



DAILY BULLETIN

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PROGRAM FOR TODAY

11.00 Open Pairs Tournament – rounds 1-3

17.00 Open Pairs Tournament – round 4-5

21.00 Prizegiving ceremony and banquet

RESULTS

OPEN TEAMS TOURNAMENT – standing after round VII

1.MESBUR	145	15.MYKIETYN	103
2.ERIKAS	131	16.MARTA	103
3.BRENO	130	17.DAIVA	102
4.POLIRISH	127	18.VYTAS	101
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5.ESTONIA	122	20.NORTHPOL BLUES BAND	95
6.AUTOSTRADA	120	-----	
7.KALMAAR	117	21.DAUGAVA	94
8.ARUNAS	116	22.SENATOR	93
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9.CONNECTOR	113	24.DESPERADOS	92
10.APEK	113	25.KRAJEWSKI SYNTEX	89
11.GOLDBERG	109	26.JURGITA	80
12.REAL	108	27.AUSRA	80
13.ATOM-WIMPEL	108	28.SILVER STAR	74
14.JESSI	107	29.DOMINO	69

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TEAM TOURNAMENT

Each team, which will not play on Sunday, should inform the tournament director not later than today before 18.00

SYSTEM POLICY

According to the majority votes, 1♣ opening, promising two or more cards is regarding as natural, so according to EBL system policy artificial overcall of 2♦ (multi, Wilkosz), not promising the specified suit, is forbidden.

AGAINST GRAND – ALWAYS TRUMP!

Board No 24 of the Open Teams
Tournament was just taken from the
textbook:

Board 24. love all, dealer West.

	N		
	♠ Q10972		
	♥ AKQ4		
	♦ 7		
	♣ AQ7		
W		E	
♠ 865		♠ 43	
♥ 96		♥ 108732	
♦ K9643		♦ J102	
♣ K109		♣ J83	
	S		
	♠ AKJ		
	♥ J5		
	♦ AQ85		
	♣ 6542		

Imagine yourself sitting East with:
♠43♥108732 ♦J102 ♣J83
and listening to the following bidding:

W	N	E	S
Pass	1♠	pass	2♣ ¹⁾
Pass	2♥	pass	2♠
Pass	3♣	pass	3♦
Pass	3♥	pass	3♠
Pass	4NT	pass	5♣ ²⁾
Pass	7♠	pass...	

¹⁾natural or seminatural, game forcing
²⁾0-3 key cards

What is your lead?

If you are keen reader of the bridge textbooks you remember the table of the first leads against grand slams by Ely Culbertson – first position is the ace... But you lack any... Honor sequence is also recommended, but diamonds does not look promising... Third in a row is a trump.

So you lead a trump! Declarer does not look happy. Takes in a dummy and plays a club, finessing with the queen. Next he tries diamond finesse and you write one down to the bridgemate. After spade lead chances of the declarer were reduced to 25%.

What would happen if you lead a diamond? Declarer could play dummy reversal – take with the ace, ruff a diamond, enter the dummy with the spade, ruff another diamond, one more time enter the diamond with the spade and ruff the last diamond. Now heart to the jack, last trump and succesful club finesse – made. This would be 32% play...

You should be grateful to Culbertson for 16 imp gain, as your partners bid 6♠ and made it with overtrick.

TEAM ROSTERS

MAREK PL/CH/NL
M.Borewicz, B.Gaede, M.Małysa, N.Van der Gaast
MARTA PL/LT
R.Kielczewski, M.Ostrowska, J.Ostrowski, J.Poetyło, G.Poska, M.Wójcicki
MYKIETYN PL
K.Antas, W.Janicki, K.Mykietyń, S.Walerowicz
KRAJEWSKI SYNTEX PL
A.Kot, M.Krajewski, J.Marzec, K.Michalak
ERIKAS LT/PL
A.Arlovich, K.Buras, B.Chmurski, G.Narkiewicz, M.Puczyński, E.Vainikonis
ESTONIA EST
J.Aaava, M.Karpov, V.Kurig, T.Laanemae
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NOT 13, BUT TRICKY

Ryszard Kielczewski

Third round of the teams tournament. Board No 20. I am the dealer with: ♠963 ♥AK5 ♦109832 ♣Q. Not enough to open, so I pass. The same does LHO and partner opens 1♥. Now I am finding club ace, which (or rather who) has hidden himself under the queen (fe...).

RHO tries 2NT (minors) – I double, North chooses clubs. Two passes in a row and I decided to bid a heart game, disregarding the fact of the third hand opening. Putting the dummy I apologize for the bidding, but partner says something like “nothing happened”. South leads spade jack:

Board 20. both vulnerable, dealer South.

