr: U should know me better 😀
septiembre: all the ladies always there
ballebo: first time in his life ...
ballebo-jr: Dont tell mom
ballebo: she is watcing
septiembre -> Table: ouch
ballebo-jr -> Table: Not good... 😊
ballebo-jr -> Table: But you know she will blame you before me anyway 😉
Pelu (Lund, commentating) -> Kibitzers: mom is Dorte Cilleborg playing for the danish ladies team
ballebo: she already did 😟

finally this:

Board 61. Dealer N. All Vul.

	♠ 4 3 ♡ A J 8 4 2 ♢ J 8 4 ♣ J 7 6	
♠ A J 10 9 8 7 6 ♡ Q 9 ♢ A 10 ♣ K 10		♠ K 2 ♡ 10 ♢ Q 5 ♣ A Q 9 8 5 4 3 2
	♠ Q 5 ♡ K 7 6 5 3 ♢ K 9 7 6 3 2 ♣ —	

Second in hand East has far too much game or slam potential to preempt, so opens 1♣, and South has no reason not to throw in a two-suited bid. West shows his spades, North bids some number of hearts, and nobody is quite sure who is pushing whom around, though EW rather think this board belongs to them. And they are right, but where their thinking relies on them having the boss suit they can get into a lot of trouble; with North on lead they can be held to ten tricks losing two club ruffs and a heart, as happened when 6♠ or 7♠ were doubled, these being the only two NS plus scores. Often enough even 5♠ made, with or without a double. Four EW got to 6♣ and were allowed to play there, while Borgesson - Probert of Swedese went one further, bidding 7♣ in what one could never call a scientific auction. Still, the lack of science meant little information for Felmy in South, so he led a small diamond, and since he had overcalled the 1♣ opener with 2♢ Probert ran this to his queen and was soon able to claim and write 2140 on his scorecard.

OCBL APRIL CUP

FORMAT

The 32 participating teams have been divided into 4 groups A, B, C, and D.

Qualification Phase:

Phase 1: Teams divided into 4 groups will play 7 matches x 16 boards (Round Robin).

Phase 2: At the end of phase 1 the teams will be divided into 2 groups: Swiss A and Swiss B.

Swiss A: Will be formed by the top 3 teams and the two best forth from each group and will be played over 2 matches x 16 boards (Swiss)

Swiss B: Will be formed by the remaining teams and will be played over 2 matches x 16 boards (Swiss)

Knockout Phase:

Top 7 Teams from Swiss A and the 1st Teams from Swiss B will advance to the K.O. (Quarterfinal, Semi-final, and Final) 16 Boards each match.

GROUP A

BBC PERRON
Kaplan A. (kaplan70)
Polet G. (guy99)
Lafourcade J. (foxyguy52)
Caputo P. (caputo)
Voldoire J. (jmvold)
Bigdeli F. (faramarz)

GUPTA
Gupta N. (nareng)
Mahmood Zia (Zia)
Muller B. (beukertje)
de Wijs S. (sm1)
Madala A. (septiembre)
Bilde D. (ballebo-jr)

GILLIS
Gillis S. (Rayas78)
Saelensminde E. (skaal1)
Brogeland B. (boye)
Lindqvist E. (stevieg)
Svendsen O. (Pirrum)

HARRIS
Root S. (AsNuttyAs)
Igoe N. (ibraves)
Gold M. (marusab)
Trendafilov R. (rumen)
Harris J. (Jdache)
Malhasyan E. (master DJ)
Isporski V. (smileyv)

HOTSPURS
Naqvi W. (waseem)
Ritacca B. (8oc)
Kendrick D. (dkendrick1)
Gibbons R. (rgibbons21)
Segal O. (oseg63)
Dewit D. (Hyperon)
Vandewiele E. (blink128)
Van Bijsterveldt N. (nielsvbij)
Schols E. (Mkgnao)
Mekky A. (amr mekky)

LESLIE
Leslie T. (Culross66)
Burgess O. (mrspen)
Bell M. (MickyB)
Norton B. (Bechno)
Byrne M. (Mgb81)
Dyke K. (Woozle)

ORCA
Plackett R. (hoofie)
Erichsen E. (espene)
Crouch P. (pitiful)
Zorlu N. (begse)

SKEIDAR
Andresen M. (Mime477)
Helgemo G. (micelle45)
Aaseng L. (Lasseaa)
Johansen T. (Brulle)
Kristoffersen C. (Stoffers)
Bogø K. (osvaill83)
Berg E. (eberg)
Farstad A. (Kha66)

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Orca	VS	Leslie

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Gupta	VS	Gillis
Orca	VS	Skeidar
Harris	VS	Leslie
BBC-PERRON	VS	Hotspurs

