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Summer Trophy Thrillers

Swiss-winners Marlenka needed their full carryover to defeat Ale in the quarterfinals, surviving by 1.1 IMP only. The Turnips only had a 1.1 carryover finishing 4th in the Swiss, and that proved a few IMPs too little against Wilson, defeating the reigning Turnips by 2.9 IMPs.

Our other bracket was less thrilling, BAMSA beating Silla and SWUSA sending our Summer Mixed Stars home with a solid margin.

Halfway our semifinals look promising from a spectator point of view, Marlenka trailing Wilson 23.1-28 and SWUSA leading BAMSA (no, they are not related) 33.1-28.

Cheer for your favorites today on BBO with a nice cup of coffee or a cool drink (or both).



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

June 18 10:00 EDT / 16:00 CET – SF 2/2 (14 boards) 12:10 EDT / 18:10 CET – Final 1 /2 (14 boards) 14:20 EDT / 20:20 CET – Final 2/2 (14 boards)

Knock-Outs

QUARTERFINAL

team	c/o	Seg1	Sum1	Seg2	Total
	10.1	<u>29</u>	39.1	35	74.1
	0	<u>31</u>	31	<u>42</u>	73

team	c/o	Seg1	Sum1	Seg2	Total
	1.1	<u>28</u>	29.1	<u>15</u>	44.1
	0	<u>26</u>	26	21	47

team	c/o	Seg1	Sum1	Seg2	Total
	3.1	<u>36</u>	39.1	<u>43</u>	82.1
SILLA	0	<u>23</u>	23	21	44

team	c/o	Seg1	Sum1	Seg2	Total
SWUSA	6.1	<u>28</u>	34.1	37	71.1
SUMMER MIXED STARS	0	<u>35</u>	35	<u>11</u>	46

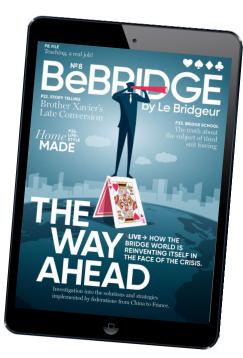
SEMIFINAL

team	c/o	Seg1	Sum1	Seg2	Total
	0.1	23	23.1		23.1
		<u>28</u>	28		28

team	c/o	Seg1	Sum1	Seg2	Total
SWUSA	0.1	<u>33</u>	33.1	2	33.1
		<u>28</u>	28		28

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In this issue

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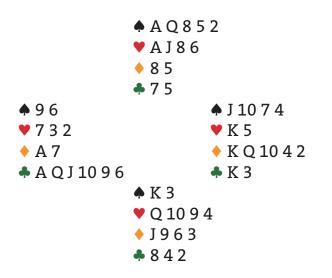
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No Quarter, asked or Given

All four quarter-finals of the Summer Mixed were hard fought as the players were faced by a number of challenging deals.

Board 2. Dealer East. NS Vul.



You can't beat 3NT, but how to reach it? With such a good suit the answer might be for West to start with a game forcing 2 response to an opening bid of 1 .

Marlenka v Ale

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Garafulic	Gold	Ravenna	Seale
_	_	1♦	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	All Pass

South led the ♥10 and North took the ace and returned the six, declarer finishing with ten tricks, +430.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Draper	Correa	Woodcock	Thoma
_	—	1 • *	Pass
2♣*	2♠	Dble*	Rdbl*
Pass	3♥	Pass	Pass
Dble*	All Pass		

By Mark Horton

1 Unbalanced
2 Game forcing, 2+
Dble Penalties
Rdbl Spade honour
Dble Penalty

East led the ♦K and switched to the ♣K, West overtaking, cashing the ♣10 and continuing with the nine. When declarer ruffed with the ♥8 East pitched the ♦2 and West took the diamond exit with the ace. A heart return saw East win with the king and play back a heart, declarer winning in dummy, ruffing a diamond with the ♥A, crossing to dummy with the ♠K, drawing the outstanding trump and claiming eight tricks, -200 but a 6 IMP pick-up.

