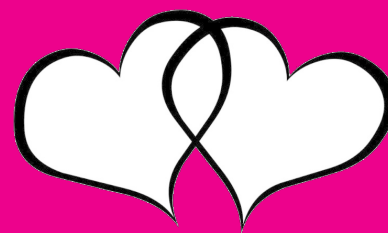


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## Excitement till the End

Never before have we had such close knockout-matches. Both semifinals were down to the last board, the English /BAMSA and Marlenka) edging out the Americans (8SWUSA and Wilson) at the end. The final was no different as BAMSA was trailing Marlenka till board 27 came up (same board decided BAMSA's SF-victory) and gave BAMSA the win. Captain Samantha Punch was thrilled after her team's victory:

"Just got off the zoom with our new pals who we'd not met before - of course, we're all delighted! Lots of things had to go right for this to happen!"



BAMSA has free entry for the next event they choose to enter. Thank you all for making the Summer Mixed Trophy special. We hope to see you during the summer or back in the fall when the weather begins to misbehave.

A special thanks to Mark Horton who has really spoiled us with his match reports this time.







# Knock-Outs

## FINAL

team	c/o	Seg1	Sum1	Seg2	Total
 <b>MARLENKA</b>	0.1	<u>35</u>	35.1	<u>17</u>	52.1
 <b>BAMSA</b>		<u>26</u>	26	<u>40</u>	66

## SEMIFINAL

team	c/o	Seg1	Sum1	Seg2	Total
 <b>MARLENKA</b>	0.1	<u>23</u>	23.1	<u>27</u>	50.1
 <b>WILSON</b>		<u>28</u>	28	<u>22</u>	50

team	c/o	Seg1	Sum1	Seg2	Total
 <b>SWUSA</b>	0.1	<u>33</u>	33.1	<u>20</u>	53.1
 <b>BAMSA</b>		<u>28</u>	28	<u>28</u>	56

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# A Perfect Game

## Semifinal 1



By Mark Horton

In both semifinals of the Summer Mixed one team started with a significant carry-over of 0.1. That meant that if they could keep their opponents off the scorecard for 28 deals (a bridge equivalent of Baseball's 'Perfect Game') they didn't need to score a single IMP themselves.

Casting that whimsical thought aside, here are three deals from the first session:

### Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

### Marlenka v Wilson

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
I Grönkvist	Woodcock	M Grönkvist	Draper
Pass	1♣*	Pass	1♠
Pass	4♦*	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

1♣ 2+♣  
4♦ Splinter, 1/0

West led the ♥4 and declarer went up with dummy's ace and played the ♠Q. When it held she played a diamond to the ace, ruffed a diamond, cashed the ♥K, ruffed a heart, ruffed a diamond and ruffed a heart with the ♠10. West overruffed and returned the ♠8 to dummy's king. The defenders could score a club and diamond, but declarer had 10 tricks, +620.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	v. Prooijen	Gold	Wilson
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	4♦*	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

West led the ♣10 for the king and ace and East switched to the 4, declarer taking the ace, ruffing a diamond and playing a spade to the nine, ten and ace, West exiting with the ♠7. Declarer won perforce in dummy and played three rounds of hearts, ruffing, ruffed a diamond and cashed the ♣Q. When she elected to continue with a heart West could overruff the ♠6 and the contract failed, -100 and 12 IMPs.

### Swusa v Bamsa

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Jarlvik	Donner	Trendafilova	S Rimstedt
Pass	1♣*	Pass	1♥*
Pass	1NT*	Pass	2♦*
Pass	2NT*	Pass	3♦
Pass	4♠	All Pass	



Gary Donner

West led the ♥4 and declarer played low from dummy, winning with the jack. She continued with the ♠J and a second spade, West winning and exiting with a spade. Ten tricks were assured and when declarer tried the diamond finesse West withheld the king so that was +650 and 13 IMPs.

**Board 8. Dealer West. None Vul.**

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

- 1♣ 16+, artificial
- 1♥ Game forcing ♠ or 11-13 balanced
- 1NT Asks
- 2♦ Bad hand with 5+♠
- 2NT Spade fit, now limited <19 or so

East led the ♥10 for the jack, queen and ace and declarer continued with a spade for the jack and ace, West switching to the ♣10 for the king and three. Declarer cashed the ♠K, played a diamond to the ace and a second club for the nine, queen and ace. The return of the ♦J was ruffed and declarer ruffed a club, played a heart to the king and ruffed a club with the ♠6. West's overruff meant declarer had to go down, -100.