GROUP B

APRES-BRIDGE CHAMPS
Auken S. (jcmax)
Welland R. (roy)
Milner R. (reesem)
Lall H. (hemantlall)
Jagniewski R. (mlodybog)
Gawel W. (redds)

ART
Bussink B. (bart3)
Rubenstein S. (stewr)
Tebha A. (anamtebha)
Grossack Z. (germs345)
Grossack A. (nevereast)

BALTIC EXPRESS
Rubenis B. (brunchiks)
Alfejeva J. (Helenaaa)
Karpov M. (rott2020)
Vahe V. (Vilmar)
Chumak Y. (yul)
Jansons U. (ugisj)
Birin S. (birin)
Rubenis I. (banco1)
Neimanis J. (zombis)

BBC
Backes J.M. (baks)
Bocken P. (bocken)
Coenraets P. (philippeiv)
Dehaye B. (alienor)
Dewasme I. (totilas001)
Labaere A. (Kortrijk)
Labaere-Carcassonne V. (etpuiszut)
Neve O. (oliviern)
Engel Z. (hros)

HILL
Hill J. (JoyceSC)
Dwyer K. (kdwyer)
Huang S. (precisebri)
Rimstedt M. (Mikaelrim)
Rimstedt O. (olarim)

NETBRIDGE
Van Den Hoek J. (janonline)
Bremer A. (arisbreem)
Bouwen K. (kebosporto)
Zomer M. (marcozomer)
De Winter J. (winjan)
Verhoeve N. (slin55)
Van Dijk R. (rvandijk)
Oranje V. (VictorNL)
Roelofs A. (arjanNL)

RIPPEY
Rippey M. (radiators)
Nowak K. (kamiln)
Nanev I. (inanev)
Gunev R. (8888)
Nawrocki P. (nawrot)
Wiankowski P. (vifon_e)
Strzemecki W. (ojtan)

WILSON
Wilson A. (flyfalcon)
Van Prooijen R. (riccovp)
Verhees L. (loukie)
Mendes De Leon G. (guymdl)
Gronkvist I. (Halko)
Gronkvist M. (Mike_G)
Kiljan V. (Vkill)
Tijssen L. (luctijs)
Sprinkhuizen T. (thibos)

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GROUP C

AMATEURS
Ai-Tai L. (aitail)
Pettis B. (buffalo6)
Jiang Gu (Jiang_Gu)
Baseggio F. (baseggio)
Chechelashvili D. (Dato)
Soliman A. (Rabie3)
Stark A. (astark)
Kolesnik A. (Kolesnik)

APEX PREDATORS
Khandelwal A. (Fide51)
Green B. (benjy)
Tommasini S. (Stefanot)
Thoma M. (hawai)
Barbosa B. (beto)
Rodrigues A. (drinbet)
Hanlon T. (kinder1)
Amoils L. (amoils)

BLACK
Black A. (boggis)
Gold D. (dagold)
McIntosh A. (mcintosh)
Paske T. (thomas1000)
Hult S. (hultahult)
Hallberg G. (rerack)

BUQQY
Hu W. (buqqy)
Shah Z. (March26)
Chowdhury M. (rajib bd)
Agha R. (tagha)
Rojko S. (cmrlj)
Vetrushkova-Kostova V. (velina)
Kostov K. (kosta)
Meng G. (menggq)
Wang Y. (wang1688)
Liu L. (liuleiace2)

FREDIN
Fredin P. (P_Fredin)
Apteker A. (alonap)
Drijver Bob (bobdrijver)
Nab B. (bnab)
Wrang F. (fly21)
Palma A. (apalma)

HANSA
Pellegrini C. (carlosp)
Narasimhan H. (rajda)
Rocca S. (malambo)
Hinton J. (johnhinton)
Whibley M. (jafa)

HUNGARY
Winkler G. (winkiboy)
Dumbovich M. (dumbovich)
Szabo C. (csaboka13)
Lakatos P. (nyul11)
Szegedi B. (korszurku)
Hegedus G. (gal)

SCORWAY
Levinson S. (sc0tsteve)
Shenkin B. (Barnets)
Kvangraven N. (Nils123)
Silverstone V. (Odysseus 69)
Diamond D. (Derekd)
Saur O. (saurdino)
Brekka G. (kaninen)
Stornes H. (helsto)

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GROUP D

APPLE
Setton H. (Ldase)
Franceschetti P. (gewd)
Brink S. (Sjoertbr)
Drijver Bas (BasDr)
Robert Q. (ptit)

CLASH
Hinze G. (ghinze)
Kranyak J. (jkrans)
Enfield K. (cx107)
Demuy V. (Okvince)

DE BOTTON
Malinowski A. (malisuper)
Bakhshi D. (Bakhshi)
Townsend T. (mug)
Charlsen T. (tcharlsen)
Hoftaniska T.E. (Kasper20)
De Botton J. (Capt Lulu)
Padon D. (Drorp)