Turnips v Wilson

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Larsson	Franceschetti	Kiljan	Setton
_	_	1♦	Pass
3 ♣ *	All Pass		

3**.** Invitational

The \clubsuit K is a great card, is it enough to advance to 3NT?

Declarer took ten tricks, +130.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lorenzini	v Prooijen	Senior	Wilson
_	_	1♦	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♣*	Pass	3NT	All Pass

3**.** Forcing

After two rounds of hearts declarer ran the clubs and when South pitched a diamond there were 12 tricks, +490 and 8 IMPs.

Bamsa v Silla

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lindstrom	Peterkin	Brekka	Punch
_	—	1♦	Pass
2♣	Dble	Pass	2♥
3♣	Pass	Pass	3♥
All Pass			

The defenders quickly cashed four tricks in the minors and the ♥K was the setting trick, -100.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Jarlvik	Saelensminde	Trendafilova	Fuglestad
_	_	1 • *	Pass
3♣*	Dble	3NT	All Pass

1 ◆ 10-13 balanced or 10-15 4+ ◆
3 ◆ 9-12 6+ ◆ inviting

South led the ♥10 and North took the ace and cashed the ♠A, South dropping the king. North could cash the ♠Q but declarer claimed the rest, +430 and 8 IMPs.



WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Gast	C Rimstedt	v Roosmalen	Dwyer
_	_	1 • *	Pass
2♠*	Dble	3♣*	All Pass

1♦	5+🔶	2 6 6 8-11 or GF
3♣	'Relav. n	othing special'

Declarer took 11 tricks, South pitching a diamond after the defenders had cashed two spades and switched to a low heart, +150.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Donner	Krefeld	S Rimstedt	Hammelev
—	_	1 • *	Pass
2♣*	Pass	2 • *	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	All Pass

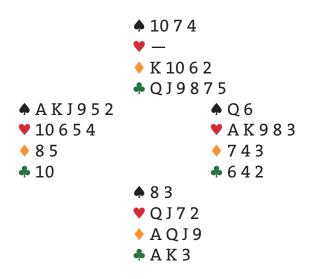
1 2+

- 2. Natural, forcing for one round
- 2 5+
- 3**+** Invitational



After two rounds of hearts South held on to all four diamonds so +430 and 7 IMPs.

Board 3. Dealer South. EW Vul.



NS can score eleven tricks in either minor, while EW might compete in hearts.

Marlenka v Ale

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Garafulic	Gold	Ravenna	Seale
—	_	_	1NT
2♥*	2NT*	3♠	Pass
Pass	4♣	All Pass	

2♥ Spades

2NT 'Asks partner to bid 3+'

That was +150.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Draper	David	Woodcock	Thoma
_	_	_	1NT*
2 •*	2NT*	3♥*	Dble
3♠	All Pass		

1NT 14+-172♦ One major2NT Clubs3♥ Pass or correct



North led the **A**Q and South overtook it with the king and played three rounds of diamonds, declarer ruffing and drawing trumps.

When South pitched a heart on the third round declarer was home, +140 and 7 IMPs changed hands.

Turnips v Wilson

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Larsson	Franceschetti	Kiljan	Setton
_	_	_	1NT

2 One major2NT Clubs3 Pass or correct

South led the ♣A and when North followed with the queen she switched to the ♥Q, North ruffing and returning the ♦6. South won, gave North a heart ruff, won the next diamond and played a third heart for a 6-0 lead in tricks, -200.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lorenzini	v Prooijen	Senior	Wilson
_	_	_	1NT*
2 ♦ *	2♠*	Dble*	3♣
3♠	4♣	All Pass	

2 Multi

2 No trump invite or ♣ DblePass or correct

3. Would accept an invite

The defenders cashed two spades, +150 and a 2 IMP swing.