**Marlenka v Wilson**

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
I Grönkvist	Woodcock	M Grönkvist	Draper
1♦	1♥	Dble*	2♥
2♠	3♥	4♥*	Pass
5♦	Pass	5♥*	Pass
5♠	All Pass		

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Michielsen	Peterkin	Cullin	Punch
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	3♦*	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

Dble4+♠  
5♥ Club cue

North led the ♣7 and declarer won with dummy's ace and ducked a round of trumps. She won the heart return, played a spade to the ace and then played on diamonds for +450.

- 3♦ Mini splinter

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	v Prooijen	Gold	Wilson
1♦	1♥	2♣	3♥*
Pass	4♥	Dble	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

ace, played a heart to the ace, ruffed a heart, ruffed a club, drew the outstanding trump and claimed, +920 and 11 IMPs. Only an impossible lead of the ♠K defeats 6♦.

### Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

### 3♥ Preemptive

A similar line of play delivered a flat board.

### Swusa v Bamsa

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Jarlvik	Donner	Trendafilova	S Rimstedt
1♦*	1♥	Dble*	2♥*
2♠	Pass	3♥*	Pass
4♣*	Pass	4♠	All Pass

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

- 1♦ 11-13 balanced or 10-15 with 4+♦
- 2♥ 'Less than constructive'
- 3♥ 'Short ♥, mild slam try in ♠'
- 4♣ Cue

### Marlenka v Wilson

North led the ♦5 and declarer won with dummy's ace, cashed the ♠A and then played a diamond to the king. North's ruff meant the defenders took three tricks, +420

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
I Grönkvist	Woodcock	M Grönkvist	Draper
—	—	Pass	Pass
1NT	Dble*	Pass*	Pass
Rdbl*	Pass	2♥*	Pass
Pass	Dble	All Pass	

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Michielsen	Peterkin	Cullin	Punch
1♦*	1♥	Dble*	2♥
2♠	3♥	4♥*	Pass
6♦	All Pass		

### Dble Penalties

Pass 'Forces redouble (to play or two suiter)  
2♥ ♥+♠  
Dble Takeout

- 1♦ 1+♦, 10-15
- Dble 4-5♠, weak if five

I recall being told that when you have both majors opposite a 1NT opening you have a better than 50% chance of finding partner with a major. With this particular hand had East elected to pass the forced redouble it would have been interesting to see what South would have done (as the cards lie 1NT by West cannot be defeated). South led the ♣2 and North won with the

North led the ♣7 and when dummy's queen held declarer ruffed a club, cashed the ♦K, overtook the ♦10 with dummy's

Andrew Woodcock



WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Jarlvik	Donner	Trendafilova	S Rimstedt
—	—	Pass	Pass
1NT*	Pass	2♣*	Pass
2♦*	Pass	2♥*	Pass
2♠	All Pass		

1NT 14-16

2♣ 'Asks for major'

2♦ No major

2♥ 4+4+ in Majors, non-forcing

2♠ prefer spades

North led the ♦J and declarer on with the ace, played a spade to the king and a heart for the king and ace. North cashed the ♠A and exited with a heart and South won and cashed another heart, North discarding the ♣5. If South now switches to the ♣J the defenders should come to eight tricks, but she played a fourth heart and declarer ruffed and could cash a diamond for six tricks, -200.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Michielsen	Peterkin	Cullin	Punch
—	—	Pass	Pass
1NT*	2♣*	All Pass	

1NT 15-16      2♣ Clubs + another

East led the ♣3 and declarer won with dummy's nine and played the ♥Q followed by a diamond. West won with the ace and returned the ♣8 to dummy's jack. The next diamond saw West win with the queen and exit with the ♣K, but declarer won and claimed nine tricks, +110 but a loss of 3 IMPs.

At the midway point Wilson led 28-23.1, while Bamsa trailed 28-33.1.

queen and played two rounds of spades. Declarer played three rounds of diamonds discarding a club from dummy, but South ruffed and returned the ♣J, missing the opportunity to give North a spade ruff. However, when declarer failed to cover South switched to the ♠10 and returned the ♦J, ruffed and overruffed by South who played another spade which meant the penalty was -800.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	van Prooijen	Gold	Wilson
1NT	All Pass	Dble*	2♥

North led the ♦6 and declarer won with the eight and played a spade to the king. Had she continued with a diamond and a second spade she would have been in a strong position, but she tried a heart and when South followed with the two (the queen is a good idea) declarer might have put in the eight, which works rather well. When she played the king North took the ace and returned the ♥4, South cashing three tricks in the suit. Declarer pitched a club from hand (nothing is better) and South's club switch meant the contract was three down, -300 but still a swing of 11 IMPs.