ECF HOLDING
Lie T. (Terjel)
Fasting E. (mehe)
Ovesen J. (jo-arne)
Høyland S. (sioslo)
Grude T.E. (teg91)
Johansen L.A. (larsarthur)
Thoresen S. (sivt)
Sabell T. (TolleS)
Kvam E. (hubi_)
Hartvigsen H. (kofshall)

FERGUSON
Ferguson B. (bruceferg)
Nadel J. (juliejoy)
Van Den Bos B. (Berendbs)
Van Lankveld J. (ennaji)
Snellers A. (asnellers)
De Boer W. (bukkum)

FOLLOW SUIT
Bareket I. (bareket)
Lengy A. (lengy)
Tal N. (nogatal)
Tal D. (danat85)
Zack Y. (yanivz)
Barel M. (mich-b)
Israeli D. (dan_ehh)
Warszawski A. (aran)
Braunstein A. (rel49)
Shahar Z. (shaharz)

PHOENIX
Thrower J. (realdeal)
Ahmed A. (sheikohear)
Sanderson L. (lsanderson)
Croswell C. (croz01)
Thoresen J. (Jon A T)
Orsmond G. (grammmy)

SUGI
Sugiharto H. (sugi)
Pitt J. (scoobyroo)
Nurkunyil A. (nurkunyil)
Elwindra G. (gabrialsew)
Beni Ji. (beni ji)
Tobing R. (pangi)

Monday, 5 April 2021

ROUND 1. 16.30 CEST / 10.30 a.m. EDT

De Botton	VS	Follow Suit
Sugi	VS	Ferguson
Apple	VS	Clash
ECF HOLDING	VS	Phoenix

ROUND 2. 19.00 CEST / 1.00 p.m. EDT

De Botton	VS	Clash
ECF HOLDING	VS	Sugi
Ferguson	VS	Phoenix
Follow Suit	VS	Apple

Tuesday, 6 April 2021

ROUND 3. 16.30 CEST / 10.30 a.m. EDT

De Botton	VS	Phoenix
Follow Suit	VS	ECF HOLDING
Sugi	VS	Apple
Clash	VS	Ferguson

ROUND 4. 19.00 CEST / 1.00 p.m. EDT

De Botton	VS	Apple
Clash	VS	Follow Suit
ECF HOLDING	VS	Ferguson
Phoenix	VS	Sugi

ROUND 5. 21.30 CEST / 3.30 p.m. EDT

De Botton	VS	Ferguson
Phoenix	VS	Clash
Follow Suit	VS	Sugi
Apple	VS	ECF HOLDING

Wednesday, 7 April 2021

ROUND 6. 16.30 CEST / 10.30 a.m. EDT

De Botton	VS	Sugi
Apple	VS	Phoenix
Clash	VS	ECF HOLDING
Ferguson	VS	Follow Suit

ROUND 7. 19.00 CEST / 1.00 p.m. EDT

De Botton	VS	ECF HOLDING
Ferguson	VS	Apple
Phoenix	VS	Follow Suit
Sugi	VS	Clash

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The Entertainer

by Mark Horton

If you search the Internet (an increasingly popular pastime for many over the last 12 months) you can attempt to come up with the definitive definition of a sports writer. Regardless of anything else, everyone agrees that using creativity to engage and entertain the reader whilst providing accurate and factually correct information is paramount. I would say that in the vast majority of cases it will help if you have played the game you are writing about, as it will give you an invaluable insight into a competitor's thoughts and how they are likely to react in variety of situations. In the magnificent baseball movie *The Natural* an exchange takes place between the star of the film Roy Hobbs and a reporter, Max Mercy:

Roy Hobbs: 'Did you ever play ball, Max?'

Max Mercy: 'No, never have. But I make it a little more fun to watch, you see. And after today, whether you're a goat or a hero..... you're gonna make me a great story.'

Roy's unexpressed but implied point was that you couldn't hope to be a brilliant baseball reporter if you had never played the game.

If you are going to write about bridge, experience helps as it will enable you to spot potentially interesting deals, especially those that are in some way instructive.

As we get ready for the OCBL April Cup to get under way, here are three deals from recent events.

Before we get to the main course, here is an amuse-bouche in the form of a problem that was sent to me by a friend:

♠ A K Q 10 5
♡ A 10 7 4 2
♢ J 7 3
♣ —

♠ 9 8 4
♡ Q 3
♢ A Q 10 5
♣ A K 9 6

West	North	East	South
—	—	—	1NT
Pass	4♢*	Pass	4♠
Pass	4NT*	Pass	5♡*
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

4♢ Both majors, 5/5
4NT RKCB
5♡ 2 key cards

West leads the queen of clubs - what's the best line of play?

I'll come back to this later.

Dealer South. All Vul.

