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OCBL APRIL CUP SWISS RESULTS

SWISS A

1		Hill	127.33
2		Wilson	121.67
3		Follow Suit	119.41
4		De Botton	119.38
5		Orca	115.66
6		Ferguson	115.5
7		Gupta	113.84
8		Black	109.38
9		Apres-Br, Ch.	104.27
10		Skeidar	103.88
11		BBC	102.02
12		Clash	94.6
13		Fredin	92.01
14		Scorway	79.39

SWISS B

1		Gillis	101.27
2		Hungary	101.09
3		Hansa	97.24
4		Leslie	89.11
5		Harris	83.97
6		Apple	79.95
7		Amateurs	79.26
8		Rippey	79.21
9		Phoenix	77.14
10		Apex Predators	75.55
11		ECF HOLDING	73.73
12		Baltic Express	68.7
13		Buqqy	64.04
14		Hotspurs	64.03
15		Netbridge	63.59
16		BBC-PERRON	63.39
17		Art	60.09
18		Sugi	40.3

OCBL APRIL CUP: KNOCKOUTS DAY!

The Knockouts of the OCBL April Cup are starting today!
The first 7 teams of the ranking of the Swiss A group and the first team of the ranking of the Swiss B group have gained a pass to the Quarterfinals.

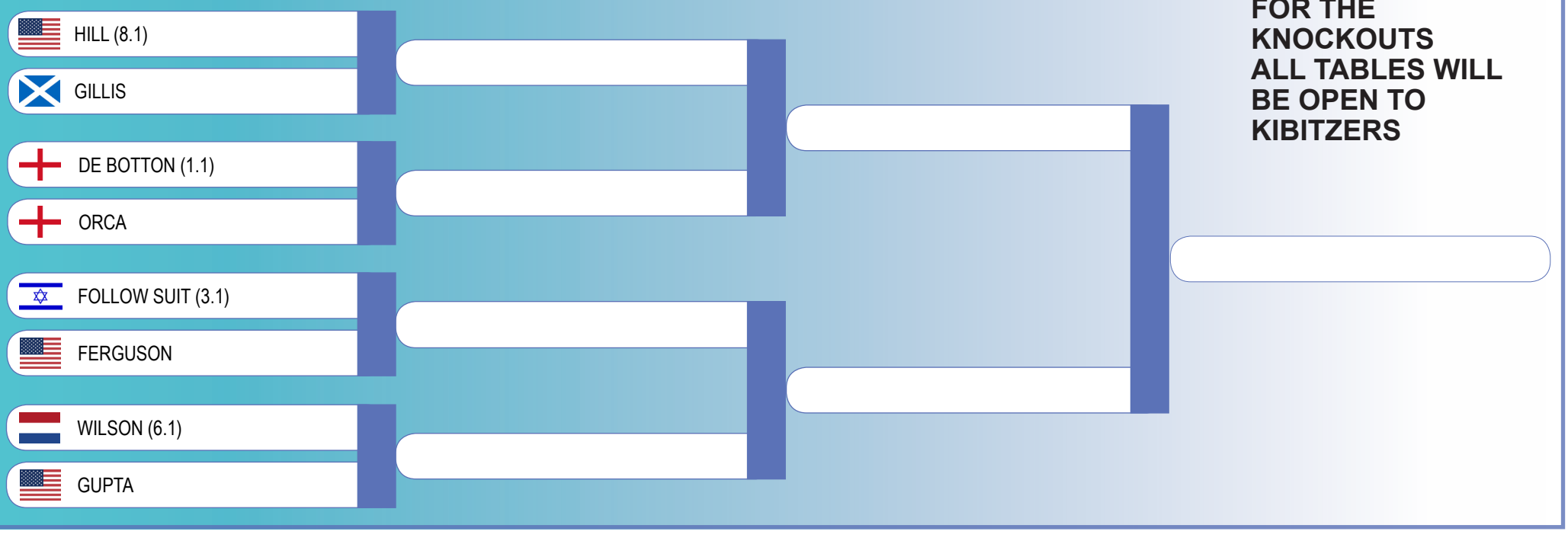
The matches will be:
HILL vs GILLIS
DE BOTTON vs ORCA
FOLLOW SUIT vs FERGUSON
WILSON vs GUPTA

Quarterfinals, Semifinals and the Final will be played today

OCBL OPEN LEAGUE - RESULTS AFTER ROUND 7

1		Anatolia	94.31	18		Slovakia	69.38
2		Alexander	93.01	19		Scorway	68.98
3		Ventin	92.95	20		Baltic Express	66.86
4		Salvo	89.87	21		Cannon Fodder	64.09
5		Donner	86.95	22		Skalman	64.01
6		Goded	85.56	23		Swedese	62.25
7		Robinson	80.32	24		Amateurs	61.89
8		DenMix	79.35	25		Amalgamated	61.55
9		Austromany	79.08	26		Leslie	60.86
10		Moss	77.82	27		The Expats	60.63
11		Denmark	77.46	28		De Botton	57.24
12		Bourricot	77.23	29		Skeidar	56.67
13		Ireland	76.51	30		Harris	55.05
14		Black	75.19	31		Swedish Fish	54.15
15		De Michelis	73.85	32		Turkish Delight	54.1
16		Compton	71.66	33		MikaRippey	51.85
17		Apex Predators	71.37	34		German Strain	27.95

OCBL APRIL CUP - THE BRACKET



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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

Opportunity Knocks

by Mark Horton

Thursday would determine which teams would advance to the round of eight. In this situation the teams in a qualifying position usually hope for unexciting deals, while those 'chasing the rainbow' are looking for opportunities. Here are some of the deals where 'opportunity knocked':

Round 8

Board 3. Dealer South. EW Vul.

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

I wonder how many people are aware of Culbertson's rule for slam bidding? Basically it says that you should bid a slam if you know that at worst it might be on a finesse. EW might reach 6♠ with these cards, but it needs the hearts to play for four tricks, a 26.82% chance.

Follow Suit v Wilson

Open Room

West	North	East	South
N Tal	*M de Leon*	*D Tal*	*Sprinkhuizen*
—	—	—	2♣*
Dble	Pass	4♣*	Pass
6♣	Pass	6♠	All Pass

2♣ Weak ♣ or any game forcing
4♣ 'Majors I hope'

South led the ◇4 and North took the ace and returned the ♠4, declarer winning with the seven, drawing trumps ending in dummy, pitching a club on the ◇K and playing the ♡J for the king and ace. After cashing the top clubs declarer went to dummy with the ♠A and ran the ♡9 for +1430.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Verhees	*Barel*	*Kiljan*	*Zack*
—	—	—	Pass
1♠	Pass	2NT*	Pass
3♣*	Pass	3♠	Pass
4◇*	Pass	4♠	

2NT 'Invitational-bad game force, 3+♠
3♣ 'Ask, game forcing'
4◇ 'Short'

When East could not cue bid 4♡ West let matters rest - he had no guarantee that the contract would have any play at all. It meant that 13 IMPs were lost.