Swusa v Bamsa

# Close Encounters

## Semifinal 2

By Mark Horton



Both semifinals were delicately poised going into the second session.

### Board 2. Dealer East. NS Vul.

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

### Marlenka v Wilson

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
M de Leon	Woodcock	Ticha	Draper
—	—	2♦	2♥
2NT*	All Pass		

### 2NT 'Invitational + ask (I think)'

Declarer won the heart lead with the queen, crossed to dummy with the ♦A and played the ♠10 for the king and ace. He continued with the ♣Q and North won and played a second heart, so that was +240.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Larsson	Gold	Kiljan
—	—	Pass	1♥
Dble	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Declarer won the heart lead, went to dummy with the ♦A and ran the ♠10. He continued spades and after two more rounds he played on clubs for +480 and 6 IMPs.

### Swusa v Bamsa

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Brock	C Rimstedt	Myers	Dwyer
—	—	2♣*	2♥
2♠	All Pass		

### 2♣ Acol or weak 2♦ (often 5 cards)

Here declarer used dummy's entry to take a club finesse, so she took 11 tricks, +200.

If you adopt this convention, you need to agree after 2♣-(Pass) if 2♠ is forcing. You also need to know if that applies after intervention. There is nothing I can find on the convention card about 2♠, but perhaps East, with three-card support and an ace might have raised in any event.



WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Cullin	Peterkin	Michielsen	Punch
—	—	Pass	1♥
2♥*	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	4♠	All Pass

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Larsson	Gold	Kiljan
—	Pass	1♥	Dble
Pass	1NT	Pass	2NT
All Pass			

## 2♥ Spades + Clubs

Here too declarer lost a spade and a club, but +450 was worth 6 IMPs.

East cashed the ♥K and then played two rounds of spades, declarer finishing with ten tricks, +180 but losing 9 IMPs.

### Board 5. Dealer North. NS Vul.

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

### Marlenka v Wilson

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
M de Leon	Woodcock	Ticha	Draper
—	Pass	1♥	Dble
Pass	1NT	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

East led the ♥A and continued with the king and queen. When she then cashed the ♠A declarer could claim, +600.

I expect the reader can see how the contract can be defeated.

### Swusa v Bamsa

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Brock	C Rimstedt	Myers	Dwyer
—	Pass	1♥	Dble
Pass	1NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

East led the ♥K and continued with the ace, queen and ten, eventually securing the setting tricks with the ♠A and ♥2, -100.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Cullin	Peterkin	Michielsen	Punch
—	Pass	1♥	Dble
Pass	2♣	All Pass	

East cashed the ♥AK and continued with the ten, West ruffing and returning the ♠9 for the king and ace. East continued with the ♥10 and West overruffed dummy's ♣10 with the jack, East's ♣Q being the setting trick, -100 and a push.

**Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.**

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

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
M de Leon	Woodcock	Ticha	Draper
—	—	—	1♥
1♠	2NT*	3♠	4♥
4♠	5♥	Pass	Pass
Dble	All Pass		

2NT Four-card raise, invitational+'

West led the ♠7 and in due course he scored the ♦A and two clubs for -100.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Larsson	Gold	Kiljan
—	—	—	1♥
1♠	2NT*	3♠	4♥
4♠	5♥	All Pass	

2NT Invitational+ raise

That was -50 and the loss of a couple of IMPs.

**Swusa v Bamsa**

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Brock	C Rimstedt	Myers	Dwyer
—	—	—	1♥
1♠	2NT*	3♠	4♥*
4♠	5♦*	Pass	5♥
Dble	All Pass		

2NT 4+♥, invitational+  
4♥ '0-1♠ and a non minimum'  
5♦ Cue

That was a regulation -100.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Cullin	Peterkin	Michielsen	Punch
—	—	—	1♥
1♠	2NT*	3♠	Dble*
4♠	5♥	Pass	Pass
5♠	Dble	All Pass	

2NT Game forcing ♥  
DbleShort ♠

North led the ♥K and declarer ruffed and played the ♠7. When North went up with the king South had to win and switched to a club. Declarer ran that to dummy's ten, cashed the ♠8 and repeated the club finesse. After cashing the minor suit aces declarer exited with a diamond and North had to win and give up a ruff and discard, +650 and 11 IMPs.

