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GRATTIS SWEDEN!

TUE-THU SWISS
FINAL RANKING

1	Fredin	143.59
2	Denmark	143.29
3	Apple	142.81
4	FLYFALCON	139.17
5	Ferguson	133.98
6	Swedish Juniors	133.05
7	Harris	133.04
8	Winter Soldiers	131.98
9	Smart Rabbit	124.74
10	New Amateurs	124.12
11	Moses	120.73
12	Roiko	114.91
13	Germany Juniors	113.04
14	Seligman	110.17
15	Black	106.23
16	East - West	104.94
17	Netbridge	104.27
18	ECF Holding	101.64
19	Tulips ++	92.45
20	England Juniors	81.85

Peter Fredin

Alon APTEKER

Johan SYLVAN

Marten GUSTAWSSON

Craig GOWER

Noah Thomas APTEKER

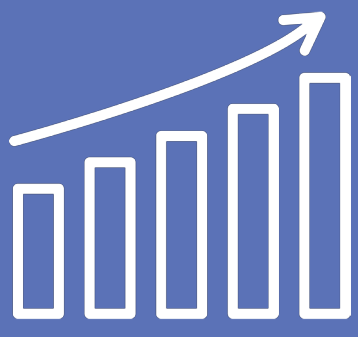
Castor MANN

And finally they won!
The Swedish team Fredin (Fredin P., Apteker A., Sylvan J., Gustawsson M., Gower C., Apteker N., Mann C., Becklen J.) were first yesterday at the beginning of the day. Despite Denmark's pressure, they conquered the spades trophy of the TUE-THU February Swiss.
Only 0.30 VPs separated the two teams.
Denmark (Graversen H., Caspersen H., Askgaard M., Konow K., Bilde D., Jepsen E., C. Bilde D., Buus-Thomsen A., Krojgaard N.) placed 2nd and Apple (Setton H., Franceschetti P., Brink S., Drijver Bas, Robert Q.) placed 3rd.

STATISTICS ARE AVAILABLE!

Who are the strongest defenders?

Who should I be more afraid of?



Who are the overall leaders?

Who is the top declarer?

The answers to your questions are here:

https://public.tableau.com/views/OCBL2022TopDeclarersandDefenders/Topdeclarersanddefenders?:language=en-US&publish=yes&:display_count=n&:origin=viz_share_link%3AshowVizHome=no#2

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OCBL
UPCOMING EVENTS

TUE - THU SWISS
1 - 3 March, 2022

12 Rounds x 10 boards

	CEST	EDT
Tuesday, 1 March	16.00 - 17.30 - 19.00 - 20.30	10.00 - 11.30 - 13.00 - 14.30
Wednesday, 2 March	16.00 - 17.30 - 19.00 - 20.30	10.00 - 11.30 - 13.00 - 14.30
Thursday, 3 March	16.00 - 17.30 - 19.00 - 20.30	10.00 - 11.30 - 13.00 - 14.30

TUE - WED SWISS
26 - 27 April, 2022

10 Rounds x 8 boards

	CET	EST
Tuesday, 26 April	16.00 - 17.15 - 18.30 - 19.45 - 21.00	10.00 - 11.15 - 12.30 - 13.45 - 15.00
Wednesday, 27 April	16.00 - 17.15 - 18.30 - 19.45 - 21.00	10.00 - 11.15 - 12.30 - 13.45 - 15.00

MAY CUP
10 - 13 May, 2022

		CET	EST
Qualification:	Tuesday 10 May	16.00 - 18.00 - 20.00	10.00 - 12.00 - 14.00
3 Rounds x 14 boards	Wednesday 11 May	16.00 - 18.00 - 20.00	10.00 - 12.00 - 14.00
	Thursday 12 May	16.00 - 18.00 - 20.00	10.00 - 12.00 - 14.00
KO:	Friday 13 May	16.00 - 18.30 - 21.00	10.00 - 12.30 - 15.00
3 Rounds x 16 boards			

TUE - THU SWISS
7 - 9 June, 2022

12 Rounds x 10 boards

	CET	EST
Tuesday, 7 June	16.00 - 17.30 - 19.00 - 20.30	10.00 - 11.30 - 13.00 - 14.30
Wednesday, 8 June	16.00 - 17.30 - 19.00 - 20.30	10.00 - 11.30 - 13.00 - 14.30
Thursday, 9 June	16.00 - 17.30 - 19.00 - 20.30	10.00 - 11.30 - 13.00 - 14.30

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That's Entertainment!

by Mark Horton

In every OCBL event you can follow the play at every table, thanks to the involvement of BBO, which is part of the 52 Entertainment Group. That's a boon for not only the spectators, but also for journalists covering the events. Every single deal has the chance to appear in the spotlight! With only four rounds left to play its time to focus on the efforts of the leading teams as they race towards the finishing line.

