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## Onstott Sextet Holds Narrow Lead Over Welland in Cavendish Teams

The team captained by John Onstott (Chris Compton, Jim Robison, Roger Bates, Jon Wittes, Ross Grabel) took the lead in the final match of day one when they met the then leaders, the Roy Welland team (Bjorn Fallenius, Brad Moss, Fred Gitelman, Howard Weinstein, Steve Garner), and emerged with a 26-imp victory (28-2 in VPs). Onstott finished the day with 133 VPs, just 5 ahead of Welland's 128. Just behind Welland the pack tightened up, with six teams totaling between 113 and 102 VPs. The complete match-by-match results, the final day-one standings, and the pairings for today's seventh match can be found on page 4, along with the prize awards. The auction results and team rosters are on page 3.

If you missed yesterday's wonderful opening brunch buffet, you can cut your losses by joining us at tonight's gala cocktail party beginning at 6:30. Auctioneer Chris Compton and his helpers will start the big pair auction at about 7:15, so bring your check book and damn the economy, full bids ahead!



A buffet to die for.

### Special Notice: World Bridge Productions Pairs Pre-Auction

In order to generate interest and facilitate the live WBP Pairs auction, to be held on Saturday morning, May 12, provisions have been made to accept bids prior to the start of the live auction. Here's how it will work:

Arrayed around the Registration Desk will be preliminary owners' cards for all expected participants. (Not all of these pairs may attend, but the vast majority is expected.) If you wish to bid on a pair you may do so by entering the amount of your bid on the pair's card and signing your name opposite the bid amount (minimum bid = \$1000).

These bids will be considered binding, just as if they been made in the live auction. If your bid is not topped in either the pre- or live auctions you will become the owner of the pair and have all of the attendant rights and responsibilities. Remember, each pair must buy back 10% of their purchase price and may buy back up to 40% of themselves if they are so inclined.

Please confirm your bids with the appropriate parties at the Registration Desk.

# Conditions of Contest: Expansions and Clarifications

In general, it is our intent to allow methods with which other contestants are expected to be familiar. It is also our intent to allow reasonable artificiality in auctions where the bidding side has guaranteed sufficient (high-card) values to invite game. If you have any questions about your own or your opponents' methods, the person to see is Barry Rigal.

## Schedule

Day	Time	Activity	Location
Thursday, May 10th	12:00 PM	3 <sup>rd</sup> (final) Session, Teams	Montego A, B & C
	6:30 PM	Cocktail Party	Montego D, E & F
	7:15 PM	Auction, Cavendish Pairs	Montego D, E & F
Friday, May 11th	12:30 PM	1 <sup>st</sup> Session, Pairs	Montego A, B & C
	7:30 PM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Session, Pairs	Montego A, B & C
Saturday, May 12th	10:30 AM	WBP Brunch (all invited)	St. Croix A&B
	11:00 AM	WBP Auction	St. Croix A&B
	12:30 PM	3 <sup>rd</sup> Session, Pairs	Montego A, B & C
	12:30 PM	1 <sup>st</sup> Session, WBP Pairs	Montego D, E & F
	7:30 PM	4 <sup>th</sup> Session, Pairs	Montego A, B & C
	7:30 PM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Session, WBP Pairs	Montego D, E & F
Sunday, May 13th	12:30 PM	5 <sup>th</sup> Session, Pairs	Montego A, B & C
	12:30 PM	3 <sup>rd</sup> Session, WBP Pairs	Montego D, E & F
	5:00 PM	Awards Ceremony and Closing Cocktail Party	St. Croix A&B

## A Slight Change in Plans

Those of you who were expecting George Jacobs to be the auctioneer for this year's Cavendish, as we were, probably noticed that Chris Compton's George Jacobs impersonation in yesterday's auction was not all it might have been. Well, we looked into the matter and the real reason why George is a no show this year is that on April 26, just two weeks ago today, wife Stacy gave birth to their first child (together), a

beautiful 6 lb 11 oz baby girl named Kate Nichole. All reports are that baby and mother are doing just fine, but George is a nervous wreck—hence, his absence from our festivities. (Actually, he just felt that his place was with his family at this time.) Our best wishes to Kate Nichole, Stacy, George and the rest of the Jacobs clan. We'll be expecting a full report, George, as soon as you've recovered.