**Board 13. Dealer North. NS Vul.**

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

**Marlenka v Wilson**

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
M de Leon	Woodcock	Ticha	Draper
—	Pass	Pass	1NT
Pass	2♣*	Pass	2♠
Pass	2NT*	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

2♣ Stayman  
2NT Invitational, non-promissory

West led the ♦7 for the eight, jack and king and declarer played four rounds of spades, both defenders pitching hearts. It was then safe to cash the diamonds and exit with the ♣K, declarer subsequently collecting the queen for +600.



Jessica Larsson

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Larsson	Gold	Kiljan
—	Pass	Pass	1NT
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

When West led the ♣4 declarer had a ninth trick, +600.

The au pair wanted to know why West had not led the ♥J?

**Swusa v Bamsa**

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Brock	C Rimstedt	Myers	Dwyer
—	Pass	Pass	1NT*
Pass	2♠*	Pass	3♣*
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

- 1NT 14+ - 17
- 2♠ Range ask or clubs
- 3♣ 'Would accept invitation to 3NT'

Following the au pairs advice West led the ♥J and continued with the ten for a rapid -200.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Cullin	Peterkin	Michielsen	Punch
—	Pass	Pass	1♦
Pass	1♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

East started with three rounds of hearts and declarer pitched a club from dummy, drew trumps and claimed, +620 and 13 IMPs that were enough to see Bamsa over the line.

In the other match Wilson led 50-46.1

**Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.**

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

**Marlenka v Wilson**

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
M de Leon	Woodcock	Ticha	Draper
—	—	1♦	2♣
2♦	2♥	2♠	Pass
Pass	3♣	3♦	All Pass



South led the ♥A and switched to the ♣J for the queen, king and ace. Declarer crossed to dummy with a heart and exited with a club, South winning and playing a third club. Declarer ruffed in dummy pitching a spade and fatally played a spade to the ten and jack. South cashed the ♠A and played a fourth club, North ruffing with the ♦K to promote South's ten, -50.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Larsson	Gold	Kiljan
—	—	1NT	Pass
2♣*	Pass	2♠	All Pass

South led the ♣J covered all round and declarer returned a club, South switching to the ♥A and a heart. Declarer won with dummy's king and played a spade to the king and ace. South continued with the ♠J and exited with a diamond for the king and ace and declarer could claim, +110 and 4 IMPs that made the carryover of 0.1 look very large.

# Winning Words

## Samantha Punch

by Christina Lund Madsen



*Samantha Punch, professor in Sociology hosting the BAMSA (Bridge - A Mind Sport for All) conference in less than two weeks and last, but not least, winner of the MMT Summer Mixed Trophy shared these words with us after her team's win last night.*

This was supposed to be a birthday (Monday) week off for me which was why we decided to enter so we could play in peace and not be juggling work at the same time.

However I was stupidly optimistic that the BAMSA conference would be all organised by now, so instead I ended up working frantically all week in between playing - going back to work after play finished most nights (except for birthday).

Luckily people stepped in to play just when they were needed most, and some days bridge seems easier than others. At one point, there was an inkling that this might just be BAMSA's week - hopefully a nice omen for the conference.

And big thanks to MMT for promoting it so well - there will be an interesting discussion around mixed versus women's bridge on day 3. (See the conference poster on the following page/ed.)

We certainly had a fair slice of luck at just the right moments - board 27 in both the semi and final turned around matches we thought were lost.



However, the main blame goes to Martin Cantor - who early on in lockdown introduced us to our new friends and teammates. Most of us hadn't played together before or ever met - we made up for it on a three hour celebratory zoom. We're guessing that digital bridge and mixed bridge are now permanent fixtures of the 'new bridge different'.

Thanks as ever for a fun and friendly tournament and thanks for doing such a great job - mixed has a bright future. 😊

# Bridging Academia, Policy and Practice

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### [3A] Bridging Generations

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### [3B] Gender, Sexism & Bridge

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

Panel 1 Women's Bridge: Pros & Cons

Panel 2 Sexism within the Game: Solutions?