Round 9

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Fredin v Fly Falcon

Open Room

West	North	East	SouthGower
Verhees	*Apteker*	*Kiljan*	*Gower*
—	1♣	Pass	1♢
Pass	1♠*	Pass	2♣*
Pass	2♢*	Pass	3♢*
Pass	3♡*	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

1♠ Unbalanced
2♣ Transfer to 2♢
2♢ Mostly forced
3♢ Natural invitation
3♡ Asking

West led the ♠K and declarer took dummy's ace as East followed with the ♠9 and ran the ♢Q, West winning and switching to the ♡7. Declarer ducked two hearts, won the third round and settled down to the diamonds. Having cashed four tricks in the suit he was able to play the ♠J, claiming the last three tricks with the ♠108 and ♣A, +400.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Sylvan	*van Prooijen*	*Gustawsson*	*Wilson*
—	1♣	Pass	1♢
Pass	1♠*	Pass	3♢
Pass	5♢	All Pass	

1♠ 5+♣, 4+♠

West led the ♡7 for the queen, king and ace and declarer ruffed a heart, ruffed a club, ruffed a heart, pitched a spade on the ♣A, ruffed a club and played a heart, pitching a spade when West ruffed in with the ♢K. The defenders got a spade but declarer had the rest, +400.

Swedish Juniors v German Juniors

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bley	*Gustafsson*	*Johannes*	*Bern*
—	1NT*	Pass	3♣*
Pass	3♢*	Pass	3♠*
Pass	3NT*	All Pass	

1NT 14-16, balanced or semi-balanced
3♣ Puppet Stayman
3♢ No five-card major
3♠ 4♡, usually 3♠
3NT Not 4♡

East led the ♠6 for the queen and ace and declarer ran the ♢Q, West winning and switching to the ♣8. Declarer put in dummy's nine and when it held he cashed the diamonds and exited with the ♠J, claiming 11 tricks, +460.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lichtenstein	*Bauer*	*Warlenius*	*Stepper*
—	1♣*	Pass	1♡
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♣*
Pass	2♢	All Pass	

1♣ 2+♣
2♣ Weak with diamonds or any invitational hand
2♢ Forced

East led the ♢3 and declarer took dummy's ace, cashed the ♡A, ruffed a heart, pitched heart on the ♣A, ruffed a club, ruffed a heart, ruffed a club and played the ♢J, easily securing 11 tricks, +150, but losing 7 IMPs.

Almost half the field stopped in a partscore.

Board 3. Dealer South. EW Vul.

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

Fredin v Fly Falcon

Open Room

West	North	East	SouthGower
Verhees	*Apteker*	*Kiljan*	*Gower*
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♣*	Pass	2♡	Pass
4♡	All Pass		

South led the ♠3 and declarer won with dummy's queen and played a heart to the eight, South winning with the ten and switching to the ♢J. Declarer won, cashed the top spades pitching dummy's remaining diamond and played a club to the queen. When that held he could play a heart to the ace and cross-ruff for +620.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Sylvan	*van Prooijen*	*Gustawsson*	*Wilson*
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	2♢	All Pass	

North stole the pot with his weak 2♢, and although he could only muster five tricks, -150 was worth 10 IMPs.

Swedish Juniors v German Juniors

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bley	*Gustafsson*	*Johannes*	*Bern*
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	Pass	1NT*	Pass
2♣*	Pass	2♡	Pass
4♡	All Pass		

1NT 15-17

South led the ♠3 and declarer took three rounds of the suit pitching a diamond, cashed the ♢A, ruffed a diamond, played a heart to the ace and ruffed a diamond as South pitched the ♠8. When declarer exited with the ♡J South won, cashed another heart and exited with the ♠10. Declarer ruffed and attempted to endplay North by exiting with a diamond. Alas, North could cash two tricks in the suit for -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lichtenstein	*Bauer*	*Warlenius*	*Stepper*
—	—	—	Pass
Pass	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♣*	Pass	2♡	Pass
4♡	All Pass		

Declarer took the spade lead with dummy's queen, came to hand with the ♠A and took the club finesse. When it held he cashed the ♣A, ruffed a club and ducked a heart, South going in with the queen and exiting with a spade. Declarer won, cashed the ♡A and claimed 11 tricks, +650 and 13 IMPs.

Board 7 was an innocuous looking deal, but the German Juniors had a major accident, over-competing a part-score and breaking Burn's Law which resulted in -1100 and a 14 IMP loss.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

This deal caught my eye because it was easy to see how the bidding might go, West opening 1♣, North jumping to 3♠, South raising to game and West backing in with 4NT which leads to 5♣ which South might double. 5♣ was the contact

at ten tables (doubled three times). It appears to be a phantom sacrifice, as 4♠ is going down, but unless East leads the ♢K declarer is in a position to make the contract. If East leads a club declarer wins and perhaps plays the ♠Q, hoping to pin a singleton jack in West. When that is covered by the king and ace, declarer can ruff a club and run the ♡9, which leads to an overtrick.

Round 10

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Swedish Juniors v Ferguson

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Van Lankveld	*Abragi*	*van den Bos*	*Sivelind*
—	Pass	2♣*	Pass
2♢*	Pass	2NT*	Pass
4♣*	Pass	4♠*	Pass
5♣*	Pass	5♢*	Pass
5NT*	Pass	6♡	All Pass

2♣ Game force, any
2♢ Waiting
2NT Game forcing NT
4♣ Slam try with 6♡
4♠ RKCB
5♣ 0/3 key cards
5♢ ♡Q?
5NT Yes

South led the ♡4 and declarer won with the eight and played back the king, North winning and switching to the ♠8. Declarer went up with the ace, ruffed a diamond, drew the outstanding trump pitching the ♠J and played a club to the jack, -50.