## Six of the Best

by Sam Leckie

Since the Cavendish moved to Las Vegas four years ago I have attended all of them as a spectator, and I have learned much about the leading players.

As a "canny" Scot I feel that the time is right for me to cash in on my knowledge and earn myself some easy Vegas spending money. I am prepared to select six pairs against the field at even money. My six against the remaining. For anyone interested I suggest a stake of \$7, paid to me in advance. Why \$7? Well, this is equivalent to a "Scottish Fiver" and it is in fivers that I will be paying out if I lose (you will, of course, be refunded your stake in dollars). I think it only fair that as I am prepared to accept your currency the least you can do is to accept mine in return.

My six selections are (in alphabetical order, of course):

- (1) Chemla – Levy
- (2) Kwiecien – Pszczola

- (3) Levin – Weinstein
- (4) Nickel – Hamman
- (5) Rodwell – Fleisher
- (6) Weinstein – Garner

Now don't all rush me at once!

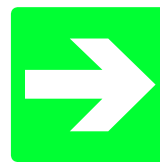
I will be available at the soft drinks and cookie table (my favorite place) half an hour before the pairs event begins. I hope to give you daily updates about my special six.

In the unlikely event that I should lose I have arranged that my pay-out will be done in conjunction with the main prize-giving ceremony. If you think that my pay-out is small fry compared to theirs just remember, mine is **real cash** with no tax deductions!

*(Caveat emptor—Ed.)*

## Cavendish Teams: Rosters and Auction Results

Team #	Members	Auction Price
1	Perry Johnson, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson	\$15,500
2	Billy Eisenberg, Sam Lev, Geir Helgemo, Zia Mahmood	\$12,500
3	Lou Ann O'Rourke, Billy Miller, Curtis Cheek, Robert Levin, Steve Weinstein	\$11,000
4	Roy Welland, Bjorn Fallenius, Brad Moss, Fred Gitelman, Howard Weinstein, Steve Garner	\$9,500
5	Piotr Gawrys, Amos Kaminski, Christian Mari, Albert Faigenbaum, Jacek Pszczola, Michel Kwiecien	
6	Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Kit Woolsey, Fred Stewart	\$9,000
7	Rose Meltzer, Peter Weichsel, Kyle Larsen, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby	\$9,000
8	Seymon Deutsch, Paul Soloway, Paul Chemla, Alain Levy, Ron Smith, Billy Cohen	\$8,500
9	Richard Schwartz, Drew Casen, Guido Ferraro, Giorgio Duboin	\$8,500
10	Onstein (NPC), Jan Jansma, Anton Maas, Vincent Ramondt, Louk Verhees	\$8,000
11	Malcolm Brachman, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold, John Mohan, Ralph Katz	\$6,500
12	George Steiner, Gaylor Kasle, Mark Lair, Bobby Wolff	\$6,500
13	Richard Finberg, Gary Cohler, Bart Bramley, Sidney Lazard, Mike Cappelletti, Jr.	\$6,000
14	John Onstott, Chris Compton, Jim Robison, Roger Bates, Jon Wittes, Ross Grabel	\$6,000
15	Steve Levinson, Barnet Shenkin, Michel Abecassis, Jean-Christophe Quantin	\$5,500
16	Chris Convery (NPC), Boye Brogeland, Ishmael Del'Monte, Ashley Bach, Mike Cornell, Craig Gower, Espen Erichsen	\$5,000
17	Michael Whitman, Grant Baze, Linda Lewis, Paul Lewis	\$4,000
18	Reese Milner, Richard Coren, Marc Jacobus, Adam Wildavsky, Robert Blanchard	\$4,000
19	Gene Freed, Jeff Olson, Pinhas Romik, Stelio DiBello	\$4,000
20	Angelini (NPC), Amadeo Llopart, Claudio Nunes, Fulvio Fantoni, Juan Ventin	\$4,000
21	Mark Feldman, Sharon Osberg, William Pollack, Rozanne Pollack	\$4,000
22	Sheila Ekeblad, Russell Ekeblad, Michael Seamon, Markland Molson	\$4,000
23	Michael Moss, Magnus Lindkvist, Bruce Ferguson, Charlton Buckley	\$4,000
24	Roberta Epstein, Brenda Jacobus, Nels Erickson, Marjorie Michelin, Carol Pincus, Mark Epstein, Vivien Cornell, Elisabeth Blackham (and a cast of thousands)	



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OF SMOKING HERE**

The Directors request that the hallway around the scoring desk outside the playing room (Montego A, B & C) be kept a smoke-free area. Anyone wishing to smoke is asked to remove themselves at least 100 feet (30 m) down the hallway in either direction.