♠ J 9 5
♡ A 5
♢ A K Q 7
♣ A 8 7 5

♠ A 4 2
♡ 10 8 6
♢ 9 8 6 5 4 3
♣ 4

On the surface this does not appear to be a demanding deal - NS have nine tricks in 3NT. However, not everyone managed to get there and several pairs came to rest in 5♢ after East had overcalled in hearts. How would you tackle it on the lead of the ♡7?

One declarer won the heart lead, cashed the ♢A and then took the ♣A, ruffed a club and exited with a heart, East winning and returning a heart. Declarer ruffed in dummy and took a second round of trumps, which resulted in one down when this was the layout:

♠ J 9 5
♡ A 5
♢ A K Q 7
♣ A 8 7 5

♠ Q 10 8 7 6
♡ 7 3
♢ 10 2
♣ K J 10 6

♠ K 3
♡ K Q J 9 4 2
♢ J
♣ Q 9 3 2

♠ A 4 2
♡ 10 8 6
♢ 9 8 6 5 4 3
♣ 4

In general terms it is hardly ever wrong, especially when you have plenty of trumps in both hands, to eliminate one or more suit suits.

Having ruffed a heart, declarer must ruff another club, cross to dummy with a trump and ruff the last club. Now, cashing the ♠A leaves East in a pickle. Unblocking it avoids the impending endplay, but allows declarer to lead towards the ♠J.

Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ Q J 10 5
♡ A Q 10 3
♢ K
♣ 10 8 6 2

♠ K 8 6 3
♡ 9
♢ A Q 10 9
♣ A K 7 5

After 1♣-1♡-1♠-4♠ South has to consider the merits of bidding on. With modest trumps, a 4144 (the singleton in partner's suit) there is a fair case for passing, but several players went on to the slam.

On the lead of the ♠2 or the ♣Q no-one found a route to 12 tricks. Can you?

You are probably going to need the heart finesse and the best time to take it is at trick two. Then you ruff a heart, play a spade to dummy, ruff a heart and exit with the ♠K for an easy 12 tricks. This was the full deal:

♠ Q J 10 5
♡ A Q 10 3
♢ K
♣ 10 8 6 2

♠ A 7 2
♡ K J 6 2
♢ J 8 4 3 2
♣ Q

♠ 9 4
♡ 8 7 5 4
♢ 7 6 5
♣ J 9 4 3

♠ K 8 6 3
♡ 9
♢ A Q 10 9
♣ A K 7 5

Dealer West. None Vul.

♠ A J 8
♡ A 10 2
♢ K 9 6 5
♣ 9 5 4

♠ Q 2
♡ K J 9 6 5 4
♢ 10 3
♣ A J 8

West	North	East	South
2♠	Pass	Pass	3♡
Pass	3♠*	Pass	4♡
All Pass			

It's no use worrying about the fact that 3NT (especially from your side) might be a better contract. How do you secure ten tricks when West leads the ♢Q?

If you cover with the king, East wins and switches to the ♣2, West taking the trick with the ten and returning the ♣Q. This is how the cards were distributed:

♠ A J 8
♡ A 10 2
♢ K 9 6 5
♣ 9 5 4

♠ K 10 7 5 4 3
♡ 8
♢ Q J 8
♣ Q 10 6

♠ 9 6
♡ Q 7 3
♢ A 7 4 2
♣ K 7 3 2

♠ Q 2
♡ K J 9 6 5 4
♢ 10 3
♣ A J 8

Declarer took the second club with the ace, played a heart to the ace and a heart to the jack. When West discarded the ♠4 declarer drew the outstanding trump and then played a diamond,

enabling West to win and play a third club for one down and 44.5/49.

If declarer cashes three more hearts, the last of them will be most uncomfortable for West, who will be down to ♠K107 ♢J ♣6. The best he can do is pitch a club, but then declarer throws a spade from dummy, takes a spade finesse and plays a diamond to the ten to secure ten tricks.

It's time to return to the problem I posed at the beginning:

♠ A K Q 10 5
♡ A 10 7 4 2
♢ J 7 3
♣ —

♠ 9 8 4
♡ Q 3
♢ A Q 10 5
♣ A K 9 6

At first glance you might think that playing on diamonds is your best chance, but suppose East started with a doubleton king? You are short of entries to your hand, so securing four diamond tricks is not so simple.

Your best bet may be to ruff the club lead and play a heart. If East takes the king and switches to a diamond you can rise with the ace, cash the ♡Q, pitch two diamonds on the ♣AK and then take two rounds of trumps before deciding whether or not to ruff a heart.

When I replied to my correspondent, they revealed that declarer had followed this line, and as it happened, the doubleton ♠J was with East, so declarer could safely ruff a heart and claim. Naturally the ♢K was onside and the hearts were 3-3, so anything works!