The contract can be made, but if declarer adopts a line involving cashing the top clubs and the queen does not fall doubleton then he will still need the spade finesse.

David Yang and Jonathan Weinstein were the only other pair to reach 6♡ – and East was the declarer. When South led the ♠5 declarer had an easy route to 12 tricks.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lichtenstein	*Snellers*	*Warlenius*	*de Boer*
—	Pass	2♣*	Pass
2♢*	Pass	2♡*	Pass
2♠*	Pass	2NT*	Pass
3♣*	Pass	3♢*	Pass
3♠*	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♢*	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♢*	Pass	5♡	All Pass

2♣ Game force or 20/21
2♢ Relay
2♡ Forces 2♠, 25+ bal or GF ♡
2♠ Relay
2NT 25-28 balanced
3♣ Stayman
3♢ No 4 major
3♠ 4♠, 5+♡
4♢ Cue, sets ♡
4NT RKCB
5♢ 0/3 key cards

The play followed a more or less identical course (North switched to the ♠10) and declarer lost a trick to the ♣Q for +450 and 11 IMPs.

Fredin v Denmark

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bilde	*Fredin*	*Jepsen*	*Apteker*
—	Pass	2♣*	Pass
2♢	Pass	2♡*	Pass
2♠*	Pass	2NT*	Pass
3♢*	Pass	3♡	Pass
4♡*	Pass	4♠	All Pass

2♣ Strong
2♡ Natural or 24+ balanced
2♠ relay
2NT 24+
3♢ Transfer
4♡ 'I think showed 5-5 ♡+♠ by mistake'

North led the ♢3 and declarer finessed, ruffed South's king and played a heart, North taking the ace and returning the ♠8. Declarer won with dummy's king, ruffed a diamond, crossed to the ♡K, cashed the ♢A and ruffed a diamond. When he continued with the ♡Q North ruffed with the ♠10 and declarer overruffed with dummy's jack, cashed the ♠A and claimed ten tricks, +420.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Sylvan	*Gravesen*	*Petersson*	*Caspersen*
—	Pass	2♣*	Pass
2♢*	Pass	2♡*	Pass
2♠*	Pass	2NT*	Pass
3♢*	Pass	3NT*	Pass
4♢*	Pass	4♡	All Pass

2♣ 20/21 balanced or game forcing
2♢ 'Normal bid'
2♡ Game forcing hearts or balanced
2♠ Ask
2NT Balanced
3♢ Transfer
3NT 'No 3♡/4♠'
4♢ Transfer

South led the ♠5 so +480 and an IMP.

Board 6. Dealer East. EW Vul.

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

Swedish Juniors v Ferguson

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Van Lankveld	*Abragi*	*van den Bos*	*Sivelind*
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♣*	2♣*	2♡	Pass
3♡	Pass	4♡	All Pass

1♣ 2+♣, could have longer ♢
2♣ Natural

South led the ♡J and declarer drew trumps and lost only two clubs and a spade, +620.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lichtenstein	*Snellers*	*Warlenius*	*de Boer*
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♣*	Pass	2♡*	Pass
3♡*	Pass	4♡	All Pass

1♣ 2+♣, natural or balanced
2♡ 5+♡, 4♠, 5-10
3♡ 3♡ Invitational

South led the ♢K and declarer won and claimed, +620.

Fredin v Denmark

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bilde	*Fredin*	*Jepsen*	*Apteker*
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♢	Pass	1♡	Pass
2♡	3♣	4♡	All Pass

Even though West had only raised to 2♡ East followed Meckstroth's advice and advanced to game.

South led the ♣5 and North took two tricks in the suit and switched to the ♠5, declarer claiming when dummy's jack held, +620.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Sylvan	*Gravesen*	*Petersson*	*Caspersen*
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♣*	2♣*	2♡	3♣
3♡	All Pass		

1♣ 2+♣
2♣ Natural

Breaking Meckstroth's Law resulted in the loss of 10 IMPs.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

Should West open the bidding? Do the presence of four cards in the other major and a void out way the potential advantage of making the first strike? 12 players did something, with 3♡ and 2♢ being the popular choices.

Swedish Juniors v Ferguson

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Van Lankveld	*Abragi*	*van den Bos*	*Sivelind*
3♡	Pass	Pass	4♢
Pass	4♡*	Pass	4♠*
Pass	4NT*	Dble	5♠*
Pass	5NT*	Pass	6♢
All Pass			

4♡ Good raise
4♠ Cue
4NT RKCB
5♠ 2 key cards +♢Q
5NT Grand slam try

From the comfort of my office, I wondered

how obscure it would be for South to bid 3NT at his first turn? Clearly a case of Lockdown Syndrome!