Thank you for your cooperation

# Cavendish Teams: Standings After Day 1 (6 Matches)

(Team Rosters on p. 3)

Team #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Total	Rank
1		14							21			20		10	25								15		105	7
2	16		18				16				8	5										26			89	14
3		12		11							1							26	21		21				92	11
4			19		27			29			26			2			25								128	2
5				3		29		13	22			10								19					96	9
6					1		6						19			25		14				26			91	12
7		14				24		0							19		19				14				90	13
8				1	17		30			27	17												21		113	3
9	9				8						4								23		11			29	84	16
10								3	26		6				19						23		25		102	8
11		22	29	4				13		24		17													109	5/6
12	10	25			20						13				22							21			111	4
13						11								7		8	29				1			19	75	19
14	20			28									23			26						8	28		133	1
15	5						11			11		8				25	21								81	17
16						5							22	4	5						8			21	65	21
17				5			11						1		9			21	11						58	23
18			4			16											9		25	9				30	93	10
19			9						7								19	5		27			0		67	20
20					11					7			29					21	3					15	86	15
21			9				16		19			9				22							5		80	18
22		4				4				5			22									25		3	63	22
23	15							9						2					30				27		109	5/6
24									1				11			9		0		15				4	40	24

Match 7 pairings: 1 v 10; 2 v 7; 3 v 6; 4 v 14; 5 v 18; 8 v 12; 9 v 20; 11 v 23; 13 v 19; 15 v 21; 16 v 22; 17 v 24

## Cavendish Teams Prize Awards



	Auction	Players
1 <sup>st</sup>	\$48,856	\$16,830
2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$32,571	\$11,220
3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$23,688	\$8,160
4 <sup>th</sup>	\$17,766	\$6,120
5 <sup>th</sup>	\$14,805	\$5,100
6 <sup>th</sup>	\$10,364	\$3,570



## Entrants for the Cavendish Pairs 2001

(Based on information available at press time. This is unofficial. Updates will be published as they become available.)

Pair #	Pair #
1 Eddie Wold – John Mohan	26 Sam Lev – Geir Helgemo
2 Michel Abecasis – Jean-Christophe Quantin	27 Christian Mari – Albert Faigenbaum
3 Eric Greco – Geoff T. Hampson	28 Bill Pollack – Rozanne Pollack
4 Steve Robinson – Peter Boyd	29 Curtis Cheek – Billy Miller
5 Linda Lewis – Paul Jay Lewis	30 Chris Convery – Craig Gower
6 Ishmael Del'Monte – Neville Eber	31 Mike Passell – Malcolm Brachman
7 Ron Smith – Billy Cohen	32 Fulvio Fantoni – Claudio Nunes
8 Russ Ekeblad – Michael Seamon	33 Drew Casen – Richard Schwartz
9 Ashley Bach – Michael Cornell	34 Barnett Schenkin – Steve Levinson
10 Brad Moss – Fred Gittelman	35 Michel Kwiecien – Jacek Pszczola
11 Adam Wildavsky – Dan Morse	36 John Onstott – Chris Compton
12 Bart Bramley – Sidney Lazard	37 Zia Mahmood – Billy Eisenberg
13 Gene Freed – Jim Robison	38 Paul Chemla – Alain Levy
14 Guido Ferraro – Giorgio Duboin	39 Mark Feldman – Sharon Osberg
15 Jeff Meckstroth – Perry Johnson	40 Boye Brogland – Espen Erichsen
16 Fred Stewart – Kit Woolsey	41 Paul Soloway – Seymon Deutsch
17 Jan Jansma – Louk Verhees	42 Michael Moss – Magnus Lindkvist
18 George Jacobs – Ralph Katz	43 Mark Lair – George Steiner
19 Roy Welland – Bjorn Fallenius	44 Piotyr Gawrys – Amos Kaminski
20 Harry Tudor – Larry Robbins	45 Rose Meltzer – Peter Weichsel
21 Grant Baze – Mike Whitman	46 Bobby Wolff – Gaylor Kasle
22 Dan Mordecai – Roger Bates	47 Jon Wittes – Ross Grabel
23 Howard Weinstein – Steve Garner	48 Alfredo Versace – Valerio Guibilo
24 Nick Nickell – Bob Hamman	49 Eric Rodwell – Martin Fleisher
25 Anton Mass – Vincent Ramondt	50 Robert Levin – Steve Weinstein