N		E	
	♠ K10743		♠ AQ82
	♥ QJ9		♥ 107643
	♦ K5		♦ 4
	♣ 764		♣ 982
S		W	
	♠ J		♠ 963
	♥ 82		♥ AK5
	♦ AQJ76		♦ 109832
	♣ KJ1053		♣ AQ

Happy partner cashes quickly two top trumps (typical “hand faster than the brain” syndrome) and finishes one down. It was not the case for the rule “who bids well must also play well”.

When I tell the story to the friends, Stanley Pająk joins the club: *“It could not happen to me. I am careful player. I always count the cards. Particularly I*

check for the aces. And the queens, of course. But it did not help me. I did not like the diamonds, so I opened 1♣. LHO 1♠, partner double. I bid my longest suit and was allowed to play it... How many down? Probably two...”

We can only regret that we did not play this board against the team of Senator. One round earlier we have reached grand slam in spades. The opponents were more conservative and stopped in six. They have got 2 well deserved imps. Look at the hands:

W	E
♠ AQJ3	♠ K1076542
♥ A85	♥ 96
♦ AJ109	♦ 5
♣ A7	♣ 983

Our road to seven was similar to the awarded in European Juniors Championships 1990 in Neumunster, presented by Russian juniors Awdejew – Marykhin. Their bidding was:

1♠ 6♠
7♠

Slam was lay down of course.

We started much more slowly and followed their road only in two last rounds of the bidding:

W	N	E	S
			pass
1♣	2♣	2♠	pass
3♣	pass	3♠	pass
4♠	pass	4BA?!	pass
5♣ ¹⁾	pass	5♠	pass
6♠	pass	7♠	pass...

¹⁾1-4

I do not know if there are some prizes for the best bid hand of the tournament, but it is not the candidate...

HOW TO BID THE SLAM?

In round 7 one of the boards was very swingy:

Board 32. EW vulnerable, dealer West.

N		E	
	♠ A9875		♠ KJ6432
	♥ -		♥ Q8762
	♦ 43		♦ J2
	♣ K107543		♣ -
W		S	
	♠ Q10		♠ -
	♥ A109		♥ KJ543
	♦ A109875		♦ KQ6
	♣ 2		♣ AQJ86

As we can see, 6♣ is lay down. But the distributional slam are not easy to bid, particularly when the opponents interfere.

In vuegraph match both pairs had the troubles. Polish pair slightly lighter...

Kholomeev	Brede	Dubinin	Strzemecki
W	N	E	S
1♦	1♠	pass	2♥
pass	2♠	pass	3♣
pass	5♣	pass...	

12 tricks and 12 imps for Polish, because in closed room NS had an accident:

McGann	Gladish	Hanlon	Krasnoselsky
W	N	E	S
1♦	2♠	pass	3♥
pass....			

That unelegant contract ended down five...

At the match between Breno and Apek Lauria-Versace had to neutralize Polish weak opening:

Nowosadzki	Lauria	Tuszyński	Versace
W	N	E	S
pass	pass	2♥ ¹⁾	pass
2NT	3♥ ²⁾	pass	3NT
pass...			

¹⁾weak twosuit with hearts

²⁾Michaels style

It was hard to visualize that North has also clubs... Nowosadzki led a heart (9). Tuszyński ducked and Versace won with the jack, crossed to the dummy with the club and played diamond towards KQ, establishing ninth trick. 600 for Breno.

At closed room Kowalski – Romański also did not find the road to slam:

Zaleski	Romański	Giubilo	Kowalski
W	N	E	S
pass	2♠ ¹⁾	pass	2NT
pass	3♣	pass	3♦ ²⁾
dbl.	4♣	pass	5♣
pass...			

¹⁾weak twosuit, spades and minor

²⁾slamish with club support

How should it be? May be Jacek should bid 4♥ after double? It would obviously sho the void. Should Apek continue with the cue bid after 4♣, hoping that partner has any red void (besides, can the void be red?)? At last, 1 imp for Apek.

The tittle question was solved by the mixede pair of Marta team – Marta and Jarek Ostrowski

Jarek	Marta
W	N
2♦ ¹⁾	pass
pass	4♠
pass	6♣
	pass...

¹⁾weak two

²⁾unspecified twosuit, good hand.

The bidding seems slightly without the brakes, but both NS players shows a good judgment to their distributional values.

Marta gained for her team 11 imps, as the opponents on the other table stopped in the game