West led the ♡J and the contract drifted two down, -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Lichtenstein	*Snellers*	*Warlenius*	*de Boer*
Pass	1♣*	1♠	2♢*
3♡*	Pass	4♠	5♢
5♠	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

1♣ 2+♣
2♢ Non-forcing
3♡ Fit jump

South led the ♣A and declarer ruffed in dummy, played the ♠10 and when it held continued with the nine. North took that switched to the ♢K, declarer ruffing with the ♠Q and playing a heart to the king. When that held declarer overtook the ♠J and played on clubs, but that was one down, -100 and a 5 IMP swing.

If North, having taken the second spade, exits with a spade declarer must go down. If declarer had continued heart after the king held there would have been no defence. By the same token declarer can get home by playing on hearts after the ♠10 has held.

Leading either major suit at trick one is the only way to be sure of beating 5♠. If South goes for a heart North wins and plays back a heart. Then winning the first spade an returning a spade is good enough to hold declarer to ten tricks.

Fredin v Denmark

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bilde	*Fredin*	*Jepsen*	*Apteker*
3♡	All Pass		

North led the ♢6 and declarer ruffed in dummy and played the ♣J, ruffed South's ace, ruffed another diamond and pitched a diamond on the ♣K, finishing with ten tricks, +170.

7 players opened 3♡, a couple being raised to game by East, which also stole the pot.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Sylvan	*Graversen*	*Petersson*	*Caspersen*
Pass	1♣	1♠	2♢*
2♡	2NT	Pass	3♢*
3♠	3NT	Pass	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	4NT
All Pass			

2♢ Natural, 11+
3♢ Forcing

East led the ♠K and declarer claimed – that's the way to do it! +430 and 12 IMPs.

The Swedish Juniors lost heavily in this round and were replaced at the top by Denmark, who had a big win against Fredin.

Round 11

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Denmark v Winter Soldiers

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Botta	*Gravensen*	*Marker*	*Caspersen*
—	2♢*	3♣	3♡*
Dble	3♠	3NT	All Pass

2♢ Multi or strong ♢/NT
3♡ Pass or correct

South led the ♠A and continued with the queen, declarer winning and playing the ♣K. North won and cashed his spades for -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Askgaard	*Z Grossack*	*Konow*	*McNay*
—	2♢*	3♣	4♡*
Dble*	4♠	Dble	All Pass

2♢ I major, weak
4♡ Pass or correct
Dble Values

East led the ♣K and declarer won and played the ♡10. When East followed with the five declarer put up dummy's king and had saved a trick, one down, -100, still a loss of 5 IMPs.

Harris v Swedish Juniors

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Harris	*Sivelind*	*Tiholov*	*Abragi*
—	2♠*	3♣	3♠
4♣	All Pass		

2♠ Weak

South led the ♠A and that was enough to see declarer emerge with ten tricks, +130. Only an initial club lead, allowing North to switch to spades, defeats 4♣.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Warlenius	*Root*	*Lichtenstein*	*Igoe*
—	2♠	3♣	3♠
Dble	Pass	3NT	Dble
Pass	Pass	4♡	Dble
All Pass			

South led the ♢6 and declarer won with dummy's ace, played a heart to the ace and a heart to the queen, North discarding the ♠8. Two rounds of clubs saw North take the king with the ace and cash the ♡K followed by the jack. win and switch to the ♠J. When North discarded two of his spades the contact was four down as opposed to six, only -800 but still a 14 IMP pick up.

Perhaps South should cash the ♠Q before drawing trumps – that will work provided North assumes his partner has a third spade.

Round 12

Denmark went into the last round 3.40 VP ahead of Fredin, and they were followed by Winter Soldiers and Apple.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

Denmark v Fredin

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Fredin	*Bilde*	*Apteker*	*Thomsen*
—	1♠	2NT*	4♠
4NT*	5♠	6♣	Pass
6♢	6♠	Dble	All Pass

2NT Minors, weak or strong
4NT 'No agreement, choose minor'

East led the ♡A and when West followed with the king he cashed the top clubs and then switched to the ♢9, West winning and returning the ♡5 to promote East's ♠Q, four down, -800.

If you assume that East's 6♣ guaranteed the strong version (although you could argue that in that case East should bid 5NT over 5♠) then you might construe that passing 6♠ is forcing, looking for a first-round spade control. Even so, it would be a leap of faith for West to advance to 7♢. No-one bid 7♢ and only six others reached 6♢.

When I gave the hand to the man on the Clapham omnibus, he bid 7♢! His reasoning was impeccable; he wanted the opponents to bid on to 7♠, be doubled and make it, thereby achieving the ultimate Biltcliffe Coup!

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Askgaard	*Sylvan*	*Konow*	*Petersson*
—	2♠*	3♢	4♠
5♢	All Pass		

2♠ 10-13, 6+♠

That was an easy +440, but a loss of 8 IMPs.