Gupta v Hill

Open Room

West	North	East	South
O Rimstedt	*de Wijs*	*M Rimstedt*	*Muller*
—	—	—	Pass
1♠	3◇	4♠	5◇
6♠	All Pass		

North led the ◇A and switched to the ♣7,declarer winning with the ace, cashing two spades ending in dummy and playing the ♡J, covered by the king and ace. After drawing the last trump declarer pitched a club on the ◇K and ran the ♡9, +1430.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Bilde	*Dwyer*	*Madala*	*Huang*
—	—	—	Pass
1♠	2◇	2NT*	4◇
Dble	5◇	Dble	All Pass

2NT 4♠, invitational +
Dble Good 4♠ bid +

That cost -800 but was worth 12 IMPs.
11 pairs bid 6♠, but four of them went down.
Two EW pairs saved in 7◇ over 6♠ which cost 1400, a potential gain of an IMP. On both occasions their team mates took 12 tricks in spades - but they had stopped in game.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

I picked this deal because it offers EW chance to bid a thin game - one that might be considered a reasonable bet on the auction. However, it is what the late, great Roland Wald described as a 20-20 deal and they are not generally ones where one side can take ten tricks.

Apres-Bridge Champs v Black

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Milner	*McIntosh*	*Lall*	*Paske*
—	—	—	1NT
Pass	2◇*	Pass	2♠*
Pass	3◇*	Pass	3♡
All Pass			

2◇ Transfer
2♠ Maximum with four hearts
3◇ Retransfer

Breaking the transfer meant NS were theoretically too high - but it kept EW out of the auction and the winning defence is not obvious. West led a heart and declarer took two rounds and then played a spade for the two, jack and ace. When West cashed the ◇A declarer had a ninth trick, +140.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Gold	*Jagniewski*	*Black*	*Gawel*
—	—	—	1NT*
Dble*	2◇*	2♠	3♡
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

1NT 14-16
Dble 'Pen/points'
2◇ Transfer

East did not have much, but his fifth spade was useful and his distribution was good. It was a fine effort to go on to game.
South led the ♠3 and declarer took three rounds ending in hand and played the ◇J for the king and ace. When he regained the lead a second diamond delivered the goods, +420 and 11 IMPs.

Leslie v Amateurs

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Stark	*Burgess*	*Baseggio*	*Leslie*
—	—	—	1NT
Pass	2◇*	Pass	2♡
Dble	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

2◇ Hearts

The defenders started with three rounds of hearts, South leading the ace and continuing with the ten, and declarer pitched his club, ruffed in dummy, cashed the top spades, ruffed a club, drew the outstanding trump and played a diamond to the queen, +450.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Byrne	*Soliman*	*Dyke*	*Chechelashvili*
—	—	—	1NT*
Dble*	2◇	2♠	3♡
3♠	All Pass		

1NT 'Good 14-17'
Dble Penalties

Close, but no cigar, +170 resulting in the loss of 7 IMPs.
1NT was doubled by West on ten occasions, but 4♠ was reached twice. Where South opened 1♣ West could bid 1NT, but no-one got close to bidding game after that.

Board 12. Dealer West. NS Vul.

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

EW have the values for game, the choice being between 3NT and 4♡. From a practical point of view 3NT is easier on this particular layout, as 4♡ is by no means certain to make.

Follow Suit v Wilson

Open Room

West	North	East	South
N Tal	*M de Leon*	*D Tal*	*Sprinkhuizen*
1NT*	Pass	2♢*	Pass
2♡	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♡	All Pass		

1NT 12-14
2♢ Hearts

There is always debate when the notrump bidder is 3334 and partner transfers and then bids 3NT. Should you pass or go back to the 5-3 trump fit?

North led the ♣3 for the eight, ten and jack and declarer continued with a heart for the jack and king. South switched to the ♢2 for the ten and king and North returned the ♢8. Declarer won with the ace and took two rounds of trumps ending in hand and a losing spade finesse allowed South to cash the ♢Q for one down.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Verhees	*Barel*	*Kiljan*	*Zack*
Pass	Pass	1NT*	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

1NT (14) 15-17

South led the ♠4 and declarer won with the queen and played the ♡3, South taking the king and exiting with the nine. Declarer won with dummy's queen, cashed his hearts and then played the ♣Q for the king and ace. He came to hand with the ♠A and played a club to the nine for the overtrick, +430 and 10 IMPs.

Apres-Bridge Champs v Black

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Milner	*McIntosh*	*Lall*	*Paske*
1♢	Pass	1♡	Dble
Rdbl*	Pass	4♡	All Pass

Rdbl 3♡

South led the ♢2 and declarer won with dummy's ace and played the ♡6 for the jack and king. South cashed the ♢Q and continued with the jack and North won and switched to the ♠2. Warned by the bidding, declarer put up the ace and played the ♣Q for the king and ace. Declarer then took four rounds of hearts before playing the ♣8 to dummy's nine, an excellent +420.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Gold	*Jagniewski*	*Black*	*Gawel*
Pass	Pass	1♡	Pass
2♣*	Pass	2♢*	Pass
4♡	All Pass		

2♣ 3-card Drury
2♢ 'Last train'

South led the ♢Q and when it held he continued with the two. Declarer won with dummy's ace and played a heart for the jack and king. North took the next trick with the ♢K and returned the ♠5. With no clue from the bidding declarer finessed and 10 IMPs changed hands.

13 pairs bid 3NT - all were successful.
13 attempted 4♡ - 7 went down.

Board 15. Dealer South. NS Vul.

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

6♠ is a decent spot for NS - cold if South is declarer and on West's opening lead if North is at the helm.

Follow Suit v Wilson

Open Room

West	North	East	South
N Tal	*M de Leon*	*D Tal*	*Sprinkhuizen*
—	—	—	1♣*
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT*
Pass	4♡*	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

1♣ 2+♣, may have 5♢
4♡ 'Splinter, could show stronger or void'

East led the ♡9 so declarer was +680.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Verhees	*Barel*	*Kiljan*	*Zack*
—	—	—	1♢*
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♣
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♡
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

East led the ♣5 and declarer went up with dummy's ace, played the ♠2 to the ace and then hoped four rounds of diamonds would stand up. He was almost right, but West had a trump left and that meant the contract was two down and 13 IMPs were lost.

Apres-Bridge Champs v Black

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Milner	*McIntosh*	*Lall*	*Paske*
—	—	—	1♢
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	3♠*	Pass	4♣*
Pass	4♢*	Pass	4♡*
Pass	4NT*	Pass	5♡*
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

3♠ Slam try
4♣ Cue
4♢ Cue
4♡ Cue
4NT RKCB
5♡ 2 key cards

East led the ♣5 and declarer put in dummy's queen, finishing one down, -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Gold	*Jagniewski*	*Black*	*Gawel*
—	—	—	1♣*
Pass	1♡*	Pass	1♠*
Pass	2♡*	Pass	2♠
Pass	4♡*	Pass	4NT*
Pass	5♠*	Pass	6♠
All Pass			

1♣ 2+♣ (5♢ possible)
1♡ Spades
1♠ 2/3 ♠
2♡ Transfer
4♡ 1 suited, singleton ♡
4NT RKCB
5♠ 2 key cards +♠Q

This was the only table where South was the declarer, a systemic triumph, +1430 and 17 IMPs.

Skeidar v BBC

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Engel	*Mikkelsen*	*Coenraets*	*Johnsen*
—	—	—	1♣*
Pass	1♡*	Pass	1NT*
Pass	2♢*	Pass	2♡
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4NT*	Pass	5♡*
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

1♣ Clubs or balanced. 12-14 or 18-19
1♡ Spades
1NT Not 3♠
2♢ Artificial game force
4NT RKCB
5♡ 2 key cards

East led the ♢6 and declarer won and played the ♠A followed by the queen, +1430.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Aaseng	*A Labaere*	*Bogø*	*V Labaere*
—	—	—	1♢
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♣
Dble	Pass	Pass	Rdble
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♡
Pass	6♠	Pass	6NT
All Pass			

West knew dummy had a powerful spade suit, so an attacking lead was called for. He went with

the ♡6 and declarer was +1440.