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### [2A] Impact of a Global Pandemic on Bridge

11:30 (BST UK) / 12:30 (CEST) / 06:30 (EDT)

### [2B] Digital Bridge & Cheating

19:30 (BST UK) / 20:30 (CEST) / 14:30 (EDT)

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Panel 2 How to get more Bridge into Schools

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# Last of the Summer Wine

## Final

By Mark Horton



Marlenka went into the final of the Summer Mixed holding a 0.1 lead - they knew the value of that! The early exchanges saw Bamsa build up a decent lead, 26-7.1, most of that coming from a slam that was a couple of aces short of perfection.

### Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

	♠ A 3 2		
	♥ A 7		
	♦ K Q J 5 4 3 2		
	♣ Q		
♠ J 6 5		♠ 10 9 8	
♥ K Q 9 3		♥ 10 8 5 4	
♦ A 10		♦ 8	
♣ 9 6 5 4		♣ K 10 3	
	♠ K Q		
	♥ J 6 2		
	♦ 9 7 6		
	♣ A J 8 7 2		
<b>WEST</b>	<b>NORTH</b>	<b>EAST</b>	<b>SOUTH</b>
Jarlvik	Woodcock	Trendafilova	Draper
—	—	Pass	Pass
Pass	1♦	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♦
Pass	3♠	Pass	5♦
Pass	6♦	All Pass	

2♦ 5+♦, forcing for one round

East led the ♥5 and declarer won with the ace and played the ♣Q for the king and ace. The ♣J took care of the ♥7 and declarer was soon claiming, +1370.

<b>WEST</b>	<b>NORTH</b>	<b>EAST</b>	<b>SOUTH</b>
Seale	Peterkin	Gold	Punch
—	—	Pass	Pass
Pass	1♦	Pass	2♣
Pass	3♦	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

West led the ♥Q and declarer won with dummy's ace and played the ♦K. With West having the ace the contract was not in danger and the low heart return saw declarer claim 12 tricks, but lose the same number of IMPs.

### Board 12. Dealer West. NS Vul.

		♠ 9 7	
		♥ J 9 8	
		♦ J	
		♣ A 10 9 8 5 4 3	
♠ 10 4 3 2			♠ A Q J 8 6
♥ A 7 5 4			♥ K Q 6 2
♦ 10 7 5 2			♦ 4
♣ 6			♣ Q J 2
		♠ K 5	
		♥ 10 3	
		♦ A K Q 9 8 6 3	
		♣ K 7	
<b>WEST</b>	<b>NORTH</b>	<b>EAST</b>	<b>SOUTH</b>
Jarlvik	Woodcock	Trendafilova	Draper
Pass	Pass	1♠	3NT
4♠	4NT	All Pass	

West led the ♥A and continued the suit, -200.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Peterkin	Gold	Punch
Pass	Pass	1♠	2♦
3♠*	Pass	4♠	All Pass

### 3♠ 'Weakish four-card raise'

South started with the king and ace of diamonds and declarer ruffed and played the ♣Q. He was able to ruff two clubs in dummy, +420 and 6 IMPs.

#### Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Jarlvik	Woodcock	Trendafilova	Draper
—	—	Pass	Pass
Pass	1♣*	Pass	1♥
Pass	2♥	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

West led the ♦3 for the king and ace and declarer played a club, putting up dummy's king. When it held she continued with a heart for the king and ace, took the spade switch with dummy's king and



cached the ♥Q. When the jack fell declarer played safely for ten tricks, drawing the outstanding trump and playing on diamonds, +420.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Peterkin	Gold	Punch
—	—	Pass	Pass
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT
All Pass			

West led the ♦5 for the king and ace and declarer returned the jack. When it held she played a heart to the ten and jack, ducked the switch to the ♠Q, won the next spade in dummy and played the ♥Q. If West had ducked declarer would have been in trouble, but she took the ace and played a spade, declarer cashing her tricks for +90, still an 8 IMP loss.



This type of deal, where entries are a problem is always awkward to play. On this layout declarer must win the first round of spades and play the ♣J. If East wins with the queen and plays a spade declarer ducks, wins the next spade and now plays hearts. West wins the third round, but will have to surrender two tricks to declarer.

The late surge of IMPs gave Marlenka a half-time lead of 35.1-26.

**Board 15. Dealer North. None Vul.**

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

♠ Q J 9 8 6  
 ♥ 9 2  
 ♦ A Q 9 8  
 ♣ Q 3

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Jarlvik	Woodcock	Trendafilova	Draper
—	Pass	2♣*	Pass
2♥*	Pass	3♣	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

2♣ 5+♣, 11-15, if 5♣ then 4M  
 2♥ 5+♥, forcing for one round

North led the ♦2 and South took the ace and returned the eight. When the jack held declarer cashed the top clubs and claimed, +490.