Winter Soldiers v Apple

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Robert	*A Grossack*	*Franceschetti*	*Schwartz*
—	1♠	2NT*	4♠
5♢	All Pass		

That was the routine +440.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Z Grossack	*B Drijver*	*McNay*	*Brink*
—	1♠	2NT*	4♠
6♢	All Pass		

+940 and 11IMPs.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

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

Denmark v Fredin

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Fredin	*Bilde*	*Apteker*	*Thomsen*
Pass	1♡	Dble*	1♠
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

3♠ 4+♠, 11-14

West led the ♣J and the defenders had five tricks, -50.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Askgaard	*Sylvan*	*Konow*	*Petersson*
Pass	1♡	Dble	1♠
Pass	2♠	Dble	Pass
3◇	Pass	3NT	All Pass

When South led the ♠3 East's gamble paid off – he could reach dummy with a diamond and take the club finesse for +400 and 8 IMPs.

Winter Soldiers v Apple

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Robert	*A Grossack*	*Franceschetti*	*Schwartz*
Pass	1♡	Dble	1♠
Pass	2♠	2NT	All Pass

South led the ♡Q and continued the suit, -120.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Z Grossack	*B Drijver*	*McNay*	*Brink*
Pass	1♡	Dble	Pass
2◇	Pass	2♡*	Dble*
3♣	Pass	4◇	All Pass

Dble 'Heart lead'

North followed instructions and led the ♡2! South won and returned the seven and North cashed the ♡AK and when South discarded the ♠Q he applied the coup de grace with the ♡6, promoting South's remaining queen into the setting trick. A brilliant -50 and 4 IMPs.

On the deal that followed Alon Apteker scored an overtrick in 1NT to pick up an IMP. That was enough to win the match 20-15, 11.85-8.15 VP. Fredin's total was 143.59, Denmark's 143.29. For want of an IMP the battle was lost!

It had been a terrific final day featuring a number of outstanding deals. Make sure you return in March for the next instalment!

RUNNERS UP

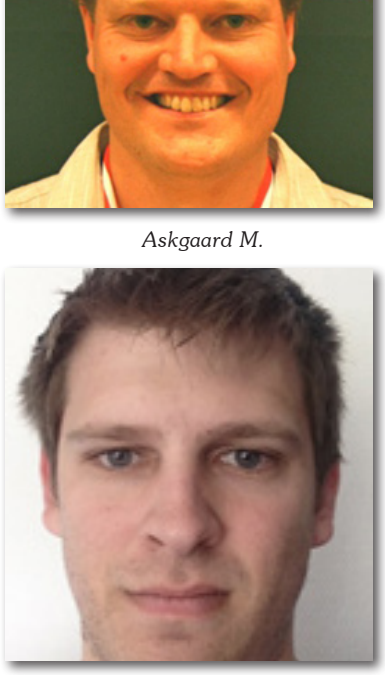
Graversen H.

Caspersen H.

Askgaard M.

Konow K.

Bilde D.



Jepsen E.

C. Bilde D.

Buus-Thomsen A.

Krojgaard N.

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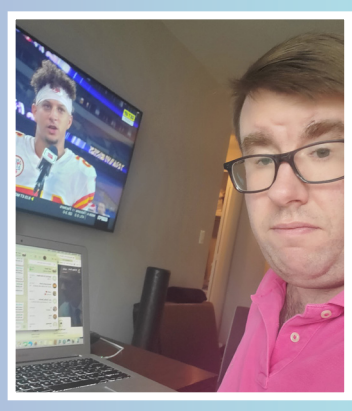

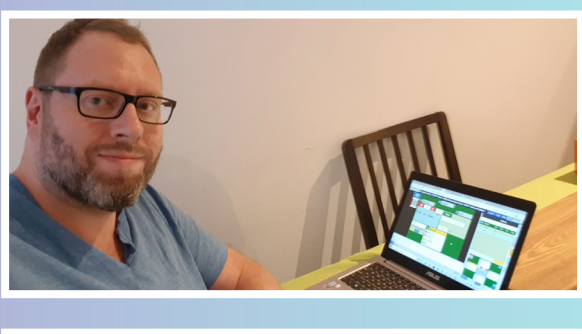

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ROUND 9

Fredin	7.82 VPs 5 IMPs	12.18 VPs 11 IMPs	FLYFALCON
Swedish Juniors	16.59 VPs 35 IMPs	3.41 VPs 12 IMPs	Germany Juniors
New Amateurs	6 VPs 3 IMPs	14 VPs 15 IMPs	Denmark
Smart Rabbit	6 VPs 6 IMPs	14 VPs 18 IMPs	Apple
Winter Soldiers	19.55 VPs 59 IMPs	0.45 VPs 16 IMPs	Seligman
Roiko	3.82 VPs 12 IMPs	16.18 VPs 33 IMPs	Moses
ECF Holding	8.5 VPs 19 IMPs	11.5 VPs 23 IMPs	Black
Harris	12.83 VPs 18 IMPs	7.17 VPs 10 IMPs	England Juniors
Ferguson	16.59 VPs 31 IMPs	3.41 VPs 8 IMPs	East - West
Netbridge	2.49 VPs 22 IMPs	17.51 VPs 50 IMPs	Tulips ++