55th European National Team Championships

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The European Bridge League has released the following statement:

The EBL is disappointed to announce that, due to the ongoing uncertainty surrounding the Covid-19 pandemic and the situation disimproving in so many countries, the National Team Championships planned for June 2021 in Madeira have been cancelled.

With the co-operation of our very flexible and accommodating hosts, the Portuguese Bridge Federation, we hope to finally go to Madeira in June 2022, for the twice postponed National Team Championships.

In the meantime, should the WBF decide to go ahead with the World Teams Championships later this year, the EBL will organise an alternative method to determine the Zone 1 qualifiers. If such qualification will be held online, it is likely to be within the original Championship time period – 12 – 22 June.

The WBF has not yet made its final decision and may not do so before sometime in May.

In preparation, the EBL is finalising a detailed protocol for an online event which would include, amongst many other security features, players playing in a designated domestic location, set up according to very specific criteria, supervised by independent international observers.

2nd April 2021

OCBL OPEN LEAGUE - RESULTS

ROUND 4

Alexander	10.31 VPs 42 IMPs	9.69 VPs 41 IMPs	Ireland
Robinson	16.58 VPs 37 IMPs	3.42 VPs 8 IMPs	Denmark
De Botton	5 VPs 16 IMPs	15 VPs 36 IMPs	Donner
Compton	14.18 VPs 36 IMPs	5.82 VPs 20 IMPs	Skalman
Anatolia	20 VPs 72 IMPs	0 VPs 8 IMPs	Bourricot
Goded	10.91 VPs 34 IMPs	9.09 VPs 31 IMPs	Moss
Ventin	15.56 VPs 29 IMPs	4.44 VPs 6 IMPs	Leslie
The Expats	5.4 VPs 9 IMPs	14.6 VPs 27 IMPs	De Michelis
Salvo	8.8 VPs 25 IMPs	11.2 VPs 29 IMPs	Apex Predators

Black	15.74 VPs 40 IMPs	4.26 VPs 16 IMPs	Skeidar
Amateurs	8.8 VPs 29 IMPs	11.2 VPs 33 IMPs	Slovakia
Turkish Delight	4.81 VPs 3 IMPs	15.19 VPs 24 IMPs	Austromany
Cannon Fodder	11.2 VPs 20 IMPs	8.8 VPs 16 IMPs	DenMix
Scorway	16.58 VPs 39 IMPs	3.42 VPs 10 IMPs	Harris
MikaRippey	10.91 VPs 49 IMPs	9.09 VPs 46 IMPs	Swedish Fish
Amalgamated	4.26 VPs 23 IMPs	15.74 VPs 47 IMPs	Swedese
German Strain	6.72 VPs 39 IMPs	13.28 VPs 51 IMPs	Baltic Express

