

## Swiss Pairs for the Harold Poster Cup

### Final Rankings

Position		VPs	GPs
1	Tom Hanlon & Hugh McGann	206	18.75
2	Peter Crouch & John Armstrong	200	16.25
3	Andy Bowles & John Howard	198	15.00
4	David Herman & Artur Malinowski	194	13.50
5	David Clifton & Julian Mitchell	193	13.00
6	Neil Rosen & Martin Jones	192	13.00
7	Bernard Goldenfield & Rhona Goldenfield	191	12.25
8=	David Gold & David Bakhshi	189	11.25
8=	Alan Woo & Tom Townsend	189	11.00
10=	Ian Pagan & Chris Jagger	188	10.75
10=	Alan Kay & Andrew Macnair	188	10.50
12	Michelle Brunner & Bill Hirst	187	9.25
13	Filip Kurbalija & Tim Rees	185	9.25
14	Keith Bennett & Jeremy Dhondy	184	9.25
15	Alexander Allfrey & Anthony Forrester	183	8.50
16=	Andrew McIntosh & Peter Hasenson	182	8.00
16=	Miles Cowling & David Jones	182	8.25
16=	David Dickson & Mike Hill	182	8.50
19=	Madeline Lawson & John Jones	181	7.50
19=	Tim Brierley & Mike Elliott	181	7.75
19=	Alex Wilkinson & Tony Wilkinson	181	7.00
19=	Jerry Harouni & Gary Jones	181	7.25
19=	Michael Byrne & Benjy Green	181	7.75
19=	Nissan Rand & Alex Hydes	181	7.50
25=	Benjamin Paske & Ed Jones	180	6.00
25=	Jeremy Willans & Ian Draper	180	6.00
25=	Louise Solomon & Warner Solomon	180	6.00
28	Chris Chambers & Jim Gobert	179	5.50
29	Waseem Naqvi & Jerry Stamatov	178	5.75
30	Alice Kaye & Odin Svendsen	177	5.75
31=	Rebecca O'Keeffe & Ciara Burns	176	5.75
31=	Helen Erichsen & Espen Erichsen	176	5.75
31=	Michael Clark & Bryony Youngs	176	5.25
31=	Terry Walsh & Peter Goodman	176	5.50
31=	Tony Waterlow & Ian Panto	176	5.50
31=	Jon Cooke & Graham Osborne	176	5.75
31=	Steve Lee & Gad Chadha	176	5.75
38	Graham Jepson & David Musson	175	5.25
39=	Cameron Small & Martin Garvey	174	5.00
39=	Paul Fegarty & Catherine Curtis	174	5.25