Catherine Seale

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Peterkin	Gold	Punch
—	Pass	1♣*	1♠
2♦*	2♠	4♣	Pass
4♥	Pass	4♠	Pass
5♦*	Pass	6♣	All Pass

1♣ 2+♣, 2♣/4♦ possible  
 2♦ 'At least invitational with hearts'  
 5♦ Cue

South led the ♠Q and declarer played three rounds of the suit, finessing then ten and discarding a diamond. When the clubs behaved there were 12 tricks, +920 and 10 IMPs.



Fredrik Jarlvik

North led the  $\diamond A$  which simplified declarer's task. (Consider how you would play after a spade lead.) Declarer won the spade switch and ran the  $\clubsuit J$ , South winning with the queen and returning the  $\spadesuit Q$ . Declarer took dummy's ace and cashed red winners, +400.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Peterkin	Gold	Punch
—	2 $\spadesuit$	Pass	3 $\spadesuit$
4 $\heartsuit$	All Pass		

North led the  $\diamond A$  and when South followed with the seven he switched to the  $\spadesuit 10$ . Declarer won and played the  $\clubsuit J$ , running it to South's queen. That saw the defenders cross ruff in the minors for three down, -150 and an 11 IMP loss.

Now if declarer had drawn trumps..... That put Bamsa back in the match but with just two deals remaining they still trailed, 47-52.1.

**Board 27. Dealer North. All Vul.**

$\spadesuit$ K Q 5 3			
$\heartsuit$ 10 6 2			
$\diamond$ A K J 9			
$\clubsuit$ 10 9			
$\spadesuit$ A J 6 4		$\spadesuit$ 10 9 2	
$\heartsuit$ K		$\heartsuit$ 9	
$\diamond$ 10 8 6 5 4 2		$\diamond$ 7 3	
$\clubsuit$ K 8		$\clubsuit$ A Q J 6 5 4 3	
		$\spadesuit$ 8 7	
		$\heartsuit$ A Q J 8 7 5 4 3	
		$\diamond$ Q	
		$\clubsuit$ 7 2	

**Board 19. Dealer North. All Vul.**

$\spadesuit$ 10 9 7 5 4 3			
$\heartsuit$ 9 8 4			
$\diamond$ A			
$\clubsuit$ A 6 4			
$\spadesuit$ K		$\spadesuit$ A 8 2	
$\heartsuit$ A K Q J 7 6		$\heartsuit$ 3 2	
$\diamond$ K 6 5		$\diamond$ 9 4	
$\clubsuit$ J 8 7		$\clubsuit$ K 10 9 5 3 2	
		$\spadesuit$ Q J 6	
		$\heartsuit$ 10 5	
		$\diamond$ Q J 10 8 7 3 2	
		$\clubsuit$ Q	

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Jarlvik	Woodcock	Trendafilova	Draper
—	Pass	Pass	2 $\diamond^*$
Dble	Pass	3 $\clubsuit^*$	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

- 2 $\diamond$  Weak
- 3 $\clubsuit$  8-10 natural

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Jarlvik	Woodcock	Trendafilova	Draper
—	1♣*	Pass	1♥
Dble*	Pass	2♣	4♥
All Pass			

1♣ 2+♣, can be 5♦

West led the ♣K and East overtook it, cashed the queen and continued with the ♣5. That enabled West to score the ♥K and the ♠A was the setting trick, +100.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Peterkin	Gold	Punch
—	1NT*	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

1NT 12-14

West led the ♦4 and declarer won with dummy's ace and continued with the king and jack, overruffing East's ♥9, cashing the ♥A and claiming 11 tricks, +650 and 13 IMPs.

That put Bamsa ahead by 7.9.

#### Board 28. Dealer East. None Vul.

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



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WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Jarlvik	Woodcock	Trendafilova	Draper
—	—	Pass	1♦
Pass	1NT	Pass	Pass
Dble*	2♣	2♠	All Pass

2♠ was a comfortable spot and when South started with two rounds of clubs declarer ruffed and played a spade and finished with ten tricks, +170.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Seale	Peterkin	Gold	Punch
—	—	Pass	1♦
1♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

North led the ♦J and declarer won with the king and played a spade for the queen and ace. South returned the ♦7 and North ruffed and switched to the ♥7. Declarer subsequently lost a heart and a club, -50 and 6 IMPs that sealed Bamsa's win.



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