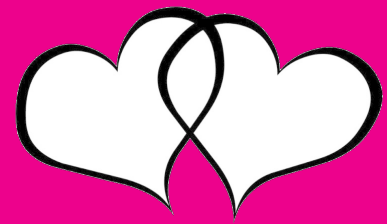


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Like Pearls on a String

Our top-3 is perfectly placed for maximum excitement in our last two matches. And the same could be said for the bottom-3...

Harris and Turnips, our 1 and 2, play each other in the last match today, leaving the Mixed Stars an excellent opportunity to overtake both. In our last Danish round all teams meet the one closest to them in the ranking. All earned VPs count in the total, which means number 3 can play 4 and still take the top spot with a solid victory.

You have as always been perfect participants. We hope to see you all back for our Christmas Special December 13-17.

May your teammates be with you.

Ranking after round 6		
rk	team	VPs
1	 HARRIS	74.93
2	 TURNIPS	73.31
3	 MIXED STARS	72.73
4	 NETTEALE	62.23
5	 SWUSA	61.20
6	 MEDIUM RARE	47.78
7	 MIXING BAG	44.38
8	 PARKER	43.44

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Today's Schedule

November 12th

10:00 EST / 16:00 CET – RR 7 (16 boards)

12:15 EST / 18:15 CET – Danish (16 boards)

























Danish: You meet the team closest to you in the ranking

Results & Schedule

Round 7

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
<u>1</u>	 <u>MIXED STARS</u>	 <u>PARKER</u>
<u>2</u>	 <u>MEDIUM RARE</u>	 <u>NETTEALE</u>
<u>3</u>	 <u>HARRIS</u>	 <u>TURNIPS</u>
<u>4</u>	 <u>MIXING BAG</u>	 <u>SWUSA</u>

Cross table by Rank

rank	team	#	 HARRIS	 TURNIPS	 MIXED STARS	 NETTEALE	 SWUSA	 MEDIUM RARE	 MIXING BAG	 PARKER	VP tot
1	 <u>HARRIS</u>	5			4.08	3.27	14.39	17.59	18.87	16.73	74.93
2	 <u>TURNIPS</u>	2			3.74	5.61	11.20	17.85	18.33	16.58	73.31
3	 <u>MIXED STARS</u>	8	15.92	16.26		17.31	11.76	5.00	6.48		72.73
4	 <u>NETTEALE</u>	1	16.73	14.39	2.69		10.61		10.61	7.20	62.23
5	 <u>SWUSA</u>	4	5.61	8.80	8.24	9.39		15.19		13.97	61.20
6	 <u>MEDIUM RARE</u>	6	2.41	2.15	15.00		4.81		17.59	5.82	47.78
7	 <u>MIXING BAG</u>	3	1.13	1.67	13.52	9.39		2.41		16.26	44.38
8	 <u>PARKER</u>	7	3.27	3.42		12.80	6.03	14.18	3.74		43.44

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The Transfer Principle



Round 5

By Mark Horton

Although my title might sound like that of an Alistair MacLean adventure it actually refers to a book written many moons ago by Brian Senior (it is worth seeking out). It feels like people have been playing transfers since the dawn of time, but they only appeared in the early 1950s before being popularized by Oswald Jacoby. Now they are an indispensable part of almost every bridge players armoury and are definitely one of the 25 Conventions you need to Know.

Board 3. Dealer South. EW Vul.

<p>♠ A 9 3 2 ♥ A 10 5 4 2 ♦ 9 5 3 ♣ K</p> <p>♠ K J ♥ K Q 6 3 ♦ A 10 8 ♣ A 10 6 4</p>	<p>♠ 8 4 ♥ 7 ♦ K Q 4 2 ♣ Q J 8 5 3 2</p> <p>♠ Q 10 7 6 5 ♥ J 9 8 ♦ J 7 6 ♣ 9 7</p>
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Mixed Stars v Harris

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Gold	Yavas	Harris	Ercan
—	—	—	Pass
1NT	2♣*	3♣	3♠
3NT	All Pass		

2♣ Majors

North led the ♠2 for the queen and king and declarer played a diamond to the king and continued with three more rounds of the suit before advancing the ♣Q. When it lost to the king the defenders cashed out, -200.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Özer	Root	de Taranto	Gross
—	—	—	Pass
1NT	2♣*	2NT*	3♠
3NT	All Pass		

2♣ Majors
2NT Lebensohl

Here West won the spade lead, cashed the ♦A, crossed to dummy with the king and ran the ♣Q, no swing.