41=	Alex Harding & Duncan Curtis	173	4.75
41=	Samantha Punch & Dee Harley	173	5.25
41=	Rod Oakford & Sue Oakford	173	5.00
41=	Bernie Harrison & Dave Duffy	173	5.00
41=	Ting To & Bob Rowlands	173	5.00
41=	Peter Clinch & Ian Payn	173	4.75
47=	Erik Saelensminde & Per Austberg	172	4.75
47=	David Stimson & Roger Edmonds	172	4.50
47=	Rob Trayman & Charlie Trayman	172	4.50
47=	Alan Wilson & Stuart McPhee	172	4.50
51=	Michael Pownall & Sarah Fazakerley	171	4.25
51=	Gerry Stanford & Dave Franklin	171	4.00
51=	Andrew Thompson & Tony Clark	171	4.25
51=	Susanna Gross & Gunnar Hallberg	171	4.50
55=	Kath Nelson & Steve Eginton	170	3.75
55=	Chris Dixon & Peter Czerniewski	170	4.00
55=	Jeremy Baker & Steve Auchterlonie	170	4.00
58=	Chris Cooper & Dave Cropper	169	4.00
58=	Clive Owen & John Holland	169	4.50
58=	Michael Whittaker & Roger Sweet	169	4.00
58=	John Phelan & Lucy Phelan	169	4.00
62=	Lynton Stock & Victor Silverstone	168	4.25
62=	Anna Onishuk & Karel De Raeymaeker	168	4.00
62=	Rune Hauge & Jan Svendsen	168	4.00
65=	Ashley Bach & Johnny Lenart	167	4.00
65=	Paul Huggins & Dominic Pinto	167	3.75
65=	Heather Dhondy & Rob Cliffe	167	4.00
65=	Mike Scoltock & Brian Powell	167	4.00
65=	Barry Stoker & Gordon O'Hair	167	4.00
65=	Tom Slater & Andrew Murphy	167	3.75
71=	Stephen Popham & Adrian Scheps	166	3.75
71=	David Cooper & John C Williams	166	3.75
71=	John Beard & Michael Hamon	166	4.00
74=	Philip Town & Neill Harcus	165	3.50
74=	Brady Richter & Jennifer Richter	165	3.75
74=	Mick Carrington & Lindsay Geddes	165	3.50
74=	John Williamson & Malcolm Grimston	165	3.50
74=	Stuart Davies & Paul Belsten	165	4.00
74=	Andrew Moore & Jane Moore	165	4.00
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80=	Andrew Woodcock & Catherine Draper	164	4.00
80=	Eddie Lucioni & David Moir	164	4.25
80=	Nes Charles & George Pilcher	164	4.00
80=	Keith Ashcroft & John Griffiths	164	3.75
80=	Geoff Smith & Daran Steele	164	3.50
86=	Varda Derwig & Jane Morton	163	3.50
86=	Alan Williams & Mike Wenble	163	3.75
86=	Croz Croswell & Matt Brown	163	4.00

## Today's Schedule

10.30 am	Partner Teacher Training
10.30 am	Tournament Director Training Course
2.00 pm	<b>Afternoon Knock-out Teams, Round 1</b>
2.00 pm	<b>Open Pairs</b>
7.15 pm	<b>'The Really Easy'</b> Reception/Session 1
8.00 pm	<b>Senior Pairs Qualifier</b>
8.00 pm	<b>'Play With The Experts' Pairs</b>

## Seven Clubs

We saw this deal yesterday, when we looked at the play in 6♥ and I commented that Deep Finesse assured us that 7♣ was making, though it is not clear how you would get to the grand slam.

Well, a few people did bid the grand slam in clubs, including:

### Session 2. Board 27. Dealer South. None Vul.

♠ 10 9 8 7 3 ♥ 10 ♦ J 10 5 ♣ 10 7 6 5	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ A 6 5 ♥ K J 6 2 ♦ 6 ♣ A K Q 8 2	♠ K Q J 2 ♥ Q 9 5 3 ♦ Q 9 4 3 2 ♣ —
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West	North	East	South
—	Wolfarth	—	Hyett
—	—	—	1♦
Pass	2♣	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♥
Pass	5NT	Pass	6♦
Pass	7♣	All Pass	

Geoff Wolfarth's 2♣ response was natural and game-forcing and, on finding a club fit, he continued with a natural heart bid. When Gary Hyett now raised hearts, he was known to be three-suited.

Wolfarth used Blackwood and more Blackwood, discovering that he was facing two key cards but no ♥Q, then that South held the king of diamonds. He closed proceedings with 7♣, a decent if by no means secure contract.

The opening lead was the king of spades. Wolfarth won and showed good technique by taking an immediate spade ruff. It is possible to recover after cashing a top club at trick two, but the immediate ruff is still the play that would be recommended in a book on card play technique.

Declarer continued with the ace of clubs and, when East showed out, unblocked the nine, ruffed his last spade high and led a club to his eight.

After drawing trumps, declarer ruffed out the diamonds and squeezed East in the red suits to produce a 13th trick. Plus 1440 was worth a lot of matchpoints, of course.

# Trivia Quiz 3

## Pop Music

Apologies to the junior players, to whom most of this may be a bit of a mystery. In each case, name the song and the artist.

