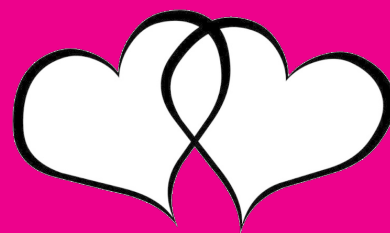


MONTHLY MIXED TEAMS



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The Bridge Universe

As initiated we have long known that the bridge world is much more than four seniors having a cup of tea with their friendly game. Players at all levels are highly competitive and the game itself is as infinite as the Universe.

Two documentaries exploring the bridge universe have surfaced the past years. Most recently [Dirty Tricks](#), portraying the battle between Lotan Fisher and the rest of the bridge world and right before Corona hit, [Aces & Knaves](#) began showings all over the world.

From May 20-31st BAMSAs (see page 6 in this bulletin) in a partnership with Aces & Knaves make it possible for you to stream the film. Assisted by stars like Zia, Boye and Bill Gates, it portrays the beauty as well as the beast of bridge - cheating.

In our own tiny spring bridge universe, Medium Rare has taken the lead among Turnips, Tulips and Alpert.



All players should enter BBO 10 minutes before the beginning of a match. TD Denis Dobrin will instruct you where to sit. All players must have their name in their BBO-profile. Private isn't allowed for the sake of opponents and kibitzers.

Today's Schedule

Wednesday May 12

10:30 EST / 16:30 CET – Round 7 (16 boards)

12:50 EST / 18:50 CET – Round 8 (16 boards)











15:10 EST / 21:10 CET – Round 9 (16 boards)

Today's Schedule


Round 7

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
<u>1</u>	 <u>YOUNG ADULTS</u>	 <u>NEW YORKERS</u>
<u>2</u>	 <u>TURNIPS</u>	 <u>MEDIUM RARE</u>
<u>3</u>	 <u>TULIPS ++</u>	 <u>PANAMERICANA</u>
<u>4</u>	 <u>PATIENTS</u>	 <u>PARKER</u>
<u>5</u>	 <u>JUST SIPPIN</u>	 <u>ALPERT</u>

Round 8

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
<u>1</u>	 <u>YOUNG ADULTS</u>	 <u>ALPERT</u>
<u>2</u>	 <u>PATIENTS</u>	 <u>JUST SIPPIN</u>
<u>3</u>	 <u>PANAMERICANA</u>	 <u>PARKER</u>
<u>4</u>	 <u>TULIPS ++</u>	 <u>MEDIUM RARE</u>
<u>5</u>	 <u>NEW YORKERS</u>	 <u>TURNIPS</u>

Round 9

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
<u>1</u>	 <u>YOUNG ADULTS</u>	 <u>PARKER</u>
<u>2</u>	 <u>JUST SIPPIN</u>	 <u>TULIPS ++</u>
<u>3</u>	 <u>ALPERT</u>	 <u>TURNIPS</u>
<u>4</u>	 <u>NEW YORKERS</u>	 <u>PATIENTS</u>
<u>5</u>	 <u>PANAMERICANA</u>	 <u>MEDIUM RARE</u>

Results

Ranking after round 6

rank	team	#	7	5	1	4	9	2	3	8	10	6	VP tot
1	MEDIUM RARE	7	♠		7.45		10.91	11.20	14.39		15.19	20.00	79.14
2	TURNIPS	5		♥		18.09	10.61	14.39	8.24	9.39	14.18		74.90
3	ALPERT	1	12.55		♦	1.23	5.82		19.16	19.07		16.26	74.09
4	TULIPS ++	4		1.91	18.77	♣	7.97		13.52		8.80	18.55	69.52
5	PATIENTS	9	9.09	9.39	14.18	12.03	♠			9.09	12.29		66.07
6	JUST SIPPIN	2	8.80	5.61				♥	7.45	15.92	14.80	6.25	58.83
7	PARKER	3	5.61	11.76	0.84	6.48		12.55	♦			18.21	55.45
8	PANAMERICANA	8		10.61	0.93		10.91	4.08		♣	10.31	8.52	45.36
9	YOUNG ADULTS	10	4.81	5.82		11.20	7.71	5.20		9.69	♠		44.43
10	NEW YORKERS	6	0.00		3.74	1.45		13.75	1.79	11.48		♥	32.21

Results

Future events

Summer Mixed Teams

June 14 - 18

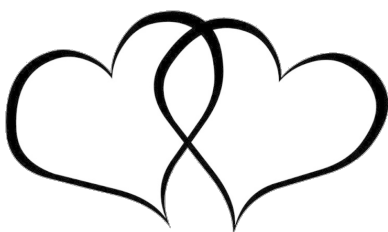
Summer Mixed Trophy
- Surprise for the winners