SWUSA v Medium Rare

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Baskan	Cullin	Salhon	Michielsen
—	—	—	Pass
1NT	2♣*	2NT*	4♠
Pass	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♣	All Pass		

2♣ Majors
2NT Transfer to Clubs

North led the ♠A, cashed the ♥A and exited with the ♠2. Declarer won, ruffed a heart and ran the ♣Q, -100.



South led the ♠5 and North took dummy's jack with the ace and returned the two. (As an aside I recall many years ago a declarer who was faced with the same problem. After agonizing for some time he put up the king and lost the first five tricks. His partner promptly showed him the front of his scorecard which had a large 'jack' written on it. It was only at the end of the session that declarer spotted that the back of the card was inscribed with the word 'king'.)

Declarer did not divine the location of the ♣K, -200.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
S Rimstedt	Levin	Donner	Tunçok
—	—	—	Pass
1♣*	1♥	2♣*	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♦*	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

- 1♣ 16+
- 2♣ Natural, game forcing
- 3♦ 4+♦

North led the ♥4 for the jack and king and declarer went to dummy with the ♦K and ran the ♣Q. North won, but declarer was in control, finishing with ten tricks after North cashed her aces, +630 and 12 IMPs.

Mixing Bag v Parker

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Krefeld	Gamerman	Hammelev	Gilman
—	—	—	Pass
1♥	Pass	1NT	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Bussink	L. Madsen	Polesta	Hunt
—	—	—	Pass
1NT	2♣*	2♠	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	4♠
Dble	All Pass		

- 2♣ Majors
- 2♠ Transfer to Clubs

West led the ♠K, in principle a sound idea, but here it might have cost his side a trick. Declarer won in dummy, and rather than play a spade to the queen, he exited with the ♣K.

West won and missed the chance for a defensive brilliancy by switching to diamonds – the fourth round of the suit would promote West's ♠J and there would still be a heart to come for -500. He exited with the ♠J and declarer won and ran the ♥8. West covered the next heart and the contract was two down, -300 and an 11 IMP swing.



Thomas Paske

South led the ♠5 for the jack and ace and North returned the two. Winning with dummy's king declarer played the ♥Q and North took the ace and exited with the two. Declarer ruffed and ran the ♣J, -100 and 3 IMPs.

I was mildly surprised that no-one managed to drop the ♣K offside. The Rabbi would have been amazed!

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

Netteale v Turnips

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lorenzini	Paske	Tartarin	Nettleton
—	—	—	Pass
1NT	2♣*	2NT*	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

♠ 5 4 3	
♥ K Q 10 8	
♦ A Q 6	
♣ K 7 5	
♠ Q 6 2	♠ K 8
♥ 9 6 5 3	♥ J 4 2
♦ 9 4 2	♦ K J 5 3
♣ Q 10 6	♣ A J 8 4
	♠ A J 10 9 7
	♥ A 7
	♦ 10 8 7
	♣ 9 3 2

2♣ Majors
2NT Clubs

On a spade lead declarer went down a familiar road and finished two down, -200.

Mixed Stars v Harris

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Franceschetti	Gold	Setton
—	—	—	Pass
1NT	2♣*	3♥*	3♠
Pass	Pass	4♣	Pass
5♣	All Pass		

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Gold	Yavas	Harris	Ercan
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

2♣ Majors
3♥ 'Not sure if agreed'

West led the ♥5 for the eight, jack and ace and declarer took two more rounds of the suit pitching a club and then played a spade for the jack and queen. West returned the ♦9 for the queen and king and when declarer followed with the ten East returned the ♦3. Winning with the eight, declarer cashed the ♠A and claimed ten tricks, +170.



1NT 14-16
2♥ Transfer

After a diamond lead the play was identical to that which I have already described, +430.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
S Rimstedt	Levin	Donner	Tunçok
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Özer	Root	de Taranto	Gross
Pass	1NT*	Pass	2♥*
Pass	2♠	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

West led the ♥5 and when dummy's eight held declarer played a spade for the jack and queen. West switched to the ♦2 and East won with the jack and got off play with the ♠K. Declarer won, cashed the ♠10, unblocked the ♥A and cashed his winners, +140 but a 7 IMP loss.

1NT 14-16

East led the ♦3 and declarer won with the queen and played the ♠4 for the eight, nine and queen. When West returned the ♦4 declarer won and played a second spade, taking ten tricks, +430 and 6 IMPs.

As you can see, West needed to switch to clubs – the queen or the ten. It would have been easier if East had played the ♠K on the first round of the suit. Then West can win the third spade and get a discard from partner.