## Entrants for the WBP Pairs 2001

(Based on information available at press time. This is unofficial. Updates will be published as they become available.)

1 Rob Crawford – Dan Jacob	20 Barry Schaefer – Colby Vernay
2 Jeff Roman – Glenn Lublin	21 Russ Samuel – Shawn Samuel
3 L'Ecuiller – Menachi	22 Louise Childs – Derrell Childs
4 Nell Cahn – Bill Cook	23 Amadeo Llopart – Juan Ventin
5 Mickey Friedman – Harold Lilie	24 Nels Ericksen – Marjorie Michellin
6 Lou Ann O'Rourke – Mike Cappelletti, Sr.	25 Ken Kranyak – Keith Wolff
7 Reese Milner – Marc Jacobus	26 Richie Coren – Fred Hamilton
8 David Seibert – Alan Seibert	27 Flo Rotman – Dan Rotman
9 Jill Levin – Larry Cohen	28 Bob La Fleur – Jan George
10 Wayne Chu – Fy Zhong	29 Diana Miller – H Lusky
11 Leonard Ernst – Gene Simpson	30 Bob Crossley – Roger Passat
12 Disa Cheek – Judy Wadas	31 Pinhas Romik – Stelio di Bello
13 Joe Jabon – John Garrison	32 Bill Doroshow – Nate Ward
14 Shelia Ekelblad – Mark Molson	33 Simon Kantor – Murray Melton
15 Roger Lord –	34 Petra Hamman – Nancy Passell
16 Phil Becker – Kumar Bhatia	35 Bruce Ferguson – Carlton Buckley
17 Srikanth Kodayam – Leszek Rabiega	36 Marshall Miles – Vic Chernoff
18 Lynn Baker – Irina Levitina	37 Jo Morse – Kyle Larsen
19 Cary Keller – Bob Morris	38 Ina Demme – Sheri Weinstock

# The Cavendish Teams: Day One

## Match One:

Bd: 7	♠ K3		
Dlr: South	♥ J1095		
Vul: Both	♦ Q87		
	♣ AK84		
♠ 108		♠ QJ976542	
♥ 32		♥ KQ8	
♦ KJ953		♦ A10	
♣ J1093		♣ ---	
	♠ A		
	♥ A764		
	♦ 642		
	♣ Q7652		

If you look at the N/S cards you would be happy to defend 4♠ doubled, would you not? That is what Martel and Stansby did when Alain Levy jumped to 4♠ over a 1♣ opening. Stansby doubled and led a club and conceded -790. Even on the ♠A lead South cannot get his partner in to play a second round of trumps to kill the heart ruff. That was worth 7 imps since the auction (duplicated at most tables) went:

West	North	East	South
			Pass
Pass	1♣	4♠	5♣
Pass	Pass	Dbl	All Pass

These days it seems everyone plays action doubles after preempting. It is not "done" to double for penalties, just in the same way that no one ever uses 2NT as natural any more—whatever the auction.

Bd: 8	♠ A83		
Dlr: West	♥ 1086		
Vul: None	♦ 105		
	♣ AQ874		
♠ J62		♠ K9754	
♥ AQ72		♥ KJ953	
♦ Q6		♦ A2	
♣ K1032		♣ 5	
	♠ Q10		
	♥ 4		
	♦ KJ98743		
	♣ J96		

This deal was bid to 4♥ at most tables and where I was watching Richie Schwartz had an awkward lead to make.