Looking at the hand in the cold light of day, could one ever find the lead of the ♡K? That would be something you could dine out on for years once the restaurants re-open!

22 pairs bid 6♠ - 10 were defeated.

Round 9

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

If declarer takes the right view in diamonds there are 12 tricks in clubs, notrumps - or even diamonds. However, it looks best to play in clubs, as you will have a chance to learn more about the distribution before committing yourself in diamonds.

Hill v Follow Suit

Open Room

West	North	East	South
O Rimsted	*N Tal*	*M Rimstedt*	*D Tal*
—	2♢*	Pass	2♠*
Dble	All Pass		

2♢ Weak major
2♠ Pass or correct

West led the ♡A and then played three rounds of clubs. Declarer ruffed in dummy and ducked a diamond to East's eight. The ♠A was followed by a spade to the king and West exited with the ♢K, leaving declarer with just four tricks, -800.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Shahar	*Dwyer*	*Braunstein*	*Huang*
—	2♠	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	3NT	Pass
4NT	Pass	6♣	All Pass

South led the ♠7 and declarer won with the ace and played a heart to the king and continued with the four. North ruffed in with the ♣10 and declarer overruffed and drew trumps ending in dummy. He cashed the ♡A pitching a diamond and, having a good count. played a diamond to the eight, +920 and a 3 IMP pick up.

de Botton v Wilson

Open Room

West	North	East	South
M Grönkvist	*Padon*	*I Grönkvist*	*Charlsen*
—	2♢*	Pass	2♠*
Dble*	Pass	3NT	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♣	Pass
6NT	All Pass		

2♢ Bad weak 2M (can be 5) or game forcing balanced
2♠ Pass or correct
Dble Takeout

South led the ♠7 and declarer won with dummy's king and cashed five rounds of clubs pitching two hearts from dummy as North parted with two spades and the ♢7. When declarer continued with the ♢10 South went up with the ace, +1440.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Bakhshi	*van Prooijen*	*Townsend*	*Wilson*
—	2♠	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	3NT	Pass
4NT	Pass	5NT*	Pass
6♡	Pass	6NT	All Pass

5NT 'Pick'

South led the ♠7 and declarer won with dummy's king and cashed five rounds of clubs discarding hearts, North parting with three spades. A heart to the ace saw North's queen appear and declarer continued with the ♢5. When North followed with the three, declarer put up the queen and South won and exited with a diamond, -50 and a loss of 14 IMPs.

6 pairs attempted 6NT, only two taking 12 tricks.

11 pairs reached 6♣, only two failing to record 12 tricks.

Amateurs v Baltic Express

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Karpov	*Pettis*	*Vahe*	*Lo*
—	Pass	1♢*	Pass
1♡	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♢*	Pass	2NT*	Pass
6♣	All Pass		

1♢ 11-16,no 5 card major, can be 0 diamonds
2♢ Forcing
2NT 'Not 3♡ or 4♠

With no bidding to assist him, declarer won the spade lead with dummy's king and immediately played the ♢K. South took the ace and exited with a heart and declarer won with dummy's ace and played the top spades, hoping to pitch a diamond. When South ruffed with the ♣8 declarer overruffed with dummy's queen and tried to cash the ♡K. North ruffed with the ♣10 and although declarer could overruff, he could no longer score the diamond tricks he needed, -50.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Baseggio	*Neimanis*	*Gu*	*Lorencs*
—	Pass	1♢	Pass
1♡	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♠*	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♢	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♢	Pass
4♡*	Pass	5♢*	Pass
6♢	All Pass		

2♠ Fourth suit, game forcing
4♡ 'Kickback unless this is playable'
5♢ 2 key cards with ♢Q

South led the ♡7 and declarer won with dummy's ace and played a diamond to the ten. South won with the ace returned the two and declarer was soon claiming, +920 and 14 IMPs.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

Clearly 6♣ is where you want to be, but how easy would it be with EW competing in spades?

Apres-Bridge Champs v Orca

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Plackett	*Jagniewski*	*Erichsen*	*Gawel*
1♠	Dble	2♠	Pass
3♠	4♣	Pass	4♠*
Dble	Pass*	Pass	4NT
Pass	6♣	All Pass	

Pass 'Encouraging'

South's excellent 4♠ bid led to the almost laydown slam that was easily made, declarer claiming as soon as both defenders followed to the first round of clubs, +920.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Welland	*Crouch*	*Auken*	*Zorlu*
1♠*	Dble	2♠	3♢
3♠	4♣	Pass	5♣
All Pass			

1♠ 'Often unbalanced'

That was a swing of 11 IMPs.

Amateurs v Baltic Express

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Karpov	*Pettis*	*Vahe*	*Lo*
1♠	2♣	2♠	4♣*
Pass	5♣	All Pass	

4♣ Weak

That was +420.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Baseggio	*Neimanis*	*Gu*	*Lorencs*
2♠	Dble	4♠	4NT*
Dble	6♣	All Pass	

4NT 2 places to play

Short and sweet, a delightful +920 and 11 IMPs.

8 pairs reached 6♣, all earning a significant swing.

OCBL OPEN LEAGUE - Round 7

by Martin Cantor

This wasn't the most exciting set of boards, as boards go. But of course as the last round of the first qualification stage, there was plenty of excitement in the matches, together with the usual share of delight and disappointment as teams climbed into or fell out of the top sixteen. Just as yesterday, the first board had slam potential:

Board 97. Dealer N. None Vul.

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

Slam isn't good, basically needing three tricks from the spade suit, which you aren't guaranteed to get even if the ace or jack is onside, in fact not even if you play for the right honour onside. Where East's 2NT opener or equivalent shows 20-21 or 20-22 then West, with a good 11 and a decent five card suit, will at least invite. East may have a minimum in hcp, but does have top honours and fair intermediates. Six pairs decided they had enough ammunition to try for twelve tricks, six pairs had to write in the minus column. I noticed that Arnsberg-Hammerstrom took nine rounds of bidding to get there. Many pairs these days play two ranges of weak two, using a multi 2♢ for weak weak twos (around 3-8 5+ suit) and direct 2 of a major for a constructive weak 2 (around 9-12 6+ suit), so I wondered whether some Norths might have thrown a bid in in first seat; clearly any who did would put EW off the slam. Did any? Just one, Ben Green.

Ben Green

On to another possible slam:

Board 100. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

On best defence the limit for EW is 11 tricks in notrump or either minor, but single dummy 6♢ is a fair slam, especially by West. Get a spade lead and you just need to play clubs for one loser, which you'd fancy your chances at. On a heart lead you need the spade finesse, then get clubs right. On a minor suit lead you just have to get three club tricks and diamonds not 4-0. On the whole I'd want to be in this slam, but you do need to have methods to find minor suit fits over a 2NT opener (or equivalent). Expert partnerships do, but not all non-experts do, and many pickup partnerships surely don't. I witnessed Kevin Rosenberg and Zach Grossack's misunderstanding, when the auction went 2NT - 3♠ (alerted as "minors or spades") - 3NT (alerted as "forced") - Pass. After which Kevin posted this to the table: "? " to which Zach replied "I guess we don't play my stuff here". This time seven pairs tried for slam, and seven pairs wrote in the minus column.

Let's look at a hand where slam has a legitimate chance to make - the only one in this set of sixteen:

Board 104. Dealer W. None Vul.