ROUND 10

Swedish Juniors	1.7 VPs 14 IMPs	18.3 VPs 47 IMPs	Ferguson
Fredin	1.42 VPs 11 IMPs	18.58 VPs 46 IMPs	Denmark
FLYFALCON	10.39 VPs 28 IMPs	9.61 VPs 27 IMPs	New Amateurs
Apple	4.48 VPs 24 IMPs	15.52 VPs 42 IMPs	Winter Soldiers
Smart Rabbit	15.29 VPs 28 IMPs	4.71 VPs 11 IMPs	Moses
Harris	20 VPs 55 IMPs	0 VPs 2 IMPs	Tulips ++
ECF Holding	6.57 VPs 24 IMPs	13.43 VPs 34 IMPs	Germany Juniors
Roiko	7.49 VPs 17 IMPs	12.51 VPs 24 IMPs	Black
Seligman	16.78 VPs 43 IMPs	3.22 VPs 19 IMPs	Netbridge
England Juniors	3.82 VPs 10 IMPs	16.18 VPs 31 IMPs	East - West

ROUND 11

Denmark	11.14 VPs 12 IMPs	8.86 VPs 9 IMPs	Winter Soldiers
Swedish Juniors	1.29 VPs 9 IMPs	18.71 VPs 45 IMPs	Harris
FLYFALCON	2.84 VPs 2 IMPs	17.16 VPs 28 IMPs	Ferguson
Fredin	17.84 VPs 33 IMPs	2.16 VPs 3 IMPs	Germany Juniors
Smart Rabbit	10.39 VPs 18 IMPs	9.61 VPs 17 IMPs	Seligman
Apple	16.18 VPs 39 IMPs	3.82 VPs 18 IMPs	ECF Holding
New Amateurs	8.15 VPs 6 IMPs	11.85 VPs 11 IMPs	Black
Moses	10.77 VPs 13 IMPs	9.23 VPs 11 IMPs	Tulips ++
Roiko	12.83 VPs 20 IMPs	7.17 VPs 12 IMPs	East - West
England Juniors	4.48 VPs 6 IMPs	15.52 VPs 24 IMPs	Netbridge

ROUND 12

Denmark	8.15 VPs 15 IMPs	11.85 VPs 20 IMPs	Fredin
Winter Soldiers	3.22 VPs 22 IMPs	16.78 VPs 46 IMPs	Apple
Harris	9.23 VPs 24 IMPs	10.77 VPs 26 IMPs	Ferguson
Smart Rabbit	1.56 VPs 11 IMPs	18.44 VPs 45 IMPs	FLYFALCON
Swedish Juniors	12.83 VPs 21 IMPs	7.17 VPs 13 IMPs	New Amateurs
Seligman	3.82 VPs 13 IMPs	16.18 VPs 34 IMPs	Moses
Roiko	13.43 VPs 27 IMPs	6.57 VPs 17 IMPs	Black
Germany Juniors	13.72 VPs 34 IMPs	6.28 VPs 23 IMPs	ECF Holding
East - West	15.75 VPs 25 IMPs	4.25 VPs 6 IMPs	Tulips ++
Netbridge	18.3 VPs 43 IMPs	1.7 VPs 10 IMPs	England Juniors