Bamsa v Silla

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lindstrom	Peterkin	Brekka	Punch
_	—	1♦	Pass
1♠	3♣*	Pass	3♠*
Dble	4	All Pass	

Swusa v Summer Mixed Stars

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Gast	C Rimstedt	v Roosmalen	Dwyer
_	_	_	1NT*
2♥*	Pass	2♠*	Dble*
Pass	3♣	All Pass	

1NT 14+-17 2♥ Spades or both minors 2 Non-forcing relay

DbleTakeout

That was the standard +150.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Donner	Krefeld	S Rimstedt	Hammelev
—	—	_	1♥
1♠	Pass	1NT	Dble
2♠	4 ♣	All Pass	

3♣ 'Jump fit'

Even though South knew about the double fit it was not enough for her to advance to game, +150.

East found the threatening trump lead, but with only one entry the defenders could not prevent declarer from ruffing a spade for 11 tricks and a flat board.

Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.

982

V K 6 4

865

🗣 Q J 7 4

west Jarlvik	NORTH Saelensminde	EAST Trendafilova	souтн Fuglestad		♦ 7 ♥ 8
—	—	_	1♦		• A K Q J 10 2
1♠	2♣	2♥	Dble*		4 10 8 6 5 3
4♥	5 ♦	All Pass		 ▲ A K 10 3 ♥ A Q J 9 7 	 ▲ Q J 6 5 4 ♥ 10 5 3 2
DbleEx	tras			♦ 7 ♣ A 9 2	◆ 9 4 3 ♣ K

Expecting to find little wasted in hearts North went on to the cold game, +400 and 6 IMPs.

With the ♥K onside both major suits yield 12 tricks. With North likely to be active in the bidding perhaps the finesse is a favourite to succeed?

Marlenka v Ale

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Garafulic	Gold	Ravenna	Seale
1♥	2NT*	3♥	4♣
4♦*	5♣	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

2NT Minors 4• Cue

West led the ♠A, cashed the ♥A and then played the ♦7. Declarer won with dummy's ace and played a club, East winning and returning a diamond for West to ruff, -500.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Draper	Correa	Woodcock	Thoma
1♥	2NT*	3♥	Pass
4♥	5♠	Pass	Pass
5♥	All Pass		

2NT 🔶 + 🐥

North led the ♦A and switched to a spade, declarer winning with dummy's queen and running the ♥10, +480 an a 1 IMP loss.

Turnips v Wilson

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Larsson	Franceschetti	Kiljan	Setton
1♥	4	Pass	Pass
Dble	Pass	4♥	All Pass



North was not interested in showing his clubs, and it worked well, +480.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lorenzini	v Prooijen	Senior	Wilson
1♥	2♦	3♥	Pass
3♠	4♣	4♥	5 🔶
Dble	All Pass		

If East's 4♥ suggested that West's 3♠ bid had improved her hand then you could make a case for West to bid 6♥, but those two small clubs are a concern.

East led the ♥3 and West won with the jack, cashed the ♣A and continued with the ♣9, East ruffing and returning the ♠6. A spade and a ruff made the score line 5-0, -500 and an IMP.



Swusa v Summer Mixed Stars

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Gast	C Rimstedt	v Roosmalen	Dwyer
1♥	4	4♥	All Pass

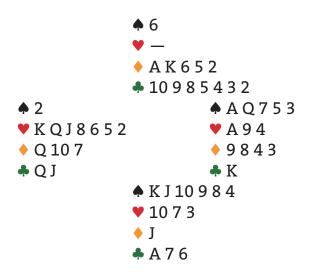
The standard +480.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Donner	Krefeld	S Rimstedt	Hammelev
1♣*	3 🔶	Pass	Pass
Dble*	Pass	4♦*	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

1**+** 16+, artificial DbleTakeout

Assuming 4 • promised both majors, West might have done more, but even if he bids 5 • it is difficult to see EW going beyond 5 •. There was no swing.

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.



Another 'major-minor' battle - would this prove to be more exciting than Board 8?

Bamsa v Silla

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lindstrom	Peterkin	Brekka	Punch
1♥	2♦	2♥	3 🔶
∆ ₩	5.	5 🕊	All Pass

Declarer rejected the heart finesse, so +450.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Jarlvik	Saelensminde	Trendafilova	Fuglestad
1♣*	4 ♣ *	Dble*	Rdbl*
Pass	4 🔶	Dble*	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

Declarer took 12 tricks and picked up an IMP.