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

How do you fancy your chances EW in 6♠? On a non-club lead your singleton goes away and you make. On a club lead you have two discards for diamonds so just need the king onside. Pretty good then eh? Except North might lead a club lead, and the ♢K is wrong. So how do you make? Simple - you just have to find a way to make East the declarer. If South leads the ♣A you have three discards, and a small club is basically the same as a non-club. Did anyone manage it? As it happened, seventeen bid it and sixteen made it. Because fifteen Norths remembered the adage "if I don't lead a singleton I haven't got one" and clicked on their♡6. One North ignored the adage and led a trump. Levinson did find a club lead, helped by Shenkin's double of a 5♣ keycard response. Unfortunately he led the ♣2, perhaps meant as diamond suit preference. When Bedouet cleverly played low from dummy Shenkin could not be expected to read the lead as coming from jack-ten sixth, so he put the ace up, returned a diamond, and slam made. One to-remain-nameless declarer went off in 6♠ despite the friendly heart lead, when he unaccountably played for the ♣A onside. The only other declarer to go light was the unfortunate in 6NT. That was a hand where which side played it was crucial. Here is another:

Board 105. Dealer north. EW Vul.

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

3NT was the contract at every single table. Twenty-four times by South, the other ten by North. When played by North the ♠J is the obvious lead and was universally found, allowing the defence to take the first four tricks. After that, with the friendly lie of the minor suit queens, declarer appears to have ample tricks with two hearts, four diamonds and four clubs. But the minor suits are blocked, even with the ♢9 in North, so as long as West returns a minor suit card (yes, even the ♢Q is OK), declarer has to try the heart finesse and is off. One somewhat fortunate North did manage to make despite the ♠J lead; he covered the jack and when West took the king and cashed the ace, East unblocked the 10, setting up declarer's ♠9. All the southern declarers made, of course, some with as many as three overtricks.

Kevin Rosenberg

I mostly watched the match between Donner and Robinson, at the table where Grue-Moss faced K.Rosenberg-Z.Grossack, and we were regaled with much lively table chat. You might enjoy this exchange that took place after board 7 where Joe Grue had misdescribed a bid by writing '4 card minor' when he meant 'no 4 card minor'. The contract was 3NT with 9 tricks on top, but he made ten when the defence unguarded a suit:

kevsters (Rosenberg): your 2N showed a 4 card minor joe?
Joegrue: no 4cd minor
brad: usually denies one
germs345 (Zach): Jor
kevsters: you wrote "4 cd minor"
germs345: Joe
Joegrue: omg sorry
germs345: Wtf
Joegrue: his 2s was asking for one
Joegrue: ok you want a trick back
germs345: Not enough
kevsters: how about 8 tricks back
brad: lol
kevsters: and a couple of earlier boards too
Joegrue: haha
kevsters: keep going np
kevsters: by me
Joegrue->Table: ok sorry bout that

Joe Grue

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ROUND 7

Alexander	2.28 VPs 7 IMPs	17.72 VPs 44 IMPs	Ventin
Anatolia	17.97 VPs 54 IMPs	2.03 VPs 15 IMPs	Ireland
Donner	13.04 VPs 23 IMPs	6.96 VPs 12 IMPs	Robinson
Compton	0 VPs 6 IMPs	20 VPs 67 IMPs	Salvo
Apex Predators	2.83 VPs 32 IMPs	17.17 VPs 65 IMPs	Goded
Denmark	10 VPs 35 IMPs	10 VPs 35 IMPs	Black
Bourricot	13.52 VPs 30 IMPs	6.48 VPs 17 IMPs	Scorway
Skalman	1.67 VPs 17 IMPs	18.33 VPs 59 IMPs	Austromany
DenMix	18.66 VPs 61 IMPs	1.34 VPs 16 IMPs	Amateurs
De Michelis	14.8 VPs 46 IMPs	5.2 VPs 27 IMPs	Cannon Fodder
Moss	20 VPs 78 IMPs	0 VPs 16 IMPs	De Botton
Baltic Express	11.48 VPs 37 IMPs	8.52 VPs 32 IMPs	The Expats
Slovakia	17.45 VPs 44 IMPs	2.55 VPs 9 IMPs	Swedish Fish
Harris	5.2 VPs 38 IMPs	14.8 VPs 57 IMPs	Swedese
MikaRippey	4.44 VPs 13 IMPs	15.56 VPs 36 IMPs	Amalgamated
Turkish Delight	7.71 VPs 35 IMPs	12.29 VPs 43 IMPs	Skeidar
Leslie	20 VPs 75 IMPs	0 VPs 0 IMPs	German Strain