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BUTLER RANKING

1	A. Sandin, (stridsvagn)	Swedish Juniors	2.9	10
2	W. Wang, (rosewwf)	New Amateurs	1.4	30
	Mak Kwok-fai, (Kfmak)	New Amateurs	1.4	30
4	H. Graversen, (HCDK)	Denmark	1.38	60
5	N. Saada, (natsa)	Smart Rabbit	1.37	30
6	S. Zack, (shaharz)	Smart Rabbit	1.33	40
	A. Braunstein, (rel49)	Smart Rabbit	1.33	40
8	E. McNay, (ewan)	Winter Soldiers	1.31	70
9	J. Bley, (JonasBl)	Germany Juniors	1.23	30
	H. Johannes, (jo Hannes)	Germany Juniors	1.23	30
11	Q. Robert, (ptit)	Apple	1.07	30
12	H. Caspersen, (hcasp)	Denmark	1.06	80
13	Bas Drijver, (BasDr)	Apple	0.99	120
	S. Brink, (Sjoertbr)	Apple	0.99	120
15	Z. Grossack, (germs345)	Winter Soldiers	0.91	110
16	K. Gustafsson, (Klaragust)	Swedish Juniors	0.9	70
	M. Zomer, (mczo)	Netbridge	0.9	20
	L. Verhees, (loukie)	FLYFALCON	0.9	40
19	T. Sprinkhuizen, (thibos)	FLYFALCON	0.88	50
20	R. Trendafilov, (rumen)	Harris	0.82	60
	V. Isporski, (smileyv)	Harris	0.82	60
22	K. Bouwen, (kebosporto)	Netbridge	0.8	40
	P. Fredin, (P_Fredin)	Fredin	0.8	80
24	L. Streck, (fluxo)	Germany Juniors	0.75	20
	F. Alter, (florian_a)	Germany Juniors	0.75	20
26	L. Tijssen, (luctijs)	FLYFALCON	0.74	50
27	S. Rojko, (cmrlj)	Roiko	0.7	120
	J. Lepper, (mumenrider)	Germany Juniors	0.7	20
	Tom Drijver, (tdrijverrr)	Netbridge	0.7	20
	S. Ganness, (seang)	Roiko	0.7	120
31	A. Apteker, (alonap)	Fredin	0.67	120
32	B. Van Den Bos, (Berendbs)	Ferguson	0.65	120
	J. Van Lankveld, (ennaji)	Ferguson	0.65	120
34	L. Robinson, (saba)	Winter Soldiers	0.63	60
35	T. Bern, (Xtober)	Swedish Juniors	0.6	80
36	V. Kiljan, (Vkill)	FLYFALCON	0.54	50
37	S. Root, (AsNuttyAs)	Harris	0.52	90
38	N. Igoe, (ibraves)	Harris	0.52	60
39	A. Wilson, (flyfalcon)	FLYFALCON	0.5	80
	R. Van Prooijen, (riccovp)	FLYFALCON	0.5	80
	T. Wrobbel, (timwr01)	Germany Juniors	0.5	20
	S. Rimstedt, (sandria)	Moses	0.5	40
43	I. Bareket, (bareket)	Smart Rabbit	0.47	60
44	C. Gower, (craigy52)	Fredin	0.43	30
45	G. Donner, (GDonnersc1)	Moses	0.4	80
	K. Konow, (konow)	Denmark	0.4	60
	M. Gustawsson, (Lagom)	Fredin	0.4	20
	M. Askgaard, (askgaard)	Denmark	0.4	60
49	C. Rimstedt, (CillaR)	Moses	0.3	40
	N. Apteker, (Noahapteke)	Fredin	0.3	10
51	K. Koistinen, (koistinen)	East - West	0.28	50
	V. Fagerlund, (muppe)	East - West	0.28	50
53	G. Mendes de Leon, (guymdl)	FLYFALCON	0.23	40
54	T. Tiholov, (polborta)	Harris	0.2	80
55	R. Benin Barr, (ronniebarr)	Smart Rabbit	0.18	60
56	S. Farwig, (Sven00)	Germany Juniors	0.17	30
57	W. Starkowski, (wstarkowsk)	Seligman	0.15	120
	M. Kwiecien, (michal1)	Seligman	0.15	120
59	A. Abragi, (AAbragi)	Swedish Juniors	0.14	100
60	A. Smirnov, (Smirny)	East - West	0.1	60
	N. Krojgaard, (Nkroej)	Denmark	0.1	20
	O. Farwig, (OleFarwig)	Germany Juniors	0.1	30
	M. Gundel, (Karl Heinz)	Germany Juniors	0.1	20
64	T. Lie, (Terjel)	ECF Holding	0.08	40
	E. Fasting, (mehe)	ECF Holding	0.08	40
66	O. de Haas, (olliebol)	Netbridge	0.06	50
	M. Been, (bendezz)	Netbridge	0.06	50
68	S. Barb, (leboucher)	East - West	0.05	40
69	D. Bilde, (ballebo-jr)	Denmark	0.03	60
	E. Jepsen, (emilos)	Denmark	0.03	60
71	Y. Zack, (yanivz)	Smart Rabbit	0.01	90
72	W. De Boer, (bukkum)	Ferguson	0	60
	A. Snellers, (asnellers)	Ferguson	0	60
74	D. Yang, (hyang)	New Amateurs	-0.01	100
	J. Weinstein, (jlw77)	New Amateurs	-0.01	100
76	J. Sylvan, (JoppeSyl)	Fredin	-0.03	80
	J. Becklen, (Janb)	Fredin	-0.03	40
	C. Mann, (castor01)	Fredin	-0.03	40
79	M. Macura, (uni_cicam)	East - West	-0.04	70
80	A. Lo, (aitail)	New Amateurs	-0.06	90
81	F. Asplund Sivelind, (Filip AS)	Swedish Juniors	-0.07	70
82	N. Verhoeve, (slin55)	Netbridge	-0.1	40
	M. Ia Haye, (martenha)	Netbridge	-0.1	40
	A. Goodman, (agoodman1)	Moses	-0.1	60
	K. Dwyer, (kdwyer)	Moses	-0.1	60
	A. Hutton, (adude11)	England Juniors	-0.1	30