West	North	East	South
1♣	Pass	1♠	2♦
Dbl(1)	Rdbl(2)	4♥	All Pass

(1) Support; (2) Maximum, fewer than three diamonds

Casen as South might have contemplated doubling the final contract I suppose, and it would have been nice to be able to bid 3♣ as a fit-bid instead of doubling. But at this table since 1♣ showed only two-plus clubs there would have been a presumption that this was simply natural. Any way, Schwartz led a diamond, far from unreasonably, and that was -420. Of course 4♥ by West is far trickier, but at least one declarer found a way to make it, even on the ♦10 lead. Michael Seamon ducked the first trick in dummy and his RHO took the ♦K and returned the suit. Now he drew trumps and led a low spade from dummy and our to-remain-nameless South ducked her queen-ten doubleton and now declarer's two spade losers had been compressed into one. However, it was possible to do far better on defense, as Gower and Del'Monte showed.

Their opponents stopped in 3♥ after an auction of:

West	North	East	South
1♣	Pass	1♠	3♦
Pass	Pass	3♥	All Pass

Del'Monte led a club to the king and ace for a diamond shift. Declarer hopped up with the ♦A and drew two rounds of trumps, then passed the ♠J to Del'Monte's queen. Ishmael cashed the ♦K, then forced declarer with a club. When declarer drew the last trump and misguessed spades by leading to the ♠9 and ten another club meant two down!

## Match Two:

Bd: 12	♠ 8652		
Dlr: West	♥ A5		
Vul: N/S	♦ KQ7		
	♣ KQ54		
♠ Q		♠ A1043	
♥ Q93		♥ 10842	
♦ A10852		♦ 63	
♣ J1097		♣ A86	
	♠ KJ97		
	♥ KJ76		
	♦ J94		
	♣ 32		

Mohan and Wold took mon Helgemo and Lev in what turned out to be a very low scoring affair. However, Mohan did well to generate a partscore swing here, I thought.

West	North	East	South
<i>Wold</i>	<i>Lev</i>	<i>Mohan</i>	<i>Helgemo</i>
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

On the diamond lead to Wold's ace and a diamond back, Lev won and led a spade to the jack when life might have been a lot easier had he guessed differently. Wold won his ♠Q to give Mohan the diamond ruff, and John got off play with the ♠A and the ♠10. Lev won in dummy perforce and led a club to the king, and Mohan ducked this in perfect tempo. Now Lev decided to rely on the ♣A being onside. He crossed to the ♥K and led a club to the queen and ace, and a heart back left him without recourse. Had Mohan taken his ♣A he would have had to shift to a heart now—and Lev might well have guessed to play for the ♥Q tripleton offside.

### Match Three:

Bd: 20	♠ 82		
Dlr: West	♥ 753		
Vul: Both	♦ A109432		
	♣ AK		
♠ Q5		♠ AK97	
♥ K10982		♥ A	
♦ K8		♦ J76	
♣ 10853		♣ Q7642	
	♠ J10643		
	♥ QJ64		
	♦ Q5		
	♣ J9		

Michel Abecassis managed to play this deal in one of his side's less optimal fits (E/W do have a choice of three), but he drew a nice inference to bring home a tough partscore. He overcalled 1♦ with 1♠ and when South doubled and North rebid 2♦, this was passed around to Quantin. Jean-Christophe reopened with 2♠, when perhaps doubling would have got his side to their nine-card fit, and Michel passed, with some misgivings no doubt. In 2♠ the defense led the ♦Q, covered by the king and ace, and North cashed his two top clubs, then got out with a low heart. It looks easy to draw trumps now as you have eight tricks if trumps behave. But Abecassis inferred that South had two-two in the minors, so his actual 5-4-2-2 shape was highly likely. Accordingly, he cashed the ♦J and led another diamond. He could now overruff South's ♠6 with the queen, take two top trumps, then run his clubs to give up two trump tricks for +110.

Bd: 26	♠ A1097		
Dlr: East	♥ Q54		
Vul: Both	♦ 543		
	♣ Q102		
♠ KQ432		♠ J65	
♥ AJ9763		♥ 10	
♦ 109		♦ AQJ86	
♣ ---		♣ 9853	
	♠ 8		
	♥ K82		
	♦ K72		
	♣ AKJ764		

The leaders fought out a fascinating duel here.