July 5 - 8

July Mixed Teams (4 days)

August 9 - 12

August Mixed Teams (4 days)



Registration via mmt.bridgeresults.org

A Warm Welcome

By Toine van Hoof



There will probably be some unforgiving people out there who disapprove of Cédric Lorenzini's return in the online arena, but his opponents on the first hand of the MMT VII, Jan Jansma and Betty Levin, gave him a warm welcome:

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

<p>♠ A 10 7 4 3 ♥ K J 8 5 4 ♦ J 6 2 ♣ –</p> <p>♠ K ♥ Q 6 ♦ A 10 9 ♣ A K J 9 6 4 2</p>	<p>♠ Q 8 5 2 ♥ A 10 7 3 2 ♦ 5 4 ♣ Q 8</p> <p>♠ J 9 6 ♥ 9 ♦ K Q 8 7 3 ♣ 10 7 5 3</p>
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WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
J Jansma	Tartarin	Levin	Lorenzini
–	Pass	Pass	Pass
1♣	2♦*	Pass	2♠
Dbl*	All Pass		

2♦ majors 5+/5+
Dbl good hand

Having passed in first seat Anne-Laure Tartarin had a decent 2♦ overcall to show both majors. After the obvious 2♠ by South Jansma decided to double on his 17 count and, also not unreasonably, Levin converted it into a penalty double.

Lorenzini ruffed the lead of the ♣A and played a diamond to his king, won by West with the ace. The ♦10 came back. Declarer won in hand with the queen and misquessed by playing a heart to the king.

It did not make any difference. Double dummy analysis shows that 2♠ was still cold against any defence.

Having won the ♥A Levin returned a heart which was ruffed by South. A club ruff was followed by a heart, ruffed with the jack and overruffed with the king. Jansma continued with the ♣K, ruffed in dummy with the 7 and overruffed by Levin with the 8.



This was the ending with East on lead:

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

East was forced to lead twice into dummy's tenaces. When she played a heart to the 8, Lorenzini cashed the ♥J, exited with the ♦J and claimed: plus 470.

At the other table EW reached 3NT and made ten tricks upon the lead of the ♠6: 14 IMPs to Turnips.

There were two other memorable results on this board, both in the match between Medium Rare and Just Sippin:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
A Cappelletti	Fehrenbach	M Cappelletti	Tunçok
—	1♠	Pass	2♠
3♣	3♥	3NT	4♠
5♣	Pass	Pass	Dbl
All Pass			

After the lead of the ♠A and a diamond switch Alli Cappelletti easily made eleven tricks by ruffing a diamond in dummy and discarding her heart loser on the ♠Q. Can you spot how 5♣ by West can be defeated?

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Salhon	Hinze	Baskan	Enfield
—	1♠	Pass	2♠
3♣	3♠	Pass	Pass
4♣	Pass	Pass	Dbl
All Pass			

Riva Salhon was doubled in 4♣ and got a diamond lead. She did not bother for the overtrick and scored plus 510, losing 1 IMP to 550 at the other table.

Believe it or not, exactly this same hand occurred in the Juan-les-Pins open pairs of 1977. Well, maybe the spots were different. The North cards were held by a Dutchmen who made the common error of mistaking the jack of hearts for the queen (V stands for Valet in French but for Vrouw in Dutch). So against 5♣ doubled he guilelessly led the ♥K and the contract was doomed.



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30 June: How can bridge be more inclusive?

[3A] Bridging Generations

10:00 (BST UK) / 11:00 (CEST) / 05:00 (EDT)

[3B] Gender, Sexism & Bridge

15:00 (BST UK) / 16:00 (CEST) / 10:00 (EDT)

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Panel 2 Sexism within the Game: Solutions?

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[2B] Digital Bridge & Cheating

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Panel 2 How to get more Bridge into Schools

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The Joy of Six

Round 4 & 5

By Mark Horton



In all sports there are moments that set the pulse racing and in bridge that is usually the case when you bid a slam. Both sides will be anxious - the opening lead and the appearance of dummy may heighten (or release) the tension. On day 2 of the May Mixed Teams there were no less than six deals where a slam was attempted. From round 4:

Board 2. Dealer East. NS Vul.

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

With two club losers you should avoid slam - but there is a difference between theory and practice, and you have 12 top tricks if your opponents don't find the lead.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Malakova	Franceschetti	Yaninski	Setton
—	—	1♥*	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♣*	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♥	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♠	Pass	6♥	All Pass

1♥ 5+♥, 10-15

South led the ♦2 and that meant +1010 and 11 IMPs against the game reached in the other room after 1♥-1♠-2♦-3♥-4♦-4♥.