87	Gu Jiang, (Jiang_Gu)	New Amateurs	-0.15	110
88	S. Hult, (hultahult)	Black	-0.16	80
	G. Hallberg, (rerack)	Black	-0.16	80
90	T. Teichmann, (teichi)	East - West	-0.17	30
	J. Petersson, (motvillige)	Fredin	-0.17	60
92	A. Farstad, (Kha66)	ECF Holding	-0.18	40
93	H. Hjort Warlenius, (Hwarlenius)	Swedish Juniors	-0.2	80
	J. Harris, (Jdache)	Harris	-0.2	50
	O. Powell, (kenzo13)	England Juniors	-0.2	50
96	M. Thiele, (mrxxx)	Tulips ++	-0.22	50
	R. Verdegaal, (mrs_m)	Tulips ++	-0.22	50
98	N. Evenstad, (NicolaiHE)	ECF Holding	-0.25	60
	S. Evenstad, (StianAS)	ECF Holding	-0.25	60
	P. Franceschetti, (gewd)	Apple	-0.25	120
101	A. Black, (boggis)	Black	-0.28	80
	D. Gold, (dagold)	Black	-0.28	80
103	M. Gronkvist, (Mike_G)	FLYFALCON	-0.28	50
104	S. Van Oosten, (sibrand)	East - West	-0.29	80
105	T. Moses, (hottodstl)	Moses	-0.3	100
	R. Smith, (ronsmithsf)	Moses	-0.3	100
	J. Nadel, (juliejoy)	Ferguson	-0.3	60
	B. Ferguson, (bruceferg)	Ferguson	-0.3	60
	I. Lichtenstein, (Ivarlicht)	Swedish Juniors	-0.3	70
	E. Malhasyan, (master DJ)	Harris	-0.3	80
111	D. Winter, (Dwinter)	England Juniors	-0.36	50
	S. Anoyrkatis, (wellssam)	England Juniors	-0.36	50
113	J. Vage, (JVAGE)	Tulips ++	-0.37	70
	J. Herland, (john_helge)	Tulips ++	-0.37	70
115	Justin Liu, (iwnl_jl)	England Juniors	-0.38	40
	Y. Lee, (liyh98)	England Juniors	-0.38	40
	P. Pabst, (philipp99)	Germany Juniors	-0.38	40
118	A. Grossack, (nevereast)	Winter Soldiers	-0.43	60
	M. Seligman, (mseligman)	Seligman	-0.43	120
	J. Pszczola, (pikolo)	Seligman	-0.43	120
121	S. Høyland, (sioslo)	ECF Holding	-0.44	70
122	S. Weber, (Relaxo55)	Germany Juniors	-0.45	20
	S, Bohnsack, (Pazzesco)	Germany Juniors	-0.45	20
124	E. Schwartz, (Waldorf1)	Winter Soldiers	-0.47	60
125	I. Gronkvist, (Halko)	FLYFALCON	-0.48	40
126	M. Van der Starre, (martin001)	Netbridge	-0.48	50
	M. Huber, (marijnhu)	Netbridge	-0.48	50
128	S. Pessoa, (sofiacp)	Roiko	-0.48	60
	J. Barbosa, (jbarbosa)	Roiko	-0.48	60
130	I. Cohen, (ilan13)	Smart Rabbit	-0.5	60
131	J. Ovesen, (jo-arne)	ECF Holding	-0.54	50
132	E. Eide, (bloodaxe)	ECF Holding	-0.54	70
133	D. C. Bilde, (docibi)	Denmark	-0.57	40
	A. Buus-Thomsen, (babydollDK)	Denmark	-0.57	40
135	T. Paske, (thomas1000)	Black	-0.6	80
	D. Chechelashvili, (Dato)	New Amateurs	-0.6	20
	A. McIntosh, (mcintosh)	Black	-0.6	80
138	J. Pieper, (bitshift)	Germany Juniors	-0.63	30
	V. Otto, (Viktor2000)	Germany Juniors	-0.63	30
140	K. Panchagnula, (kripster)	England Juniors	-0.67	30
141	H. Setton, (Ldase)	Apple	-0.69	90
142	S. Thoresen, (sivt)	ECF Holding	-0.7	50
143	G. Botta, (gio 89)	Winter Soldiers	-0.72	60
	D. Marker, (marker544)	Winter Soldiers	-0.72	60
145	M. Rieger, (mori0001)	Germany Juniors	-0.77	30
146	M. Litterst, (kolrabi)	Germany Juniors	-0.8	30
147	D. Tal, (danat85)	Smart Rabbit	-0.83	40
148	C. Pipi, (cinzia_it)	Roiko	-0.84	50
149	N. Lee, (leehengyou)	England Juniors	-0.87	70
	L. Ploscaru, (dandelionu)	England Juniors	-0.87	70
151	B. Levin, (Levin123)	Tulips ++	-0.89	120
	J. Jansma, (jan_jansma)	Tulips ++	-0.89	120
153	L. Assaf, (lengy)	Smart Rabbit	-0.9	20
154	R. van Mourik, (rrob)	Roiko	-0.93	60
155	D. Lavee, (Thekid1)	East - West	-1.07	30
	J. Freeman, (Jacob04)	East - West	-1.07	30
157	A. Bauer, (Only7NT)	Germany Juniors	-1.3	30
	M. Stepper, (MaNiSt)	Germany Juniors	-1.3	30
159	H. Lindeman, (basendonal)	Roiko	-1.4	10
160	A. Bremer, (arisbreem)	Netbridge	-1.42	60
	J. Van Den Hoek, (janonline)	Netbridge	-1.42	60
162	S. Thorpe, (steffff)	East - West	-1.45	20
	N. Tal, (nogatal)	Smart Rabbit	-1.45	40
164	J. Clark, (jono133)	England Juniors	-1.7	10
165	T. Gotard, (Tomi2)	East - West	-2	10
	S. Baldysz, (zofiumb)	East - West	-2	10
167	Stephen Kennedy, (GamerTabby)	England Juniors	-2.9	10

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