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BUTLER RANKING

1	T. Karlsson, (Charlie99)	Alexander	1.98	48
2	A. Boulin, (tutur300)	Bourricot	1.81	64
3	B. Moss, (brad)	Donner	1.78	80
	J. Grue, (joegrue)	Donner	1.78	80
5	J.C. Ventin, (phave)	Ventin	1.6	48
	J. Pacareu, (paca1987)	Ventin	1.6	48
7	M. Byrne, (Mgb81)	Leslie	1.33	64
	K. Dyke, (Woozle)	Leslie	1.33	64
	G. Fractman, (gabrielf)	Goded	1.33	64
10	E. Koksoy, (koksoy)	Salvo	1.31	16
11	C. Krefeld, (camse2)	DenMix	1.25	48
	J. Hammelev, (johse61)	DenMix	1.25	48
13	I. Chorush, (Chorush)	Anatolia	1.21	80
	T. Erkoc, (MrAce)	Anatolia	1.21	80
15	D. Bakhshi, (Bakhshi)	De Botton	1.17	48
	T. Townsend, (mug)	De Botton	1.17	48
17	A. Sandin, (stridsvagn)	Alexander	1.08	96
18	T. Borgesson, (saturmos)	Swedese	1.06	64
	D. Probert, (davpro)	Swedese	1.06	64
20	D. Schaltz, (DS_DK)	DenMix	0.98	48
	P. Schaltz, (PS_DK)	DenMix	0.98	48
22	A. Madala, (septiembre)	Robinson	0.96	80
23	K. Lohay, (karci)	Slovakia	0.94	48
	D. Gold, (dagold)	Black	0.94	48
	A. Black, (boggis)	Black	0.94	48
26	J. Sabaté, (jsabate)	Goded	0.93	96
27	L. Bellicaud, (lbellicaud)	Bourricot	0.91	112
28	J. Molberg, (juve_)	Alexander	0.83	48
	J. Larsson, (Jela79)	Alexander	0.83	48
30	A. Manno, (maqeda)	De Michelis	0.83	64
	M. Di Franco, (M_DiFranco)	De Michelis	0.83	64
32	D. Wolkowitz, (wolkowitz)	Amateurs	0.81	16
33	Fu Zhong, (dutouqi)	Compton	0.8	112
	Jie Zhao, (brgpro)	Compton	0.8	112
35	K. Castner, (Jafra)	Apex Predators	0.79	48
	P. King, (philking)	Apex Predators	0.79	48
37	H. McGann, (hmg2)	Ireland	0.78	80
	E. Suiçmez, (grundar)	Salvo	0.78	80
39	G. Goded, (fluffy)	Goded	0.75	80
40	S. Amer, (Samer026)	The Expats	0.72	32
	E. Endelman, (E11)	The Expats	0.72	32
42	C. Berktas, (babacan2)	Anatolia	0.7	64
	T.E. Hoftaniska, (Kasper20)	De Botton	0.7	64
	J. Breihan, (devilscoup)	Anatolia	0.7	64
45	K. Bogø, (osvaill83)	Skeidar	0.69	16
	F. Kolesnik, (Fkolesnik)	Swedish Fish	0.69	16
47	K. Reps, (rops)	Austromany	0.65	80
	J. Fritsche, (joefri)	Austromany	0.65	80
49	E. Övelius, (Emma Sj)	Alexander	0.65	48
50	S. Aluf, (monk99)	Salvo	0.63	64
	R. Hemberg, (ricoh)	Denmark	0.63	16
	J. Thomsen, (pentacon)	Denmark	0.63	16
53	M. Sheng, (Kainsheng)	Amateurs	0.61	80
54	F. Goded, (aupaleti)	Goded	0.59	64
55	M. Vodička, (vodka47)	Slovakia	0.58	64
56	A. Uçar, (no weak)	Salvo	0.57	112
57	E. Velecký, (edowell)	Slovakia	0.56	80
58	K. Dwyer, (kdwyer)	Donner	0.55	64
59	N. Warne, (nikwar2)	Skalman	0.52	48
	J. Sylvan, (JoppeSyl)	Swedish Fish	0.52	48
	K. Ahlesved, (kruska)	Skalman	0.52	48
62	S. De Wijs, (sm1)	Moss	0.51	96
63	F. Nystrom, (F_Nystrom)	Ventin	0.5	80
64	B. Muller, (beukertje)	Moss	0.49	80
65	U. Kasimir, (udo)	Austromany	0.47	64
	P. Jokisch, (jockel)	Austromany	0.47	64
67	T. Dressing, (TEDressing)	Cannon Fodder	0.42	48
68	D. Bilde, (ballebo-jr)	Robinson	0.4	96
69	M. Moran, (markpm)	Ireland	0.38	64
	J. Carroll, (coppers)	Ireland	0.38	64
71	A. Palma, (apalma)	Ventin	0.36	96
	J. Kalita, (paulinka18)	Moss	0.36	96
	M. Klukowski, (skrzat96)	Moss	0.36	96
74	B. Shenkin, (Barnets)	Scorway	0.35	96
	S. Levinson, (sc0tsteve)	Scorway	0.35	96
76	C. Henderson, (cwh)	Turkish Delight	0.35	40
77	O. Wademark, (flashrex)	Skalman	0.34	64
	M. Gold, (marusab)	Harris	0.34	32
	J. Selberg, (janselb)	Skalman	0.34	64
80	C. Rimstedt, (CillaR)	Donner	0.33	80
81	K. Konow, (konow)	Denmark	0.31	48
	N. Kvangraven, (Nils123)	Scorway	0.31	16
	M. Askgaard, (askgaard)	Denmark	0.31	48
84	H. Graversen, (HCDK)	Denmark	0.3	80
85	N. Kubac, (nezihk)	Salvo	0.28	80
86	J. Alfejeva, (Helenaaa)	Baltic Express	0.27	64
87	Gu Jiang, (Jiang_Gu)	Amateurs	0.26	96
88	L. Robinson, (saba)	Robinson	0.2	80
89	B. Aslan, (baylind)	Salvo	0.19	16
	T. Hanlon, (kinder1)	Ireland	0.19	112
	S. Clementsson, (237425)	Alexander	0.19	48
	M. Rimstedt, (Mikaelrim)	Black	0.19	64
	O. Rimstedt, (olarim)	Black	0.19	64
94	A. Sementa, (ilaria75)	De Michelis	0.18	80
	L. Cima, (100dog)	De Michelis	0.18	80
96	T. Helness, (Helstokk)	De Botton	0.17	48
97	S. Root, (AsNuttyAs)	Harris	0.15	96
98	L. Lund Madsen, (lalun2)	Denmark	0.13	64
	E. Jepsen, (emilos)	Denmark	0.13	32
	A-Z. Efraimsson, (annazack)	Swedese	0.13	32
	M. Bensby Nøhr, (mbn1974)	Denmark	0.13	64
102	J. Campos, (jpapc)	Apex Predators	0.08	48
103	L. Aaseng, (Lasseaa)	Skeidar	0.07	112
104	R. Monsted, (Rikkemusdk)	DenMix	0.06	32
	N. Monsted, (Monsted)	DenMix	0.06	32
106	S. Tommasini, (Stefanot)	Apex Predators	0.03	64
107	N. Zorlu, (begse)	Salvo	0.03	80
108	S. Tatlicioglu, (sinantos)	Turkish Delight	0.02	48
109	D. Marker, (marker544)	Cannon Fodder	0.02	112
110	K. Rosenberg, (kevsters)	Robinson	0	48
	N. Igoe, (ibraves)	Harris	0	80
	G. Brekka, (kaninen)	Scorway	0	48
	J. Kvoček, (Big Baran)	Slovakia	0	64
114	B. Rubenis, (brunchiks)	Baltic Express	-0.02	64
	U. Jansons, (ugisj)	Baltic Express	-0.02	64
116	T. Johansen, (Brulle)	Skeidar	-0.03	96
117	T. Bergdahl, (lingonback)	Alexander	-0.04	80
118	K. Nowak, (kamiln)	MikaRippey	-0.06	16
	S. Birin, (birin)	Baltic Express	-0.06	80
120	P. Freche, (pfreche)	Amalgamated	-0.07	96
	M. Wust, (desert)	Amalgamated	-0.07	96
122	O. Yilmaz, (ovncylmz)	Amalgamated	-0.08	64