Raluca Dobrescu and Ted Greenberg also bid a slam after 1♥-1♠-2♦-3♣*-3NT-4NT-6NT and that was worth the same 11 IMPs.

Board 5. Dealer North. NS Vul.

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



Nikolay Yaninski

The entire field bid these cards to 6NT after East (with one exception) opened 1NT. They all made 12 tricks - the popular line of play involving declarer starting the club suit with a low card to the queen and king and eventually discovering the friendly layout that meant there were three tricks in the suit.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

With both club honours outside you can score 12 tricks in 6♦ or 6NT.

Young Adults v Medium Rare

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Balci	Weiss	Dogan	Selway
—	—	—	1♦
Pass	1♥	Pass	3♦*
Pass	6NT	All Pass	

3♦ <16 HCP, shapely

East led the ♣10 which meant declarer was soon claiming, +990. In the other room South opened 3♦ and North's 3NT ended the affair, 11 IMPs changing hands.

Alpert v Tulips ++

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Alpert	Both	Versace	A Jansma
—	—	—	1♦
Pass	1♥	3♠	Pass
Pass	Dble	Pass	4♦
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♣*
Pass	5♠	Pass	6♦
All Pass			

5♣ 1 key card

Declarer probably feared bad breaks after East's preempt, but that was not the case, +920.

As Terence would have written, 'We would have murdered them in 3♠ doubled'.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
J Jansma	Hoyos	Levin	S. Molson
—	—	—	1♦
1♥	Dble	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♥*	Pass	3♦
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

I'll leave you to think about whether North was worth another move. I'll also suggest that if North were to bid 4♦ at this point there is a case for that to be RKCB.

Stewart Rubenstein and Anam Tebha also bid 6♦ via 1♦*-1♥-(2♠)-3♦-6♦ and as in the previous case that was worth 10 IMPs.

We move to round 5:

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

6♥ is just about a laydown, but only three pairs reached it.

Parker v Medium Rare

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Baroni	Fehrenbach	Donati	Tunçok
—	1♥	1♠	4♦*
Pass	4♠*	Pass	4NT*
Pass	5♦*	Pass	6♥
All Pass			

- 4♦ Splinter
- 4♠ Cue bid
- 4NT RKCB
- 5♦ 0/3 key cards

In the other room Adam Grossack and Chris Parker bid 1♥-(1♠)-2NT*-4♥ resulting in a 10 IMP swing.

Diego Brenner and Nina Benzaquen gave Panamericana 10 IMPs with their economical sequence of 1♥-4♦*-6♥ and Pierre Franceschetti and Hilda Setton also secured the swing via 1♥-(1♠)-3♠-4NT-5♦-6♥ - I suspect that 3♠ was some type of splinter showing bid, but I can't see any alerts or explanations.

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

Everyone reached a slam on this deal - but seven pairs went all in by bidding 7♠.

Young Adults v Turnips

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Selway	Franceschetti	Weiss	Setton
—	—	—	1♦
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♠
Pass	7♠	All Pass	





Hilda Setton

Declarer played in the approved fashion, winning the heart lead, cashing the ♠AK and taking three rounds of diamonds, +2210.

Closed Room

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
J Jansma	Botta	Levin	Marker
—	—	—	1♦
Pass	2♣*	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♦	Pass	3NT
Pass	6NT	All Pass	

West led the ♥J and declarer won with the ace, cashed dummy's top spades and then played three rounds of diamonds, ruffing in dummy. She could then draw trumps via the marked finesse and claim, +2210.

Clearly 2♣ was game forcing.

In the other room Erleta Plana and Sjur Nedrebø bid 1♦-1♥-1♠-4NT*-5♠*-5NT*-6♣-7♠ and West led the ♥J. Declarer won with the ace, cashed the ♠K and then played two rounds of diamonds. A second spade to dummy's ace revealed the 4-1 split and the contract could no longer be made, 20 IMPs changing hands.

West led the ♥J and declarer won with the ace and ran the ♣J, East winning with the king and returning the ♥8. Declarer won in dummy, took four rounds of spades via the marked finesse, and cashed dummy's clubs to reach a four card ending where West was down to ♥106 and ♦Q10.

Tulips v New Yorkers

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Koepfel	Thiele	Tokay	Verdegaal
—	—	—	1♦
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♦*	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
Pass	4NT*	Pass	5♠*
Pass	7♠	All Pass	

When declarer cashed the ♥Q West followed with the ten and his second ten appeared on the ♦K. When declarer continued with a diamond to the jack the contract was two down and we had another 20 IMP swing.