Marlenka v Ale

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Garafulic	Gold	Ravenna	Seale
_	_	1♠	Pass
2♥	2NT*	3♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

North started with the ace, king and two of diamonds and South ruffed and cashed the **A**, -100.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Draper	David	Woodcock	Thoma
_	_	1♠	Pass
2♥*	4NT*	Pass	5♣
5♥	6♣	6♥	Dble
All Pass			

2♥ Game forcing 4NT ++

North led the \blacklozenge A and continued with the two (West had dropped the queen) South ruffing, cashing the A and exiting with a heart. There was a diamond to come. -800 and a 12 IMP loss.

Turnips v Wilson

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Larsson	Franceschetti	Kiljan	Setton
_	_	1♠	Pass
2♥	2NT*	3♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

The same defence that took 6♥ three down Three rounds of diamonds and the ♣A left was worth one down here, -100.



WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lorenzini	v Prooijen	Senior	Wilson
_	_	1	Pass
2♥	2NT*	3♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

Three rounds of diamonds (again West followed with the queen at trick one) and the A added up to a flat board.

Bamsa v Silla

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lindstrom	Peterkin	Brekka	Punch
			_
—	_	1♠	Pass

declarer with nine tricks, -100.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Jarlvik	Saelensminde	Trendafilova	Fuglestad
_	_	1	Pass
3♥*	4	4♥	All Pass

3♥ 9-12, 7+♥

North led the A for the three, jack and queen and North switched to the #10. South could win, but the essential ruff had vanished, +620 and 13 IMPs.

Swusa v Summer Mixed Stars

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Gast	C Rimstedt	v Roosmalen	Dwyer
_	_	1♠	Pass
4♥*	4NT*	5♥	6♣
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

4♥ To play

West led the \$\$2 and East took the ace and switched to the \$\$K, declarer winning and claiming 11 tricks, -200.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Donner	Krefeld	S Rimstedt	Hammelev
_	_	1♠	Pass
3♥*	4♣	4♥	5♣
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

3♥ 6+♥, invitational

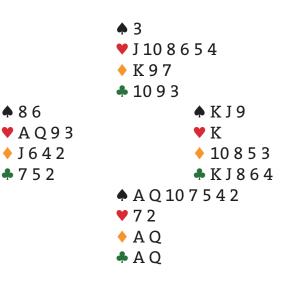
Being a level lower meant +750 and 14 IMPs.



At the end of the first half, all four matches were close, but Bamsa and Swusa had something in hand as they eliminated Silla and Summer Mixed Stars.

By the time the final deal arrived the remaining matches were still in the balance, Marlenka trailing 64-1-73 while Wilson was behind 42-44.1:

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.



Marlenka v Ale

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Poncioni	Gold	Quiroga	Seale
_	_	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

West led the ♠8 and declarer took East's king with the ace and played two more rounds of the suit, East winning and playing the ♥K. When it held he exited with the ♦5 and declarer won with the ace, cashed a couple of spades, overtook the ♦Q and played a club to the queen, +420.

If West finds a diamond lead, declarer, short of entries to dummy, should be a trick short.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Draper	Correa	Woodcock	Thoma
_	_	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2NT*
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

2NT 'Any game force or 18-19 balanced'

East led the \$6 and declarer elected to put up dummy's ace. She unblocked the diamonds, cashed the \$A, ruffed a spade and pitched the \$Q on the \$K. A club ruff was followed by a spade but West discarded the \$7 and could overruff dummy on the next round of clubs, the defenders subsequently scoring three more trump tricks for -50 and 10 match winning 1MPs.