Mixing Bag v Parker

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Krefeld	Gameran	Hammelev	Gilman
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT*	Pass	2♦*
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

SWUSA v Medium Rare

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Baskan	Cullin	Salhon	Michielsen
Pass	1NT*	Pass	2♥*
Pass	2♠	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

1NT 14-16

2♦ Artificial game force

West led the ♦4 and East won with the jack and exited with the ♠8, West winning with the queen and continuing with the ♦9. Declarer took dummy's ace and played three rounds of hearts pitching a diamond, drew trumps and played a club to the king. That was -100 when it lost.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Bussink	L. Madsen	Polesta	Hunt
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

West led the ♥5 for the ten, jack and ace and declarer played two more rounds of the suit pitching a club. A spade to the nine and queen saw West switch to the ♣Q and declarer ruffed the third round of the suit and played a diamond for the queen and king, +110 and a 5 IMP pickup.

Netteale v Turnips

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lorenzini	Paske	Tartarin	Nettleton
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

West led the ♣6 and East won with the jack and returned the ♠8 for the ten and queen, West continuing with the ♣Q. When that he switched to the ♦9 and East won with the jack and cashed the ♣A. There was still a trump trick to come, +110. Declarer could have scored an overtrick by going up with dummy's ♦A.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Franceschetti	Gold	Setton
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

West led the ♥5 and declarer overtook dummy's eight, played a heart back to the king and a spade to the nine and queen. West switched to the ♣6 and when declarer put up dummy's king East won and returned the four, West taking two tricks in the suit before switching to the ♦4. East took dummy's queen with the king and tried the ♣J but declarer ruffed with the ♠10 pitching a diamond, crossed to the ♦A, pitched a diamond on the ♥Q and played a spade, +110.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

♠ A 10 7 6 5		
♥ A K 6 5		
♦ A		
♣ A 9 4		
♠ 8 4		♠ J 9
♥ J 9 7 4 3 2		♥ 10 8
♦ K 9		♦ J 8 7 3 2
♣ K 8 5		♣ J 10 7 6
		♠ K Q 3 2
		♥ Q
		♦ Q 10 6 5 4
		♣ Q 3 2

Mixed Stars v Harris

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Gold	Yavas	Harris	Ercan
—	—	Pass	Pass
Pass	1♠	Pass	2NT*
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♠
Pass	4NT*	Pass	5♣*
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

2NT Jacoby
4NT RKCB
5♣ 1/4 key cards



SWUSA v Medium Rare

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Baskan	Cullin	Salhon	Michielsen
—	—	Pass	Pass
2♥	Dble	Pass	2NT*
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

2NT Lebensohl or weak, both minors

West led the ♠8 and declarer won in dummy, played a diamond to the ace and a club for the queen and king, claiming ten tricks, +430.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
S Rimstedt	Levin	Donner	Tunçok
—	—	Pass	Pass
2♥	Dble	Pass	3♠
Pass	4NT*	Pass	5♣*
Pass	5♦*	Pass	5NT*
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

4NT RKCB

5♣ 1 key card

5♦ ♠Q ask

5NT Yes

South's 3♠ solved the problem of how to respond to the takeout double.

West led the ♣5 and declarer took dummy's ace, unblocked the ♦A, played a spade to the king, ruffed a diamond, played a heart to the queen, ruffed a diamond, cashed the ♠A and claimed all the tricks, +1010 and 11 IMPs.

East led the ♦2 and declarer won with the ace, crossed to the ♥Q, came to hand with the ♣A and pitched two clubs on the top hearts as East ruffed in with the ♠9 and exited with a diamond.

Declarer ruffed West's king, played a spade to the king and claimed, +980.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Özer	Root	de Taranto	Gross
—	—	Pass	Pass
2♥*	Dble	Pass	3♥
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

You can see North's dilemma; even if there were no concerns about the forcing nature of a 3♠ bid, if South could not support the suit the partnership would go beyond 3NT. The same problem would exist if South responds with a value showing 3♦.

East led the ♥10 and having won with dummy's queen declarer cashed five spades and then played a club for the jack, queen and king, finishing with ten tricks, +430 but a loss of 11 IMPs.

Mixing Bag v Parker

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Krefeld	Gameran	Hammelev	Gilman
—	—	Pass	Pass
2♦*	Dble	2♥*	3♦
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

2♦ Multi

2♥ Pass or correct

Declarer managed 11 tricks, +460. Perhaps South should bid 2♠ over 2♥?

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Bussink	L. Madsen	Polesta	Hunt
—	—	Pass	Pass
2♥	Dble	Pass	2NT*
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

2NT Lebensohl

Declarer took all the tricks, +510 and gained 2 IMPs.