Had declarer won the heart lead in dummy he could have played on diamonds, keeping the club finesse in reserve.

The remaining declarer to land 7♠ was Chris Parker who won Wests club lead in dummy, cashed the top spades and then played three rounds of diamonds.

- 2♦ Game forcing relay
- 5♠ 2 key cards +♠Q

Board 9. Dealer North. EW Vul.

♠ K 10 8
 ♥ J 6
 ♦ 8 7 6 5 2
 ♣ Q 4 2

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

♠ J 6 5 2
 ♥ 7 4
 ♦ J 10 4
 ♣ K 9 6 5

6♥ is the obvious place to play, and as long as East is declarer you will also score the requisite number of tricks in 6NT. Three pairs stopped short.

Young Adults v Turnips

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Tartarin	Plana	Lorenzini	Nedrebø
—	Pass	Pass	Pass
2♣*	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♣	Pass
4♥	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♣*	Pass	5♦*	Pass
5NT*	Pass	6♥	All Pass

- 2♣ Any game force
- 2♦ Waiting
- 5♣ 1/4 key cards
- 5♦ ♥Q?
- 5NT ♥Q, no side king

North led the ♦ 5, +1430.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Selway	Franceschetti	Weiss	Setton
—	Pass	Pass	Pass
1♥	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♣*	Pass	2♦*	Pass
3♣*	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♣*	Pass	4♦*	Pass
4♠*	Pass	5♣*	Pass
6♥	All Pass		

- 2♣ 10-15 with 6+♥ or 16+
- 2♦ 8+
- 3♣ 6+♥, 16+
- 4♣ 'Cue (I hope)'
- 4♦ Cue
- 4♠ Cue
- 5♣ Cue

North led the ♦ 2 - a meritorious result for both teams.



Parker v Medium Rare

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Balci	A Grossack	Dogan	Parker
—	Pass	Pass	Pass
2♣*	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2♥	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♥	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5♣*	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♥	Pass	6NT	All Pass

- 2♣ Strong
- 2♦ Artificial
- 5♣ 1/4 key cards

South led the ♣5,+1440.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Baroni	Fehrenbach	Donati	Tunçok
—	Pass	Pass	Pass
1♥	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♣*	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2♠*	Pass	2NT*	Pass
3♥*	Pass	3♠*	Pass
4♣*	Pass	4♦*	Pass
4♠*	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5NT	Pass	6♦	Pass
6NT	All Pass		

- 2♣ Natural or any 15+
- 2♦ 8+
- 2♠ 18+
- 2NT Ask
- 3♥ 3♠, 5 or 6♥
- 3♠ Shape?
- 4♣ Maximum, 6♥
- 4♦ Cue, ♥fit
- 4♠ RKCB
- 4NT 1 key card



Ebru Balci

South led the ♦J, another honourable push.

Plaudits for the other pairs to reach 6♥, Betty Levin and Jan Jansma, Patricia Herrera and Ruben Cabrera and Nikolay Yaninski and Gergana Teneva - all of them collecting 13 IMPs.

I was going to stop typing at this point, but a colleague Skyped me with the following hand:

♠A ♥9754 ♦AKQJ4 ♣863

The player in front of you opens 4♠ - your bid? I attempted to double, but it was disallowed, as in his partnership it would be for penalties, so if you want to bid you have to start with 4NT. Partner jumps to 6♣. Your move?

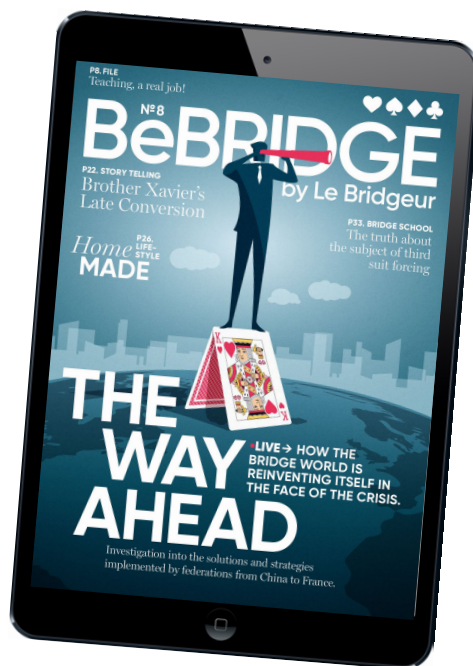
To find out what happens next tune in tomorrow (hoping I remember to conclude the story).

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