Turnips v Wilson

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
M Grönkvist	Franceschetti	l Grönkvist	Setton
_	_	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	2♣	4♠
All Pass			

West led the \$2 and declarer won with the queen. When she continued with the \$A the defenders were sure of four tricks, -50.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lorenzini	Ticha	Senior	M de Leon
_	_	Pass	1♠

All Pass

West led the \U2244 and declarer took the ace and queen and played two rounds of spades, finishing with nine tricks, +140 and 5 IMPs that turned the match around.

There is so much drama surrounding the final deal of so many events that I'm surprised someone hasn't written a book about it.

Victim of the Day Linda Robinson



by Christina Lund Madsen

How old are you, where are you from, where do you live and who is your closest family?

- 69 years old. Grew up in and around Washington DC USA. I moved to the Boston area at age 16 and never left. Husband – Eric Schwartz, together 20 years, married 15.

Two sons plus daughters in law. Two daughters. One stepson. Three grand-daughters.

Please give us the highlights of your background excluding bridge.

- Married right after university and had 5 kids in 8 years (I was a hippie). Discovered I would need to earn a living in my late 30s and obtained an accounting degree. Entered the profession, specialized in international corporate taxation, worked for consulting firms and several multinational corporations, territory in my highest position was Asia, Africa, and Eastern Europe. Retired 8 years ago.

How have you fared during Covid?

- Very well. We were very cozy during the 15 months, got along well, improved our overall health. Had to stop traveling, but now have money for other pursuits.

How did you begin to play bridge?

- My mom taught me in middle school (Goren) to make up a fourth if one of the ladies couldn't make the game. Played a little in college. When I found myself single and middle aged started



to play duplicate and made new friends, including Eric.

How has the online bridge experience been for you?

- Playing set team games with friends of like ability is probably the most fun. In the international organized games, getting to play against and to become acquainted with world class players has been a unique opportunity to learn and make new connections. The everyday BBO games are mostly a way to fill time, like online puzzles.

What had made the biggest impression on you during the past year?

- How much I really like my husband and his daily company. But getting out again is very welcome, too.

How do you spend your time when there is no Covid?

- My main physical activity is paddling a kayak on the upper Charles River in suitable weather. My last big pre-Covid trip was a week paddling the Douro River in Portugal with a group (by day, nights were dinners at vineyards).

My other hobby is collecting mechanical watches. Mostly vintage, but a few newer ones.

And I have held Boston Red Sox (US baseball) season tickets for 35 years.

What were you like as a child?

- Chubby, awkward, academically inclined, thick glasses, unathletic. Typical nerd.

Which event has had the biggest impact on your life (personal or worldwide)?

- The death of my second child from cancer when I was 27.

How would Eric describe you in 3 words if you could not hear him?

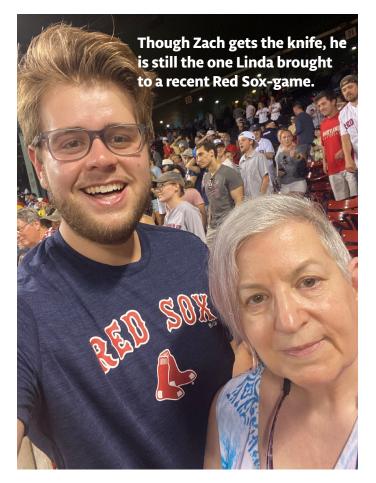
- I asked him. He said smart, loving, affectionate.

Tell us something not even your husband knows about you.

- I sang in a choir in high school.

What is your biggest regret?

- There are quite a few things I wish I had not done. But they made me who I am today.



If you were to give advice to teenagers of today, what would it be?

- It is always possible to re-invent yourself. Repeatedly, if necessary.

Who would you like to partner, kiss, kill between Adam Grossack, Zach Grossack and Jori Grossack (their mom)?

Easy. Kiss Adam (why not?), Kill Zach (but not until after Reykjavik next January
want to have a drink with some of the MMT'ers). Partner Jori (I play bridge with each of them in real life and Jori is free).

Who do you think should be a future victim in the bulletin? Tell us something you would like to know about this person.

- Ricco van Prooijen. He was the first European pro I ever met, in Hawaii, and so gracious.

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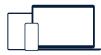




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