1. Who enjoined the listener to 'Walk like an Egyptian'?
2. The character in David Bowie's 'Space Oddity' is 'Major Tom'. In what other Bowie hit does 'Major Tom' appear?
3. Who, according to the song, 'Waits at the window, wearing the face that she keeps in a jar by the door'?
4. What song begins with the lines: 'Please allow me to introduce myself, I'm a man of wealth and taste'?
5. According to the song, if, 'You can check-out any time you like, but you can never leave!', where are you?
6. Who pleads, 'So won't the real Slim Shady please stand up, please stand up, please stand up'?
7. Who sang that, 'I knew that I was out of luck The day the music died'?
8. What is, 'Down at the end of lonely street'?
9. 'They seek him here, they seek him there, in Regent Street and Leicester Square.' Who do they seek?
10. What song begins: 'My daddy left home when I was three, and he didn't leave much to ma and me, just this old guitar and an empty bottle of booze'?

## Exhibition Match

An Exhibition Match will be held on Thursday 16th and Friday 17th with both onsite vugraph and also BBO coverage. The two teams are:

- De Botton** (England): Justin and Jason Hackett, Nick Sandqvist, Artur Malinowski, npc Janet De Botton
- Hauge** (Norway): Rune Hauge, Tor Helness, Erik Saelensminde, Jan-Petter Svendsen

The 84-board match will be played in six segments of 14 boards each.

### Thursday August 16th

- 10.45 – 12.45
- 12.55 – 14.55
- 15.45 – 17.45
- 17.55 – 19.55

### Friday August 17th

- 10.45 – 12.45
- 12.55 – 14.55

# Swiss Pairs Round 13

With two rounds to play in the Swiss Pairs Championship, it was very tight at the top with several pairs still in with a realistic shot at the trophy. In the penultimate round at the top table, David Gold and David Bakhshi were up against Artur Malinowski and David Herman.

## Board 17. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ 10 7 6 3 ♥ A 5 4 3 ♦ Q J 5 2 ♣ 4	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ AK 9 2 ♥ Q 10 9 8 6 ♦ A 4 ♣ 8 6	♠ J 4 ♥ K J 2 ♦ K 10 7 ♣ K J 5 3 2
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<b>West</b> <i>Malinowski</i> – 4♥	<b>North</b> <i>Gold</i> 1♣ All Pass	<b>East</b> <i>Herman</i> 1♥	<b>South</b> <i>Bakhshi</i> 1♠									

David Gold's 1♣ opening could have been as short as a doubleton in a balanced hand outside the partnership's no trump range, and 1♠ was like a negative double but denying four or more spades.

Artur Malinowski's pre-emptive raise to game ended the auction and David Bakhshi led a passive eight of diamonds to the queen, king and ace. David Herman played a heart to the ace and a heart back. Gold won the king, cashed the ♣K and exited with the ♥J.

Herman had to lose one trick in each black suit so had +420 and 102 MPs out of 128 to E/W.

## Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ J 9 3 2 ♥ A J 5 ♦ Q 7 ♣ 9 8 4 3	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 7 6 4 ♥ 10 2 ♦ J 10 9 4 ♣ A Q J 7	♠ 10 5 ♥ K 9 ♦ A K 8 6 5 2 ♣ 6 5 2
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West	North	East	South
<i>Malinowski</i>	<i>Gold</i>	<i>Herman</i>	<i>Bakhshi</i>
–	–	Pass	1♥
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

More system from the N/S pair, with Bakhshi's 2♦ rebid showing six hearts with 13+ HCP, hence Gold was able to invite game by jumping to 3♥.

With the ace of clubs onside there is no way to stop the heart game. Malinowski led a low spade, dummy's ten winning. Bakhshi cashed the top diamonds to pitch a club then played a spade to hand to play ahead up in case there might be singleton or doubleton ace in the West hand. Malinowski played low, of course, so the ♥K won and there were two hearts and a club to be lost; +620 and 97.5 MPs to N/S. As on the previous deal, many pairs stopped short of game.

## Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ AK ♥ 8 7 6 5 2 ♦ A 10 7 ♣ Q 7 3	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 10 8 7 6 2 ♥ 10 4 ♦ 8 6 4 ♣ K 5 4	♠ J 5 3 ♥ AKQJ 9 ♦ KQJ 5 2 ♣ –
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<b>West</b> <i>Malinowski</i> – Pass	<b>North</b> <i>Gold</i> 3♥	<b>East</b> <i>Herman</i> – All Pass	<b>South</b> <i>Bakhshi</i> 3♣									

Bakhshi opened a classical pre-empt and, for the third deal in a row, the partnership wheeled out a piece of non-standard method, 3♥ being constructive but non-forcing. With a misfit, Bakhshi had a clear pass.

Herman led a diamond to Malinowski's ace and he cashed the top spades before switching to a trump. Gold went up with the ace, drew trumps and cashed out for ten tricks; +170 and 50 MPs. The defence needs to attack clubs before diamonds to set up a force if they are to get another trick.

## Today in History

On August 13th 1961, East German border guards stopped vehicles passing between East and West Berlin via the Brandenburg Gate. Barbed wire was strewn across the road – to be replaced later by the Berlin Wall.

**Board 20. Dealer West. All Vul.**

♠ A Q J 8 7 5 ♥ – ♦ 10 8 3 2 ♣ J 9 3	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ K 9 2 ♥ J 6 4 2 ♦ K Q 4 ♣ Q 10 7	♠ 10 4 ♥ A 10 8 7 5 ♦ 7 5 ♣ A 8 4 2
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West	North	East	South
<i>Malinowski</i>	<i>Gold</i>	<i>Herman</i>	<i>Bakhshi</i>
Pass	2♠	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

Gold/Bakhshi play their weak twos somewhat stronger than normal so Gold had shown 9-12 by opening 2♠ (2♦ multi would be opened with weaker hands). That explains Bakhshi's try for game with only two small spades and a weak no trump (a hand that would pass facing a normal weak two opening) but, when Gold now showed a minimum by rebidding 3♠, he called it a day.

Herman led the king of diamonds to dummy's ace and Gold immediately took a trump finesse. Though Malinowski had played the ♦7 at trick one, standard signals, herman failed to give him the diamond ruff on winning the ♠K. Instead, he switched to a heart for the king, ace and ruff. Gold drew trumps and played a diamond up. Herman won the diamond and could have held the contract to nine tricks with a passive exit but instead tried the ♣Q, which gave the tenth trick for an excellent +170 to N/S and 110 MPs.

At this point Gold/Bakhshi had a slight edge in the match but now the momentum shifted in favour of their opponents.

**Board 21. Dealer North. N/S Vul.**

♠ Q 6 5 3 ♥ A K Q 9 ♦ 10 8 ♣ A Q 2	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ A K 7 ♥ J 7 ♦ K 9 7 6 3 2 ♣ J 3	♠ J 8 2 ♥ 8 6 ♦ J 5 4 ♣ K 9 7 6 4
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West	North	East	South
<i>Malinowski</i>	<i>Gold</i>	<i>Herman</i>	<i>Bakhshi</i>
–	1♣	1♦	Dble
2♦	3♥	All Pass	

We would be almost disappointed were Gold/Bakhshi not to come up with some non-standard bid and, sure enough, here the double showed at least four hearts, so that Gold's jump to 3♥ was an invitational raise in the suit.

Though he had a fifth heart, Bakhshi was otherwise minimum and declined the invitation.

Herman led a diamond and Gold finessed the queen, drew trumps and cashed the ace of diamonds. next he led dummy's low spade and ducked it to Herman's seven.

Herman could cash two more spades but was then end-played to lead a club or give a ruff and discard, so that the position of the ♣K was irrelevant to declarer. Dummy's third club went away on the ♠Q so that was ten tricks for +170 but only 32 MPs.