OCBL OPEN LEAGUE - RESULTS

BUTLER RANKING

1	J. Grue, (joegrue)	Donner	2.56	48
	B. Moss, (brad)	Donner	2.56	48
3	J. Breihan, (devilscoup)	Anatolia	2.25	16
	C. Berktas, (babacan2)	Anatolia	2.25	16
5	A. Boulin, (tutur300)	Bourricot	2.03	32
6	G. Fractman, (gabrielf)	Goded	1.88	16
7	D. Bakhshi, (Bakhshi)	De Botton	1.78	32
	T. Townsend, (mug)	De Botton	1.78	32
9	M. Byrne, (Mgb81)	Leslie	1.72	32
	K. Dyke, (Woozle)	Leslie	1.72	32
11	E. Övelius, (Emma Sj)	Alexander	1.66	32
12	E. Endelman, (E11)	The Expats	1.63	16
	S. Amer, (Samer026)	The Expats	1.63	16
14	J. Selberg, (janselb)	Skalman	1.47	32
	O. Wademark, (flashrex)	Skalman	1.47	32
16	T.E. Hoftaniska, (Kasper20)	De Botton	1.44	32
17	D. Bilde, (ballebo-jr)	Robinson	1.35	48
	A. Madala, (septiembre)	Robinson	1.35	48
19	T. Bergdahl, (lingonback)	Alexander	1.33	48
20	T. Karlsson, (Charlie99)	Alexander	1.22	32
21	D. Schaltz, (DS_DK)	DenMix	1.19	16
	P. Schaltz, (PS_DK)	DenMix	1.19	16
	J.C. Ventin, (phave)	Ventin	1.19	16
	J. Pacareu, (paca1987)	Ventin	1.19	16
25	Fu Zhong, (dutouqi)	Compton	1.16	64
	Jie Zhao, (brgpro)	Compton	1.16	64
	A. Black, (boggis)	Black	1.16	32
	D. Gold, (dagold)	Black	1.16	32
29	J. Hammelev, (johse61)	DenMix	1.13	32
	C. Krefeld, (camse2)	DenMix	1.13	32
31	J. Larsson, (Jela79)	Alexander	1.09	32
	J. Molberg, (juve_)	Alexander	1.09	32
	T. Hanlon, (kinder1)	Ireland	1.09	64
	H. McGann, (hmg2)	Ireland	1.09	64
35	J. Sylvan, (JoppeSyl)	Swedish Fish	1.06	32
	M. Di Franco, (M_DiFranco)	De Michelis	1.06	32
	A. Manno, (maqeda)	De Michelis	1.06	32
	C. Henderson, (cwh)	Turkish Delight	1.06	16
	D. Probert, (davpro)	Swedese	1.06	32
	T. Borgesson, (saturmos)	Swedese	1.06	32
41	M. Rimstedt, (Mikaelrim)	Black	0.94	32
	O. Rimstedt, (olarim)	Black	0.94	32
43	F. Baseggio, (baseggio)	Amateurs	0.81	16
	D. Wolkowitz, (wolkowitz)	Amateurs	0.81	16
	T. Erkoc, (MrAce)	Anatolia	0.81	64
	I. Chorush, (Chorush)	Anatolia	0.81	64
	J. Sabaté, (jsabate)	Goded	0.81	64
	G. Goded, (fluffy)	Goded	0.81	64
49	O. Saur, (Saurdino)	Scorway	0.75	16
50	H. Graversen, (HCDK)	Denmark	0.72	32
	A. Palma, (apalma)	Ventin	0.72	64
52	L. Andersson, (bt)	Alexander	0.69	16
	K. Bogø, (osvaill83)	Skeidar	0.69	16
	L. Bellicaud, (lbellicaud)	Bourricot	0.69	64
55	O. Burgess, (mrspen)	Leslie	0.63	32
	S. Aluf, (monk99)	Salvo	0.63	64
	J. Thomsen, (pentacon)	Denmark	0.63	16
	R. Hemberg, (ricoh)	Denmark	0.63	16
59	Z. Grossack, (germs345)	Robinson	0.59	32
	K. Rosenberg, (kevsters)	Robinson	0.59	32
	N. Kubac, (nezihk)	Salvo	0.59	32
	K. Dwyer, (kdwyer)	Donner	0.59	32
63	M. Klukowski, (skrzat96)	Moss	0.58	48
	J. Kalita, (paulinka18)	Moss	0.58	48
65	A. Sandin, (stridsvagn)	Alexander	0.56	48
	J. Fritsche, (joefri)	Austromany	0.56	48
	K. Reps, (rops)	Austromany	0.56	48
	T. Helness, (Helstokk)	De Botton	0.56	16
69	G. Brekka, (kaninen)	Scorway	0.53	32
70	P. King, (philking)	Apex Predators	0.5	16
	K. Castner, (Jafra)	Apex Predators	0.5	16
	K. Konow, (konow)	Denmark	0.5	16
	M. Askgaard, (askgaard)	Denmark	0.5	16
	M. Vodička, (vodka47)	Slovakia	0.5	48
75	O. Ekinci, (Ekinci)	Turkish Delight	0.48	40
76	J. Rumančík, (The_Dagda)	Slovakia	0.41	32
77	F. Goded, (aupaleti)	Goded	0.38	32
78	F. Wrang, (fly21)	Ventin	0.34	32
79	F. Nystrom, (F_Nystrom)	Ventin	0.33	48
80	N. Kvangraven, (Nils123)	Scorway	0.31	16
	S. De Wijs, (sm1)	Moss	0.31	64
82	L. Robinson, (saba)	Robinson	0.27	48
	A. Grossack, (nevereast)	Robinson	0.27	48