	D. Seker, (possessed)	Amalgamated	-0.08	64
	Z. Grossack, (germs345)	Robinson	-0.08	64
125	E. McNay, (ewan)	Cannon Fodder	-0.08	96
126	O. Ekinci, (Ekinci)	Turkish Delight	-0.1	72
127	G. Kemény, (kemeny)	The Expats	-0.1	80
	P. Trenka, (trp42)	The Expats	-0.1	80
129	J.O. Henneberg, (joh1)	DenMix	-0.1	48
	M. Henneberg, (makir)	DenMix	-0.1	48
131	C. Seker, (Cngz)	Anatolia	-0.13	80
	J. Cooke, (mugsmate)	Apex Predators	-0.13	16
	T. Charlsen, (tcharlsen)	De Botton	-0.13	64
	E. Yamut, (eyamut)	Anatolia	-0.13	80
135	B-E. Efraimsson, (berik56)	Swedese	-0.15	48
	B. Pettis, (buffalo6)	Amateurs	-0.15	48
	G. Hallberg, (rerack)	Black	-0.15	48
	S. Hult, (hultahult)	Black	-0.15	48
139	O. Saur, (Saurdino)	Scorway	-0.16	32
	M. Henc, (hewex)	Slovakia	-0.16	64
141	J. Pitt, (scoobyroo)	Cannon Fodder	-0.16	112
142	V. Isporski, (smileyv)	Harris	-0.17	48
	A. Mesbur, (AMesbur)	Ireland	-0.17	48
	N. Fitzgibbon, (nickfg1)	Ireland	-0.17	48
	R. Trendafilov, (rumen)	Harris	-0.17	48
146	H. Caspersen, (hcasp)	Denmark	-0.17	64
147	F. Baseggio, (baseggio)	Amateurs	-0.19	32
	F. Wrang, (fly21)	Ventin	-0.19	64
149	M. Thoma, (hawai)	Ventin	-0.21	48
150	A. Grossack, (nevereast)	Robinson	-0.23	80
151	C. Fernandez, (carlitosf)	Ventin	-0.23	64
152	D. Chechelashvili, (Dato)	The Expats	-0.25	64
	R. Lee, (rogerclee)	Moss	-0.25	48
	A. Morath, (andersm)	Swedese	-0.25	48
	T. Gullberg, (psotogul)	Swedese	-0.25	48
	M. Felmy, (Game Over)	Amalgamated	-0.25	64
	A. Smirnov, (Smirny)	Amalgamated	-0.25	64
	A. Soliman, (Rabie3)	The Expats	-0.25	64
159	M. Verhaegen, (Marcel_ve)	MikaRippey	-0.27	112
	G. Zanasi, (Mikadinho)	MikaRippey	-0.27	112
161	C. Lahrmann, (christianL)	Swedish Fish	-0.28	96
162	V. Vahe, (Vilmar)	Baltic Express	-0.29	80
	M. Karpov, (rott2020)	Baltic Express	-0.29	80
164	T. Guichet, (Krati_Lyz)	Bourricot	-0.29	48
165	B. Fallenius, (Bf88)	Skalman	-0.31	48
	M. Nilsland, (Nilsland)	Skalman	-0.31	48
167	T. Hantveit, (hantveit)	Cannon Fodder	-0.35	80
168	T. Lie, (Terjel)	Scorway	-0.35	48
	J. Ovesen, (jo-arne)	Scorway	-0.35	48
170	S. Uras, (safaku)	Turkish Delight	-0.37	104
171	D. Guttmann, (daviesG)	Austromany	-0.39	80
	H. Berger, (wuzi5)	Austromany	-0.39	80
173	T. Paske, (thomas1000)	Black	-0.39	64
	M. Schneider, (docms)	German Strain	-0.39	64
	G. Smykalla, (karo72003)	German Strain	-0.39	64
	A. McIntosh, (mcintosh)	Black	-0.39	64
177	A. Goodman, (agoodman1)	Compton	-0.42	64
	C. Compton, (compton)	Compton	-0.42	64
179	Y. Sohtorik, (yusufb)	Turkish Delight	-0.44	16
	A. Khandelwal, (Fide51)	Apex Predators	-0.44	112
	B. Green, (benjy)	Apex Predators	-0.44	112
182	B. Norton, (Bechno)	Leslie	-0.47	64
183	P. Belčák, (blog)	Slovakia	-0.48	48
	G. Botta, (gio 89)	The Expats	-0.48	48
	I. Savchenko, (Igors)	The Expats	-0.48	48
186	O. Burgess, (mrspen)	Leslie	-0.5	64
	P. Bedouet, (pi420)	Bourricot	-0.5	112
	E. Vallet, (rasko179)	Bourricot	-0.5	112
189	A. Schwartz, (alansc)	Amateurs	-0.52	48
	B. Cole, (April2)	Amateurs	-0.52	48
191	M. Rippey, (radiators)	MikaRippey	-0.54	112
192	A. Farstad, (Kha66)	Skeidar	-0.56	32
	E. Serdar, (Exerdar)	Turkish Delight	-0.56	48
194	D. Diamond, (Derekd)	Scorway	-0.63	32
	P. Thurston, (Thurston)	MikaRippey	-0.63	96
	Lo Ai-Tai, (aitail)	Amateurs	-0.63	80
	V. Silverstone, (Odysseus69)	Scorway	-0.63	32
198	K. Todd, (Kmtnyc)	Swedish Fish	-0.64	64
	S. Sofu, (Serkansofu)	Turkish Delight	-0.64	64
200	M. Axdorph, (axdorph63)	Swedese	-0.69	16
	J. Rumančík, (The_Dagda)	Slovakia	-0.69	48
	S. Moss, (sylvie)	Moss	-0.69	32
203	E. Ultav, (Simplyhi)	Turkish Delight	-0.7	56
204	G. Failla, (gioffi)	De Michelis	-0.74	80
	L. De Michelis, (lucadm)	De Michelis	-0.74	80
206	S. Johnsen, (sverjohn)	Skeidar	-0.75	32
	A. Stokkeland, (stokken)	Skeidar	-0.75	32
208	M. Andresen, (Mime477)	Skeidar	-0.76	80
209	M. Bell, (MickyB)	Leslie	-0.78	96
210	T. Leslie, (Culross66)	Leslie	-0.8	96
211	G. Donner, (GDonnersc1)	Donner	-0.83	80
212	PA Karlsson, (st1energy)	Skalman	-0.83	64
	H. Kvick, (kvicken)	Skalman	-0.83	64
214	P. Fredin, (P_Fredin)	Swedish Fish	-0.85	112
	J. Clemmensson, (jannec69)	Swedish Fish	-0.85	112
216	S. Rimstedt, (sandria)	Donner	-0.89	64
217	G. Helgemo, (micelle45)	Skeidar	-0.9	48
218	D. Padon, (Drorp)	De Botton	-0.94	48
219	J. Harris, (Jdache)	Harris	-0.98	80
220	L. Andersson, (bt)	Alexander	-1.06	32
221	R. Gómez, (comissure)	Goded	-1.15	80
222	P. Gonçalves, (pgonsalvs)	Goded	-1.16	64
223	E. Malhasyan, (master DJ)	Harris	-1.17	64
224	L. Amoils, (amoils)	Ireland	-1.28	32
225	P. Jepsen, (P_Jepsen)	DenMix	-1.31	48
	S. Thomsen, (Thomsen)	DenMix	-1.31	48
227	J. Neimanis, (zombis)	Baltic Express	-1.38	16
228	G. Hammarstrom, (maximum)	Swedese	-1.39	64
	M. Arnberg, (marnberg)	Swedese	-1.39	64
230	S. Hein, (shein)	German Strain	-1.52	96
	M. Weiß, (eller90)	German Strain	-1.52	96
232	J. De Botton, (Capt Lulu)	De Botton	-1.55	64
	A. Malinowski, (malisuper)	De Botton	-1.55	64
234	J. Lepper, (mumenrider)	German Strain	-1.78	64
	F. Doermer, (feli1912)	German Strain	-1.78	64
	J. Jakabšic, (oldo)	Slovakia	-1.78	32
237	M. Bilde, (ballebo)	Denmark	-1.94	16
238	T. Moses, (hottodstl)	Compton	-2.06	48
	R. Smith, (ronsmithsf)	Compton	-2.06	48