West	North	East	South
<i>M. Moss</i>	<i>Molson</i>	<i>Lindkvst</i>	<i>S. Ekeblad</i>
		Pass	2♣
3♣	Pass	4♠	All Pass

On a top club lead Lindkvst ruffed and took the losing diamond finesse. Sheila Ekeblad won and returned a club and Lindkvst ruffed in dummy, then played ♥A and ruffed a heart. Now he cashed two diamonds, reducing to this ending:

	♠ A1097		
	♥ Q		
	♦ ---		
	♣ Q		
♠ KQ4		♠ J5	
♥ J97		♥ ---	
♦ ---		♦ 86	
♣ ---		♣ 98	
	♠ 8		
	♥ K		
	♦ ---		
	♣ J764		

Needing four more tricks Lindkvst tried the ♦8, but when Ekeblad ruffed in with the ♠8 stood no chance. He overruffed but Molson took his ♠A and played back a trump for down one. At the point declarer tried the ♦8 if he ruffs a club and ruffs a heart he still cannot quite do it. When he leads a card from his hand Molson gets to overruff dummy and play a trump back again for down one.

The winning line after ruffing the second club is to play ♥A and ruff a heart, go to the ♦9 and ruff a heart, cash the ♦A, ruff a club, then ruff a heart with the ♠J. At this point declarer has three club ruffs, four heart tricks and two diamond tricks in the bag, and dummy still has the ♠KQ left.

Bob Blanchard also played 4♠ on the defense of a top club lead. He ruffed and took the losing diamond finesse but here South shifted to a heart. Blanchard won his ♥A and

assumed that with South having six clubs and long hearts the right thing to do was to draw trumps. Now the four-one split took him two down.

Getting back to the Moss-Ekeblad match, how many imps did Lindkvist lose for going down in 4♠? None. He *gained* "only" 11 imps. At the other table Charlton Buckley opened 1♣ and when the next hand bid 2♣ Ferguson doubled. Now East bid only 2♠, Buckley bid 3♣, and Ferguson bid 3NT.

He won the spade lead and led the ♣10 to the ace. When he then led a low heart from dummy West took his ace and tried to cash out the spades: contract made.

Note that with the six-one heart split declarer can always make the hand—as Sharon Osberg and Mark Feldman discovered to their cost against George Steiner. In 3NT on the spade lead declarer simply won the ♠A and ran six club tricks. What is West to do? He can keep three spades and three hearts but now declarer comes down to ♠1097 ♥Q5 and a diamond. He leads a heart from dummy and whether West takes his ace or not, the defense can't take more than four tricks.

Del'Monte also played 3NT against Wittes and Grabel. He ducked the spade lead and the next one. Now Grabel had to shift to the ♦Q to beat him. When Grabel played a third spade declarer had his ninth trick.

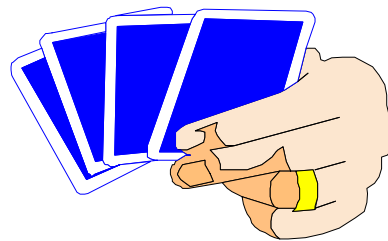
Bd: 27	♠ KJ32		
Dlr: South	♥ 9732		
Vul: None	♦ K6		
	♣ AQ8		
♠ 94		♠ A8765	
♥ K104		♥ AJ85	
♦ Q8		♦ J10	
♣ J109653		♣ 74	
	♠ Q10		
	♥ Q6		
	♦ A975432		
	♣ K2		

Lindkvist found a fine opening lead here after the auction:

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	1♥	1♠	2♦
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

As you can see, declarer is threatening to take a lot of tricks very quickly. Lindkvist found the heart lead and the defense cashed out for +50 in double-quick time. At the other table Buckley opened 3♦, Ferguson bid 3NT, and wrapped up the first eleven tricks on a spade lead. Generally, 3NT made as

often as it was defeated. But I think you have to sympathize with Weinstein and Garner here. When Weinstein opened 1♦, Garner as North chose to pretend he did not have a biddable heart suit and responded 1♠! Now when the auction reached 3NT the defense was very straightforward indeed. Regardless of the result, I feel his action was far from unreasonable—just very unsuccessful!