84	L. Aaseng, (Lasseaa)	Skeidar	0.27	64
85	S. Levinson, (sc0tsteve)	Scorway	0.23	64
	B. Shenkin, (Barnets)	Scorway	0.23	64
87	K. Ahlesved, (kruska)	Skalman	0.22	32
	N. Warne, (nikwar2)	Skalman	0.22	32
89	T. Charlsen, (tcharlsen)	De Botton	0.21	48
	C. Rimstedt, (CillaR)	Donner	0.21	48
	B. Muller, (beukertje)	Moss	0.21	48
92	J. Campos, (jpapc)	Apex Predators	0.19	32
93	B. Rubenis, (brunchiks)	Baltic Express	0.16	32
	U. Jansons, (ugisj)	Baltic Express	0.16	32
95	T. Johansen, (Brulle)	Skeidar	0.13	48
	N. Zorlu, (begse)	Salvo	0.13	48
	E. Jepsen, (emilos)	Denmark	0.13	32
98	P. Trenka, (trp42)	The Expats	0.1	48
	G. Kemény, (kemeny)	The Expats	0.1	48
100	A. Soliman, (Rabie3)	The Expats	0.09	32
	D. Chechelashvili, (Dato)	The Expats	0.09	32
102	S. Tommasini, (Stefanot)	Apex Predators	0.08	48
103	M. Sheng, (Kainsheng)	Amateurs	0.06	48
	E. Yamut, (eyamut)	Anatolia	0.06	48
	C. Seker, (Cngz)	Anatolia	0.06	48
106	E. Velecký, (edowell)	Slovakia	0	48
	K. Lohay, (karci)	Slovakia	0	16
	J. Pitt, (scoobyroo)	Cannon Fodder	0	64
109	L. De Michelis, (lucadm)	De Michelis	-0.02	48
	G. Failla, (gioffi)	De Michelis	-0.02	48
111	S. Hult, (hultahult)	Black	-0.03	32
	G. Hallberg, (rerack)	Black	-0.03	32
	M. Henc, (hewex)	Slovakia	-0.03	32
114	L. Lund Madsen, (lalun2)	Denmark	-0.04	48
	M. Bensby Nøhr, (mbn1974)	Denmark	-0.04	48
116	K. Nowak, (kamiln)	MikaRippey	-0.06	16
	S. Sofu, (Serkansofu)	Turkish Delight	-0.06	32
	R. Trendafilov, (rumen)	Harris	-0.06	32
	V. Isporski, (smileyv)	Harris	-0.06	32
	A. Mesbur, (AMesbur)	Ireland	-0.06	32
	N. Fitzgibbon, (nickfg1)	Ireland	-0.06	32
122	R. Lee, (rogerclee)	Moss	-0.09	32
123	D. Guttmann, (daviesG)	Austromany	-0.1	48
	H. Berger, (wuzi5)	Austromany	-0.1	48
125	R. Monsted, (Rikkemusdk)	DenMix	-0.13	16
	A-Z. Efraimsson, (annazack)	Swedese	-0.13	16
	J. Cooke, (mugsmate)	Apex Predators	-0.13	16
	N. Monsted, (Monsted)	DenMix	-0.13	16
129	B. Pettis, (buffalo6)	Amateurs	-0.15	48
130	T. Hantveit, (hantveit)	Cannon Fodder	-0.17	48
131	A. Khandelwal, (Fide51)	Apex Predators	-0.19	64
	B. Green, (benjy)	Apex Predators	-0.19	64
	M. Gold, (marusab)	Harris	-0.19	16
	L. Cima, (100dog)	De Michelis	-0.19	48
	A. Sementa, (ilaria75)	De Michelis	-0.19	48
136	C. Lahrmann, (christianL)	Swedish Fish	-0.2	64
137	E. McNay, (ewan)	Cannon Fodder	-0.21	48
138	M. Nilsland, (Nilsland)	Skalman	-0.22	32
	B. Fallenius, (Bf88)	Skalman	-0.22	32
140	T. Dressing, (TEDressing)	Cannon Fodder	-0.25	32
141	J. Kvoček, (Big Baran)	Slovakia	-0.27	48
142	M. Moran, (markpm)	Ireland	-0.28	32
	J. Carroll, (coppers)	Ireland	-0.28	32
144	S. Root, (AsNuttyAs)	Harris	-0.29	48
	N. Igoe, (ibraves)	Harris	-0.29	48
146	Gu Jiang, (Jiang_Gu)	Amateurs	-0.33	64
147	O. Yilmaz, (ovncylmz)	Amalgamated	-0.33	48
	D. Seker, (possessed)	Amalgamated	-0.33	48
149	G. Zanasi, (Mikadinho)	MikaRippey	-0.36	64
	M. Verhaegen, (Marcel_ve)	MikaRippey	-0.36	64
151	T. Leslie, (Culross66)	Leslie	-0.39	64
152	B-E. Efraimsson, (berik56)	Swedese	-0.41	32
	D. Marker, (marker544)	Cannon Fodder	-0.41	64
154	V. Vahe, (Vilmar)	Baltic Express	-0.42	48
	M. Karpov, (rott2020)	Baltic Express	-0.42	48
156	J. Ovesen, (jo-arne)	Scorway	-0.44	16
	Y. Sohtorik, (yusufb)	Turkish Delight	-0.44	16
	T. Lie, (Terjel)	Scorway	-0.44	16
159	A. Goodman, (agoodman1)	Compton	-0.46	48
	C. Fernandez, (carlitosf)	Ventin	-0.46	48
	C. Compton, (compton)	Compton	-0.46	48