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SWISS - ROUND 1

SWISS A

Wilson	5.4 VPs 35 IMPs	14.6 VPs 53 IMPs	Follow Suit
De Botton	17.72 VPs 57 IMPs	2.28 VPs 20 IMPs	Orca
Gupta	3.27 VPs 17 IMPs	16.73 VPs 47 IMPs	Hill
Black	10.61 VPs 60 IMPs	9.39 VPs 58 IMPs	Apres-Br. Ch.
Ferguson	20 VPs 80 IMPs	0 VPs 10 IMPs	Fredin
Skeidar	13.75 VPs 51 IMPs	6.25 VPs 37 IMPs	BBC
Clash	15.38 VPs 58 IMPs	4.62 VPs 36 IMPs	Scorway

SWISS B

Apple	1.79 VPs 5 IMPs	18.21 VPs 46 IMPs	Hansa
Hungary	15.19 VPs 31 IMPs	4.81 VPs 10 IMPs	Harris
Gillis	18.66 VPs 58 IMPs	1.34 VPs 13 IMPs	Apex Predators
Leslie	12.29 VPs 56 IMPs	7.71 VPs 48 IMPs	Amateurs
Netbridge	1.13 VPs 14 IMPs	18.87 VPs 61 IMPs	Phoenix
Rippey	7.97 VPs 32 IMPs	12.03 VPs 39 IMPs	ECF HOLDING
Hotspurs	3.27 VPs 22 IMPs	16.73 VPs 52 IMPs	Buqqy
Art	1.13 VPs 18 IMPs	18.87 VPs 65 IMPs	BBC-PERRON
Baltic Express	20 VPs 68 IMPs	0 VPs 0 IMPs	Sugi

SWISS - ROUND 2

SWISS A

Follow Suit	4.08 VPs 29 IMPs	15.92 VPs 54 IMPs	Hill
De Botton	4.81 VPs 26 IMPs	15.19 VPs 47 IMPs	Wilson
Ferguson	13.04 VPs 39 IMPs	6.96 VPs 28 IMPs	Black
Apres-Br. Ch.	3.42 VPs 21 IMPs	16.58 VPs 50 IMPs	Orca
Gupta	15.19 VPs 51 IMPs	4.81 VPs 30 IMPs	Clash
Skeidar	9.39 VPs 36 IMPs	10.61 VPs 38 IMPs	Fredin
BBC	18.55 VPs 59 IMPs	1.45 VPs 15 IMPs	Scorway

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Hansa	6.03 VPs 25 IMPs	13.97 VPs 40 IMPs	Gillis
Hungary	16.09 VPs 42 IMPs	3.91 VPs 16 IMPs	Apple
Leslie	13.75 VPs 47 IMPs	6.25 VPs 33 IMPs	Apex Predators
Harris	10 VPs 25 IMPs	10 VPs 25 IMPs	Phoenix
Amateurs	13.75 VPs 54 IMPs	6.25 VPs 40 IMPs	Baltic Express
Buqqy	2.41 VPs 26 IMPs	17.59 VPs 62 IMPs	Rippey
ECF HOLDING	13.97 VPs 28 IMPs	6.03 VPs 13 IMPs	BBC-PERRON
Netbridge	6.96 VPs 41 IMPs	13.04 VPs 52 IMPs	Hotspurs
Art	15 VPs 49 IMPs	5 VPs 29 IMPs	Sugi