### Match Four:

Bd: 7	♠ 9864		
Dlr: South	♥ 104		
Vul: Both	♦ AK64		
	♣ Q95		
♠ A1073		♠ 5	
♥ K9		♥ A2	
♦ J9732		♦ Q1085	
♣ K10		♣ AJ8762	
	♠ KQJ2		
	♥ QJ87653		
	♦ ---		
	♣ 43		

What is the biggest penalty you've ever seen when you are looking at a deal that has been passed out at one table? This deal sets the record for me. Naturally, at the table where I was watching, the board was passed out when Levy made the decision not to open in third seat. At the other table Buckley and Ferguson bid:

West	North	East	South
			Pass
Pass	1♦	2♣	Dbl
Rdbl	2♠	3♣	4♠
Dbl	All Pass		

Nicely judged by Soloway-Deutsch. The play did not go well for declarer—that was a cool 1400! Since the Deutsch team only won by 8 imps (21-9 in VPs) this swing turned 12 VPs.

Weichsel-Meltzer also won their match on this deal when after P-P-1♦-2♣; 4♥, Rose Meltzer judged well to double and collect 1400.



**Match Five:**

Bd: 10	♠ J108764	
Dir: East	♥ 7	
Vul: Both	♦ K1065	
	♣ J10	
♠ AQ		♠ K95
♥ Q10864		♥ J52
♦ AJ73		♦ Q8
♣ A8		♣ K9752
	♠ 32	
	♥ AK93	
	♦ 942	
	♣ Q643	

The near-blitz that bWelland inflicted on the Deutsch team came from some good play by the Welland team and some bad luck (coupled with a spot of carelessness) for Deutsch.

The set started off with a bang for Welland when both tables declared a delicate 4♥. Fallenius won the spade lead and immediately led a heart to the jack and king. Back came a spade and Fallenius won in hand and led the ♥Q, ducked all around. He crossed to the ♣K and tried top cash the ♠K, and when this was ruffed he needed to find the ♦K on his left to make—which it was.

Chemla's line was only slightly different: He won the opening spade lead and unblocked the second spade before leading a heart to the jack. Weinstein, with no spades to lead, tried a low club to the ten and king, then pitched a diamond on the ♠K. That exposed the trump position of course, so Chemla led a heart to the eight and then tried a small diamond from hand. Garner won and led a fourth round of spades, which Chemla had to ruff in dummy as Weinstein and he threw diamonds. This was the four-card ending:

	♠ 108	
	♥ ---	
	♦ 106	
	♣ ---	
♠ ---		♠ ---
♥ Q108		♥ ---
♦ J		♦ Q
♣ ---		♣ 975
	♠ ---	
	♥ A9	
	♦ ---	
	♣ Q3	

Chemla could now have led the ♣9, after which he could have brought home his contract, but he had lost the ♣8, having played it himself at trick one! So he played a diamond from dummy and suffered a ruff for down one.

Bd: 16	♠ A74	
Dir: West	♥ AK6	
Vul: E/W	♦ Q	
	♣ Q109632	
♠ KQ832		♠ J95
♥ 108		♥ QJ93
♦ K84		♦ A765
♣ 875		♣ AJ
	♠ 106	
	♥ 7542	
	♦ J10932	
	♣ K4	

Garner and Weinstein generally had the better of the match against Chemla-Levy. Garner found an aggressive sequence to force his opponents up to an uncomfortable level, then a combination of a good lead and a slight slip by Chemla completed the good work.

West	North	East	South
<i>Chemla</i>	<i>Garner</i>	<i>Levy</i>	<i>Weinstein</i>
Pass	1♣	Dbl	Pass
2♠	2NT(1)	Pass	3♣
3♠	All Pass		

(1) Good-bad 2NT, forces 3♣

Garner did very well t start with the ♣10—the ♥K makes declarer's life rather easier I believe. When Chemla won the first club to lead the ♥Q, his fate was sealed. Garner won his ♥K and shifted to the ♦Q. He was later able to put Weinstein in with the ♣K to obtain a diamond ruff for one down. If Chemla ducks the first trick that takes Weinstein's only entry out prematurely, and if declarer guesses the location of the ♠10 he comes to nine tricks.