One possibility would be for South to bid 4♥ over 3♠.

Netteale v Turnips



Hilda Setton



Diana Nettleton

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lorenzini	Paske	Tartarin	Nettleton
—	—	Pass	Pass
1♥	Dble	Pass	2♠
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

Short and sweet and +1010.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Franceschetti	Gold	Setton
—	—	Pass	Pass
2♦*	Dble	Rdbl	Pass
2♥	Dble	Pass	4♠
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

2♦ Multi, weak major, maximum 8 points
Rdbl Bid your major

Declarer had no trouble collecting all thirteen tricks for a splendid stand-off. Not a bad way to end this brief report.

Bad Break



By Toine van Hoof

On the first board of Round 4 David Gold (Netteale), Jessica Larsson (Mixed Stars) and Todor Tiholov (Harris) had to overcome a five-nill trump break. They all passed the test with flying colours.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ K 9 8 6 5	
♥ 8 7 6	
♦ A 9	
♣ J 8 7	
♠ Q 10 4 3	♠ A J 7 2
♥ K J 4 3 2	♥ Q 9
♦ K Q 7 2	♦ 10 6 3
♣ –	♣ A 9 6 2
♠ –	
♥ A 10 5	
♦ J 8 5 4	
♣ K Q 10 5 4 3	

Parker-Netteale

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Krefeld	D Gold	Hammelev
–	Pass	Pass	3♣
Dbl	4♣	4♠	All Pass

Gold ruffed the ♣K lead in dummy and advanced the ♠10, which was covered with the king. He took the ace and got the bad news of South showing out. He played the ♥Q for South's ace, won the club return with the ace and played a diamond to the king. North won and returned the ♦9 to 10, jack and queen. Gold cashed the ♥K and ♥J, discarding his last diamond, and

pushed another heart through. He over-ruffed the ♠8 with the jack, ruffed a club in dummy with the ♠4, cashed the ♠Q and finally led a heart to score the ♠7 en passant.

This gained his team 7 IMPs as EW at the other table ended up in 1NT after a 1♠ overcall by North. The contract was made with two overtricks when North led a spade.

Mixed Stars vs. Swusa

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Barron	Michielsen	Larsson	Cullin
–	Pass	1♣*	2♣
Dbl	3♣	Pass	Pass
Dbl	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	Dbl	All Pass	

1♣ 2+♣

Jay Barron must have been surprised to see 4♠ being doubled after his partner had opened the bidding and the opponents showed values in his void.

To beat 4♠ South needs to lead a diamond to arrange a ruff in that suit. Per-Ola Cullin simply led a high club and Larsson followed the same line as Gold: Ruff in West, SQ, covered by king and ace, and ♥Q to the ace. Here South shifted to a diamond which made no difference.

Marion Michielsen took the ♦K with the ace and returned the ♦9 to the queen.



Mixing Bag-Harris

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
M Gold	Schwartz	Tiholov	Robinson
–	Pass	1♦*	2♣
Dbl	3♣	Pass	Pass
Dbl	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

1♦ 10-15, 0+♦

Larsson cashed two high hearts, pitching the ♦10, and continued with the ♥4, ruffed with the 8 and overruffed with the jack. Next came the ♣A, a club ruff and another heart. Marion Michielsen was helpless. She ruffed with the ♠9 but that was her last trick: EW 590.

Tiholov ruffed the ♣Q lead and immediately drove out the ♥A. He won the club return with the ace and played a diamond to the king and the ace. North switched to the ♠5 which ran to the 10, South showing out. Declarer cashed the ♥K, pitched a diamond on the ♥J and played another heart. When North discarded a diamond, Tiholov did the same and continued with the ♦Q, ruffed with the 6 and overruffed with the 7. Having seven tricks in the bag, he ruffed a club with the ♠Q and still had the ♠A-J over the king: EW 420.

In the replay EW had a misunderstanding which took them to the five level:

At the other table a perfectly reasonable auction saw EW end up in a wrong contract:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Donner	Punch	Rimstedt	Peterkin
–	Pass	1♦*	3♣
3♥*	4♣	4♠	Pass
5♣	Pass	5♠	All Pass

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Polestra	Root	Bussink	Gross
–	Pass	Pass	1♣*
Dbl	1♠	2NT	All Pass

1♦ 10-15, 2+♦
3♥ not alerted

1♣ 2+♣

According to the system 3♥ showed five plus spades, but West obviously meant it as natural and got exited when East bid 4♠. The 5♠ contract went two off for a loss of 12 IMPs.

After the lead of the ♣K and a club continuation the contract went two light, a swing of 11 IMPs.



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