	E. Serdar, (Exerdar)	Turkish Delight	-0.46	24
163	M. Schneider, (docms)	German Strain	-0.48	48
	G. Smykalla, (karo72003)	German Strain	-0.48	48
165	Lo Ai-Tai, (aitail)	Amateurs	-0.48	64
166	M. Rippey, (radiators)	MikaRippey	-0.5	64
	H. Kvick, (kvicken)	Skalman	-0.5	32
	PA Karlsson, (st1energy)	Skalman	-0.5	32
169	A. Morath, (andersm)	Swedese	-0.53	32
	T. Gullberg, (psotogul)	Swedese	-0.53	32
	M. Thoma, (hawai)	Ventin	-0.53	32
172	E. Suiçmez, (grundar)	Salvo	-0.54	48
173	A. Farstad, (Kha66)	Skeidar	-0.56	32
	U. Kasimir, (udo)	Austromany	-0.56	32
	P. Jokisch, (jockel)	Austromany	-0.56	32
176	A. Uçar, (no weak)	Salvo	-0.64	64
177	P. Thurston, (Thurston)	MikaRippey	-0.65	48
	M. Wust, (desert)	Amalgamated	-0.65	48
	P. Freche, (pfreche)	Amalgamated	-0.65	48
180	T. Guichet, (Krati_Lyz)	Bourricot	-0.66	32
181	E. Ultav, (Simplyhi)	Turkish Delight	-0.68	40
182	M. Axdorph, (axdorph63)	Swedese	-0.69	16
	J. Jakabšic, (oldo)	Slovakia	-0.69	16
	T. Moses, (hottodstl)	Compton	-0.69	16
	R. Smith, (ronsmithsf)	Compton	-0.69	16
186	H. Caspersen, (hcasp)	Denmark	-0.75	16
	S. Clementsson, (237425)	Alexander	-0.75	16
188	S. Moss, (sylvie)	Moss	-0.81	16
	S. Uras, (safaku)	Turkish Delight	-0.81	64
190	E. Vallet, (rasko179)	Bourricot	-0.83	64
	P. Bedouet, (pi420)	Bourricot	-0.83	64
192	D. Padon, (Drorp)	De Botton	-0.84	32
193	P. Belčák, (blog)	Slovakia	-0.88	16
194	M. Andresen, (Mime477)	Skeidar	-0.89	64
195	G. Botta, (gio 89)	The Expats	-0.97	32
	I. Savchenko, (Igors)	The Expats	-0.97	32
197	G. Donner, (GDonnersc1)	Donner	-1.02	48
198	T. Paske, (thomas1000)	Black	-1.03	32
	P. Fredin, (P_Fredin)	Swedish Fish	-1.03	64
	J. Clemmensson, (jannec69)	Swedish Fish	-1.03	64
	A. McIntosh, (mcintosh)	Black	-1.03	32
202	S. Tatlicioglu, (sinantos)	Turkish Delight	-1.04	24
203	J.O. Henneberg, (joh1)	DenMix	-1.13	32
	M. Henneberg, (makir)	DenMix	-1.13	32
205	M. Felmy, (Game Over)	Amalgamated	-1.19	32
	A. Smirnov, (Smirny)	Amalgamated	-1.19	32
	S. Hein, (shein)	German Strain	-1.19	48
	M. Weiß, (eller90)	German Strain	-1.19	48
209	R. Gómez, (comissure)	Goded	-1.21	48
210	G. Helgemo, (micelle45)	Skeidar	-1.22	32
211	A. Malinowski, (malisuper)	De Botton	-1.25	32
	S. Rimstedt, (sandria)	Donner	-1.25	32
	P. Gonçalves, (pgonsalvs)	Goded	-1.25	32
	J. De Botton, (Capt Lulu)	De Botton	-1.25	32
215	B. Norton, (Bechno)	Leslie	-1.28	32
216	M. Bell, (MickyB)	Leslie	-1.34	64
217	J. Harris, (Jdache)	Harris	-1.38	48
	J. Alfejeva, (Helenaaa)	Baltic Express	-1.38	32
	S. Birin, (birin)	Baltic Express	-1.38	48
	J. Neimanis, (zombis)	Baltic Express	-1.38	16
221	V. Silverstone, (Odysseus69)	Scorway	-1.44	16
	D. Diamond, (Derekd)	Scorway	-1.44	16
223	K. Todd, (Kmtnyc)	Swedish Fish	-1.47	32
224	G. Hammarstrom, (maximum)	Swedese	-1.53	32
	M. Arnberg, (marnberg)	Swedese	-1.53	32
226	J. Lepper, (mumenrider)	German Strain	-1.59	32
	F. Doermer, (feli1912)	German Strain	-1.59	32
228	S. Thomsen, (Thomsen)	DenMix	-1.72	32
	P. Jepsen, (P_Jepsen)	DenMix	-1.72	32
230	M. Bilde, (ballebo)	Denmark	-1.94	16
231	E. Malhasyan, (master DJ)	Harris	-1.97	32

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9 Rounds x 16 Boards	CEST	EDT
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Wednesday	16.30 - 19.00	10.30 - 13.00
Thursday	16.30 - 19.00	10.30 - 13.00

KOs:

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	CEST	EDT
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