**Board 22. Dealer East. E/W Vul.**

♠ J 6 4 ♥ Q J 7 4 3 ♦ Q 9 5 ♣ A J	<table border="1" style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 10 7 5 3 2 ♥ 10 6 ♦ – ♣ 9 8 7 5 3 2	♠ K Q 8 ♥ 8 5 ♦ K 8 7 3 2 ♣ K 6 4
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West	North	East	South
<i>Malinowski</i>	<i>Gold</i>	<i>Herman</i>	<i>Bakhshi</i>
–	–	Pass	1♦
1♥	Pass	INT	All Pass

One Diamond was natural, either an unbalanced hand or 18+ if balanced. Malinowski overcalled, an unattractive action on that suit but a pass looks even less attractive.

When INT came around to Gold he thought a while before passing, eventually deciding that he was not assured of a fit and it was dangerous to get involved with no card higher than a ten..

Bakhshi led the jack of diamonds and Herman played dummy's queen then returned the nine, which Bakhshi ducked. He won the next diamond, however, and switched to the queen of clubs.

Herman won the ace of clubs and cashed the jack, then played a spade to the king and ace. Bakhshi exited passively with a spade so declarer won the jack, cashed the queen of spades and king of clubs and played a heart up, ensuring one more trick for +120 and only 33 MPs to N/S.

**Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.**

♠ K 6 4 ♥ J 6 ♦ A 7 4 ♣ A Q 10 7 3	♠ Q 10 9 8 5 ♥ K Q 10 ♦ K J 6 ♣ 4 2	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%; text-align: center; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N		W	E		S	♠ A J 3 2 ♥ 9 5 3 2 ♦ Q 2 ♣ K J 9
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West	North	East	South
<i>Malinowski</i>	<i>Gold</i>	<i>Herman</i>	<i>Bakhshi</i>
—	—	—	Pass
INT	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Malinowski's INT opening was 15-17. Holding both majors, Herman used Stayman then settled for the obvious game when no fit came to light.

Gold led the ten of spades. Malinowski put in the jack then rattled off five club winners. Gold discarded ♦6, ♠5 and ♥K, while Bakhshi threw two diamonds. Declarer could see no prospect of a tenth trick from here so simply cashed out and took nine for +600 and 61 MPs to N/S.

**Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.**

♠ K 5 3 ♥ Q 8 7 6 ♦ 9 4 ♣ A 10 6 3	♠ 4 ♥ A 5 3 2 ♦ Q J 6 5 3 ♣ K 7 2	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%; text-align: center; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N		W	E		S	♠ Q J 8 6 ♥ J 4 ♦ K 10 2 ♣ J 9 8 4
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West	North	East	South
<i>Malinowski</i>	<i>Gold</i>	<i>Herman</i>	<i>Bakhshi</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	INT	All Pass	

I guess that some tables would have seen a INT opening from South and now either a heart or a club lead costs a trick. That might explain why Gold scored poorly for making what tricks he could in his normal contract.

Herman led the ♣9 to the queen and ace and back came a second club, ducked to the nine. Herman returned the ♣J to declarer's king and Gold played ace and another diamond. Herman ducked the play of the ♦Q, hoping to

be able to cut declarer off from hand, but Gold had far too much. He cleared the diamonds, won the spade switch and cashed his diamond winners so had eight tricks for +120 but only 37 MPs.

Malinowski/Herman won the match by 15-5 VPs but had slipped up in the previous round so would need a lot of luck in the last round if they were to snatch the title, as would Gold/Bakhshi.

## Bulletin Hands

There will be a Daily Bulletin every day throughout the week so please, if you come across an interesting hand from any event at the congress, give me the details and you will get your 15 minutes of fame (or, perhaps, infamy!)

# Trivia Quiz 3 Solutions

1. The Bangles – Walk Like An Egyptian
2. David Bowie – Ashes to Ashes
3. The Beatles – Eleanor Rigby
4. The Rolling Stones – Sympathy For The Devil
5. The Eagles – Hotel California
6. Eminem – The Real Slim Shady
7. Don Mclean (or Madonna, I suppose) – American Pie
8. Elvis Presley – Heartbreak Hotel
9. The Kinks – Dedicated Follower Of Fashion
10. Johnny Cash – A Boy Named Sue



**The Winners of the Swiss Pairs and the Harold Poster Cup:  
Hugh McGann and Tom Hanlon**