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1	G. Hegedus, (gal)	Hungary	1.6	16
2	A. Madala, (septiembre)	Gupta	1.21	32
	D. Bilde, (ballebo-jr)	Gupta	1.21	32
4	B. Szegedi, (korszurku)	Hungary	1.13	32
5	B. Van Den Bos, (Berendbs)	Ferguson	1.09	32
	J. Van Lankveld, (ennaji)	Ferguson	1.09	32
7	D. Bakhshi, (Bakhshi)	De Botton	1.05	32
8	T. Helness, (Helstokk)	De Botton	1.04	16
9	Y. Zack, (yanivz)	Follow Suit	1.02	16
	M. Barel, (mich-b)	Follow Suit	1.02	16
11	T. Townsend, (mug)	De Botton	0.97	32
12	F. Wrang, (fly21)	Fredin	0.97	16
	A. Palma, (apalma)	Fredin	0.97	16
14	N. Tal, (nogatal)	Follow Suit	0.92	32
	D. Tal, (danat85)	Follow Suit	0.92	32
16	R. Jagniewski, (mlodybog)	Apres-Bridge Champs	0.85	32
	W. Gawel, (redds)	Apres-Bridge Champs	0.85	32
18	J. Mikkelsen, (janmikke)	Skeidar	0.84	16
19	B. Brogeland, (boye)	Gillis	0.81	32
	E. Lindqvist, (stevieg)	Gillis	0.81	32
21	A. Snellers, (asnellers)	Ferguson	0.79	16
	W. De Boer, (bukkum)	Ferguson	0.79	16
23	N. Igoe, (ibraves)	Harris	0.76	16
24	M. Rimstedt, (Mikaelrim)	Hill	0.74	32
	O. Rimstedt, (olarim)	Hill	0.74	32
26	V. Kiljan, (Vkill)	Wilson	0.73	16
27	W. Hu, (buqqy)	Buqqy	0.71	32
28	G. Mendes de Leon, (guymdl)	Wilson	0.67	16
	T. Sprinkhuizen, (thibos)	Wilson	0.67	16
30	K. Dwyer, (kdwyer)	Hill	0.59	32
	S. Huang, (precisebri)	Hill	0.59	32
32	S. Rocca, (malambo)	Hansa	0.55	16
33	P. Crouch, (pitiful)	Orca	0.55	32
	N. Zorlu, (begse)	Orca	0.55	32
35	R. Van Prooijen, (riccovp)	Wilson	0.53	16
36	A. Black, (boggis)	Black	0.52	16
	D. Gold, (dagold)	Black	0.52	16
38	B. Rubenis, (brunchiks)	Baltic Express	0.49	16
	P. Coenraets, (philippeiv)	BBC	0.49	32
40	A. Wilson, (flyfalcon)	Wilson	0.45	16
41	Q. Robert, (ptit)	Apple	0.42	16
42	B. Dehaye, (alienor2)	BBC	0.41	16
	I. Dewasme, (totilas001)	BBC	0.41	16
	W. Strzemecki, (ojtan)	Rippey	0.41	16
45	S. Johnsen, (sverjohn)	Skeidar	0.39	32
46	T.E. Hoftaniska, (Kasper20)	De Botton	0.38	16
	M. Bell, (MickyB)	Leslie	0.38	16
	B. Norton, (Bechno)	Leslie	0.38	16
	A. McIntosh, (mcintosh)	Black	0.38	32
	T. Paske, (thomas1000)	Black	0.38	32
51	L. Verhees, (loukie)	Wilson	0.35	16
52	J. Ovesen, (jo-arne)	ECF HOLDING	0.35	16
53	J. Hinton, (johnhinton)	Hansa	0.35	32
	M. Whibley, (jafa)	Hansa	0.35	32
55	O. Segal, (oseg63)	Hotspurs	0.31	16
	A. Stark, (astark)	Amateurs	0.31	16
57	S. Levinson, (sc0tsteve)	Scorway	0.27	32
	B. Shenkin, (Barnets)	Scorway	0.27	32
	D. Padon, (Drorp)	De Botton	0.27	16
60	B. Muller, (beukertje)	Gupta	0.26	16
	S. De Wijs, (sm1)	Gupta	0.26	16
62	R. Plackett, (hoofie)	Orca	0.25	32
	E. Erichsen, (espene)	Orca	0.25	32
	L. Aaseng, (Lasseaa)	Skeidar	0.25	32
65	J. Neimanis, (zombis)	Baltic Express	0.19	16
	G. Hinze, (ghinze)	Clash	0.19	32
	K. Enfield, (cx107)	Clash	0.19	32
68	T. Lie, (Terjel)	ECF HOLDING	0.18	16
	E. Fasting, (mehe)	ECF HOLDING	0.18	16
70	I. Nanev, (inanev)	Rippey	0.17	16
	R. Gunev, (8888)	Rippey	0.17	16
72	P. Caputo, (caputo)	BBC-PERRON	0.16	16
73	A. Labaere, (Kortrijk)	BBC	0.15	16
	V. Labaere-C, (etpuiszut)	BBC	0.15	16
75	S. Root, (AsNuttyAs)	Harris	0.14	16
76	I. Gronkvist, (Halko)	Wilson	0.14	16
	M. Gronkvist, (Mike_G)	Wilson	0.14	16
78	N. Gupta, (nareng)	Gupta	0.13	16
	Zia Mahmood, (Zia)	Gupta	0.13	16
	J. De Winter, (winjan)	Netbridge	0.13	16
81	L. Sanderson, (lsanderson)	Phoenix	0.11	16
82	F. Baseggio, (baseggio)	Amateurs	0.09	32
83	P. Nawrocki, (nawrot)	Rippey	0.09	16
	P. Wiankowski, (vifon_e)	Rippey	0.09	16
85	U. Jansons, (ugisj)	Baltic Express	0.08	16
86	A. Grossack, (nevereast)	Art	0.08	32
	A. Tebha, (anamtebha)	Art	0.08	32
88	R. Trendafilov, (rumen)	Harris	0.07	16
	V. Isporski, (smileyv)	Harris	0.07	16
90	P. Franceschetti, (gewd)	Apple	0.06	32
91	K. Bouwen, (kebosporto)	Netbridge	0.05	16
	R. Agha, (tagha)	Buqqy	0.05	32
93	B. Pettis, (buffalo6)	Amateurs	0.04	16
	C. Pellegrini, (carlosp)	Hansa	0.04	32
95	S. Høyland, (sioslo)	ECF HOLDING	-0.02	16
96	J. Thrower, (realdeal)	Phoenix	-0.03	32
97	T. Charlsen, (tcharlsen)	De Botton	-0.03	16
98	T. Hanlon, (kinder1)	Apex Predators	-0.04	16
	L. Amoils, (amoils)	Apex Predators	-0.04	16
100	A. Apteker, (alonap)	Fredin	-0.05	32
	P. Fredin, (P_Fredin)	Fredin	-0.05	32
102	A. Stokkeland, (stokken)	Skeidar	-0.06	16
103	J. Kranyak, (jkrans)	Clash	-0.07	32
	V. Demuy, (Okvince)	Clash	-0.07	32
105	G. Hallberg, (rerack)	Black	-0.07	16
	S. Hult, (hultahult)	Black	-0.07	16
107	Z. Shahar, (shaharz)	Follow Suit	-0.08	16
108	C. Croswell, (croz01)	Phoenix	-0.1	32
109	S. Auken, (jcmax)	Apres-Bridge Champs	-0.1	16
	R. Welland, (roy)	Apres-Bridge Champs	-0.1	16
111	A. Ahmed, (sheikohear)	Phoenix	-0.11	32
112	J. Thoresen, (Jon A T)	Phoenix	-0.11	16
113	C. Szabo, (csaboka13)	Hungary	-0.14	16
114	Z. Engel, (hros)	BBC	-0.19	32
115	R. Milner, (reesem)	Apres-Bridge Champs	-0.23	16
	H. Lall, (hemantlall)	Apres-Bridge Champs	-0.23	16
117	H. Setton, (Ldase)	Apple	-0.24	16
118	M. Byrne, (Mgb81)	Leslie	-0.24	32
	K. Dyke, (Woozle)	Leslie	-0.24	32
120	A. Braunstein, (rel49)	Follow Suit	-0.25	16
121	G. Winkler, (winkiboy)	Hungary	-0.27	32
	J. Voldoire, (jmvold)	BBC-PERRON	-0.27	32
	F. Bigdeli, (faramarz)	BBC-PERRON	-0.27	32
124	Lo Ai-Tai, (aitail)	Amateurs	-0.27	16
125	K. Nowak, (kamiln)	Rippey	-0.28	32
126	T. Leslie, (Culross66)	Leslie	-0.29	16
	O. Burgess, (mrspen)	Leslie	-0.29	16
128	S. Gillis, (Rayas78)	Gillis	-0.32	32
	E. Saelensminde, (skaal1)	Gillis	-0.32	32
130	A. Rodrigues, (drinbet)	Apex Predators	-0.33	16
	B. Barbosa, (beto)	Apex Predators	-0.33	16
132	Y. Wang, (wang1688)	Buqqy	-0.33	16
	L. Liu, (liuleiace2)	Buqqy	-0.33	16
134	K. Bogø, (osvaill83)	Skeidar	-0.38	32
	J. Lafourcade, (foxyguy52)	BBC-PERRON	-0.38	16
136	S. Thoresen, (sivt)	ECF HOLDING	-0.41	16
137	P. Lakatos, (nyul11)	Hungary	-0.44	16
138	Gu Jiang, (Jiang_Gu)	Amateurs	-0.5	16
139	D. Chechelashvili, (Dato)	Amateurs	-0.54	16
	A. Soliman, (Rabie3)	Amateurs	-0.54	16
	S. Brink, (Sjoertbr)	Apple	-0.54	32
	Bas Drijver, (BasDr)	Apple	-0.54	32
143	S. Tommasini, (Stefanot)	Apex Predators	-0.54	32
	M. Thoma, (hawai)	Apex Predators	-0.54	32
145	H. Narasimhan, (rajda)	Hansa	-0.59	16
146	A. Mekky, (amr mekky)	Hotspurs	-0.63	16
147	W. Naqvi, (waseem)	Hotspurs	-0.66	32
148	M. Karpov, (rott2020)	Baltic Express	-0.69	32
	V. Vahe, (Vilmar)	Baltic Express	-0.69	32
150	S. Rubenstein, (stewr)	Art	-0.69	16
151	N. Verhoeve, (slin55)	Netbridge	-0.7	16
	R. Van Dijk, (rvandijk)	Netbridge	-0.7	16
153	R. Tobing, (pangi)	Sugi	-0.71	32
154	Ji. Beni, (beni ji)	Sugi	-0.76	32
155	M. Dumbovich, (dumbovich)	Hungary	-0.8	16
156	M. Rippey, (radiators)	Rippey	-0.83	16
157	G. Polet, (guy99)	BBC-PERRON	-0.86	16
158	T.E. Grude, (teg91)	ECF HOLDING	-0.88	16
	L.A. Johansen, (larsarthur)	ECF HOLDING	-0.88	16
160	A. Bremer, (arisbreem)	Netbridge	-0.89	16
	E. Malhasyan, (master DJ)	Harris	-0.89	32
	J. Van Den Hoek, (janonline)	Netbridge	-0.89	16
	J. Harris, (Jdache)	Harris	-0.89	32
164	V. Silverstone, (Odysseus69)	Scorway	-0.91	32
	D. Diamond, (Derekd)	Scorway	-0.91	32
166	D. Kendrick, (dkendrick1)	Hotspurs	-0.92	32
	R. Gibbons, (rgibbons21)	Hotspurs	-0.92	32
168	T. Sabell, (TolleS)	ECF HOLDING	-1.15	16
169	B. Ferguson, (bruceferg)	Ferguson	-1.16	16
	J. Nadel, (juliejoy)	Ferguson	-1.16	16
171	H. Sugiharto, (sugi)	Sugi	-1.22	32
	J. Pitt, (scoobyroo)	Sugi	-1.22	32
173	A. Kaplan, (kaplan70)	BBC-PERRON	-1.23	16
174	Z. Grossack, (germs345)	Art	-1.36	32
175	M. Zomer, (Mczo)	Netbridge	-1.5	32
176	M. Lorencs, (Malorencs)	Baltic Express	-1.63	16
177	Bob Drijver, (bobdrijver)	Fredin	-1.64	16
	B. Nab, (bnab)	Fredin	-1.64	16
179	Z. Shah, (march26)	Buqqy	-1.8	16
	M. Chowdhury, (rajib bd)	Buqqy	-1.8	16
181	B. Bussink, (bart3)	Art	-2.03	16

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